

# BARON ROTHSCHILD DEAD

One of the Wealthiest Men in the World is Gone.

## GAVE MILLIONS TO THE POOR

Philanthropist, Philosopher and Sportsman, and One of the Most Patriotic of Frenchmen.

Baron Alphonse Rothschild, head of the great banking house, died in Paris, May 26.

Baron Rothschild was recognized as one of the greatest financiers of modern times. He was at the head of the Paris branch of the great financial institution which controlled the private and public finances of Europe, and was one of the wealthiest of the Rothschild family, whose wealth has been computed at \$450,000,000.

Baron Alphonse was more than a financier. He was a philanthropist, philosopher and sportsman, as well as one of the most patriotic Frenchmen who ever lived. His charities were not confined alone to France, but his wealth was used to relieve the needy in many parts of the world. An example of his anxiety to relieve distress was given only winter before last, when he gave \$2,000,000 for the improvement of the homes of the poor of Paris.

Will all his business activity he found time for recreation and was devoted to racing. Other sports also claimed his attention in recreation hours.

Baron Alphonse was a member of the Academy of Fine Arts, of the French Institute, and a commander of the Legion of Honor. He leaves two children, Baron Edouard and Baroness Beatrice. He has two surviving brothers, Baron Gustave and Baron Edmond.

## BANK CLOSES ITS DOORS

Loans Made by Cashier Without Consent of Other Directors.

The Canton, (O.) State Bank, with individual deposits of more than \$600,000, closed its doors on the 24th. The directors state that the bank will not be able to resume business. The failure is alleged to have been brought about by heavy loans to W. L. Davis, vice president of the bank, by the cashier, Corwin B. Bachtel, without the consent of the other directors of the bank. According to a statement made by counsel for the directors, more than 400,000 has been given to Davis for which no adequate security has been furnished. Davis has decided to leave the bank property valued at \$200,000. The city of Canton has \$76,000 on deposit in the bank. The Canton Young Men's Christian association and many school teachers were also depositors in the bank.

It is the first time in over 25 years that a banking institution in this city has failed. The bank was organized several years ago.

The bank had a capital stock of \$300,000, of which 60 per cent, or \$180,000, is paid up. The larger portion of the depositors are citizens of small means, many of whom have all their money in the bank. The directors say they hardly expect to realize \$200,000 on the securities.

## EXPLOSION KILLS 17

Workmen in Austria, Victims of Firedamp.

According to news received from Liezen in Styria, 17 persons have been killed by an explosion caused by firedamp in the Bosruck tunnel there. Several attempts at rescue were made but all of them failed, the members of the rescue party being overcome by the fumes of the gases. The completed portion of the tunnel was bored through the Bosruck mountain in connection with a second railway to Trieste.

At Cincinnati Holzman & Co., bankers and brokers and members of the New York Stock exchange, assigned to Lepman & Levi.

## FIND GOLD AND SILVER

Correspondent Says They Abound on West Virginia Farms.

Gold and silver have been found in paying quantities in the vicinity of Sutton, W. Va., on the coal and coke railroad of ex-Senator Davis. Openings are being made on the farms of James Skidmore, Benjamin Criss and Barney Whaling. The seams of ore range in thickness from three to seven feet.

The latest assay from the Skidmore mine is reported to show \$60 gold and 12 silver per ton. Frank Smith of Johnstown, Pa., is pushing the prospecting. Much excitement prevails.

## Senator Tillman Hurt.

While returning to his home at Trenton, S. C., in a carriage after attending the commencement exercises of the South Carolina Co-Educational Institution at Edgefield, Senator Benjamin R. Tillman was driven over an embankment and painfully injured, sustaining two ugly cuts on the top of his head and being otherwise bruised.

## Barberton Bank Closed.

The First National Bank of Barberton, O., was closed by direction of the controller of the currency upon the report of National Bank Examiner Walter F. Albertson, showing insolvency, and National Bank Examiner George T. Cutts has been appointed receiver. The last report of condition of the bank, made March 14, 1905, shows resources and liabilities of \$324,566.27 each.

## DUN'S WEEKLY REPORT

Rails and Bridge Supplies in Demand—Building Trade is Active—Money Abundant.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s "Weekly Review of Trade" says: Improvement is reported in retail trade, although weather conditions are still far from ideal, and excessive rain retards agricultural progress sufficiently to cause conservation among dealers, yet confidence in the future is the prevailing sentiment and leading dry goods jobbers are unanimous in anticipating a large fall trade. Manufacturing plants are busy, especially in heavy steel lines, except where usual repairs are being made or seasonal closing is necessitated. Building operations make favorable comparisons with recent years, and there is little controversy regarding wages or hours of labor. Foreign commerce at New York for the last week shows a little change in comparison with the same period a year ago, exports decreasing \$221,775 while imports gained \$500,956. Railway earnings thus far reported for May exceed those of a year ago by 8 per cent, and after falling to the lowest point of the year prices of securities recovered materially.

Money is abundant and easy and commercial payments are more prompt in most sections of the country. In the iron and steel industry there is great activity on old orders, and general confidence in a vigorous demand during the second half of the year, but current buying is extremely light, except in a few departments. Hence the mills and furnaces are more active than the markets just now, which explains the apparent contradiction of reports. In Steel rails and all other railway supplies and heavy lines for buildings and bridges it is often impossible to secure shipments with sufficient promptness, while pipe and tube mills that have orders are well ahead, but in some other divisions the situation is less satisfactory and more effort is being made to secure foreign trade. Coke follows the quiet tendency of pig iron, ovens closing as stocks accumulate. No diminution of strength is noted in raw wool and the mills are also correspondingly firm in their views. Worsteds continue in greatest favor, but wools are not far behind.

Failures last week numbered 211 in the United States against 226 last year, and 19 in Canada, compared with 17 a year ago.

## PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATS

Convention Nominates Candidate for State Treasurer.

The Pennsylvania Democratic State Convention at Harrisburg nominated John B. Head of Greensburg for Judge of the Superior Court and William H. Berry, the reform Mayor of Chester, for State Treasurer.

The convention also planted itself squarely on record for fusion with the independent Republicans in the campaign for Governor next year.

Representative John G. Harman of Columbia county, in his address as Temporary Chairman, vigorously arraigned the conduct of the recent Legislative session.

J. Thompson Baker, a Lewisburg banker, presided permanently. The platform condemns the extravagance of the last Legislature and scores the passage of the Philadelphia "ripper bill." A fair ballot law which shall provide for personal registration of voters in cities is demanded, and also legislative apportionment. The nominee for State Treasurer is pledged, if elected, to make a more equal distribution of the State deposits.

Allegheny county got the lion's share of the important convention appointments. William J. Brennan was Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, Henry Meyer was Chairman of the Committee on Permanent Organization, and Nicholas A. Benda was Sergeant-at-Arms.

Three gold medals given by President Roosevelt to three German blue-jackets who saved the lives of several sailors of the United States ironclad Monadnock in Chinese waters were transmitted by Ambassador Tower to the Foreign Office in Berlin.

## OFFICIALS MUST LEAVE

Twelve Pere Marquette Men Allowed 24 Days in Canada.

At Ottawa, Ont., an order in Council has been passed putting into force penalties for infractions of the alienation act and warrants have been issued for the deportation of 12 Pere Marquette railway officials. Superintendent J. Bryant and Master Mechanic J. McManamy are given 24 days to leave the country and the other officials seven days.

## Death of Judge Dean.

Hon. John Dean, a Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, died at his home in Hollidaysburg. The end came peacefully in the presence of all the members of his family. Three weeks ago Justice Dean suffered a slight stroke of paralysis, supposed to be the result of overwork. He left his apartments in Philadelphia and returned to his home in Hollidaysburg. For a few days after his return home his condition seemed to improve, when suddenly pneumonia, with other complications set in.

## SECRETARY HAY IS WELL

Said to Have No Intention of Leaving the Cabinet.

The dilation of Secretary Hay's heart, the functional disorder for which he went to Bad Nauheim, Germany, to be treated, has, according to Professor Groedel, entirely disappeared. The professor pronounces Mr. Hay a well man. The latter will return to work with vivid interest. He has no intention, it is said, of retiring.

# SIX KILLED BY EXPLOSION

Locomotive Boiler Blows up with Terrible Effect.

## OTHER ENGINES WERE WRECKED

Bodies of the Six Men Were Terribly Mangled and Scattered in all Directions.

Six men were killed by the explosion of the boiler of an engine that was standing near the Hocking Valley railroad roundhouse on West Mound street, Columbus, O.

One man is believed to have been blown into the river, and is not accounted for. The dead: Godfrey Schudel, machinist; Amos Spearman, hostler's helper; Jacob Davis, hostler; Fred Grumley, boss hostler; Edward Chapman, workman; E. Carl Hand, assistant electrician.

The six men who were killed were at work near by. The building was damaged and quantities of debris were scattered for hundreds of feet in all directions. Several of the men killed were thrown high into the air. Ira Trayner, a laborer, was seriously injured.

Physicians and ambulances were summoned and the police were notified as soon as the first excitement following the explosion had subsided. The engine which exploded was being tested for its first run after rebuilding. Four other engines standing near by were wrecked. The bodies of the six men were terribly mangled, and their legs being scattered in all directions.

## WAR DROVE THEM CRAZY

Junkload of Lunatic Russian Soldiers and Sailors.

Forty-four lunatic Russian sailors and soldiers from Port Arthur, including a violently insane lieutenant who was on the Sebastopol during the siege, arrived at Chefoo and were immediately transferred to the Russian improvised hospital ship Whampoa, under the British flag, for transportation direct to Odessa. All cases are apparently physical wrecks.

The scene was extremely pathetic, as the chattering imbeciles mounted the decks of the steamer and entered the cages provided for their liberty and comfort during the voyage. The party includes all cases of insanity appearing in the Russian army and navy at Port Arthur during the war.

## NEVADA BANK FAILURE

Only \$16 Found in Vault, While \$3 Gold Piece Lay Under Counter.

The Goldfield Bank and Trust company, with liabilities of \$78,227, has failed. The assets so far discovered are \$1,821, of which \$4,800 is in notes. There was \$16 in the vault and a \$5 gold piece was found under the counter.

The most disorganized state of affairs seems to exist in the books of the bank. J. B. Young, president of the bank, is also president of the Goldfield Lida investment company. Goldfield is a new mining town in the heart of a newly discovered gold country of southwestern Nevada.

## ECHO OF M'KINLEY'S DEATH

Man Who Tied Handkerchief for Czolgosz Goes to Penitentiary.

Edward Saffig, who gained notoriety after the assassination of President McKinley because of his assertion that he had tied the handkerchief around the wrist of Czolgosz, was taken to the State penitentiary at Joliet, Ill., for violating his parole. Saffig served a year in jail at St. Louis for petit larceny.

## Trio Found Guilty.

At Weston, W. Va., the jury, after 15 minutes' deliberation, found Willard Hamilton, the Weston jail-breaker who was recaptured by the Federal authorities, guilty of house-breaking and stealing. They will have to answer to five more indictments for the same offense.

## TRAIN DASHES DOWN GRADE

Engineer Killed and Eight Others Badly Injured.

Down the Ursina grade, the steep railroad hill west of the Alleghenies, ten miles from Brooks tunnel to Confluence, a double-header train of 59 freight cars on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, dashed at a 60-mile clip and landed in Confluence yards with a crash that killed one man, injured four others, two fatally, demolished 75 cars and two engines, and made a ruin of the new yards.

The dead man is M. R. Waddell of Connellsville, a brakeman. The injured are John W. McManus, engineer, Connellsville, leg smashed, injured internally, badly cut and bruised; Patrick Lewis, Uniontown, jumped from train at Ursina, leg broken, head crushed; James Rennet, leg sprained, cut and bruised; Engineer Richard Cunningham, Connellsville, jumped from second engine, ankle sprained, badly bruised.

Failure of the air brakes to catch started the train on its mad run, just after it left Brooks Tunnel.

## New Route to the Southwest.

A new route to the Southwest, independent to the St. Louis gateway, is to be given the Chicago shippers in the near future. This is to be accomplished by crossing the Mississippi river at Thebes, about 150 miles south of St. Louis. To make the new route possible it was necessary to construct a new bridge across the river. This structure has just been completed and will be opened for traffic with elaborate ceremonies on Thursday.

## TEAMSTERS' STRIKE SPREADS

Lumber Business Tied Up—Extra Officers Called For.

Final rejection of the Chicago union teamsters' demands, especially those of the express drivers, was officially announced by the employers, thus annulling any present settlement of the teamsters' strike. The employers demand unconditional surrender. Goods were sent all over the city under police protection with out encountering violence.

The strike in the lumber yards spread with great rapidity, and nearly all lumber business is at a stand still. Planing mills and sash and door factories were compelled to shorten operations and will be compelled to close entirely.

Mayor Dunne issued a call for 1,000 extra policemen. This will be the second 1,000 of extra policemen sworn in since the beginning of the strike. Sheriff Barrett swore in several hundred deputies, the largest number at any one time since the strike began.

## THE ASPHALT DECISION

Court at Caracas Declares Concession Forfeited.

Acting Secretary of State F. B. Loomis, has received a cablegram from Mr. Hutchinson, the American charge at Caracas, in answer to a dispatch sent by him inquiring into the decision of the courts there in the asphalt case. The reply confirms the press report that the court, at the instance of the government, had declared the Hamilton concession, under which the New York and Bermuda company originally held title to La Felicidad asphalt lake, to have been forfeited by reason of nonfulfillment of the terms of the concession and had ordered the appointment of experts to appraise the damages sustained by the government through the company's failure to meet its obligations.

## CURRENT NEWS EVENTS.

W. J. Bryan announces that he will tour the world to make a study of municipal ownership and railroad problems.

Wesley G. Parker, exchange taker in the Arkansas National bank at Hot Springs, is missing and his accounts are alleged to be short \$10,000.

There is an unconfirmed rumor that the Russian and Japanese fleets have met south of Formosa, and that the Japanese were defeated.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the London Times says Lieut. Gen. Linevitch has demanded the recall of Gen. Kuropatkin.

By a majority of 27 the Cumberland General Assembly adopted the majority report declaring for union with the Northern Presbyterian church.

The Rev. W. C. Williamson of Burlington, Ia., elected moderator of the general assembly of the United Presbyterian church at Washington.

The Democratic state central committee fixed Columbus as the place and June 27 and 28 as the dates for the state convention and chose M. A. Daugherty of Lancaster temporary chairman and P. A. Berry of Mt. Vernon secretary.

## Big Coal Deal in Ohio.

A coal land deal by which about 9,000 acres lying in the Yellow Creek Valley in Jefferson county and in Monroe county are to be transferred to a syndicate has been effected here. The business will be capitalized at \$1,000,000 by Cleveland, Pittsburg and East Liverpool capital. The Jefferson county tract comprises 2,000 acres, near Irondale, owned by the Ohio Coal and Coke Company of East Liverpool. The Monroe county tract comprises about 7,000 acres and is owned by capitalists of Cleveland and other northeastern Ohio men.

## Slaughters His Family.

William Stephens, who lived at Ross Valley, California, murdered his wife, shot his five children and killed himself after he had pursued into the road and had attempted to murder a passing milkman. Three of the children died instantly, and the others cannot live. There is no explanation of the tragedy, except the theory that Stephens became suddenly insane.

## \$2,000 for Husband's Affections.

A suit for \$2,000 damages for alleged alienation of the affections of the plaintiff's husband has been entered in the intermediate court of Marion county, W. Va., by Mrs. Irene B. Gordon, against Mrs. Dora Cross. The parties to the suit live at Mannington, W. Va., and the defendant owns considerable real estate.

## KILLED BY BOMB

Governor of Baku Assassinated in His Carriage.

Prince Nakachidza, the governor of Baku, was assassinated by a bomb which was thrown at his carriage. A lieutenant, who was accompanying him, and a bystander were also killed, and the coachman is believed to have been fatally hurt.

The chief of police of Siedle, Poland, was sitting on the veranda of a club at midnight when an unknown man hurled a bomb at him. The missile exploded near enough to the chief for fragments to injure him seriously. Three other persons were also injured. The man who threw the bomb escaped.

## Fifty Turks Killed.

An encounter between Graeco-Macedonian bands and a strong Turkish detachment is reported to have occurred in the district of Langadina in Macedonia. Eleven insurgents and 50 Turks are reported to have been killed.

# WILL BUILD SHIP CANAL

Lake Erie and Ohio River Will be Connected.

## MORE THAN \$600,000 PAID IN

President of Company Says That Work Will be Started Within a Year.

A company to build the Lake Erie and Ohio river ship canal has been formed and has already begun operations. On May 4 a charter was secured at Harrisburg, through Charles A. Fagan and W. A. Magee, Jr., solicitor of the company, in which the following persons are named as incorporators: Edward J. Lloyd, George A. Kelly, Jr., William I. Jones, Henry Buhl, Jr., Col. Thomas P. Roberts, William J. East, Burd S. Patterson, George W. Stewart, Emil Swenson, Charles A. Fagan, George M. Lehman, James W. Wardrop and John E. Shaw.

The act of 1895 requires that the capital stock of the company shall be \$25,000 for each mile of canal proposed to be constructed, of which \$5,000 per mile at least must be subscribed. The distance from the mouth of the Beaver river to Lake Erie, the places between which the canal is to be constructed, is 107 miles, and the capital stock of the company for preliminary purposes has been made \$2,625,000, which amount will be increased as soon as the company begins operations. The requirements that \$5,000 of stock for every mile shall be subscribed was complied with before the charter was taken out, the subscriptions amounting to over \$600,000.

A charter has also been secured from the State of Ohio for the Ohio and Pennsylvania Ship Canal company, which will build a canal to connect with that of the Lake Erie and Ohio River Ship Canal company. In 1899 the Pennsylvania Legislature appointed a committee to inquire into the practicability of a modern canal. Its report was that a canal could be built for \$20,000,000. In 1893 a provisional committee was organized in Pittsburg with 35 members. This committee had a law passed authorizing a ship canal company to be organized to construct and operate a ship canal from the head waters of the Ohio river via the Beaver and Mahoning rivers. The committee also asked for a National charter. The charter, however, was not secured, although favorably acted upon by various Congressional committees. It is under this State law that the present corporation was organized and the charter secured.

## AMALGAMATED OFFICERS

Retiring President Receives Large Complimentary Vote.

P. T. McArdle of Muncie, Ind., was elected president of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, on the second ballot, receiving 122 votes.

M. F. Tighe of Pittsburg was also a candidate and retiring President T. J. Shaffer was given a good sized complimentary vote, although he was not a candidate. Other officers were elected as follows:

Secretary-Treasurer, John Williams, Pittsburg; assistant secretary, M. F. Tighe, Pittsburg; Journal manager, Ben I. Davis, Pittsburg; trustees, Elias Jenkins, Youngstown, O.; John E. Hagen, Piqua, O.; C. J. Mouhan, Pittsburg; delegate to the American Federation of Labor, J. A. Kersey, Granite City, Ill.

Five salaried union presidents created under the organization's scheme, were named as follows: Puddlers—William Thomas, Vincennes, Ind.; Fishings—Joseph Rutledge, New Albany, Ind.; Sheet—Llewellyn Lewis, Martins Ferry, Ohio; Tin—Walter Larkin, Martins Ferry, Ohio; Eastern District—J. F. Wright, Lancaster, Pa.

The next convention will be held in Cincinnati.

H. Clay Evans, former United States consul at London, has sailed for home from Southampton.

## CHURCHES WILL UNITE

Presbyterian Assembly Votes to Receive Cumberland Church.

The Presbyterian general assembly unanimously voted to take in the Cumberland Presbyterian church. The special committee in its report canvassed the votes taken by presbyteries on the question of union. It showed 144 affirmative votes and 39 negative. Two took no action, one gave conditional assent, and five made no report. The special committee in its recommendations asked that the report be referred to the committee on corporation and union; that the committee be increased in membership to 21; that it have power to confer with a committee from the Cumberland church; that it find what details must be worked out to consummate the union, and that a report be made to the general assembly next year.

Thomas W. Miller, a Baltimore and Ohio railroad brakeman, was killed by a train at Weston, W. Va. The officials have been unable to locate his relatives.

## UNEARTHED BANDIT'S TREASURE

Farmer Digs Into Cave Containing Fortune and Private Mint.

Ben J. Neil, while digging a well on his farm in Jerome township, near Marysville, O., dug into a cave about 20 feet beneath the surface and found an iron pot containing gold and silver to the amount of \$30,000.

A counterfeiter's outfit also was discovered. This cave is supposed to have been the hiding place of bandits more than 50 years ago.

## CORN DAMAGED BY WORMS

Necessary to Replant Crop in Sections of the State.

The weather bureau's weekly bulletin summarizes crop conditions as follows: The weather conditions of this week ending May 22 have been generally unfavorable. Frequent and in some cases heavy rains have delayed work in Eastern districts and on the North Pacific coast, but improved the conditions of grains and grasses, while cool nights and cloudy weather have retarded germination and growth in nearly all districts. Further delay in corn planting is reported from Ohio, Indiana and Illinois and much replanting is necessary in the first and last named States, as well as in Iowa and Nebraska. Cut worms are damaging in the Ohio valley and portions of the Middle and South Atlantic States, while the crop is suffering from lack of cultivation in the last named district and in the States of the Lower Mississippi valley. Winter wheat generally continues promising. More favorable weather conditions during the latter part of the week have caused spring wheat to improve rapidly and this crop is now making satisfactory progress. The general condition of oats is satisfactory. The crop as a whole has made good growth, although retarded by floods in portions of Ohio. Less favorable reports are received regarding apples. Prospects for this crop are deteriorating in Missouri, the bloom is not as full as usual in New England, dropping is reported from Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Southern Illinois and less promising conditions are indicated in Ohio. All reports indicate that a good crop of hay is promised. Haying is now in progress in California, with a heavy crop of excellent quality.

## SKIRMISHING IN MANCHURIA

Russian General Fails to Report Result of One Fight.

General Linevitch, in a dispatch from the front dated May 21, announces that two Russian detachments occupied the valleys of the Kaak and Khanda rivers westward of Nanshent on the Mandarin road after dislodging forces of Japanese cavalry and infantry. The dispatch adds that General Martynoff's detachment from Tadui also drove back the Japanese advanced cavalry outposts. General Linevitch also reported fighting near Shabotae, May 18, but did not give the result. He said a Russian detachment east of the railroad approached the village of Shabotae and was attacked by a considerable force of Japanese from the coal mines of that place.

It is reported in Tokyo that a junk filled with Russian officers has been captured. It is presumed that they were making a reconnaissance from Vladivostok.

The wool market continues to strengthen and reports indicate that the west is well sold up, Montana being especially covered up by contracts or actual sales. There is less trading among dealers in Boston, but this is because a large part of the speculative wool available has been placed. There is little doing in territory wools on spot, but now wools are eagerly taken at full prices. The demand for foreign and pulled wools is active. Leading quotations are about as follows: Ohio and Pennsylvania XX and above, 34@35c; X, 31@32c; No. 1, 28@29c; No. 2, 26@27c; fine unwashed, 25@26c; quarterblood unwashed, 33@34; three eights blood, 32@34c; half blood, 32@33c; unwashed delaine, 27@28c; unmerchantable, 25@26c; fine washed delaine, 37c.

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## Dr. Zeigler Gets but \$10,000.

A claim for 100,000 for medical services by Dr. L. C. H. E. Zeigler of Chicago against the estate of Harriet McVicker, widow of the well-known theatrical manager, was disallowed by Judge C. S. Cutting of the Probate Court. Judge Cutting held the claim excessive. He instructed Dr. Zeigler to present a more moderate claim. A claim for \$10,000 under a contract exhibited in court was allowed.

## PLAGUE KILLS 750,000

Report of Mortality in India Made to British Commons.

Three-quarters of a million people have already died of the plague in India this year, according to figures furnished by Indian Secretary Broderick in the house of commons. The mortality from January 1 to April 1 was 471,744, while another 215,961 succumbed during the four weeks ending April 29.

## Commons Disorderly.

The house of commons had to be adjourned Monday night because the members refused to listen to a speech by Alfred Lyttelton, secretary of state for the colonies. They wanted to hear Premier Balfour and the wild disorder reigned when any of the Liberal leaders attempted to address the house.

## Chile will Build Railroads.

The Chilean government has decided to issue bonds to the amount of 100,000,000 pesos and bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent, to build a system of railroads throughout the whole country.

## Monument to Joseph Smith.

The trustees of the Mormon church at Salt Lake City have purchased 40 acres of farm land in South Royalton, Vt., where they will erect a monument, shrine and cottage on the site of the birthplace of Joseph Smith, the founder of their faith.

## Fire Originating in the Foundry Department of the Ohio Brass Company at Mansfield, O., destroyed a large part of the plant. The damage is about \$100,000, covered by insurance.

# KEYSTONE STATE CULLINGS

DYNAMITE CAPS IN SHOE

## Uniontown Woman Believes Some Person Has Made an Attempt to Take Her Life.

Mrs. Lula Engle, of Uniontown, has reported to the authorities that she believes an attempt on her life was made by some person who secreted four dynamite caps in the heel of a new pair of shoes, which were left beside the walk in her front yard. When Mrs. Engle began to try them on, a slight profusion was noticed in the right heel. Mrs. Engle pulled out the insole and in a little hollow was secreted the dynamite caps. District Attorney T. H. Hudson has started an investigation. Mrs. Engle has suspicions.

Returning from McConnellsburg, Wilson Varner, a farmer of Fulton county, was dragged down a mountain road to his death. The horse ran away and Varner was thrown out of a buggy, one foot catching in the running gear. In this way he was held a prisoner while the frightened animal covered two miles to the foot of the mountain. There Varner was found and died. A widow and eight children survive him.

The six orators who will contest for the \$100 prize at Washington and Jefferson college at commencement time have been selected as follows: Robert A. Sherrard, Chambersburg; Francis H. Irwin, Franklin; Alexander P. Kelso, Saharabur, India; Hermon Sackett, Neshannock Falls; Isaac W. Sharp, Washington, and John O. Wicks, Pittsburg. They were chosen in the final trials from 12 who passed the preliminary trials.

The body of John J. Swain, of Greene township, Beaver county, was laid to rest in the Georgetown cemetery in a vault which he had constructed with his own hands 12 years ago. Mr. Swain was 75 years old and was a veteran of the Civil war. Swain took great interest in the building of the vault, and from time to time would make changes and repairs on it.

Samuel Klahr, an aged resident of East Freedom, Blair county, was attacked in his barn by some unknown person and is now lying at the point of death. Klahr, who is an old soldier, had just received his pension and his assailant was evidently after the money. A son entered the barn just as the thief was about to go through the old man's clothes. He escaped.

William E. Crow has sold to J. V. Thompson 500 acres of coal land on Rudolph run, Greene county for \$100 an acre