

MONEY FOR MISSIONS

Presbyterian General Assembly Asks for \$1,100,000 for Year's Budget.

TEMPERANCE FIGHT MOVES RAPIDLY

Move to Prevent Ministers from Being Officers of Anti-Saloon League.

DIVISION OF THE WORK SUGGESTED

Attempt to Be Made to Leave Political Field to the League.

YOUNG MEN FOR MINISTRY SCARCE

Board of Education Says Number and Quality of Candidates is Decreasing—Many Pulpits Are Vacant.

COLUMBUS, O., May 21.—The Presbyterian general assembly today received and adopted a number of reports, including those of the Board of Christian Missions and the Board of Education.

The assembly also adopted a resolution declaring that \$1,100,000 is the least sum which the churches can be asked to give to enable the board properly to carry its work through the coming year.

An interesting feature of the afternoon session was the presentation to the assembly of the Rev. W. R. Evans, moderator of the Welsh Presbyterian church, who announced that a movement had been started in that body looking to a union with the parent church. The announcement was received with applause.

Developments in the temperance controversy aroused by the antagonism of the Anti-Saloon league to the Inter-Church Temperance federation came rapidly today. The standing committee on temperance referred all the overtures affecting the attitude of the church toward the league to the committee on policy, which decided to recommend that no minister of the Presbyterian church, as such, could be an officer or member of the Anti-Saloon league; that they could participate in the work of that organization only as individuals. At the same time the standing committee on temperance received and adopted a resolution asking the standing committee to define its duties of the permanent committee on temperance, which represents the church in the Inter-Church Temperance federation. The whole controversy now hangs on the definition of the duties of the permanent committee on temperance. The supporters of the Anti-Saloon league are endeavoring to have the work of this committee confined to promoting temperance along educational and scientific lines, leaving the political field entirely to the league.

The standing committee today heard a number of persons, including representatives of the Anti-Saloon league, on the subject and has prepared a rough draft of resolutions which will be further considered tomorrow and will be presented to the assembly in the afternoon, for which time the report has been made a special order.

MINISTERIAL RECRUITS SCARCE

The Board of Education reported that had enrolled during the year 738 young men of whom 238 were new men and 500 renewals. The material increase was accounted for by the receipt of 100 new students from the former Cumberland Presbyterian church.

"So far as our own territory is concerned," said the board, "the figures show a decrease of forty in the list of renewals. The board has been made aware that its solicitude over the present period of the church is the quality of candidates presenting themselves for the gospel ministry is shared by the Board of Education of other denominations. Word has come from the Episcopal, Methodist and Lutheran bodies that the falling off, so noticeable a few years ago, is beginning to have its effect on the church. Disaffection is felt in many quarters over the inability of the churches to secure the highest type of consecrated manhood for the ministry. Pulpit vacancies for disheartening long periods are more and more noticeable and complaints are heard from committees on public affairs that the inability to fill satisfactorily the places of those who are dropping from their ranks of the ministry is with grave concern that the church at large should know the facts that in thirty evangelical theological seminaries in our country, the church is about to lose the services of 100 men in ten years ago, despite the country's increase of 8,000,000 in population. There are one-third less men studying for the ministry of the Presbyterian church than ten years ago, and yet the membership of our branch of the Presbyterian church has increased during that period from 1,000,000 to 1,200,000. Ten years ago, there was one candidate in every 40 church members, today there is one candidate for every 1,500 members.

It is not therefore incumbent upon the church to engage in importunate prayer in behalf of the church, but to call for more of them may be led to turn a deaf ear to the solicitations of a commercially prosperous age, and to consecrate their talent to the work of the ministry?

The receipts were \$124,761 and the expenditures \$176,694.

All Obligations Met.

The Board of Home Missions reported that for the fifth successive year the year has been closed with all obligations met. This, the board says, was the more gratifying when it was remembered that during the year appropriations of \$40,000 had been given to the Board of Missions of the Cumberland Presbyterian church to be used in tiding over some of their home mission work, which, by reason of the divisions on the union question, would otherwise have suffered.

As in several years past, the board had been obliged to expend in new churches and school buildings in the islands and the west a considerable sum, amounting this year to \$75,000. There had been no appreciable advance in the gifts from the churches. In a time of great prosperity this was the more to be regretted. It might be partially explained by the fact that the church contributed in special offerings about \$120,000 to rehabilitate and to aid in the mission work of California on account of what was suffered by the earthquake.

The board recommended that the missionary field be divided as follows: First—The district of the south and southwest, with headquarters at St. Louis. Second—The district of the northwest, with headquarters at Minneapolis. Third—The district of the mountain states, with headquarters at Denver. Fourth—The district of the Pacific coast, with headquarters at San Francisco.

The board recommended that the evangelistic work should be constructive and

SUMMARY OF THE BEE

Wednesday, May 22, 1907.

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THE WEATHER

FORECAST FOR NEBRASKA—Showers Wednesday and clear in west portion. Thursday partly cloudy and cooler. FORECAST FOR IOWA—Showers Wednesday and warmer in central and east portions. Thursday showers and cooler in western portion.

DOMESTIC

Steamer Naomi of the Crosby line is destroyed by fire in middle of Lake Michigan. Four coal passers are roasted to death and one passenger dies of injuries.

Slump in stock market ranges from 2 to 7 points. Union Pacific and Smeltering lead the decline.

Presbyterian general assembly declines to ask churches for \$1,100,000 for mission work. The committee on policy makes a recommendation that no Presbyterian minister be a member or officer of the Anti-Saloon league. Friends of the league start movement to leave temperance work in the political field, the standing committee on temperance declines to do so.

Three more peremptory challenges were used in the attempt to secure a jury in Haywood case at Boise. It is now predicted that the jury will be completed Monday and that introduction of testimony will begin Tuesday.

Attempt to lynch negro at Reidsville, Ga., results in death of six persons and injury of six others.

Passenger train on the New York Central runs into the wreck of a freight train and one person is killed and others injured.

Henderson man looking for tramp thieves mistakes companion for one of them and shoots him in the leg.

Attorney general files his brief in the lumber dealers' case, insisting it is clearly proven there is a combination in restraint of trade.

Report of the weather crop bureau shows past week was unseasonably cold and dry. Rainfall of season to date is less than one-quarter of the normal.

FOREIGN

Convention of Irish nationalists in Dublin unanimously reject the home rule bill proposed by the British government. This action will force the cabinet to abandon the bill, as further concessions cannot be granted Ireland without causing a dissolution of the ministry.

Contract for the erection of the new Renshaw hotel, which may be eight inches greater than the last, is awarded to the Capital City Brick and Pipe company.

Omaha is promised with the busiest season of paving yet. Farnam and Douglas streets are both nominated for new asphalt.

Omaha boys who left Bliss school are home and give an account of the complications which have resulted in the dismissal of students and at least one member of the faculty.

Dwight M. Swobe, in city from the Pacific northwest, says demand for lumber there is greater than the supply, and that the lumber situation is improving.

Strikes and graft injuring prices. Judge Kennedy of the district court finds that F. W. Fitch, attorney, is not guilty of contempt of court and the disbarment proceedings probably will be dropped.

Society—Dr. and Mrs. H. M. McClanahan and Miss Katherine McClanahan are honor guests of some function each evening this week in view of their departure soon for Europe.

Brigadier General Earl D. Thomas is inducted into office as commander of the Department of the Missouri by Governor A. W. Greely.

Council Bluffs jury returns a verdict of not guilty in case of Pat Crowe, tried on the charge of holding up crews of two motor cars.

Don Enrique, 15 and 20 to 1, won the Drakes stake at Gravesend.

NATIONALISTS REJECT BILL

Convention of Irish Party in Unanimous Against Proposed Home Rule Measure.

GOVERNMENT WILL PROBABLY ABANDON IT

No Further Concessions Can Be Granted Ireland Without Causing Differences That Will Disrupt the Cabinet.

DUBLIN, May 21.—The largest, most representative and most harmonious convention which ever assembled in Ireland today repudiated the plan for a limited Irish council which was all the British government had to offer in its campaign promises.

The hope of any hope of the present party is a serious split in the government and may have far-reaching results.

The temper of the convention was plain from the beginning. No one had a word to offer in behalf of the bill. Home rule or nothing was the unanimous sentiment and the resolution rejecting the measure proposed by John E. Redmond, commanded every vote.

The resolutions declared as follows: That this convention, representative of Irish national opinion, which especially takes into account the views of the people, nothing can satisfy the national associations of Ireland or bring peace and contentment to the people than a measure of self-government, which will give the Irish people complete control of their domestic affairs.

That while we never wavered in our belief that it is impossible to produce any good or orderly change in the extension and development of popular power and responsibility in Ireland short of the complete control of the Irish people, we believe that it is our duty to give fair consideration to any scheme proposed by the British government, which, in our opinion, would be "consistent with and lead up to the larger policy" to which we were pledged.

That having considered the Irish council bill introduced by the government, we declare that it is utterly inadequate in its scope and unsatisfactory in its details, and should be rejected by the Irish nation, and we regard the production of such a measure by a British government pledged to home rule as a confirmation of the position we have always taken, that any attempt to settle the Irish problem by half-way measures would be entirely unsuccessful, and we call upon the Irish party to oppose the bill in the House of Commons and press the government with all their strength and power to effect a measure for the establishment of a native parliament with a responsible executive power over all purely Irish affairs.

In support of our representatives in Parliament and in the Irish party to oppose the bill for the speedy and genuine settlement of the Irish question.

NATIONALISTS REJECT BILL

LONDON, May 21.—The nationalist convention at Dublin having rejected Mr. Bledin's Irish bill, it is understood that the government will drop it for this session at least and proceed with the other reforms which its liberal supporters are urging, and with which the sessional program is agreed.

That the government cannot grant any wider measure of self-government to Ireland without causing a dissolution of the cabinet, is not denied, so there is no other course to adopt than shelving the bill, which is reported to be the limit to which the anti-home rule liberals would consent to go.

FIGHTING BROWN TAIL MOTH

Government of Nova Scotia Offers Bounty for Destruction of Little Pests.

HALIFAX, N. S., May 21.—Alarmed at the extent of the brown-tail moth throughout Nova Scotia and the danger to the agriculture business of the province should the pest become general, the provincial government has offered a bounty of \$100,000 for the destruction of the pest.

The agricultural officials have organized school children's corps which have been trained to gather the insects and turn them over to the teachers, who, after making entry of each, forward the specimens to the experiment station at Truro.

The Annapolis valley, one of the largest apple producing centers in the world, which yields annually almost 500,000 barrels of the fruit for export to Europe, recently has been invaded by the pest, where it has assumed the position of a serious menace to the prosperity of the inhabitants of the district, who depend upon the revenue derived from their apples for a livelihood.

TURKS CAPTURE STRONGHOLD

Bulgarians Lost Fifty Men and Good Position—Turks Kill Their Prisoners.

BERLIN, May 21.—A dispatch to the Frankfurt Zeitung from Salonica, Europe, Turkey, says that a detachment of Turkish troops, May 19, succeeded in capturing the stronghold of the Bulgarians in the Yenidje lake region. The Bulgarians lost fifty men, due, it is alleged, to the fact that the Turks killed their prisoners. The Turkish loss was seven men killed.

The Bulgarians are threatening to destroy all the Greek and Turkish villages in the Yenidje district.

FIND SEEDS OF REVOLUTION

Eight Thousand Rifles and Much Ammunition Seized at Tien Tsin.

TIENTSIN, China, May 21.—Eight thousand rifles, 300,000 rounds of ammunition and 5,000 bayonets intended for revolutionary purposes have been seized here by the imperial customs authorities. The shipment was imported by a European firm in conjunction with Chinese merchants.

The greatest sensation has been caused in the native portion of the city by the seizure.

General Strike at Santiago.

SANTIAGO, Cuba, May 21.—A general strike for an eight-hour day instigated by the longshoremen and supported by the workmen employed on the electric railway, new water works, Cuba railroad and many smaller concerns has been declared here.

The Chamber of Commerce has called a meeting to devise ways and means to transact business, which in the meanwhile is paralyzed. The strikers are orderly.

PASSENGER RUNS INTO WRECK

One Killed and Two Injured on the Buffalo-Cleveland Westbound Special.

LITTLE FALLS, N. Y., May 21.—In the wreck of the Buffalo-Cleveland special westbound train from New York City on the New York Central railroad, just outside the eastern limits of this city at 1:32 a. m. today, one man was killed and three were critically injured. The dead man is a Hungarian named John.

The seriously injured are Matthew Maher, fireman, critically burned; Engineer John Hyde, scalded by escaping steam, condition critical.

Just as the Buffalo-Cleveland special was approaching Little Falls, an eastbound freight train, running on the track parallel to that of the special, was derailed by a pile of stones.

All four of the tracks were covered by the wreckage of the train and the train hands on the freight declared they did not have time to flag the express before it plunged into the wreckage. Four cars of the special were thrown from the track and two of them, a Buffalo car and day car, were overturned and dragged some distance before the train stopped.

Baggageman Finley was in the Buffalo car and was thrown out and cut in two by the wheels.

Fireman Maher was pinned down in the cab of his engine while hot coals from the boiler set his clothing on fire. He was badly burned and is in a critical condition. None of the passengers were seriously injured. Traffic on all of the four tracks was blocked for six hours.

ONE KILLED AND SEVEN INJURED

Panhandle Train Run Into by Work Train.

PITTSBURGH, May 21.—One man was killed, seven fatally injured and nineteen others received minor hurts and bruises today in a wreck on the Panhandle railroad at Holliday's Cove, W. Va., near Steubenville, O. A freight train had stopped on a curve and a work train, backing, ran into the rear of it, crushing the caboose and cars in which the laborers were gathered. The most seriously injured were removed to a hospital in Steubenville.

RACE WAR AT REIDSVILLE, GA.

Attempt to Lynch Negro Results in Six Deaths and Injury of Six Persons.

REIDSVILLE, Ga., May 21.—Two negroes lynched and four other persons dead and six others injured is the net result of an assault made last night on Mrs. Laura Moore, white, a widow, about six miles from here by Flen Padgett, a negro. Two of the Padgett family are the ones lynched and the death or injury of the others followed the efforts of a posse to capture Padgett. News of the attempted assault aroused the citizens who immediately went to the home of the negro's father. He assured the crowd that his son was not within the house and invited the posse to search for themselves. As they approached the house Flen Padgett fired on the crowd, killing a white man named Hare and wounding four others. The crowd fired a volley into the house, killing old negro Padgett and two of his daughters, and wounding two of his sons, one of whom was Flen Padgett, the man wanted.

After the cooler heads had left the scene of the killing, the hothead element employed a young man to take Padgett's wife and one of the Padgett boys, who was shot through the lungs to Reidsville jail, but later the party followed him, took the prisoner and the whole lot in charge and riddled them with buckshot. It is stated that a crowd of about 300 started for Reidsville to force the jail and lynch the other Padgett boy, who had been taken there by the deputy sheriff.

It is not believed that this will be accomplished as Reidsville has a substantial jail and the citizens will not permit an act of bloodshed in the affair are influential citizens. Further trouble is feared.

MANUFACTURERS ON TARIFF

Sixty Per Cent of Members of National Association Are in Favor of Revision.

NEW YORK, May 21.—The report of the committee on tariff and reciprocity, including the result of a poll of the members as to their attitude on the proposed revision of the tariff, will be made to the National Association of Manufacturers of the United States tomorrow. Much interest centers in what the committee has learned and its report was the subject of much speculation tonight.

While the committee has carefully studied the figures, it was stated with some show of authority that the poll had found 60 per cent of the 3,000 members of the association in favor of a revision of the Dingley tariff. This practically would be the reverse of the expression elicited by the Home Market club of Boston in a similar canvass.

At today's session President Van Cleave in presenting his annual report called for a fund of \$1,500,000 to be used in the next three years to combat what he termed industrial oppression. The principles of the association were, he said, founded on the open shop, opposition to the boycott and the dictatorial labor union and the fund would be required to further these tenets. Subsequently a committee of thirty-five was named to devise means of raising the \$1,500,000.

The committee met tonight, but nothing of the proceedings was made public. The committee will report to the convention tomorrow.

GOVERNOR'S HANDS ARE TIED

Chief Executive of Colorado Powerless to Stop Prize Fight in Denver.

DENVER, May 21.—Governor Henry Buchtel has issued an address explaining why he is powerless to prevent the prize fight scheduled here tonight between Harry Lewis and Jimmy Gardner.

The governor said that the adoption of a new charter for Denver, which took from the governor the control of the fire and police board, deprived the executive of the power to coerce the city officials, and unless they are willing to act of their own accord he cannot compel them. Incidentally, the governor names three conditions as a price to American citizenship, namely: the saloon, the prize fight and the so-called yellow newspaper.

Street Cars Now Running.

EVANVILLE, Ind., May 21.—Street cars began running after the strike was ended, after the obstructions were removed from the West Side tracks.

WATCH BANK ROBBERS WORK

Winnipeg Men Witness Operations of Eurasian Looting Band.

Secured About \$1,200 in Money and Drafts and Escaped Toward Sioux City—Officers Are on Trail.

REMAINED HOUR AND HALF AT TASK.

PENDER, Neb., May 21.—(Special Telegram.)—The State bank of Winnipeg, a small town on the Great Northern, was robbed of \$1,200 early today. The safe was dynamited, blowing the door from its hinges. The sheriff has been notified and other officers are on the lookout for the robbers.

At 12:30 this morning O. A. Ogburn, who owns a pool hall next door, and his helper were awakened, they thought, by falling glass from windows. As there had been a number of Indians in town late in the evening, they thought no more of the noise until another and still another explosion took place in quick succession. Their guns were thirty-five feet away from where they stood, they could see the outlines of a man, holding a gun in hand, just outside of their front door and across the street they could see another man in a store.

After six explosions the robbers inside the bank called to one of his men to come over. After this sounds of crows were distinctly heard. The time from the first sound was about an hour and a half. When the robbers drove away Ogburn and his man gave the alarm. T. N. Thompson, Jr., cashier, who lives three blocks away, on reaching the bank found the safe blown to pieces. The money—\$652 in currency, \$500 in silver, \$30 in gold and \$30 in checks and drafts—was missing. About \$1 in silver of smaller denominations was found among the debris.

The team conveying the robbers was seen about 2:30 a. m. passing through Homer. The telephone wires had been cut between Winnipeg and Homer.

Ogburn arrived in Pender at 5 o'clock a. m. today, notifying the sheriff, who has taken the trail. It is believed the robbers reached Sioux City before daylight.

The Winnipeg State bank has been opened but a few months. The demolishing of the safe was the only damage, except some broken windows. Entrance to the bank was effected by prying open the front door.

The bank was insured with Martin Bros. of Omaha, who have offered \$100 reward for the apprehension of the robbers.

SIoux CITY, Ia., May 21.—(Special Telegram.)—The Sioux City police are looking for four men who blew the safe of the Winnipeg State bank at Winnipeg City, Neb., early this morning and secured \$1,200 cash. The men are supposed to have come to Sioux City. Some suspects have been arrested.

The robbers fled in a buggy which it developed they had hired from a local livery barn just after daylight this morning. This afternoon the police arrested John E. Rose, alias "Hand and a Half" Kelly, and George Myers, a well-known gambler, and both are in jail and the police are looking for two others. Myers admits having hired the rig, but claims to have been fishing. Officers from Winnipeg are here and will apply for extradition of the prisoners as soon as the formalities can be complied with.

BIG SLUMP IN STOCKS

Union Pacific and Smeltering Lead Decline, Which Ranges from Two to Seven Points.

NEW YORK, May 21.—The stock market suffered another sharp and unexplained slump today. Trading in Amalgamated Copper, American Smeltering, Reading, Union Pacific and United States Steel was extremely active. Net declines for the day ranged from 7 1/2 per cent for Union Pacific and United States Steel, with losses of 3 1/2 in Amalgamated Copper, 2 in Reading, 4 in Union Pacific, 2 1/2 in Northern Pacific, 3 in Brooklyn Rapid Transit, and 1 1/2 in Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul.

The market was active and weak directly after the opening, with Smeltering leading the list with a drop of more than 4 points in the first hour. After some stop-loss orders had been uncovered a rally checked the decline until after noon, when there was another sharp break, in which United States Steel was the chief sufferer at first. Later the pressure against Smeltering was renewed and the whole list suffered heavily. Union Pacific particularly.

Heavy covering operations by bears caused a rally late in the day, in which Smeltering recovered 3 1/2 points of its earlier losses, but the market closed feverish and unsettled.

Sorts of rumors to account for the slump were put in circulation by bears during the day, but most of them were promptly denied. One of the most common of these was the report that heavy note issues were contemplated by some of the leading industrialists. No facts developed to show that the movement was anything other than a bear raid coupled with the bull market in grain.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

Signal Officers at Other Posts Ordered to Report for Duty at Fort Omaha.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, May 21.—(Special Telegram.)—First Lieutenant Wiley P. Mangum, Jr., of the Signal corps is relieved from duty at Fort Meade and will proceed to Fort Omaha for duty. Master Signal Electrician Magnus Nordquist is relieved from duty in the Department of California and ordered to Fort Omaha for duty.

Oscar M. Waddell, at present superintendent of the United Indian school in Utah, has been appointed as superintendent of the Winnebago training school, succeeding Superintendent McFartridge.

Rural carriers appointed for Iowa routes: Fairfeld, route 3. Clark H. King, carrier. Louis King, substitute; Imogene, route 4. Claude A. Nees, carrier. John Hetschold, substitute; Sidney, route 3. Raymond K. Stevens, carrier. Elmer L. Thatcher, substitute. John F. McLaughlin has been appointed postmaster at Hard, Hannam county, S. D., vice P. H. Linn resigned.

HUMMELL REMAINS IN CELL.

New York Lawyer Too Ill to Leave and Keeps Himself from Sight.

NEW YORK, May 21.—Albion Hummell, the lawyer who was committed to Blackwell's island yesterday to serve a year's sentence for conspiracy, was too ill to leave his cell in the penitentiary today.

EIGHT CHALLENGES REMAIN

Prediction That Haywood Jury Will Be Completed Some Time Monday.

BOISE, Idaho, May 21.—It is predicted today that the first witness testifying to circumstances connected with the crime in the Steunberger murder case will take the stand one week hence. There are still eight unexpended peremptory challenges; there is an additional vacancy created by the excuse for illness of Juror Orrie Cole, and under the ruling of Judge Fremont Wood the entire jury is still open to further examination.

The session scheduled for Thursday afternoon, already a short one, will be further shortened by the time necessary to hear the excuse of the special venireman directly assembled in court, and doubt is expressed about the completion of the jury by adjournment on Saturday afternoon. Those who reduce the problem to a mathematical calculation based on the experience of the trial to date predict that the jury will be finally sworn some time on Monday next; that the opening statement will be made on either Monday afternoon or Tuesday morning, and that the first real testimony will be taken on Tuesday.

It has not been decided whether James H. Hawley or Senator Borah will make the opening statement for the prosecution. They said today that they had not decided the question, but would take it up later in the week. The prosecution continues to file the names of all witnesses to be used in the four cases pending, and they now number nearly 200. Less than one-third of it is yet to be called in the trial.

Harry Orchard, the principal witness for the state, will probably be on the stand for a full week. His evidence in chief is expected to occupy from three to four days and his cross-examination nearly as long. It is believed that he will be called about one week from Thursday, assuming that the jury is sworn to on Monday.

The great battle of the trial will come with the introduction of Orchard in court. It is expected that there will be a fight against admission of his testimony at every important stage and that he will be submitted to the strongest examination that the combined ingenuity and cleverness of the defense can devise. Attorney E. F. Richardson will conduct the cross-examination of Orchard.

PAT CROWE GETS ACQUITTAL

Jury in Council Bluffs Says He Is Not Guilty of Holding Up Motor Crews.

That Pat Crowe was not one of the two bandits who held up and robbed the crews of two motor trains at the end of the bridge on the night of Sunday, July 2, four coal passers were taken off in small boats by J. M. Rhoades of Detroit, the Naom's sister ship, the Kansas, which was enroute from Milwaukee to Grand Haven.

J. M. Rhoades of Detroit the only one of the passengers who was seriously injured and who was hurried to a hospital as soon as the rescued people had reached Grand Haven, died a few hours after arriving at the hospital. Mr. Rhoades was a lumber expert for the Detroit branch of the Diamond Match company.

James Avery of Tulsa, S. D., and William Sherwood of Fargo, N. D., were the only passengers aboard residing west of Wisconsin.

The loss of the Naom, which was in command of Captain Thomas Trull, is estimated at \$25,000. After the passengers and crew were rescued, a tug and barge which had been attracted to the scene by the fire put a line on the burning hulk and is now towing it to Grand Haven.

The fire started in the vicinity of the kitchen, between the stoves and spread so rapidly that the whole ship was a seething furnace before the crew could get the fire apparatus working. Fire swept the whole length of the ship. It is considered miraculous that the passengers all escaped. Many of them were taken off in their night clothes, and so severely any one was more than partly clad.

Discovered By Another Boat.

The loss of the Naom was not originally discovered by any of the Naom's crew, but was first seen by the lookout on the steamer Kansas, which was proceeding in the opposite direction from Milwaukee to Grand Haven. The Kansas made for the Naom and in the meanwhile the passengers of the ill-fated boat were being rescued.

Captain Thomas Trull was the last man to leave the steamer alive and his clothing was almost burned off him.

It is said by the passengers that the screams of the dying men in the hold were heard, but that it was impossible to reach them.

Tell Thrilling Stories.

Many of the passengers of the burned steamer Naom returned today to this city. They told graphic and thrilling tales of their dangers and unanimously praised the coolness and bravery of the Naom's crew.

Arthur Jones, a Detroit attorney, lost all his belongings except his clothes. "What we suffered," he said, "was we stood there on the stern of the boat watching the fire eating between us in spite of the heroic efforts of the crew to beat it back, nobody can tell. Through it all no braver men ever walked than Steward Philip Rossbach and Purser William Hamanah of the Naom. Brave and cool, out in port, they worked, like heroes, caring for the passengers. It was these men who went down to the lower deck with smoke and flames all around them and handed up the body of Rhoades, whose picture still haunts me."

Sol Waterman of New York said: "Never will I forget the picture of those poor fellows in the forecastle who were burned. The Naom was a mass of flames. Suddenly the four men who had been asleep in the forecastle thrust their heads from the port holes and called for help. The captain of the freight steamer was on ordered a lifeboat to go to their aid. The boat went, but the men were unable to squeeze their bodies through the ports. We could hear them calling pitifully for help and see them through the flames, but the lifeboat crew came back and reported it could not reach them. The