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MORE NEWS ABOUT CAMP 20.

O'Connor Tells the Cronin Jury How the Secret Work Was Done.

THE PART DAN COUGHLIN TOOK IN THE PROCEEDINGS.

The Peoria Spellman Who is Much Wanted Disappears and Can't Be Found.

CHICAGO, October 30.—At the opening of the court in the Cronin trial this morning State's Attorney Longenecker asked for an attachment for Edward Spellman, of Peoria, Ill., the district officer of the Clan-na-Gael. Longenecker said that Spellman had been served with a subpœna and had agreed to come when called for. Two telegrams had been sent to him, but he had not responded. The attachment was ordered issued.

The first witness sworn was Denis O'Connor. He testified that he was a member of Camp 20, Clan-na-Gael. At a meeting of the camp on February 8th, last, the witness said he heard Thomas O'Connor state that he had heard read in Dr. Cronin's camp the minority report of the committee to try the executive body of the order. The names of the members of the executive body were not mentioned and the witness said he never knew who composed the triangle. Then it was voted to appoint a committee to go up to Dr. Cronin's camp and investigate the matter of the minority report which Dr. Cronin read. His cross examination elicited nothing new.

Stephen Colleran, who was on the Island at the time of the adjournment last evening, was recalled, and after answering a few unimportant questions from the state, was turned over to the defense for cross examination. It developed nothing of interest.

Patrick Nolan, secretary of Camp 20, produced his record book and from it testified as to the numbers borne by Coughlin, Cooney, O'Sullivan, Beggs and Burke, all of whom, except Cooney, are now on trial. The witness further testified that he was present at a meeting of the camp on the night of May 3, the day preceding Dr. Cronin's death; that Beggs presided; that there was a call for the report of the secret committee appointed on February 8, and that Beggs replied that the committee was to report to him alone. The witness said that on the Sunday following Dr. Cronin's disappearance he met Burke and Cooney, about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, in a saloon. This was before the witness knew of Dr. Cronin's disappearance. They went to another saloon and played cards for a couple of hours.

The next witness was Captain Thomas O'Connor, the man who created the excitement in Camp 20 on the night of February 8th, by saying that he had heard read in Dr. Cronin's camp a report of the committee that tried the triangle. Captain O'Connor said that Andrew Foy was the first man to speak that night. Foy arose in his place in the camp and, addressing the senior guardian, stated that he arose under a terrible strain; that after the disclosures of Le Caron in London, that the organization, as an organization, was no more. That there were four British spies in the organization, and that it should be reorganized, and every one that was in the organization who had the slightest taint, or suspicion attached to him should be expelled. "When he got through I arose to my feet and I stated that I was not at all surprised at hearing the gentleman talk as he had done; that I knew, by positive information, that the organization was run by a parcel of rogues, known as our executive body; that they had squandered our funds, even to the extent of $100,000, and not alone that, but they sent our best men across to England to have them put behind the bars; and now, I state positively, that Le Caron was an agent of our executive body and received pay from them. At that moment I was interrupted by two or three brothers with a demand to tell where I got my information. I did not like the first brother who spoke to me and I said: 'You demand nothing.' Then there were two or three other brothers that demanded to know where I got my information and there was a general uproar at the time. So I turned around to the senior guardian and I said to him: 'If the senior guardian demands of me where I got my information, I will tell him.' He did not say anything. Then there was some more uproar. I turned a second and a third time and said if the senior guardian would demand of me where I got my information, I would tell him. Then I stated I had heard a terrible report of the entire trial committee in Buffalo, and that I had also seen a written report of three hundred pages of close written long hand about the trial and that I was positive of my statement. At that instant Daniel Coughlin, a member of the camp, arose to his feet and said 'Mr. Guardian, I move you that a secret committee of three be appointed to find out the source of Captain O'Connor's information.' Those were his words. Then there was some one else on his feet and the senior guardian rapped the camp to order, as it was such a tumultuous time, such turmoil, and somebody spoke and he said: 'I will hear no more on this subject and I will appoint a committee.'

Q.—Who was the senior guardian at this time?

A.—John F. Beggs.

On cross examination, Captain O'Connor said he did not say in his speech on February 8th that Dr. Cronin read the report of the triangle, nor did he say in what camp it was read. He said that after he was subpœnaed to appear before the coroner's jury he met Beggs and asked him if he should disclose the secrets of the organization. Beggs told him to go ahead, as they were already public property. The witness said he had heard of the "Inner circle," as applied to the executive body, but never in connection with individual camps. Capt. O'Connor said he had been at work on the Cronin case without pay up to September 26, when he was appointed as a policeman. On re-direct examination the fact was brought out that there were five or six members of Camp 20 present when the witness made his speech of February 8, who were in the other camp when the report in regard to the triangle trial was given, and were therefore cognizant of the facts as to the camp in which it was given and who gave it. He explained that it was a verbal not a written report. There were eighteen or twenty members of Camp 20 in the other camp when the report was made. The report, he said, was made by the late Dr. Cronin in his (Cronin's) camp. Subsequently Dr. Cronin showed the witness the written report.

The next witness was Henry Owen O'Connor, a member of Camp 20. He described the proceedings at the meetings of February 8 and 22 without bringing out any new points. At a subsequent meeting, however, he said Dan Coughlin came up to him and said that information had been received in Chicago to the effect that a confederate of Le Caron was in the organization, and that indications pointed to Cronin as the man. The witness stopped him at that point.

Police Officer John Collins was then called to the witness chair. He testified that he had been a member of Camp 20. He said that at the reunion meeting February 22, Dick Powers and Pat McGarry made speeches denouncing the triangle. Then Beggs said that this tirade against the triangle and Alexander Sullivan must cease or there would be war; that Sullivan had many friends there. Collins' description of the meeting of February 8, failed to bring out anything new.

Patrick McGarry, senior guardian of the Clan-na-Gael camp in Lakeview, instituted by Dr. Cronin and of which Dr. Cronin was a member, was the next witness. He told the story of the reunion meeting on February 22d without adding any material information, and then told of a visit he made to the house of O'Sullivan on the Sunday following Dr. Cronin's death. He there questioned O'Sullivan very closely about his contract with Dr. Cronin to treat his men in case of accident and described the twitching of O'Sullivan's mouth. The court then adjourned till to-morrow.

WINNIPEG, Man., October 30.—Deputy State's Attorney Baker will leave for Chicago to-morrow morning, having sized up the situation here. He says he is satisfied that Burks fellow prisoners are faking to a great extent and expresses the opinion that the jury would probably not take much stock in their stories. He says Chief McRae and Constable McKinnon, who gave evidence during the extradition proceedings, will go to Chicago to give evidence.

PEORIA, Ill., October 30.—Edward Spellman, the prominent distiller here, who is district delegate of the Clan na-Gael, and was wanted in Chicago as a witness in the Cronin trial, has not been found by the local authorities. Spellman has not been in Peoria for two weeks past. Nobody seems to know where he is. He was in Cincinnati a little over a week ago, but left there for some destination unknown. Even his family profess ignorance of his whereabouts. Sheriff Matson, of Chicago, arrived in Peoria to-night for the purpose of taking Spellman to Chicago. He will return empty handed.

RAILROAD ACCIDENTS.

Several of Them Yesterday—Some With Fatal Results.

TOLEDO, O., October 30.—The westbound fast train on the Lake Shore, known as the limited No. 1, was thrown into the ditch near the station called Wawaka, Ind, on the Air line. A side bar on the engine broke and the separated parts in flying around so damaged the track as to derail the trucks of a forward car. Three cars, with the engine, went into the ditch. The only personal injuries sustained were by a passenger, name unknown, who was bruised a little.

PORT JERVIS, N. Y., October 30.—A freight train with two engines, while switching at Otisville, broke in two and thirty-five cars ran backwards down grade, about a mile east of Otisville, at a speed of forty miles an hour, and ran into a west-bound freight train, wrecking the engine completely and twenty-four cars. Samuel S. Sloat, flagman, was instantly killed; Levi Brierly died this morning of his injuries; Engineer J. D. Fosdick badly scalded; Fireman John C. Brierly and Brakeman Lee Garrett burned and bruised.

PITTSBURG, Pa., October 30.—An east-bound freight train on the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago railroad ran into the rear of the Chicago limited express coming east this morning, near Beaver Falls, Pa. The engine of the freight telescoped the observation car of the limited and two freight cars were telescoped. A brakeman named Reeters was instantly killed, and Engineer Dougherty and Fireman Carr were seriously but not fatally injured. The shock threw the passengers on the limited from their berths, but beyond a good shaking up and some slight cuts and bruises nobody was hurt.

LYNCHBURG, Va., October 30.—A passenger train bound east and a freight train going west, on the Norfolk & Western railroad, collided between Liberty and Thaxtons, and both trains were wrecked. It is reported that the firemen and engineers of [illegible] th trains were killed. One passenger a[illegible]lled and many hurt. No further part[illegible] have been received.

Crimes and Casualties.

Harvey D. Wilson, a contractor and builder at Kansas City, committed suicide.

Thomas McCausland, who gave the name to McCausland, Iowa, was shot, perhaps, fatally, by a burglar who has been captured.

The steamer Kanawha, from Newport News, arrived at New York with the crew of the Cleopatra, twenty-six in number, and the crew of thirteen of the steamboat Crystal Wave, which were both sunk in collision off the Capes of Delaware. All hands were saved. The Cleopatra was an American screw steamer of 532 tons register and built in 1865. She was running in the Old Dominion line and was bound from West Point, Va., for New York. The Crystal Wave was a side-wheel river steamer and was bound for a Southern port.

News Condensed.

Jay Gould's son, George, has emphatically denied the statement that his father contemplated borrowing $20,000,000 from Drexel, Morgan & Co., for the purpose of reconstructing, equipping, and improving the New York elevated railroad.

The corner-stone of the memorial arch dedicated to the soldiers and sailors of Kings county, New York, who sacrificed their lives in defense of the Union, was laid with appropriate ceremonies at the Prospect park plaza, Brooklyn, yesterday. When built the arch will have cost $250,000.

The Yale corporation established a professorship of Biblical literature in the academical department. The foundation for the professorship is $50,000, given by a few men who desire their names to remain unknown. A graduate fellowship in the academical department was also established on a foundation of $10,000, the gift of Mr. John Sloane, of New York.

M. Alphonse Daudet will again deal with his delightful Gascon in a humorous novel to be entitled "The Colonists of Tarascon; the Last Adventures of the Famous Tartarin." This story, translated by Henry James, will be published in serial form and is to be the last record of the famous Tartarin.

A NEW RAILROAD SENSATION.

A Report That the Chicago & Alton Has Been Taken in by The Big Combine.

UNION PACIFIC AND VANDERBILTS SUPPOSED TO HAVE IT.

The Report is Denied—A Wild Story About a New E. & T. H. Line.

NEW YORK, October 30.—The Vanderbilts have added the Chicago & Alton railroad to the vast system which they now control, the mileage of which is put at 27,100. It is understood that about $12,000,000 was involved in the transactions, report putting the price paid per share at $140. The Vanderbilts were not alone in the purchase, although they contributed about half of the purchase money, the remainder being supplied by their recently acquired associates in the Union Pacific road. J. Pierrepont Morgan is credited with having "put the thing through." The papers will be signed in a few days, and the independence of the Chicago & Alton road, which has sometimes caused uneasiness among the other lines, will cease, and the 840 miles which its tracks cover will complete the system which now extends from ocean to ocean and from the lakes to the gulf.

The reported sale of a controlling interest in the Chicago & Alton railroad, following closely upon the combination between the Union Pacific and Chicago & Northwestern companies, came as a surprise to Wall street. The facts, as published, are vouched for by a member of the bankers' syndicate that was concerned in forming the railroad "gentlemen's association" last winter. J. Pierrepont Morgan was not at his office to-day, and his partners referred inquirers for information of the transaction to him. It is a well known fact that the Alton company entered the Railroad presidents' association, which was organized at J. Pierrepont Morgan's house, with considerable reluctance and was at no time enthusiastic over the effort then made to adjust differences. When in the course of time, the Atchinson, Topeka & Santa Fe company claimed the right to carry all its freight beyond Kansas City without breaking bulk, the Alton, which had before then received a large proportion of such freight, protested against the Atchinson's claim and appealed to the association. The decision was against the Alton and the company at once withdrew from the association. The road had always been conservative in its management and was loth to become a rate disturber, but its position was such that it must either begin a fight for business, or lease or sell out to some other company. The Atchison finally made an offer to purchase the control at $125 per share. The proposition was not satisfactory to the company and negotiations fell through. Then the Union Pacific, in contemplation of its deal with the Northwestern, offered $140, and the Alton accepted. It is said that President Blackstone and Vice President McMullin, of the Alton, and their following, hold or control the $12,000,000 of stock necessary for delivery on the consummation of the deal, while the balance of the stock is widely scattered.

Chauncey M. Depew, at his office in the Grand Central railroad station, did not seem disposed to admit the full effect and influence attributed to the transaction. He said: "There has been no transfer of the proprietary interest in the Alton system, so far as I know; nor, as I am informed, has there been any operation like a consolidation. I understood that a traffic arrangement similar to that negotiated between the Chicago & Northwestern and the Union Pacific organization has been agreed upon. The newspapers have been induced to make too much of the matter." Mr. Depew, however, was not prepared to deny the importance of even a permanent traffic arrangement between such commanding railroad companies. The fiscal agents of the Alton in this city also emphatically deny the statement that their road is to be controlled by Vanderbilt interests. Notwithstanding the various details, a Wall street news agent this afternoon sends out the following: "Vanderbilt's interests insists that the control of the Alton property has been bought, and it is stated that the Union Pacific collateral trust bond, which is to be used to take up all the stock is now being printed. Another railroad scheme of equal importance is also under way. It includes a close traffic agreement between Pennsylvania, Burlington & Quincy, Burlington & Northern and Minneapolis. It is asserted that the negotiation between the Burlington & Pennsylvania have been practically closed, and only the details remain to be arranged."

CHICAGO, October 30.—"The statement that the Chicago & Alton railroad has been absorbed by the Union Pacific and is now part of the Vanderbilt system is a lie made out of whole cloth," said Vice President McMullin, of the Chicago & Alton, to a reporter for the Journal this morning.

"The New York Dispatch, in which the announcement is made, pretends to give the details of the transaction, Mr. McMullin?"

"Well, there is not a word of truth in any one of these alleged details," said Mr. McMullin, "and, what is more, nothing whatever has happened which could give even the semblance of truth to them."

"It is said that President Charles Francis Adams has practically concluded arrangements with you for the passing of a majority interest in the shares of the company into his own hands and that in this deal he had the co-operation of the Vanderbilts?"

"That, sir, like the other statements, is simply untrue; there is not a particle of foundation in it."

CHICAGO, October 30.—President Blackstone, of the Chicago & Alton, said efforts were recently made by the Big Four syndicate, to close a traffic agreement with the Alton, but none of the plans proposed were acceptable to President Blackstone, and the matter has been dropped for the present. There has been no offer to buy the Alton.

Will Parallel the E. & T. H.

Mention was made a few days ago that the Mackey syndicate had decided to build an independent line into St. Louis, which, in some measure, if located as talked of would parallel the St. Louis division of the Louisville & Nashville system. That such is the intention would seem evident from the fact that the Mackey syndicate had put a surveying corps in the field to locate the most feasible route from Mount Vernon to East St. Louis. This has aroused the Louisville & Nashville people, and they have given President Mackey to understand that should he proceed to build this line independent of the L & N. they (the Louisville & Nashville) would at once parallel the Evansville & Terre Haute road, from Evansville to Terre Haute, and as evidence that they mean what they say, an engineering corps has been put in the field this week to locate a line from Evansville to Terre Haute, to be as direct as possible and to be of as light grades and as few curves as the survey will admit.—[Indianapolis Journal.

The Locomotive Engineers.

DENVER, Col., October 30.—The only business of importance transacted by the engineers to-day was the auditing of the charity claims, which amount to about twenty thousand dollars. The committee of ten appointed on Monday to confer with a like committee from the Knights of Labor and the Brotherhood of Firemen on the federation question, reported that they were unable to reach any conclusion, and asked for further orders. The convention added to this committee George W. Vroman, and sent them back for further deliberation. Vroman was a candidate for grand chief, and is a warm supporter of federation, and the opinion is that these committees will recommend the adoption of the articles of federation presented at Atlanta, with slight modification. The convention will probably adjourn Tuesday or Wednesday next. The remains of Brother McCormick were sent to Boone, Iowa, this evening.

RAILROAD NEWS NOTES.

General and Personal Mention of General and Local Interest.

John Octon began work in Giffel's gang yesterday morning.

No. 82, on the E. & T. H., is undergoing repairs in the shop at Evansville.

A. H. Wagoner, of the C., N. & W., transacted business in the city yesterday.

A Pittsburg company is experimenting with glass to be made into railroad ties.

Work was begun this week in the boiler shop on a new boiler for No. 102, of the Logan.

The Indianapolis car works was awarded a contract this week to build 300 flat cars for the O. & M.

J. C. Edgeworth, the local agent for the Vandalia at Crawfordsville, has been promoted to the same position at Logansport, with a corresponding increase in salary.

No. 180 is undergoing a round-house overhauling, and No. 22, which has been undergoing repairs in the setting-up shop, was turned out yesterday and will be given a trial to-day.

Engineer Miller has so improved as to be able to sit up a little while each day, but is yet too weak to remain long in that position. It is feared that his hip joint will always be a little stiff.

Indianapolis News: The Cincinnati, Bloomington & Chicago railway company was incorporated to-day. As projected, the line which the company proposes to build will begin in Dearborn county and extend 300 miles northwest through Ripley, Decatur, Bartholomew, Brown, Monroe, Owen, Clay, Parke, Fountain, Warren, Benton and Jasper counties. The capital stock is $9,000,000. The company is composed chiefly of Eastern capitalists.

LOCAL CASES IN THE SUPREME COURT.

Decisions in the Stark Insurance Case and the Thornton Will Case.

13,498. Phœnix Insurance Company vs. Thomas Stark. Vigo C. C. Affirmed. Coffey, J.—1. When a policy of fire insurance provides that "if the assured shall not be the sole and unconditional owner in fee of said property, this policy shall be void," a complainant thereon alleging that the assured was the owner, in the absence of a motion to make more specific, is sufficient. 2. It was not necessary to file a copy of the application with the complaint. 3. When an agent is authorized to solicit and take applications for insurance, he is acting within the scope of his authority in preparing such applications, and if in doing so he fraudulently inserts false answers to interrogatories, without the knowledge or fault of the applicant, the company giving such agent employment must suffer and not the insured, who is without fault.

14,220. Milton S. Durham, executor, et al. vs. Martha T. Smith, Vigo C. C. Reversed. Olds, J.—1. An instruction "that a person who is of unsound mind is incapable of making a valid will, and if there is unsoundness of mind it is not necessary for the contestant to show that such unsoundness had anything to do with the manner of disposing of the property; in such case the will is invalid, whether it is shown that the unsoundness of mind had or had not affected the character of the testament" is erroneous. 2. An instruction which directs the jury that the testimony of one class of witnesses is entitled to more weight than the testimony of others is erroneous as invading the province of the jury.

Indiana Federal Offices.

It is possible that the president will go outside of the state for an Indiana bank examiner.

Gus Shaw, who was president of the Indianapolis railroad club, has been tendered a position as chief of a department division at Washington with $2,000 salary.

Tom Ryan, of Indianapolis, who was a treasury agent in the Alaska seal region under Cleveland, who was removed because he would not be a party to the corrupt practices there, and who came out for Harrison last fall, has been appointed to a chiefship of a treasury department division.

Pension Agent Zollinger's "four years" were up on October 23d, and he says he has been notified that he is expected to make the December payments, for which 46,000 checks must be signed. Colonel Zollinger has good reasons for believing that his successor will be ex State Senator Nicholas N. Ensly, of Auburn, DeKalb county. "It will be either Ensly or General Reub Williams," said he, "and I feel pretty confident that Ensly will be the man."

THE NEWS AT WASHINGTON.

The Pension Office Being Reorganized and Put in Working Order.

MORE CAREFUL COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW PROVIDED.

Pension Attorney's Fees to be Regulated—A Farewell Dinner—Washington Notes.

WASHINGTON, October 30.—General Raum has issued instructions to heads of divisions in the pension office, directing that all claims involving large sums of money, after they have been prepared for special adjudication, are not to be passed upon. They are to be brought to his department and he proposes to give them his personal consideration before the pension certificates will be issued. This change will not delay the final adjudication of the claim, as the commissioner intends to give the preference to business of this character and examine the cases as soon as brought before him. He does not intend to make a re-examination of the cases, but in connection with the official familiar with the cases he will go over them, so as to know what they are and the principle upon which they have been decided. The commissioner, in an order issued to-day to chiefs of divisions, calls attention to numerous fee agreements filed in the office which are not in proper form, inasmuch as they do not contain the provisions of law which show that agreements for fees in excess of $10 are merely permissible and not compulsory. The commissioner orders that attorneys be advised of this formality, and that the said fee agreements must not be recognized for certification of a fee in excess of $10 after November 18th next.

The Re-Rated Pension Office Employes.

WASHINGTON, October 30.—This afternoon Commissioner Raum went to the interior department and had a long conference with Secretary Noble relative to the case of the re-rated pension employes. At the close of the conference, General Raum said that he had discussed with the secretary the affairs of the pension office. "It is the first time I have had a chance to talk with him since my appointment," he added. He said that the subject of the re-rated employes cases was discussed. "That matter is new to me," said General Raum; "but the secretary had gone over it all, and is familiar with it." He stated that no definite action was reached in regard to any of the subjects touched upon. He thought that there would be another talk with the secretary before final action was reached in the case of the re-rated employes.

Farewell Dinner to Admiral Walker.

WASHINGTON, October 30.—A farewell dinner to Rear Admiral John G. Walker, previous to his departure for Europe in command of the new squadron of evolution, was given to-night at the Shoreham, Vice President Morton's new house, by nearly one hundred of his personal friends. Among them were Admiral C. R. P. Rogers, who presided, the secretary of the navy, Admirals Greer, Upshur, Harmony and Crosby, Commodores Ramsay, Secard and Dewey, Generals McFeely, Baird and McKeever, Baron Hosen, of the Russian legation; the Hon. Henry Edwards, of the British legation, and many others of prominence in the official and social life of Washington. A surprise was given to him by the reading, at the instance of Secretary Tracy, of a remarkable letter prepared by the secretary to day and communicated to the recipient of its unprecedented compliment for the first time on this occasion. The letter is highly complimentary of his eight years' service as chief of the bureau of navigation.

Washington Notes.

The president made the following appointments in the navy: Wm. A. Windsor, to be chief engineer, with rank of lieutenant commander; Wm. B. Caperton, to be a lieutenant; Harry M. Hodges, to be a lieutenant; James A. Ring to be paymaster with rank of lieutenant; Chas. A. Atwater and John H. L. Holcombe, to be lieutenants, junior grade.

Mr. H. C. Payne concluded a contract with two of the official stenographers of the Mexican senate Mr. Trillales and Mr. Durand—to go to Washington to report the debates in the congress of American republics to be held in that city in November next. They leave on the Ward line steamer, sailing from Vera Cruz November 4th. The contract price agreed upon for their services is $14. American currency, per day for a term of not less than three months.

The Star to-night says that the civil service commission have decided to ask the district attorney to prosecute all persons concerned in the preparations and distribution of the political assessment circular recently sent by the Old Dominion Republican league to Virginians in government service. Those persons not employes of the government will be prosecuted under section 12 of the civil service act, which provides that no person shall in any government building solicit or receive a contribution for any political purpose. The commission holds that a person not connected with the government in any way may ask for and receive money from government employes for political purposes anywhere except in a government building, but where the occurrence takes place on government property, or where letters are sent to government buildings, those concerned are liable to prosecution.

Supposed to be Old Mrs. Bender.

NILES, Mich., October 30.—Mrs. Eliza Davis was discharged yesterday on the charge of grand larceny. During the trial many facts were adduced tending to show that Mrs. Monro (Mrs. Davis' mother) was connected with the Bender murders in Kansas. By her own admission, Mrs. Monro has had seven husbands and a number of them have mysteriously disappeared. Her daughter, Eliza, insists positively that Mrs. Monro is old Mrs. Bender.

Officers from Kansas have been in the state for two days investigating the case and are satisfied that they have at last discovered the notorious Bender family. A requisition has been asked for and as soon as it arrives the parties will be taken to La Bette county, Kansas, for trial.

A Big Plate Glass Factory.

Mr. Crawford Fairbanks, of this city, is a member of a new stock company organized to manufacture plate glass at Pendleton, a natural gas town near Anderson, in this state. The capital stock is to be $500,000, and the factory is to have the largest capital in the world. The citizens of Pendleton give the company seventy-five acres of valuable land, and gas leases on 5,300 acres of the best gas land in the Indiana gas belt.

THE AMERICAN HORSE SHOW.

The Opening of the Big Exhibition at Chicago Yesterday.

CHICAGO, October 30.—The American horse show opened at the exposition building this afternoon with a very fine display of animals of all varieties, embracing many of the most famous ones in the country. Mr. C. J. Hamlin and Mr. Harry Hamlin, of Buffalo, have thirty-eight horses at the show, including the celebrated Mambrino King and Almont. The Messrs. Hamlin brought with them a four in hand coach, eight spring victoria, and other vehicles for use in the parades. The famous young trotter, Axtell, will be put on exhibition on Saturday. M. V. Durham, of Wayne, Dupage county, has a large exhibit of imported horses. Among them is a pair of yearling French coach horses, which he has just sold to Senor Romero, Mexican minister to the United States. The price paid was $5,000. They are to be sent to Mexico as soon as the show is ended. This is the first fruits of the visit of the Pan-American delegates to his stock farm. Mr. Durham has 100 horses on exhibition, including the famous coach stallion, Brilliant, and twelve first prize winners at the Paris world's exposition. The exhibit is valued at $200,000. Mr. W. L. Ellwood, of DeKalb, Ill., has 130 head of draft animals on exhibition, valued at $150,000. There are about one thousand entries, and their value runs up into the millions.

Chicago Herald: By Saturday there will be at the least calculation $5,500,000 worth of horseflesh in the building. Axtell, 2:12, will arrive Saturday morning. As this great colt is the present sensation and all the horse world is interested in his future, directors thought the show could not be the gratifying success desired without his presence. Although a mere baby, Axtell is in full possession of the powers of a fully matured horse. His sire, William L., is not a performer, but he is the brother of a performer—Guy Wilkes, 2:15¼. He is also the brother of the sire of performers. Sable Wilkes, 3-years-old stallion, record 2:18, is from the loins of Guy Wilkes, who is a combination of Hambletonian, Mambrino Patchen and American Star blood. These are strains tested and purified by fire. After the show is over Axtell will be taken to Warren park, Terre Haute, where he will spend the winter. Next spring he will stand in the stud. Honors will cluster thickly around the king during the show. Budd Doble will have him in charge. A gothic palace has been built for his occupancy while on exhibition. While not in the arena the visitor must be content with viewing the renowned animal through a wire door and window. His admirers at Lexington nearly pulled the tail out of him for souvenirs, and Doble doesn't propose that he shall be disfigured.

TURF NOTES.

During the past three weeks over half a million dollars' worth of horses have beeen sold in Fayette, Bourbon, Scott and Harrison counties, Kentucky. The year 1889 will foot up fully $3,000,000.

Budd Doble's fifth heat in 2:13½ at Lexington last Friday equalled the best fifth pacing heat on record, Sleepy Tom's 2:13½, made at Rochester, August 14th, 1879. Tom paced a fifth heat at Chicago July 24th, 1879, in 2:12¼, but it was really the first heat of a postponed race.

Indianapolis News: The Indiana Horseman and Turf News is the name of a new weekly paper, established with a competent staff, by A. W. Parrish. The two numbers issued are well prepared and the paper promises to be the best of its class. It will do something to extend the blue grass love of good horses into Indiana.

Colonel Conley's deal for Axtell was not his first. He is said to have first called the attention of George B. Alley to Dexter and later along influenced Harrison Durkee to buy Blackwood by Alexander's Norman for $30,000. He also discovered Kentucky Prince and bought him for A. B. Darling, of New York, and it was through Colonel Conley that Charles Schwartz, of Chicago, bought Oliver K. from George Forbes.

The seven 2 and 3-years olds fillies bought by C. W. Williams, Axtell's former owner, in Kentucky, have arrived at Independence, Iowa. All are highly bred on Wilkes and Mambrino strains. Two are by William L., Axtell's sire, one by Sultan Wilkes, one by Lumps, one by Alcyone, and one by Alexander. Williams has also received a California colt by Stamboul, 2:14¾, to train.

W. R. Letcher, the rich turfman of Madison county, Ky.; W. R. Brassfield, the proprietor of the horse exchange in Lexington and Ed A. Tipton, secretary of the trotting horse breeders' association, have formed a company, with a capital of $250,000, to carry on the great auction sales of the future, operate an extensive commission house, and train horses on a comprehensive scale. The big combine will hardly be regarded favorably by the smaller capitalists, and, as it is a novel venture, the outcome is regarded with some curiosity.

Omaha Takes the Pennant.

MINNEAPOLIS, October 30.—At the meeting of the Western Base Ball association to be held in this city Saturday the pennant will be awarded to Omaha and the election of officers will occur. It is stated to-night that Jim Hart, formerly manager of the Boston club, is a prominent candidate for the secretaryship of the association. Mr. Hart is to locate in Chicago and is not interested in any club. It is probable he will be elected by acclamation.

Explosion in a Nail Factory.

WHEELING, W. Va., October 30.—One of the large boilers of the Bellaire blast furnace, at Bellaire, O., exploded, cracking two other boilers in the main battery and wrecking the boiler-rooms. The south end of the nail factory was entirely demolished, windows were broken in all the wing buildings and the wreck was scattered over an area of one hundred yards. The damage to the mill and adjoining property is $200,000. No one was injured.

An Ex-Official Prostrated.

COLUMBIA, Mo., October 30.—Colonel William F. Switzler, ex-chief of the national bureau of statistics is dangerously ill at his home in this city. His mental condition is greatly impaired. He is physically broken down and is suffering from a lack of blood on the brain, induced by over application. A stroke of paralysis is anticipated by his physicians.

NEWS ROUND ABOUT TOWN.

The Suit of Jacob J. Dailey Against the City For Personal Damages.

HE FELL THROUGH A DOOR AT THE NEW COURT HOUSE.

The Trial of Andy Hale—General News of Local Interest About Town.

The greater portion of yesterday was occupied in the circuit court by selecting a jury in the case of Jacob J. Daily vs. the county commissioners for damages. The attorneys presented their pleas to the jury, after which the court adjourned. The plaintiff's attorneys are McNutt & McNutt and John E. Lamb. The defense is represented by County Attorney Long and Farris & Hamil. I. N. Pierce and T. W. Harper. Mr. F. A. McNutt made the opening statement for the plaintiff and Mr. Hamil for the defense. Mr. Dailey sues the county for damages in the sum of $10,000 for injuries received by a fall through a door, a distance of eleven feet, in the new court house, immediately after that building had been occupied by the county officers. The first door north of the elevator, on each floor in the building, opens into a room to be used by the janitors and workmen about the building, for the purpose of disposing of waste matter, temporarily. These rooms had no floors in them at the time of the accident, and the door on the first floor was unlocked. Plaintiff alleges that he was unacquainted with the arrangement of things in the new court house and thought that this door opened into the county treasurer's office. He opened the door on the first floor and fell through to the basement a distance of eleven feet and received permanent injuries. Hence one cause of complaint against the commissioners is carelessness. The defense alleged that all possible care had been exercised and further await proof by the plaintiff. The hearing of evidence will commence this morning. Judge Mack has returned to the bench and will preside in this case.

The trial of Andy Hale, for larceny, has been set for to-day in the circuit court.

Lilly McKenny was granted a divorce from William McKenny yesterday, the defendent having defaulted.

John Myles has filed a complaint in the circuit court against the Sandford tool works company for damages in the sum of $5,000, on account of having his hand mashed while employed in the tool works last July. He alleges that the "clutch" that held the shafting was too short and insufficient to hold the shafting, that the company were aware that said machinery was old and dangerous on account of being too short, that he was employed as a shearsman and used all possible care to avoid injury, and that the shafting fell, mashing his hand, causing him permanent injury, and compelling him to relinquish his job, which was worth to him $4.50 per day.

James M. Bolton has filed his final report as administrator of the estate of James Bolton and has been discharged. The estate has been on record since 1887.

Mr. Felsenthal informed the court in the circuit court yesterday morning that the defense in the case of the state against Mills, the flim-flammer, would move for a new trial as soon as proper motion and reasons could be prepared.

The City Commissioners.

The board of city commissioners adjourned abruptly and unexpected yesterday morning as they were about to commence the examination of witnesses concerning the opening of Fourth street from Willow to Hulman streets. The adjournment stopped proceedings in this matter and also annulled the proceedings of the previous day concerning the opening of Ross street. Judge Rhoads and Mr. S. C. Stimson met with the board because the proposed extension of Fourth street would intersect the Coates college grounds, and they are interested in that institution. It was discovered immediately that the meeting of the commissioners was illegal. Yesterday should have been the second meeting of the commissioners concerning the opening of Fourth street and the one during which the commissioners should assess benefits and damages on abutting property. The city law requires that the report of the first meeting of the board concerning the opening of any street shall be filed with the city clerk not less than fifty days nor more than sixty days prior to the meeting of the board at which damages and benefits are to be assessed—or the second meeting of the board. By reference to the former report it was found that the report of the last meeting was filed too late by two days. Hence the meeting was illegal and proceedings could not continue. Similar reference to the report filed in the matter of the opening of the Ross street divulged the fact that the report in that matter had also been filed two days too late.

Obituary.

Mr. John A. Hall, of 410 Chestnut street, died at 1.15 a. m., yesterday, aged 78 years. He had been suffering from paralysis for a long time. He was born in Newberry county, South Carolina, November 26, 1811. He had been a citizen of this state fifty-two years, lived in this county twenty-two years, and in this city four years. He had been a successful farmer until old age compelled him to relinquish his vocation. He reared a family of fifteen children, of whom seven sons are dead. His wife is dead also. Four brothers and children survive him. He was a faithful member of the Baptist Church. The funeral services will be at the residence, at 1:30 p. m. to-day.

Relief For the Clay County Miners.

Messrs. A. Gulley and Davis Lawson, members of the Clay county relief committee are in the city for the purpose of receiving donations of clothing for the striking miners. They will make a canvass of the city to-day.

A Terre Haute Patent.

Mr. Henry C. Davis, of this city, has been granted a patent for a hydro carbon burner.