

IN HANDS OF RECEIVERS

Chicago Street Railway Companies Lose Vast Sums.

2. PIERPONT MORGAN HIT HARD.

Said to Be One of the Heaviest Losers. Union Traction Company and North and West Chicago Lines Involved in the Smash.

Chicago, April 23.—R. R. Govin of New York, J. H. Eckels and Marshall E. Sampson of Chicago have been appointed receivers of the Union Traction company, North Chicago Street Railway company and the West Chicago Street Railway company. The receivership was ordered by Judge Grosscup in the United States circuit court upon the return, unsatisfied, of judgments aggregating over a million dollars in favor of the Guaranty Trust company of New York.

The North Chicago company controls about two-thirds of the entire surface lines of the city and has been supposed, until recently, to be among the strongest organizations in the country. All three are members of what is known as the Yerkes group, although the veteran promoter is understood to have severed all financial interest in them. But although Mr. Yerkes will lose little or nothing by the crash, J. Pierpont Morgan and thousands of less wealthy shareholders are hit hard and will lose heavily. Mr. Morgan, it is understood, lacked his usual perspicuity in financial matters in this connection, having purchased his very large holdings within the past few months.

The plaintiff claimed, and the claim was admitted by W. W. Gurley on behalf of the companies, that all were insolvent, that their rolling stock was heavily mortgaged and that their stocks and other assets could not be touched by a judgment creditor.

Rioting in France.

Paris, April 23.—The proceedings on the part of the government against the unauthorized congregations continue and have occasioned trouble in various places. The only serious disorders reported occurred at Angers, where, after an ineffectual attempt to seal the doors of a Capucine establishment, a judge summoned the monks, who proceeded to court, accompanied by a numerous body of supporters. The latter were refused admission to the court and got up a manifestation on the outside, which resulted in a general fight. The cavalry were sent for to restore order and had to charge the rioters to clear the square. A number of persons were hurt. The case was decided against the monks. A clerical manifestation was occasioned at Poitiers by the Dominican monks. It led to a riot, as a result of which ten persons were arrested.

Chinese Multi-Murderer Crucified.

Victoria, April 23.—Advices by the steamer Empress of China tell of the crucifixion of a Chinese desperado in Kwang Tung, who confessed to sixty murders. When he confessed to so many crimes it was decided that decapitation was too lenient a punishment, and he was crucified. He was nailed by his hands to a wooden cross and placed on one of the bridges as a warning to malefactors. He hung for three days when he succumbed to his terrible sufferings.

Advices from Japan state that a disastrous fire occurred in the mines of the Ota colliery at Kinshu, resulting in the loss of sixty-five lives. The day was a local holiday and but a portion of the miners were at work, otherwise the loss of life would have been appalling. The fire was caused by an explosion.

Unite Against Engineers' Association.

New York, April 23.—The association for the protection of the commerce of the port of New York was organized by the shipping interests, who object to the demands of the engineers' association of a 25 per cent increase in wages and a 72-hour week. It was decided at the meeting not to under any circumstances recognize or hold communication with the engineers as an association.

No Damage Below Water Line.

Southampton, April 23.—Shamrock III was surveyed in dry dock. It was found it had sustained no damage below the water line.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

The boiler at Shore & Mosers sawmill, near Bethany, N. C., exploded Wednesday, killing George T. Shore, one of the owners; Luther George and William Logan.

Alexander Ramsay, ex-governor of Minnesota, secretary of war under President Hayes and for two terms United States senator from Minnesota, died at his home in St. Paul Wednesday, aged eighty-eight.

The crop report of Prussia, made up to April 15, shows the conditions to be worse than in 1902. Much damage is reported from mice, snails and frost. Seventeen per cent of the wheat acreage must be plowed under.

Colonel Hiram Shipman Dewey, well known by railroad men as one of the leading civil engineers in the early history of railroad building in the United States, is dead at Jefferson City, aged seventy-three years.

Fire destroyed the stock and machinery of the Elkhart (Ind.) Egg Case company Wednesday. The Cona Band Instrument factory and the Elkhart Strawboard mill were slightly damaged. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

MOVE INTO ANOTHER HOME.

New York Stock Exchange Dedicates Its Handsome New Quarters.

New York, April 23.—The members of the New York Stock exchange abandoned business to devote themselves to the ceremonies incident to the dedication of their handsome new building.

The building, which looks small beside the skyscrapers by which it is surrounded, presents a striking appearance, with its massive and beautifully carved stone pillars and decorations. The interior has been arranged looking to the comfort of the members. An impregnable vault has been built for the safety of securities.

The building, which fronts on Broad street, extends through to New street, with an opening on Wall street, as in the old building. In the construction it was found necessary to go forty-two feet below the level of Broad street. In the cellar are the vaults of safe deposit companies and the plants for cooling and heating the building. The members will be warmed in the winter by a constant flow of warm air. In the summer the coolest spot in the city outside of a cold storage warehouse will be the exchange, which will be kept at a low temperature.

Duke Refuses to Take Strikers Back.

Somerville, N. J., April 23.—A committee of strikers on the estate of James B. Duke, president of the American Tobacco company, had a conference with Mr. Duke. He told the committee that he would not under any circumstance re-employ the men who had caused trouble at the farm. He agreed to increase the wages of the masons and they returned to work. The other strikers are still in an angry mood, but they have gone quietly to their homes.

Chinese Smuggled Across Border.

Buffalo, April 23.—The operations of a well organized gang of smugglers, who have brought hundreds of Chinamen into this country over Niagara river, were disclosed by James Fox while on the witness stand. Fox was placed under arrest while riding on a street car with a "contraband" Chinaman. He testified that there were regularly organized firms in Canada who made it a business to bring Chinamen across the border into the United States. Upon the testimony of Fox the federal authorities have arrested George E. Judson of this city, who, it is alleged, is the leader of the smugglers.

Hemphill Testifies in Howard Trial.

Frankfort, Ky., April 23.—George T. Hemphill, clerk in Caleb Powers' office, was the most sensational witness in the Howard trial. Hemphill said that he was summoned before the grand jury in April, 1900, and that the day he was summoned Governor Taylor asked him to be as easy as possible on Henry Youtsey. Hemphill is a clerk in one of the departments at Washington, and had never before testified except in the examination trial of Caleb Powers. He did not tell this at that time and had refused to testify in former trials.

Two Die From Drugged Whisky.

Camden, Ark., April 23.—J. W. Puryear, a printer from Shreveport, and a stationary engineer named Smith, from Fordyce, Ark., are dead, presumably from the effects of whisky, which they drank and which is supposed to have been drugged. Joe Cameron of Pittsburg and J. D. Tremont of Jackson, Miss., are in jail here, held under suspicion of having given the poisoned drink to the dead men. Smith had quite a sum of money in his possession.

Feud Results in Fatal Shooting.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., April 23.—As the culmination of a feud, Rube Hayes shot and killed John Jones and probably fatally shot Frank Jordan, near the village of Flisk. Hayes immediately surrendered to the authorities and has been brought to Poplar Bluff. Hayes is a son of Judge John A. Hayes of the county court and has an excellent reputation. All the participants in the tragedy are married men with families.

Clifton Held for Murder.

Newcastle, Wyo., April 23.—The coroner's jury has returned a verdict to the effect that Mr. and Mrs. John W. Church came to their death from gunshot wounds at the hands of W. C. Clifton. Clifton confesses the murder and gives as the cause that he was madly in love with Mrs. Church and she spurned him.

Hulse Attempts Suicide.

Bakersfield, Cal., April 23.—Al Hulse, who is under arrest as an accomplice of Outlaw McKinney, attempted to commit suicide in the county jail. He broke a piece of iron from his bunk and attempted to sever the artery in his wrist in three places and failed only because the iron was too blunt to cut deeply.

School Girl Commits Suicide.

Springfield, Ill., April 23.—Edna, aged fifteen years, daughter of Robert I. Rotramel, custodian of the state fair grounds, committed suicide at her home because Principal Taylor of the school which she attended, had reprimanded her for writing a note in school and had gone to her home to inform her parents.

Baseball Results.

National League—Chicago, 3; Cincinnati, 5; Brooklyn, 2; New York, 7; Boston, 2; Philadelphia, 1.
American League—Washington, 3; New York, 1; Detroit, 4; Cleveland, 2; St. Louis, 4; Chicago, 14; Philadelphia, 8; Boston, 1.
American Association—Kansas City, 8; Minneapolis, 4; Toledo, 0; Columbus, 2; Milwaukee, 10; St. Paul, 7; Louisville, 2; Indianapolis, 4.

EXPLORES PARK ON SKIS

President Concludes His Tour of Yellowstone.

SNOW FIVE TO SIX FEET DEEP.

First Time Place Was Ever Visited at This Season by Other Than Scouts or Soldiers—Roosevelt Enthusiastic Over His Outing.

Cinnabar, Mont., April 23.—President Roosevelt has completed his tour of the Yellowstone Park. He arrived at Fort Yellowstone about noon from Norris. Secretary Loeb reports that he is in the best of health and enthusiastic over his trip through the park. The secretary issued the following statement: "Major Pitcher states that the president and he have returned from their six-day trip in the interior of the park. The party went on sledges, but used horses between the upper and lower geyser basins and skis around the canyon, where it was impossible to go anywhere without them. The snow was two to five feet deep on the level throughout the country traversed. It was getting into bad shape. This is the first time the interior of the park has ever been visited before the snow went off by anyone except the scouts or soldiers on duty at the various stations."

PARRY REPLIES TO HANNA.

Scores Senator for His Defense of Trades Unions.

Indianapolis, April 23.—"Mr. Hanna's rushing to the rescue of organized labor is, when you come to think of it, a somewhat astonishing spectacle," said D. M. Parry, when asked for his opinion as to the attack made on his labor position by Senator Hanna at the banquet of the steel workers at Columbus.

"He picked out a couple of paragraphs of my report, held them up to ridicule and then passed on to his own ideas as to joint agreement and the legal responsibilities of labor unions, evading all the main points brought out in my address. If there is anything more in Mr. Hanna's speech, I fall to find it.

"What has Mr. Hanna to say about fixing the wages by artificial means? There is the root of the whole matter. If it is right that one class of workmen should have their wages fixed arbitrarily, then it is only just that the wages of all classes should be fixed in the same manner. I have heard it said that had it not been for Mr. Hanna and his Civic Federation the anthracite coal strike would have been settled without the crushing losses that fell upon the consumers of the country.

"How does Mr. Hanna make the report of the miners' committee coincide with his ideas. That report, I believe, states that the wages of the miners were found to compare favorably with the pay of employees in other industries, and yet, despite this finding, the commission granted an advance of 10 per cent. I speak of this miners' strike because it is typical and because every one knows about it, but there have been hundreds of other strikes which illustrate the same point and every victory that is gained is a signal for others to go on strike.

"I am surprised to see that Mr. Hanna so flatly denies the proposition that organized labor is founded on the principle of force, when every day furnishes demonstrations in proof of my charge. The only reason why the anthracite miners received a wage scale confessedly out of proportion to what similar labor gets elsewhere is because they were able to compel its granting by force. They proved their power by going on strikes and preventing other men from taking their places, despite the presence of the entire National Guard of Pennsylvania. The country was at their mercy and finally, as a measure of expediency, it became necessary for the government to negotiate with them that peace might be restored.

Decides Against Textile Strikers.

Boston, April 23.—According to the report of the state board of arbitration and conciliation presented to Governor Bates, the textile corporations in Lowell involved in the present strike of 17,000 operatives, with a single exception, can not afford to pay their help the 10 per cent increase in wages demanded by organized labor. The opinion of the board is corroborated by a statement from a state statistician, based on the figures of an accountant employed to make an examination of the financial condition of the seven mills in question. The exception is the Lawrence Manufacturing company, the books of which, according to the report, show that it is able to grant the advance demanded. The board shows by statistics that the cost of living in 1902 is 15.37 per cent higher than in 1897, against the 25 per cent claimed by the workmen, and that the wages in cotton mills in Lowell have been raised 16 per cent in the same period.

Against Any Increase in Rates.

Austin, Tex., April 23.—In a letter to General Manager Allen of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad, Railroad Commissioner Colquitt says: "I think the commission should be candid enough to say to you that it can not offer any encouragement in your desire for increased rates. The freight either comes from the value of the raw material or is added to the cost of the manufactured article for the consumer to pay. Unfortunately, our state appears to be bearing both these burdens."

WRECK ON OMAHA ROAD.

Stalled Cars Run Amuck on Steep Grade, Killing One Passenger.

Spring Valley, Ill., April 23.—One man was killed and three injured in a wreck on the Spring Valley branch of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha road. A mixed freight and passenger train stalled on a hill two miles west of here and two cars were left standing while the balance of the train went over the ridge. A defective brake allowed the cars to get away and they started down the hill, soon attaining a terrific speed, and collided with another train coming up the incline. The end coach was completely telescoped. When the cars started to run away most of the passengers in the coach jumped and escaped without injury. The train crew, after doing all in their power to check the cars, jumped, so that only two persons remained upon the coach when the crash came. Several of the trainmen were hurt in jumping from the rapidly moving cars. E. C. Stuhlfeder of St. Paul, a passenger, was killed. Brakeman Adolph Simonson had an arm cut off and was otherwise badly hurt.

SUSPECTED MAN IS RELEASED.

One of the Prisoners Held for Barrel Murder is Ordered Discharged.

New York, April 23.—Giuseppe Morello, who was supposed to have been one of the most important of the prisoners held in connection with the murder of Benetto Madonni, the victim of the barrel murder, was discharged. When the suspects were arraigned Salvatore Saglimbene, a stepson of the murdered man, brought from Buffalo to identify the remains of the victim, scrutinized the faces of the prisoners to see if he could recognize any of them as callers at his home, but failed to do so.

Later Coroner Scholer withdrew the charge of complicity in the murder and ordered all the thirteen prisoners held as witnesses. Bail for Laduca, Genova and Morello was fixed at \$5,000 each. They are alleged to have been seen with Madonni a short time before his body was found. The others were held in lesser bail.

WOMEN MISSIONARIES MEET.

British Indian Schools Fail to Aid Christian Missionary Work.

Chicago, April 23.—Failure of the British educational system in India, from a religious standpoint, was emphasized at the thirty-third annual business meeting of the Woman's Missions of the West. The speaker was Miss Margaret Davis, who has labored among the Hindus. A more encouraging report was received from the Chinese field. Miss Emma Silver, who has recently returned from the Orient, declared that Christianity is advancing in China and in glowing terms she spoke of the future possibilities of missionary work in the Celestial empire. Delegates from fourteen states attended the opening session of the board. Mrs. Henry M. Forsyth, Chicago, was re-elected president. The treasurer's annual report showed the mission board to be in a healthy financial condition.

Mrs. Lee Goes to Chicago.

St. Louis, April 23.—After a long conference with Circuit Attorney Folk, Mrs. John A. Lee, wife of Lieutenant Governor Lee, has gone to Chicago, supposedly with the intention of persuading her husband to return to St. Louis and testify before the grand jury. It is thought probable that Mrs. Lee will bring her husband back Friday. Mrs. Lee's trip has been kept secret. It is said that friends pointed out to her that either the lieutenant governor or D. J. Kelley of New York would be required as witnesses and that the advantage would be with the one who first appeared. Governor Dockery is in St. Louis to attend the Masonic grand lodge. He refused to discuss the boodlie investigation.

Alton Issues New Wage Schedule.

Bloomington, Ill., April 23.—The Chicago and Alton railroad issued a new schedule of pay for trainmen. For men west of the Mississippi river, the scale provides for an increase of 15 per cent for freight and yard services and of 16 per cent for passenger service. This is in accordance with the agreement of the St. Louis conference. East of the Mississippi river there is no increase from the advance last December. Committees now in session demand the same wages for Illinois lines as are received by Missouri. The issuance of a schedule while the committees are awaiting an answer is taken by some to mean that the request will be ignored.

Miners Must Work Full Time.

Pottsville, Pa., April 23.—Announcement was made here that the 30,000 miners who were locked out by the Reading company because of their refusal to work nine hours on Saturday will be permitted to return to the mines providing they pledge themselves to work full time Saturdays. General Superintendent Luther says the company insists on compliance with this regulation. It is expected that the miners will accept the company's terms and return to work to await the result of the conciliation board's action.

Woman Convicted of Murder.

Camden, Ark., April 23.—Mrs. Cleann Thompson was convicted in the circuit court of the murder of May Thompson here last fall. Sentence has not yet been passed. This is the first conviction for murder here in twenty years.

Bricklayers Return to Work.

Indianapolis, April 23.—Five hundred bricklayers returned to work after being out two weeks. They have been granted their demand of 60 cents an hour and eight hours' work.

MUNICIPAL LEAGUE MEETS

Attendance at Opening Session is Disappointing.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP IS LIKED.

Delegates Told People Believe in Popular Control of Public Franchises. Secretary Woodruff Reads Exhaustive Report of Year's Transactions.

Detroit, April 23.—The attendance at the opening session of the ninth annual meeting of the National Municipal league was somewhat disappointing. About seventy delegates were expected, but only half that number were present when Vice President Richardson of Philadelphia, in the absence of President James C. Carter of New York, called the convention to order. After welcoming speeches by Mayor Maybury of Detroit and President John Davis of the Detroit Municipal league and a brief reply by Mr. Richardson, an exhaustive report of the year's work was read by Clinton Rogers Woodruff of Philadelphia, secretary of the national league. After touching upon the recent municipal scandals of Minneapolis, St. Louis and Kansas City, Mr. Woodruff took up the question of municipal ownership, and declared that a movement in its favor had taken a deep hold on the urban population of the country.

The recent elections in Chicago and Cleveland were pointed to as teaching the lesson that there must be an end to tampering with the city by the legislature and that national parties must cease from placing national issues to the front in local campaigns, the frequent election of Mayor Samuel Jones of Toledo teaching the same lesson.

J. Horace McFarland of Harrisburg, president of the American League for Civic Improvement, read a paper on "The Federation of Civic Forces, City, State and National." He presented a proposed constitution for a civic alliance, embracing a number of political organizations.

Secretary Woodruff explained that there was no desire to do away with the present organization, but the purpose of an alliance would be to avoid duplication of effort.

Moorish Tribesmen Pillage Town.

Tangier, Morocco, April 23.—Tribesmen have attacked and pillaged Mequinez. Thirty-seven inhabitants of the town and thirteen tribesmen were killed in the fighting.

Mequinez is about thirty-six miles south of Fez. It has a population of about 30,000. Some months ago a number of missionaries were located at Mequinez, but during the recent disturbances in Morocco they were reported to have left there for Fez.

Will Coal Ships at Sea.

Berlin, April 23.—Admiral Prince Henry of Prussia is to take the battleship squadron to Spanish waters May 3, with barely sufficient coal to reach a prearranged latitude and longitude. The warships will fill their bunkers from colliers. This is intended to be a test of high sea coaling in the most complete form possible, and will occur even if rough weather prevails.

Root Defeats Kid McCoy.

Detroit, April 23.—Jack Root of Chicago was given the decision over Kid McCoy at the end of the tenth round before a crowd that packed Light Guard armory to its capacity. The bout was a one-man affair from beginning to end, McCoy never having a chance. Root landed at will with left and right to face and body and generally without a return.

Strikers Open Supply Store.

Evansville, April 23.—The 700 striking furniture workers of the city have opened a supply store and are receiving aid from national headquarters. Some of the factories are running with small forces. The manufacturers say their factories will stay shut down until the strikers are ready to accept their terms.

Wealthy Nebraskan Dies From Poison.

Pendleton, Ore., April 23.—G. P. Alvord, who was taken in an unconscious condition from a westbound passenger train, died in a hospital here. Alvord was from Grant, Neb., and is said to have been wealthy. The coroner says Alvord died from poison.

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