

DEVASTATED BY A FLOOD

Trinidad, Col., the Center of a Great Cloudburst.

RAILROAD STATION GONE.

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A terrific flood struck the city of Trinidad, Col., and the whole valley along the Las Animas river, devastating a wide section and causing a loss which will reach over \$1,000,000. So far as known there was no loss of life, but several persons are missing. Every bridge in the city of Trinidad is out. The Santa Fe station is demolished, all of the railroads are tied up and the telephone and telegraphic service are completely suspended. More than 30 city blocks in the residence and business portions were from two to four feet under water along the river.

The flood was caused by a heavy rain which had been falling for two days. The new Banca hotel, a two-story structure just nearing completion at a cost of \$20,000, on the river bank was destroyed. The water then ate its way through 50 feet of ground to the Santa Fe depot, which was carried away. The Cardenas hotel adjoining barely escaped a similar fate, an acre of ground being washed away near it. The Rio Grande bridge at Elmore is out and the Santa Fe right-of-way in many places has been washed out. Railroad traffic is entirely suspended and business here is paralyzed.

It was reported that the flood was due to a break in the city reservoir, but this is erroneous. The reservoir is safe.

A Pullman sleeper and one chair car standing in front of the Santa Fe station were lifted bodily by the flood and floated right side up down the river for two miles. The Harvey eating house, near the Santa Fe station, was damaged to the extent of \$20,000. The Western Union and Postal telegraph lines were badly crippled.

BETTER IRON PRICES.

More Demand for Products of Farm and Factory.

R. G. Dunn & Co.'s "Weekly Review of Trade" says: "The last quarter of 1904 opens with much brighter prospects than prevailed a year ago. At that time securities had fallen an average of \$34 a share from the top point a year previous, and there was a general disposition to curtail manufacturing and commercial operations because of the heavy losses. At the present time there are no alarming features, strikes are few and unimportant, while the indications of growing confidence are numerous. Building operations are expanding, providing a better demand for lumber and materials. Manufacturing plants are decreasing the proportion of idle machinery. Movement of wheat is heavy.

Foreign commerce at this port for the last week showed a small increase in exports and a gain of \$1,633,348 in imports as compared with 1903. Security markets have risen \$14 above the corresponding date last year, and money is easy and abundant. With the exception of steel rails, which are not on a parity with the rest of the market, prices of iron and steel have apparently attained a position of stability, and tardy contracts are gradually coming forward. There is also a good inquiry for merchant pipe, list prices being strictly observed. Shipbuilders are seeking plates and there is a wholesale movement of machinery and tools. Failures this week numbered 223 in the United States, against 225 last year, and 18 in Canada, compared with 16 a year ago.

COURT FORBIDS PICKETING.

Says Strikers Cannot Lawfully Congregate Around Works.

Judge Thompson, of the United States Court at Cincinnati, granted a temporary injunction on the application of the Newport Iron and Brass Foundry Company, of Newport, Ky., restraining the officers of the Iron Molders' Union of North America and the members of local unions from interfering with employes of the company. It was explained that peaceable persuasion by a dissatisfied workman intended to prevent another man from taking the place which he had left was not unlawful, but that the gathering of large numbers of men in the vicinity of the shops as a thing to be included in the restraining order.

Dr. Clarence Snyder, a former resident of Pittsburgh, but recently practicing medicine at Toledo, O., has been arrested in Toledo on the charge of deserting his wife and child.

New Type of Battleship.

On the recommendation of the General Board of the Navy the Board of Construction has requested plans for a battleship which shall carry 12 heavy turret guns of not less than 10 inches caliber and at least four of which shall be 12 inches and the secondary battery of not more than three-inch guns. It is expected that this type, if found practicable, will be adopted for the next battleship authorized by Congress.

DEATH OF SENATOR HOAR.

Aged Statesman Passes Away at His Home in New England.

George Frisbie Hoar, senior United States Senator from Massachusetts, died at his home in Worcester, Mass., Friday morning. The end followed a period of unconsciousness that had continued since early Tuesday and came so gently that only the attending physicians were aware of the exact moment of dissolution. The attending physicians despaired of the Senator's life six weeks ago, but such was the vitality exhibited by their distinguished patient that even they were surprised and the public was at times led to cherish a faith in an ultimate recovery. On Sunday last, however, all hope was abandoned.

George Frisbie Hoar was born at Concord, Mass., on August 26, 1826. He was graduated from Harvard in 1846, studied law there, and began his practice of law in Worcester, Mass. There he has since made his home. He was a member of the Republican party from its organization. In 1852 he was elected to the Massachusetts House of Representatives, and in 1857 to the State Senate.

In 1869 Mr. Hoar was elected to Congress, serving continuously until 1877, when he was elected to the Senate. He was re-elected in 1883, 1889, 1895 and in 1901. In 1877 he was one of the managers, on behalf of the House, in the Belknap impeachment trial, and was also a member of the electoral commission which determined the Hayes-Tilden controversy. Senator Hoar in recent years attracted more notice because of his position on the Philippine question. He was a bitter opponent of the policy of the McKinley and Roosevelt administration, and never failed to lift up his voice against it at every opportunity. His plan, which had many supporters among the anti-imperialists in New England, was to leave the islands to the control of the natives, the United States acting merely as a protection against interference by other nations.

Senator Hoar took a lively interest in historical matters. He was once president and at the time of his death was vice president of the American antiquarian society; was president of the American Historical association, a member of the Massachusetts Historical society, of the American Historical society, of the Historico-Geological society, of the Virginia Historical society, trustee of the Peabody Museum of Archaeology. He was also a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, a corresponding member of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, and a trustee of the Peabody fund.

For years Senator Hoar was president of the Association of the Alumni of Harvard university. He was also president of the board of trustees of Clark university and at one time was regent of the Smithsonian institution. He received the degree of doctor of laws from William and Mary, Amherst, Yale, Harvard and Dartmouth colleges. Although he has written much, his chief work was "The Autobiography of Seventy Years," a review of his own life.

LARGEST BATTLESHIP.

The Connecticut Launched From Brooklyn Navy Yard.

The battleship Connecticut was launched at the Brooklyn Navy Yard on the 29th ult. The ship was built at the Brooklyn navy yard and no shipbuilding company had any hand in the work. This is the first battleship to be built by the government and the experiment was watched by naval officers the world over. The Connecticut is one of the six great battleships that are under construction, and her record will be a test whether the United States government can afford to build battleships in its own yards.

Never before anywhere has such a water leviathan of the sea been constructed. She is 450 feet in length. From her keel to the top of her mainmast she is 140 feet high. The tops of her smokestacks are on a level with her military masts, which, with her upper works of bridge, batteries, air vents and boat cranes, will give her a colossal and terrifying appearance.

The Connecticut will supplant the Edward VII of England as the biggest battleship in the world. The Edward VII is a few feet longer, but in other important respects is not as large or as powerful. The total expense of her construction will be over \$4,000,000.

GIVES MILLION TO PUBLIC.

Massachusetts Woman Awards Large Sums to Institutions.

Public bequests aggregating over \$1,000,000, the largest being a gift of over \$250,000 to the city of New Bedford, Mass., are contained in the will of the late Mrs. Sarah Potter, of Boston, which was filed for probate this afternoon.

To the Boston medical library is bequeathed \$150,000, to the Kindergarten for the Blind at Jamaica Plains, \$100,000, and \$50,000 to each of the following: Harvard university, Boston Home for Incurables, Hospital Cottages for Children at Baldwinville, Mass., Free Hospital for Women at Brookline and the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

King George of Saxony is much weaker. All the members of the royal family living in Dresden have assembled at Pillnitz, the summer residence of the Saxon court. John Scott, of Sioux City, Ia., a widower, had notice of a suit for breach of promise to marry served upon Mrs. A. C. Bassett, of New York, who came there on her wedding tour with her husband. Scott asks for \$8,000 damages.

ARMIES IN CLOSE TOUCH

Russians Are Receiving Supplies and Reinforcements.

JAP SHIPS REPORTED SUNK.

Russian Reports Say Two Torpedo Boats and a Steamer Were Struck by Mines.

Movements at the front so far as disclosed by the meager dispatches received are confined almost to continuous outpost skirmishes by means of which Gen. Kuropatkin is keeping in close touch with the Japanese along the whole of their front. Field Marshal Oyama's advance appears to be extremely deliberate. There are no indications as yet that he has begun to overlap Russian positions. The superiority of the Russian cavalry is beginning to be apparent. They have had the best of it in a number of minor encounters.

It appears that Gen. Roeben-kampf's movement to the southwest on September 19 extended beyond the distance indicated by first reports. His Cossacks made a rapid sweep on September 22 and struck a Japanese force at Benschu, threatening their communications and causing considerable excitement. Reinforcements are rapidly arriving at Mukden and many convalescents are already returning to duty. It is reported that Gen. Kuropatkin has made a requisition upon the authorities for additional officers to make up the heavy losses in killed and wounded in the battle of Liao Yang.

New Japanese Loan. The government has decided to float another domestic loan of \$40,000,000 on conditions similar to the last. The issue price will be 92 and the interest 5 per cent.

Jap Ships Reported Sunk. A dispatch to a news agency from Vladivostok says that according to reports from Port Arthur two Japanese torpedo boats and a Japanese steamer have been sunk by mines near Port Arthur during the last few days. A Japanese cruiser of the Nitaka type, it is added, was badly damaged.

FIFTEEN INJURED. Two May Die From Effects of Wreck on Trolley Line. A south-bound passenger car on the Scioto Valley Traction road struck a north-bound work car at Buckeye park, in Fairfield county, O. Fifteen people were more or less seriously injured, two fatally. The injured were brought to Columbus. The accident was the result of mistake on the part of the conductors. Both cars took fire and burned.

The most seriously injured are: John Mosier, Canal Winchester, O., motorman of baggage car, head cut and minor bruises. William Southard, Columbus, motorman passenger car, bruised and cut about body and head and internally injured. L. L. Hare, Columbus, conductor passenger car, bruised and cut. Mrs. Elizabeth Arnet, Canal Winchester, O., arm badly sprained and body painfully bruised. Mrs. Miller, Findlay, O., head cut and badly bruised. Mrs. Kost, Hookers, O., seriously but not fatally hurt. Mrs. J. M. Winter, wife of the postmaster at Carroll, O., painfully bruised, but not seriously hurt. George Baumsteier, Columbus, painfully injured. Edward Weisberger, Columbus, rib broken, badly bruised and cut. Unknown boy, fatally injured.

Steel Trust Earnings. For the nine months of the calendar year ending Friday, the United States Steel Corporation has made approximately \$50,690,900 net according to the Wall Street Journal. This compares with \$94,333,970 the first nine months of 1903 and \$101,323,104 the first nine months of 1902. It is nearly 50 per cent below the high record of 1902 and over 40 per cent below the returns of 1903.

AGE LIMIT ENFORCED. Many Employes of Pennsylvania Lines Thrown Out. Notices have been received by Cleveland and Pittsburgh railroad employes that men in the service of the Pennsylvania lines West of Pittsburgh who entered the service of the company when over 35 years old are to be relieved from duty and their places filled by promotion of employes longer in the service.

As a result 44 men in the employ of the Cleveland and Pittsburgh road quit the company's service, and it is estimated that when the order is carried out on all the Pennsylvania lines west between 800 and 1,000 men will have been released from duty. It is reported that the new ruling will affect the Pennsylvania North-west system, and it is said that 1,000 employes will lose their positions.

W. C. Croumeyer of the American Sheet Steel and Tin Plate Company has been ordered to make a tour of Europe in the interests of the United State Steel Corporation and will start upon his mission at once. Fatal Wreck in Canada. An east-bound freight train on the Grand Trunk railway crashed into another freight train near Eastwood, Ont. Engineers Kirkland and Heron, Conductor Falls and Brake-man Benedet were killed; Fireman Cameron was so badly scalded that his life is despaired of. An open switch is said to have been the cause of the accident.

Electric Cars Abandoned. The New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad is dismantling its third-rail electric line between Nantasket Junction and Braintree, and the announcement is made that the electrical equipment and operation of its suburban lines will not be undertaken until the invention of new appliances or the perfection of those now existing makes such a step more feasible.

Great Gas Well in Ohio. One of the greatest gas wells ever struck in Southeastern Ohio was drilled in yesterday by the Ohio Fuel Supply company. It is located on the Lybarger farm, Harrison township, Knox county, four miles in advance of developments and in the center of a block of leases consisting of 10,000 acres. It opens a great scope of new territory. The well shows a rock pressure of 775 pounds and the estimated capacity is 5,500,000 cubic feet a day.

WEATHER BUREAU SUMMARY.

Rainfall Well Distributed, but Frosts Made Many Inroads.

The weather bureau's weekly summary of crop conditions is as follows: Unusually low temperature for the season was the marked feature of the week in the Northern section of the country east of the Rocky mountains, heavy to killing frosts having occurred September 21 to 23 in New England, portions of the Middle Atlantic States and the region, Minnesota and the Dakotas. In the central valleys and Southern districts more favorable temperature prevailed. The rainfall was unequally distributed, being excessive in portions of the Gulf States and Oklahoma and abnormally heavy on the southern Pacific coast, where much damage resulted.

In the principal corn-producing States west of the Mississippi river late corn has experienced favorable weather conditions and the crop is generally maturing rapidly. East of the Mississippi river late corn has ripened slowly on account of cool weather. The harvest of spring wheat is completed; threshing is well advanced in the northern portion of the spring wheat region.

JAPS CUT WATER SUPPLY.

Capture Fort Which Guarded Vital Point at Port Arthur.

As a result of the battle before Port Arthur, which began on September 19, the Japanese succeeded in capturing several important positions. To-day the Russian tenure of the big forts guarding the north, northeast and northwest sides of the town is seriously threatened. Chinese information places the Japanese losses under 3,000 for the three days' fighting.

Possibly the most important capture during the three days' fighting was that of Fort Kuropatkin, which, while of minor value with regard to preventing the entrance into the town of the Japanese, has been constructed for the purpose of protecting the source of the garrison's water supply. The control of this water supply is now in the hands of the Japanese.

TO INJURE BATTLESHIP.

Divers Find Obstruction Placed Where It Would Do Damage.

With the evident intention of ruining the hull of the battleship Connecticut, which was launched at the New York navy yard Thursday, some person or persons maliciously placed an obstruction on the ways.

It was not discovered until divers were sent down to make an investigation. On any dark night a small boat could have been brought close enough to the stern of the battleship to have placed the obstruction on the ways. As is usual before a large ship is launched, divers were sent down to see that the ways were clear. They went down for the first time Saturday, and since the obstruction was found they have been making the most careful examination, and were working this afternoon. They will be sent down for the last time Thursday morning.

Diamonds as Standard. Crank Threatens President and Would Marry Helen Gould. Charged with writing and sending letters to President Roosevelt, Miss Roosevelt and Helen Gould a man giving his name as Edward Dalheimer has been arrested by the United States authorities. The letter alleged to have been written to the President threatens his life unless certain reforms are made. The one to Miss Gould proposes marriage. The letter to Miss Roosevelt is not made public. It is alleged that the prisoner also wrote to J. J. Hill, asking him to intercede at Washington to have the gold standard changed to diamonds as a medium of exchange.

Dalheimer was arrested at Emmetsburg, Iowa, where he was brought before the Commissioner of Insanity and pronounced to be in his right mind. It is claimed that Dalheimer wrote the letters in South Dakota, and is probably will be taken to Sioux Falls for trial.

Wreck Injures 31 Persons. A passenger train on the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad known as the Hot Springs special, was derailed near Vulcan, Mo., and 31 persons injured. The most seriously injured are: R. S. Hayes, Fayette, Mo.; Mrs. J. W. Michaels, Little Rock, Ark.; H. H. Hill, Little Rock, Ark.; Pat Martin, Pochontash, Ark.; and W. W. Strothers, Des Arc, Mo.

The Collins-Healsip wholesale carpet house at Keokuk, Ia., was destroyed by fire, the origin being a bolt of lightning. Loss, \$250,000.

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The wreckage caught fire almost immediately. Those in the mail and express cars suffered chiefly from burns. The train was running at a rate of 30 miles an hour when it took the open switch and plunged into the freight cars, which had been sidetracked. The engine and express cars were practically demolished. The parlor car was thrown on its side with the baggage and mail car piled on top. The smoker was turned at an angle of 45 degrees, while the passenger coaches remained upright, although derailed. The passengers seriously injured occupied the parlor car.

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MUST FIGHT OR REREAT

Jap Army is Drawing Its Wings Around Kuropatkin.

JAP REPULSE AT PORT ARTHUR.

St. Petersburg Reports Heavy Losses to Enemy Attacking the Fortress—Kuroki's Advance Checked.

Despite all the efforts of General Kuropatkin, the movement of the two Japanese columns at Mukden, has not been checked. The extreme points of the Japanese front are fully 50 miles apart, but these have begun to close in. It is up to the Russian commander to decide the same question which faced him at Liao Yang; that is, to hold Mukden, with the desperate certainty that his retreat will be cut off, or to fall back on Tieling before the converging Japanese columns make this impossible.

The Japanese center is slowly but surely pushing its way to the Hun river. There seems to be no cessation in the stream of reinforcements which is reaching Oyama, both from Nutschwang and Dalny. The new troops are being hurried to the flanking columns, the veterans of Liao Yang being reserved as far as possible for the center and on reserve. Indications are discerned at St. Petersburg that the Japanese are planning a flanking movement against Gen. Kuropatkin's left, to compel retirement from Simintsin. Gen. Kuroki is supposed to design crossing the Hun river at a point considerably east of Mukden, from which he is expected to move down that stream and co-operate with an army from Sianchan, while Gens. Oku and Nodzu hold Gen. Kuropatkin south of Mukden. Japanese attacks on Dny pass and Sanlungku are regarded as confirmation of this theory. Outposts of Gens. Oku and Nodzu have been in conflict with Cossacks between Bentsiaputz and the railroad.

News was received at St. Petersburg that the Japanese assault on Port Arthur had been repulsed with enormous losses to the attacking force, also that Gen. Bloderburg had checked Kuroki's advance to the east of Mukden after a fierce engagement in which he inflicted heavy loss on the enemy.

A dispatch has been received from Gen. Kuropatkin announcing that the Japanese are preparing an extensive turning movement east of Mukden. A large force is advancing from Liao-Yang by way of Tachko to Si-An-Chan. Skirmishes have occurred in the valley of the Hun river, and at Inpu, between Bentsiaputz and the railroad. There were many casualties at Inpu.

Half way to Mukden the Japanese are trying to seize Kaoutou pass, 10 miles northeast of Bentsiaputz in order to check the way to Fushun.

Boston Wool Market. Large and small mills have been buying wool the past week. The market is strong with a buoyant movement apparently under way. A feature of trading has been the satisfactory demand for worsteds, all grades of wool are selling. Foreign grades are the least in demand. The principal quotations follow:

Ohio and Pennsylvania, XX and above, 34@35; X, 29@31; No. 1, 33@34; No. 2, 32@34; fine unwashed, 24@25; 4, 3 and 5/8 blood unwashed, 28@29; unwashed delaine, 26@27; fine washed delaine, 36c. Michigan X and above, 26@27; No. 1, 30@31; No. 2, 29@30c.

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UNION IRON WORKS SOLD.

Only Bidder Was Reorganization of Shipbuilding Company.

The Union Iron works, at San Francisco, one of the properties of the United States Shipbuilding company, was sold at auction by order of the Federal court, of New Jersey. The only bidder was Francis D. Pollock, representing the reorganization committee of the new shipbuilding company, 70 per cent. of the stock of which is owned by Charles M. Schwab.

When Mr. Smith called for bids, representatives of the Schwab reorganization committee offered \$1,400,000 for the real, and \$300,000 for the personal property. There were no other bids, and these prices were accepted. The new company will be capitalized at \$3,000,000, of which \$3,000,000 will be in bonds.

ALASKA MINERS LEAVING.

About \$26,000,000 in Gold Secured During Season.

The Alaska season of 1904 is closed so far as shipments are concerned. All the north coast lines are preparing for the rush of out-comers from all points in Alaska. They are beginning to arrive now and boats are preparing to leave for the last trip of the season to Nome, St. Michael, Dutch Harbor, Cocks Inlet and other calling points along the southeastern coast.

There are a few shipments of produce yet to come. The gold production of the entire northern district for the present year is estimated as follows: Klondike, \$11,000,000; Nome, \$10,000,000; Tanana, \$2,000,000; all other districts, \$3,000,000.

B. AND O. GETS SOUTH PENN.

Now Owns Property and Franchise of the Line.

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company has taken formal possession of the property and franchise of the old South Penn Railroad in Pennsylvania which it recently bought at a foreclosure sale. The purchase price was a nominal sum, but previously the Baltimore and Ohio had acquired claims against the property representing the expenditure of about \$15,000,000.

The purpose of the Baltimore and Ohio is to occupy this route with a cut off line running from Hancock, Md., to a point on its Pittsburg division. This arrangement is intended to meet competition from the new line from Pittsburg to Baltimore, such as is proposed in the Wabash plans in connection with the Western Maryland Railroad.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Rear Admiral S. W. Terry has been detached from command of the naval station, Honolulu, Hawaii, and ordered home to await further orders. At Des Moines, Ia., William Smith and Charles Jennings confessed to the theft of \$10,000 worth of diamonds and were sentenced to 14 years each in the state penitentiary. President Zelaya has appointed Dr. Jose Dolores Gamez to be arbitrator for Nicaragua in the settlement of the boundary question with Honduras. The court will hold its sessions at Guatemala City, Guatemala.

A washout on the Burlington railroad near Elmwood, Ill., caused a wreck, in which one man was killed and three others were probably fatally injured. Thirty-five students, living in various states of the Union, who won the Ceell Rhodes scholarships for a course of study at Oxford University, sailed on the steamship Ivernia from Boston for Liverpool. Porto Rico's 1,007 public schools have opened with 60,000 pupils enrolled. In the first school year during American occupation there were 500 schools with 25,000 pupils. Mr. Lee, the British merchant of Rabat, who was captured by tribesmen while fishing in the Rabat river, and who subsequently returned safely to Rabat, only secured his freedom after paying a ransom of \$145.

Former Senator William E. Chandler, of Warner, N. H., is suffering from a fracture of both bones of his left forearm, through having been struck by the crank of his automobile. The barns of Andrew McNeill, near Buckhorn, Pa., and William G. White, near Huntingdon, Pa., were burned causing a total loss of about \$100,000.

The Indiana yearly meeting of Friends, in session at Richmond, will request President Roosevelt to use his influence in getting Russia and Japan to submit their differences to arbitration. Bishop Potter, who opened the Subway Tavern in New York, has been invited to attend the convention of saloonkeepers of Pennsylvania, at which there will be a discussion of the question of opening saloons on Sunday and making a reduction in the present license fees.

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KEYSTONE STATE CULLINGS

KINDNESS WINS FORTUNE.

Greene County Young Woman Gets \$45,000 from Persons She Once Befriended.

Miss Florence Jennings, daughter of Cassius Jennings, of Wind Ridge, Greene county, has received word that she has fallen heir to an estate of \$45,000, bequeathed for kindness shown to Mrs. Dillie Horner. While visiting at Apollo she nursed the woman until her death. Recently Mrs. Horner also died, leaving his entire estate, except a small amount for funeral expenses, to Miss Jennings.

Surveys for the Pittsburgh & Westmoreland railroad have been completed. The main line, from McKeesport to Irwin, will run through White Oak level after it leaves the former place, and through Stewartsville, Circleville, Jacksonville and to the Pittsburgh-Greensburg pike, near the borough line of Irwin. At this point a branch will run south through Hahtown, Rilliton, Madison Edna No. 2 and Herminie. The eastern extension from Irwin will run to Manor, and on through Claridge, Murrysville and Export. The line will be under the general management of H. D. Hershey, formerly of Pittsburgh, now of the Latrobe Trolley Company. The car barns, power house and general offices will be in Irwin. The company has a capital stock of \$250,000 and has issued a like amount in 30-year 5 per cent. gold bonds.

As a result of his arrest by Uniontown officers a few days ago, George B. Geraw, secretary and general manager of the United States Manufacturing Company of Morgantown, W. Va., instituted a suit against the borough of Uniontown for \$20,000 damages, alleging false arrest and imprisonment, also defamation of character. Geraw is prominent in politics. He recently aspired for the West Virginia State Senate, but was defeated. The Uniontown Council last night dismissed the officers who made the arrest.

Options covering 5,000 acres of coal land in the southwestern part of Indiana county were sold to Marcus Saxman, of Latrobe, who represents the Pennsylvania Railroad. Mr. Saxman will secure rights to the coal underlying 45 farms at an average of \$40 an acre. The options were taken up by Bartley McIntire, a Jacksonville merchant, for \$200,000. The deal is the largest made in this county this year and means a new railroad in an entirely new field.

An important deal was consummated in New Castle when C. E. Thomas leased a farm of 50 acres in Shenango township to Pittsburgh and Salem (O.) capitalists to secure pottery clay. Thomas purchased the farm for \$5,000 two years ago and discovered clay equal to the Texas and New Jersey varieties. He refused \$100,000 for the ground and leases it under a heavy royalty.

The Rev. Dr. Henry Bain, for 35 years pastor of the Poke Run Presbyterian church, Washington township, Westmoreland county, preached his farewell sermon. Addresses were made by the Rev. Dr. J. F. Snyder, pastor of the Emanuel Reformed church, Manorale, and the Rev. George D. Lindsay, pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian church, Michael Coyne, Pittsburgh, who enlisted in the United States navy service at Annapolis in 1901, walked into headquarters at New Castle and gave himself up. He said he deserted in 1903 and was weary of constantly watching out to escape arrest and preferred to go back for punishment.

A suit for \$10,000 for false arrest has been filed at Uniontown by Irvin Shipley, of Fairchance against Constables John Cooley and Frank Benson, of Fairchance. The petition represents that Shipley's arrest was without cause, that the officers had no warrant and that he was acquitted by Justice Monteleith.

The wire department of the American Steel & Wire company, South Sharon, will be started double turn. The plant has not worked full time for many months. It is expected that the wire nail department will also go on double turn in a few days. About 200 men are affected. Paul Jurc, Max Stander, Tony Delanki and Andy Teckle, trackmen at work on the section of the Pennsylvania railroad at Irwin, were run down by a train. Jurc, Stander and Delanki were killed.

William H. Patterson, alias "Dude" Patterson, the negro charged with killing William Jackson, also colored, at Burgetstown Sunday, was captured at Burgetstown.

Tank No. 1 in the window glass works at Jeannette exploded last night, causing a loss of many tons of molten glass. About 40 men will be thrown out of work for several weeks.

Mary Lattimore, 32 years old, of West Newton, was poisoned by eating tomatoes which had been cooked the second time, and died this morning.

Members of the Homestead Business Men's Association, at a meeting decided to abolish the practice of issuing trading stamps to their customers.

The Citizens Telephone Company, an independent concern, is included in a deal whereby all the independent telephone companies of Western Pennsylvania and Western New York are united under the name of the Erie Telephone Company.

The Democratic Senatorial conference of the Thirty-seventh district, which comprises Jefferson and Indiana counties, nominated J. H. Hill, of Indiana, for State Senator.