

HOUSE NONCONCURS

Postoffice Appropriation Bill to Be Referred to a Conference.

MR. MANTLE DISCUSSES SILVER.

Leaders of Labor Organizations Protest Against the Treatment of Machinists in Navyyards—New Mexico Statehood Bill Will Be Favorably Reported—Bill to Admit Arizona Postponed.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—The house yesterday, after debating the bill to abolish compulsory pilotage on sailing vessels engaged in the coastwise trade, defeated the measure by a large majority, 55 to 117. The District of Columbia appropriation bill, which was re-committed early in March after a protracted fight against appropriations for private and sectarian charitable institutions, was brought into the house with the specific appropriations stricken out and containing in lieu thereof an appropriation of a lump sum for charities to be expended under the direction of the district commissioners, with the proviso that no part of the appropriation should go to institutions in ecclesiastical or sectarian control. The feature of the debate was a vigorous attack on the A. P. A. by Mr. Fitzgerald (Dem., Mass.).

The house nonconcurred in the senate amendments to the postoffice appropriation bill and agreed to a conference. Messrs. Lord (Rep., Cal.), Smith (Rep., Ill.), and Kyle (Dem., Miss.) were appointed conferees. A resolution was adopted calling on Secretary Olney for information relative to any efforts made by the government to secure the liberation of Mrs. Maybrick, now confined in an English prison under life sentence for poisoning her husband.

TARIFF SILVER BILL.

Mr. Mantle Says the Dingley Bill Is Not a Patriotic Measure.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—After being in retirement for some weeks the tariff silver bill was brought forward in the senate yesterday as a text for a speech by Mr. Mantle of Montana, one of the



SENATOR MANTLE.

Five Republican senators who voted against considering the tariff. Mr. Mantle defended the course of the silver Republican senators, declaring that the Dingley bill was not framed as a patriotic measure. He urged that unseasonable protection should be linked with bimetalism. A sharp tariff colloquy followed between Senators Mills, Hear, Hawley and Mitchell, as to the effect of the Wilson bill on wool. Some progress was made on the Indian appropriation bill, but the sectarian school question went over until today. The calendar was cleared of all private pension bills after an hour specially devoted to pensions.

WILL BE REPORTED FAVORABLY.

New Mexico's Statehood Bill to Be Voted on Soon—Arizona Bill Postponed.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—The house committee on territories has voted to report favorably the New Mexico statehood bill to the house and also decided to defer action on the Arizona bill. So evenly divided was the committee that the fate of the bill rested on a single vote. This vote decided to place the question of New Mexico's admission before the house for settlement and also sidetracked for the time the decision of Arizona's fate. There were six votes to report the New Mexico bill and four against a favorable report, while the vote on the question of tabling the Arizona bill was a tie, with five members on each side of the question. Those who voted to report the New Mexico bill were: Republicans, Scranton of Pennsylvania, Perkins of Iowa, LeFevre of New York, Avery of Michigan, Hadley of Illinois, Democrat, Cooper of Texas, Opposed—Republicans, Knox of Massachusetts, Taft of Ohio, Low of New York. Democrat, Owens of Kentucky.

TO AID ORGANIZED LABOR.

Protest Against Ill-treatment of Union Men in the Brooklyn Navyyard.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—James O'Connell of Chicago, grand master of the International Order of Machinists, and Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, yesterday urged the committee on naval affairs to make an investigation of the treatment of machinists in navyyards. A resolution has been introduced by Representative Okey charging that members of labor organizations are discriminated against by the management of navyyards, and particularly in the Brooklyn yard. The two speakers represented that Mr. Okey's charges are true and that the management of the yards is tyrannical and the system of appointment manipulated so that labor organizations are ill-treated.

River and Harbor Consideration.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—The senate committee on commerce has decided to take up the river and harbor bill today and to sit daily until its consideration is concluded. The committee will devote today, tomorrow and Monday to

hearing senators who have amendments to offer and after that time will press the bill to final consideration as soon as practicable.

To Arm Naval Militia.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—In the senate Senator McMillan gave notice that he would make an effort to have the naval appropriation bill amended so as to provide \$50,000 for arming and equipping the naval militia of the various states.

VESSEL CAPSIZES.

Struck by a Squall in Mission Bay and Rapidly Sinks.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 10.—No stranger disaster ever happened to a vessel than the accident which has befallen the British ship *Blairmore* yesterday morning. While riding at anchor in Mission Bay the vessel was struck by a violent squall which, together with the swift flood tide, threw the craft on her starboard side, capsizing her completely and sinking her in less than 15 minutes.

Fifteen seamen struggled in the water. Six were confined in the hold and were probably pinned down by the falling damage used to hold the ship's ballast in place. The imprisoned sextette never reached the deck, and the bodies of the six are imprisoned in the steel hull. The *Blairmore's* masts lie level with the bay bottom under seven fathoms of water, and not a sign of the sailors' sunken tomb is visible above the waves. The unfortunate who lost their lives were:

T. LUDWIG, first mate.
HENRY CLARK, seaman.
ROLAND STEIGEL, apprentice.
G. REINBAUM, seaman.
H. SIKSKAND, watchman.
SAM KERRY, steward.

The squall that caused the disaster was the most severe experienced on the south arm of the bay for many years.

MONTANA MINE HORROR.

Seven Imprisoned Miners Are Given Up For Dead.

BUTTE, Mont., April 10.—Dispatches from Basin are to the effect that the fire in the Hope mine has been extinguished, but that seven imprisoned miners are without doubt dead as nothing can be heard from them. They are:

JOHN BUCKLEY, shaft boss.
PAT BUCKLEY.
MARTIN SULLIVAN.
HUGH McKEOWN.
BARNEY WALL.
WILL BELDEN.
E. D. McARTHUR.

The shaft is filled with burned timbers, but that would not prevent the voices of the men being heard if they were alive, and therefore it is positive that they are dead. It will be several days before the bodies can be reached. The cause of the fire is still unknown.

BACK FROM CHINA AND JAPAN.

Steamship Officials Bring Little News of the Epidemic There.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 10.—The Pacific mailship *Rio de Janeiro* arrived yesterday from China and Japan. The ship presented a delapidated appearance, nearly all of her cabins and the woodwork on the upper deck having been consumed during the period on her last trip from this port when she ran short of coal.

The ship's officers bring but little news of the epidemic in the Orient. Hong Kong had been declared an infected port, and the steamship line from there to Vladivostok had suspended operations.

At Kobe a general quarantine station has been established and systematic efforts are made to combat the dread disease. Other than the black plague, cholera and smallpox in a furious form have made their appearance.

In Japan modern methods are employed more than in China, and as a result the death rate is lower in the kingdom of the mikado than in the latter country.

BATTLE IN LOUISIANA.

Two White Men and Twenty-Five Negroes Reported to Have Been Killed.

LAFAYETTE, La., April 10.—Information received here from St. Landry parish says that Dr. F. G. Martin, in command of some 500 men at Mallet, has been shot and wounded. No particulars can be obtained as to who shot Colonel Martin or the nature of his wounds. Dr. G. A. Martin, a resident of Lafayette and brother of Colonel Martin, was much concerned on receipt of the information and endeavored to ascertain definite news by telephone from his brother at Mallet, but could get no reply except that the colonel was not at home. Further information is that two white men and 25 negroes have been killed in the affray.

SHORT WIRINGS.

The treasury yesterday lost \$114,200 in gold, leaving the true amount of the reserve \$127,735,910.

Battleship *Indiana* floated out of the drydock yesterday and will be immediately attached to the north Atlantic squadron. The latest political button to appear in Washington reads as follows: "I have troubles of my own. William E. Chandler."

The report that Germany has joined the protest against the king of Corea's presence in the Russian legation at Seoul is denied.

The sentence of J. C. Yetzer, convicted of fraudulent banking, has been affirmed by the Iowa supreme court. He will go to the penitentiary for five years.

Morris E. Jessup of New York has accepted the presidency of the American Sabbath-school union, to succeed the late Justice Strong of Washington.

Judge N. L. Bennett of Campbell county, Ky., reduced his own salary from \$1,700 to \$1,400. He said he thought the county was paying more than it could afford.

Deputy Sheriff John W. Hanchey was assassinated in his yard at Milligan, Fla., by unknown parties who fired upon him three times, killing him instantly.

At Milligan, Tex., John Brooks shot and killed his daughter, Miss Mollie Brooks, seriously wounding her sweetheart, A. C. Worrell, and then committed suicide.

Pope Leo has strong-armed Cardinal Gibbons, Vaughn and Loggie for having signed the appeal for Anglo-American arbitration and offers them encouragement to persevere in their noble aim.

COMPETITION LIKELY

Bids May Be Accepted For the Publication of the Patent Office Gazette.

CAPTAIN LUDLOW'S REPORT.

He Tells of the Collision of the Wan-of-War Monterey—The George Bill to Establish a Uniform System of Bankruptcy Amended—Reciprocity Asked For Flour.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—At the instance of Mr. Gorman the senate determined to open the publication of the patent office Gazette to general competition. Reference was made during the discussion to the investigation some months ago into the circumstances by which a friend of the then assistant secretary of the state, Mr. Josiah Quincy, was awarded the contract. Mr. Gorman carried his amendment for an open competition, although Mr. Platt, chairman of the committee on patents, was in opposition. The rest of the day was given to the Dupont case. Senator Burrows, Michigan, and Brown, Utah, supporting Mr. Dupont's claim.

AS AMENDED.

The George Bill to Establish a Uniform System of Bankruptcy Considered.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—The George bill to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy was reported to the senate yesterday from the judiciary committee. The most important amendment made was that providing that where any debtor who being a banker, broker, merchant, trader or manufacturer, owing \$500 makes an assignment or conveyance of his property, or gives any lien or incumbrance thereon contrived or devised with the actual intent on his part to defraud his creditors, such act shall be deemed bankruptcy. The measure provides for voluntary bankruptcy. At the same time Mr. Mitchell of Oregon submitted the views of the minority of the committee in the shape of the measure agreed on by the house committee. The latter provides for voluntary bankruptcy.

CAPTAIN LUDLOW'S REPORT.

He Tells of the Collision of the Monterey and the Swedish Steamer.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—Captain Ludlow of the Monterey has reported to the navy department by telegraph the collision between his vessel and a 3,000-ton Swedish merchantman. The Monterey was lying at anchor at the time in Puget sound. The Swedish steamer struck the warship on the starboard quarter dead ahead, denting in one plate below the water line and knocking off three rivet heads. The Swedish steamer was reported to be in danger of sinking at the time of sending the dispatch. The Monterey was ordered to Seattle to go into the new dry dock.

To Amend the Sundry Civil Bill.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—In the senate yesterday Mr. Cullom gave notice of an amendment to the sundry civil bill providing that out of the appropriation made for the bureau of engraving and printing the bureau shall provide the full amount of internal revenue stamps required by law and that the printing of postage stamps shall be done by contract to the lowest bidder. Senator Gordon of Georgia gave notice of a proposed amendment to the naval bill appropriating \$50,000 for arms and accoutrements for the naval militia of the various states.

Reciprocity For Flour.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—Messrs. John Crosby and Charles C. Boy, representatives of the Washburn-Crosby company of Minneapolis, appeared before the subcommittee on reciprocity of the ways and means committee of the house yesterday to urge the re-adoption of the reciprocal features of the tariff act. They claimed the laws of European countries discriminate against American flour.

Discussed The District of Columbia.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—The house spent yesterday transacting business relating to the District of Columbia. Several bills were passed. It was the intention of Mr. Bartlett (Dem., N. Y.) to call up his bill to authorize racing in the District of Columbia, but he was given no opportunity to do so. It is expected that he will ask unanimous consent for the consideration of the bill today.

IN HONOR OF JEFFERSON.

Many Democrats Celebrate the Birthday of the Distinguished Virginian.

MONTICELLO, Va., April 14.—Yesterday the 153d anniversary of Thomas Jefferson's birthday was fittingly observed here, where he lived and died, by a gathering of a large number of prominent Democrats from all sections of the country. The distinguished guests included Vice President Stevenson, Secretary Herbert, Postmaster General Wilson, Attorney General Harmon, ex-Governor Russell of Massachusetts, Chauncey F. Black and Lawrence Gardner, president and secretary respectively of the National Association of Democratic Clubs, and nearly two score of senators and representatives, besides a number of national committeemen.

The exercises commenced shortly after 2 o'clock, and upon the broad lawns were assembled several hundred people who had come from the surrounding towns and farms. Three addresses were delivered, the first by Chauncey F. Black, the second by ex-Governor Russell and the third by ex-Senator Daniel of Virginia.

Lady For University Trustees.

PEORIA, Ill., April 14.—The Republican woman of Peoria county have arranged for a mass convention to be held at the Y. M. C. A., auditorium here. Delegates will be audited to the state convention at Springfield, and it is more than probable instructions will be given for Mrs. Geo. Simpson of this city, as candidate for trustee of the state university.

GERMS OF DISEASE KILLED.

Epidemics, It Is Said, Are No More to Be Dreaded Than Cholera.

CHICAGO, April 14.—Professor W. P. Pratt and Hugh Wightman, the electrotherapist and the bacteriologist of Bennett Medical college of this city, claim to have practically proved that epidemics will be impossible in the future. They claim that Asiatic cholera is no more to be feared than cholera, and that diphtheria, glanders and typhoid must all yield to the new remedy, the Roentgen ray.

The germs in these diseases were grown in tubes in proper media. Magnetic lines in force from the Crookes tube were passed through them. The application lasted two hours. The cholera germs were the easiest and appear to have been wiped out entirely. Diphtheria germs have been treated very tenderly and favorably, and after eight days failed to show the slightest signs of life. There has been no activity in the bacteria, and with certain modifications the doctors are now ready to announce that the ray, properly applied, will destroy any form of infectious or contagious germ. This is endorsed by the college faculty and the entire electrical equipment, the best in the west, will be turned over for future proof of the discovery which is now maintained to be a fact.

TESTING A NEW GUN.

Results of Experiments Before the United States Officers.

NEW YORK, April 14.—A test of the new Dudley pneumatic gun, for firing projectiles containing high explosive gelatine, was made yesterday at East Island, Long Island Sound, before Major General Nelson A. Miles and the board of the ordnance of the United States army and navy. The gun was operated by Designer Howell B. Elwell. In the first test five projectiles were fired in rapid succession, the projectiles weighing 33 pounds and containing 13 pounds of the explosive, being thrown a distance of from three quarters of a mile to a mile and a quarter. The second test, however, did not result so favorably, for during a target trial with projectiles the gun exploded at the third shot, the officers who were standing in a semicircle behind it escaping only by a miracle. One man, a spectator, was badly cut by a piece of the metal. Another test will be made.

EXPLOSION OF FIREDAMP.

Five Men Probably Fatally Injured in a Pennsylvania Mine.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., April 14.—Five men were probably fatally injured in an explosion of firedamp during a fire in the red ash vein of the Woodward mine last night. They are:

William Powell, fire boss.
John Evans, mine foreman.
James Lewis, miner.
William D. Morgan, miner.
Arthur Golightly, laborer.

There is very little chance of recovery of the men, all of whom inhaled gas. The fire is still burning, but the superintendent said there was no danger of its spreading to any extent. The mine is one of the largest in the Wyoming Lackawanna and Western Railroad company.

NOT SOON ENOUGH.

He Was Rescued From the Hands of His Wife and Stepson, but May Die.

ST. LOUIS, April 14.—Joe Hadezaka, a Pole, whose screams for mercy drew a crowd to his home, 1426 O'Fallon street, yesterday, was rescued from the hands of his wife and stepson, who were trying to kill him with a hatchet. Blood covered the man's head and was spattered over the woman and her son, who desisted when the neighbors came in. The badly wounded man pointed to the hatchet and a trunk and said "they wanted to get rid of me." When taken to the city hospital an examination revealed the fact that his skull had been crushed and the doctors said he could not live. Mrs. Hadezaka was arrested, but her son escaped by jumping from a second story window.

EX-SENATOR TRUMBULL ILL.

Suddenly Stricken While Entertaining ex-Governor Koerner.

BELLEVILLE, Ill., April 15.—While delivering the oration at the funeral of ex-Governor Koerner, ex-Senator Lyman Trumbull was taken ill. Considering his great age, a consultation of four physicians was held. They finally decided that it would be safe to take the senator home, under the care of Dr. L. J. Bechtold. The illness of Mr. Trumbull has taken a serious turn, and the doctors in attendance express great fears as to his recovery.

Corbett Full of Fight.

CHICAGO, April 14.—Last night from the stage of the Chicago opera-house, James J. Corbett announced that the National Sporting club of London had offered a purse of \$10,000 for a fight between himself and Fitzsimmons. "Fitzsimmons is going abroad May 2" said Corbett, "and I close my season the second week in May. I intend to take the first boat that I can get for England, and hope to bring Fitzsimmons to an agreement to fight."

SHORT WIRINGS.

Jordan Phillips, an Arkansas preacher, will be hanged May 22 in Arkansas county for wife murder.

The 75th anniversary of the independence of Greece was appropriately observed in that country yesterday.

By the death of Mrs. Anna W. Dickinson of Boston, \$380,000 will be distributed to various asylums and hospitals.

The Massachusetts legislature is considering an appropriation of \$10,000 for a monument to Benjamin Butler.

The United Mine Workers of America are in session at Columbus, O. The treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The Democratic convention at Elmhurst, Pa., elected James A. Gray as delegate, decided against the unit rule and endorsed Pattison for president.

Schaefer defeated Garner in a billiard contest last night 300 to 222.

Josiah Steele and Gustav Kreuger were fatally burned at Cambria, Pa., yesterday by an explosion of firedamp.

TRAMPS AS ROBBERS

They Hold Up an Agent and Friend and Lock Them In a Car.

LITTLE GAIN FOR THE EFFORT.

Preparations Being Made For the G. A. R. Encampment—Watchman of the Tolleston Gun Club Accidentally Killed—Mysterious Death of Jacob Kubering at Wellsboro—Indiana Notes of Interest.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., April 13.—R. R. McGladery, night agent of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern railroad at Mishawaka, this county, and William Lamphere, a friend in the office with him, were held up early yesterday morning by two burly tramps. The agent had just received permission from his train dispatcher to leave the station for a short time and turning around peered into the barrels of two big revolvers. From Lamphere the tramps secured only \$1.25 and from McGladery \$3 and a fine pair of shoes. The only pocket in McGladery's clothes which they did not touch contained \$160, which he had recently drawn from a bank. The tramps then took \$11 from the till, stopped the clock and marched the two men to a boxcar, where they locked them in and escaped. McGladery and Lamphere remained prisoners until nearly daylight, when a train crew released them.

JUSTICE CAME QUICKLY.

Arrested and Sent to the Penitentiary Within an Hour.

MEXICO, Ind., April 13.—John Miller was arrested Saturday afternoon at the Colombian hotel on the charge of larceny, he having stolen a number of articles from the proprietor's room. His arrest occurred at 2:30 o'clock. He was taken before the mayor, bound over to court, placed in jail and then taken before Judge Koons and at 3:10 o'clock was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary.

He came here Thursday from Chicago, where he has a mother and child. He stated that he was a machinist by trade, but from articles found in his trunk the police think that he is a professional crook. Among the articles was a great amount of silverware, on which "Marble hotel" was engraved. The quickness in which he received his sentence breaks all previous records. Sheriff Sherry left for the penitentiary with Miller at once.

GRAND ARMY PREPARATIONS.

List of Speakers Who Will Entertain the Old Soldiers.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., April 13.—The principal speakers for the annual encampment in this city on May 13 and 14 of the Indiana department, G. A. R., are: Commander-in-Chief Walker, Adjutant General Robbins, General James R. Carnahan, Dr. W. T. Stott, Henry C. Adams, Dr. D. R. Lucas, Hon. J. B. Cheandle and Dr. Daniel Ryan. The great reception campfire will be held on the evening of May 12, and the presiding officer will be General Carnahan. The presiding officers on the following evening at the several camp fires will be Department Commander H. B. Shively, Past Commander A. D. Marsh and Past Commander James T. Johnston.

Mystery Surrounds His Death.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., April 13.—Jacob Kubering of this city was found dead on the Grand Trunk railroad track at Wellsboro, this county. How his death occurred is shrouded in mystery. He was waiting to take a train home, and as it was late he walked a short distance down the track, and that was the last seen of him until his dead body was found.

Will Be With the Marion Chronicle.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 13.—Walter K. Landis, who has been in this city several years as the correspondent of Cincinnati Commercial Gazette and on the local staff of The Journal, will leave the city this afternoon for Marion, where he will be with the Marion Chronicle, in which paper he has recently obtained an interest.

Gun Club Watchman Killed.

HAMMOND, Ind., April 13.—Richard B. Stone of Louisville, Ky., a watchman on the grounds of the Tolleston Gun club, was accidentally shot and killed. While pushing a boat in the river his rifle was discharged, the ball entering his right side and passing through his body.

INDIANA NEWS NOTES.

Florida is in the throes of a hydrophobia scare. Jay county infirmary, costing \$21,000, has been completed.

Herbert Duling of Jonesboro is demented on the subject of spiritualism.

A receiver has been appointed for G. M. Wyson & Co., confectioners, Indianapolis.

Several citizens of Shelbyville are organizing a company for the relief of Cuba.

A thief stole \$500 from the bookkeeper of the Bates House, Indianapolis, Saturday.

Residents of Mitchell have voted to build 21 miles of macadamized road in that city and township.

Wade Simpson and Miss Laura Nutter of Martinsville eloped Saturday and were married at Jeffersonville.

William Coughlen, aged 76, and Mrs. Martha W. Morrow, aged 70, pioneers of Indianapolis, died Saturday.

Charlotte Ludoviz, an actress, aged 17, who traveled with the "Eight Bells" company, died at Elkhart Saturday.

The boot and shoe store of F. O. Harris of Thorntown was plundered Saturday night and \$50 worth of goods taken.

The jury in the White saloon case at Shelbyville disagreed Saturday. The remaining cases will be pushed to the end.

Members of the senior class of the Girls' Classical school at Indianapolis successfully gave "Love's Labor Lost" Saturday night.

Over 400 Indianapolis bicyclists took out licenses Saturday. It was the busiest day in that line ever experienced by the city controller.

INGERSOLL'S SERMON.

His Text Was "There Is No Darkness but Ignorance."

CHICAGO, April 13.—Colonel Robert G. Ingersoll spoke before the Militant church congregation yesterday in response to an invitation extended by the pastor, the Rev. John Rusk. After having been introduced Mr. Ingersoll said: "There is no darkness but ignorance," was the opening sentence of the address by the noted orator, who from the outset argued forcefully for intellectual development. He contended that "every human being is a necessary product of conditions, and every one is born with defects for which he cannot be held re-



ROBERT G. INGERSOLL.

sponsible. Nature seems to care nothing for the individual, nothing for the species."

His argument for the betterment of mankind was directed against war and the preparations therefor, which were accomplished at a waste of \$10,000 a minute, and which if used in another direction would result in great good. Churches also are conducted at too great an outlay. For correctness he suggested the laying aside of dogmas and creeds and the formation of one general place of worship in towns of four or five thousand people. He thought there should be but one church in such towns, and that this should be open seven days in a week. It should be devoted to all forms of amusement, including theatricals, music, billiards, cards, etc. He would lessen crime by making schools of the penitentiaries and would put dangerous criminals on some isolated island, separating the sexes.

The problem of the home, the labor question and education of the children were themes which were daringly handled. The accomplishment of all he urged was not expected soon, he said, but a step in that direction would be for those earning a surplus in life's conquest to devote a part thereof toward rescuing the fallen, helping those who are helping themselves and to give work to the idle. "Let us flood the world with intellectual light," he said in concluding.

CLEVELAND CONFLAGRATION.

Many Lives Impaired and Property Destroyed in an Early Morning Fire.

CLEVELAND, April 13.—A fire which started early yesterday morning in a 3-story tenement house at the corner of Mulrison and Oregon streets caused a loss of \$10,000 and put the lives of the members of 15 families in peril for a brief period. The fire started on the second floor of the building, which was a frame structure, and the occupants of the upper suites of rooms all reached the fire escapes in safety, with the exception of one young woman named Mary Cox, who jumped from a third story window and was badly hurt.

Charles Watkins with his wife and baby occupied one of the flats. He was awakened by smelling smoke. Hastily rousing his wife and child, he attempted to escape by the way of the hall, but the flames dove him back.

Then he burst open the door of the room of Misses Mary and Anna Cox. Watkins told them to come with him. He then smashed the panel in the door leading to the next suite, occupied by Miss Mae Burke. From the window of this room the fire escape could be reached and Miss Burke had already started to descend it. Watkins pulled his wife and child and Miss Anna Cox through the hold in the door and placed them on the fire escape. He then went back for Miss Cox, but just as he reached her she plunged from the window. She was caught by men below and escaped with a broken arm and a few burns. The losses are mostly covered by insurance.

MINERS MAY STRIKE.

Delegates Selected to Make a New Scale Are Dismissed.

BRAZIL, Ind., April 13.—The action of a number of miners' lodges in the block coal district indicates a strike, as they dismissed the delegates previously appointed to select a committee to confer with the operators relative to a mining scale. These miners claim that the operators will have to modify the proposition they made last Saturday, inasmuch as they stated that they would not pay over 70 cents a ton, even if the Pennsylvania scale went to \$1. The miners also say they will not sign the scale proposed by the operators unless they have a benefit in the raise in the same proposition granted in competing fields.

Wouldbe Murderer Escapes.

WHITEHALL, Ill., April 13.—Fulton F. Worcester, lumber dealer and leading citizen, was shot twice with a revolver yesterday morning by a burglar in his bed chamber. The burglar then jumped out the window and escaped. Bloodhounds were brought from Jacksonville, but so many people had visited the scene of the shooting that no definite starting point could be found. Seven other houses were entered, but nothing of value procured. Mr. Worcester is suffering much pain, but it is thought that his injuries will not prove fatal.

Weather.

Indiana and Illinois—Fair, followed by showers; cooler.