

STRIKERS RAID A WASHERY.

Attack With Stones Men Working it.

GUARDS FIRE ON THEM.

Police Come Down and Arrest Guards—Mob Brutally Abuse Two Men—Troops May be Called on if More Trouble Threatens—A Reign of Terror.

Wilkesbarre, Aug. 15.—A mob of over a thousand men and boys, most of them striking miners' workers, yesterday afternoon attacked the coal guards stationed at the Warnke Washery at Duryea, beat a coal guard and had one of their number shot. For hours the town was in the control of the rioters and it may be found necessary before the night is over to call out the troops. Gen. Gobin is awaiting news from the Sheriff and citizens and orders from Harrisburg. At present the situation is under control, but rioting may break out again at any moment.

The Injured are:

Henry Collins, coal guard, of Scranton, badly bruised and cut about the head, condition serious, now in Scranton Hospital.

Andrew Dravitch, shot in the knee and ankle, tonight appeared, saw Unknown man beaten about head and face; gave no name.

Strikers the Aggressors.

Since early morning the strikers had gathered about the washery, knowing that an effort was to be made to start work, and that the barb wire completed yesterday was intended to keep them off the grounds and prevent them from driving off the workers. So some time before 6 o'clock this morning the roads to the washery were guarded by pickets, and others were stationed as close to the mine as they dared to go, so that no one could manage to get through the lines. The officials of the company, however, had outwitted them and taken a small force of workers during the night, so that the strikers, having appeared, saw the steam arising from the washery and the men preparing for work. Word spreading through the town, in a short time a crowd of several hundred was gathered about the washery, shouting and calling.

Behind the barricade were fifteen coal and iron police, armed with repeating rifles, and under orders to shoot if an attack was made. The mob did not advance, but they looked so threatening that Warnke warned the owner of the washery, telephoned Sheriff Jacobs, and Deputy Sheriff Rhodda and nine men were sent to the scene with all haste.

Shortly after 2 o'clock the crowd again gathered and a number of Italians and Lithuanians began the advance upon the washery, working themselves up into the desired pitch of excitement by shouting and yelling. As soon as they came near enough, the stone throwing began. Men, women and boys were in the crowd, and all who could get stones threw them, advancing upon the washery in two parties.

Shot into Crowd.

Seeing their determination, the guards fired over their heads, and not checking them, again fired at their feet. Some thirty or forty shots were fired in the last fusillade, and some shots from the crowd being sent in reply. Then, as the rifles cracked and one after another began, the mob hesitated, broke and fled beyond range. The wounded man was Uravitch.

Deputy Rhodda with his guards was hurried back to the scene. While the guards at the washery waited, the crowd stood in the distance, shaking fists at the washery.

Chief of Police Cosgrove, of Duryea, descended upon the works and placed as the fifteen guards under arrest. Harry Collins, one of their number, afraid of the mob, or hoping to escape the imprisonment, broke from the local police on the way to the lockup and fled, a number of men following a crowd after him. He was quickly overtaken and beaten with clubs and stones while, as he lay upon the ground, the men who were nearest kicking and stamping upon him. When the local police arrested the crowd and he was bleeding from a number of wounds.

About the same time a stranger who had been watching the mob started down a side street and was called a scab by a number of boys. This frightened him into running, and the crowd followed. He also was overtaken and beaten badly.

No arrests of the rioters have yet been made. Frederick Warnke, who owns the washery, tonight sent a request to Sheriff Jacobs to have troops sent there to guard the property and protect the workers, but he has yet received no reply.

The Sheriff's Little Joke.

Wilkesbarre, Aug. 16.—Duryea, the scene of yesterday's riot, was as quiet as a country village to-day. The Sheriff told the owners of the washery this morning that if they wished to start the washery he would see that their employees got ample protection. There were no employees to go to work, as nearly all the men at work yesterday were arrested and sent to jail. The superintendent of the washery declares this was an injustice to the employees, who, he says, were not acting as scab and iron policemen.

One of the British Trade Commissioners who have been examining conditions in South Africa, says all trade there is hampered by trusts and combines.

A GREAT BUSH FIRE.

Raging in the Woods on Victoria Island.

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 15.—Immense bush fires are raging at many points on the island, destroying thousands of feet of lumber and threatening houses and railways.

Near Chemainus, a logging camp of the Victoria Lumber Company, a camp of the Chinese residents of the village, and other property were destroyed, and all day the entire community were fighting the fire.

The Fenor Railway, running from Mount Sicker to Crofton, was also threatened, but finally saved. Near Victoria thousands of cords of wood have been burned and fences and barns destroyed.

All over the country the settlers are fighting the fire to keep it out of their crops. Luckily most of the grain is harvested.

The fires must continue to burn until there is a rainstorm, of which there are no signs.

Having been without rain since April, the country is dry and tinder, and it takes very little to start a big blaze.

BOY KILLS HIS MATE.

Extraordinary Depravity of St. John, N. B., Youth.

SHOT HIM DOWN FROM BEHIND.

St. John, N. B., Aug. 15.—The mysterious murder of William Doherty, aged 17, who was found last Monday near the park covered with stones and rubbish, and with four bullet wounds in his body, was cleared up to-night at the request by the astounding testimony of Frank Goodspeed, a 14-year-old boy. He swore that last Friday Frank Higgins, aged 16, now in custody, went with him and Doherty to pick berries in the lane by the park. Doherty and witness were walking ahead. Four shots were suddenly fired from behind. Doherty cried, "My God, Higgins, you have shot me." Then he said, "For God's sake, go for a doctor quick, and so help me God I'll swear it was an accident."

Witness started to run, but Higgins held the revolver to his head and made him stay. Higgins beat Doherty on the head with the butt of the revolver and with stones. Together they rolled the body down the hill and covered it up.

Higgins then told him that Doherty, Higgins and another 16-year-old boy named Holmes had once gone to Brownville, Maine, and burglarized a shop. Higgins hid his plunder. Holmes afterward went to the penitentiary for petty burglary in St. John. Then Higgins went back for his booty. It was gone, and he blamed Doherty. That was why he killed him.

During the past week Higgins has been acting extraordinary. He went to the morgue, identified the battered body of Doherty after others failed. His earnest examination of the disfigured face was a remarkable performance, and he has since talked freely with the police without exciting suspicion.

After hearing Goodspeed's evidence the coroner's jury found a verdict of wilful murder against Frank Higgins.

GIRL TURNING TO MARBLE.

Puzzling Affliction of Dorothy Stiles, of Toledo.

IT MUST SOON PROVE FATAL.

Toledo, O., despatch.—Miss Dorothy Stiles, the daughter of William Stiles, a retired chemist, formerly of Columbus, O., is dying at the home of her father, seven miles south of Bay City, Mich., from a disease that has baffled any physician called in to attend her. The girl is 16, and until a few months ago was in perfect health. Her body is slowly turning into marble, or a substance resembling it.

The affliction first seized the girl at the shoulder blades, hips and feet, and has been slowly eating its way through the body. Her family at first believed that it was merely a stiffening of the joints that would wear away, but when one night while bathing the girl found that her heels were perfectly white and as hard as stone, and called her mother's attention to the fact, the latter was thoroughly terrified. On examining the girl's body she found that both heels and the tips of her shoulder blades and her hips were similarly affected.

Physicians were called in, although every effort was made to keep the matter secret, and the doctors were unable to account for the condition, which has now spread until both legs above the ankles are turned to marble. The hips of the afflicted girl have no longer the power to bend, and the power of action has been taken from the shoulders. She says she suffers no pain. Bits of the hard substance were chipped from her body and sent by her father for analysis and were pronounced pure marble. He doctors say that death must ensue within a few months at the latest, and about the theory regarding the matter put forth by the girl's almost comatose father. He says he was experimenting with some drugs in the bathroom and used the bath-tub for the purpose and neglected properly to cleanse it. The same night his daughter took a bath in this tub, and the father insists that the chemicals have produced the terrible disease.

No visitors are now admitted to the Stiles home, and the girl takes no nourishment but liquids, and those with difficulty.

Fire on Sunday morning destroyed the Landon Hotel, San Angelo, Tex., burning seven people to death and doing a property damage of \$75,000.

Six hundred lady school teachers, under the control of the Roman Catholic Committee of Public Instruction, are attending a convention at Quebec.



Maude—That gown of Miss Simpie's is a stunning affair. Jennie—Yes; it's perfectly shocking.

FELT HIMSELF GOING CRAZY WITH SOUTH AFRICA.

So He Killed His Wife and Himself.

HIS LETTER TO HIS SON CONTRACT FOR FIVE YEARS.

Utica, Mich., Aug. 15.—Rather than permit her to suffer the opprobrium of being the widow of a man who committed suicide to escape insanity, S. S. Sower murdered his wife with an axe as she lay asleep last night. Afterward, it is supposed, he calmly sat down and wrote a letter to his son Ellis, described his mental condition, then went to his barn and hanged himself to a rafter. His body was found swinging above the heads of his horses this morning.

Sower was a farmer who had lived in this town only a few months. For ten years he had grieved over the death of his daughter, and at times he was despondent.

Doctor Warns Him of Insanity.

Two weeks ago Sower visited a physician and explained that he was sick. The doctor told him that he was slowly but surely becoming insane. In time he must certainly become an inmate of an asylum.

Sower pondered over the physician's words and decided that he would kill himself. But he shuddered at the disgrace the act might bring on his wife. So, according to his letter, he decided to kill her, being firm in the belief that divine law would not hold him accountable for the taking of two lives.

Text of Letter to Son.

Following is the text of the letter Sower left for his son, Ellis:

"Dear Ellis—This could not be any other way. I knew weeks ago that I must be insane or suicide for me and I decided that insanity would be worse for all of us than suicide. But I could not possibly bring myself to feel that it would be otherwise than cowardly to leave mamma to the awful sufferings and death that either insanity or suicide would mean for her. So I decided it would be best for all and especially for her to take her life. What can I say to you that will in any way help you to bear this awful blow? Nothing.

No one is to blame for this. My wife has been an affectionate, patient and self-sacrificing woman and my son a most dutiful boy. I could not explain so I would be understood what has led up to this, but Nannie's death hastened it, and if I should write page upon page I would not be understood.

I have no fear whatever for the future, as I have done the very best I could with the light and strength I have had through life. No just God would punish me for what I could not help. Good-by, all. S. S. Sower.

DISTRESS ABOUT MINES.

Foragers Stealing From Neighboring Farmers.

Shenandoah, Pa., Aug. 15.— Complaints were made to brigade headquarters to-day that strikers are foraging in the rich agricultural district of the Catawissa Valley, north of this city. The life of one farmer has been threatened because he attempted to protect his property, and the raids have reached such serious proportions that the farmers are preparing to take some concerted action to stop further depredations. It is not unlikely that cavalry will be sent into the district to-morrow for the purpose of stopping the raid.

A widow who owns a farm reported that several men came to her premises and would not leave until they had taken all she needed. The foragers do not confine themselves to stealing crops, but also take poultry.

The soldiers in camp are daily feeding several hundred women and children. They come there saying they are hungry, and as there is more than enough food in the camps to supply the wants of the men the officers permit the soldiers to give something to the needy applicants. The number is increasing every day.

FRENCH SHORE QUESTION.

Admiral Douglas Will Confer With Newfoundland Cabinet.

St. John's, Nfld., Aug. 15.—The British cruiser Ariadne, the flagship of Rear Admiral A. L. Douglas, one of the Lords of the Admiralty, is expected to arrive here next Sunday. Admiral Douglas will confer with the colonial ministry and the commanders of the French and British squadrons on this station with regard to the French shore question, and especially concerning the most recent developments of this subject.

C.P.R. DIRECTORS MET.

Dividend of 2 Per Cent. on the Preference Stock for Half Year.

Montreal, Que., Aug. 15.—At a meeting of the directors of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company to-day a dividend of two per cent. on the preference stock, for the half year, ended June 30 last, was declared. A dividend of two and one half per cent. for the same period was also declared on the common stock. The result for the fiscal year to June 30 last were gross earnings \$37,503,054. Working expenses, \$35,417,141.

Net earnings, \$14,085,912. Income from other sources, \$958,827.

Total net income, \$50,044,739. Less fixed charges, including interest on land bonds, \$7,334,825.

Less amount applied against ocean steamships, \$150.

Net revenue available for dividends, \$7,559,814.

After payment of all dividends declared the surplus for the year carried forward is \$3,063,074.

BOERS TO VISIT THE KING.

His Majesty Anxious to Re-assure Boer Leaders.

ARE LIKELY TO VISIT LONDON

London, Aug. 15.—Referring to the expected arrival of the Boer generals at Southampton on Saturday, the St. James' Gazette to-day says that if it can be conveniently arranged, Generals Botha, De Wet, and Delarey will probably visit the King on board the Royal yacht Victoria and Albert, after the naval review on that day.

The King desires to assure the Boers that he is deeply interested in their welfare, and hopeful that they will co-operate in upholding the honor of the Empire.

According to present plans, the Boer generals will be conducted from the transport Saxon aboard the Nigeria, where Lord Chamberlain will present them to Colonial Secretary Chamberlain and other members of the Cabinet. Later they will go aboard the Royal yacht.

It is believed the Boer commanders will come to London before starting for Holland.

Steyn Persuades Kruger.

Brussels, Aug. 15.—It is said that as a result of an interview with former President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, Mr. Kruger, former President of the Transvaal Republic, has abandoned his political campaign and countermanded the proposed conference of Boer leaders at Johannesburg.

It is unofficially announced that Generals Botha and Delarey, who, together with General De Wet, are expected to reach England from South Africa next Saturday, will be appointed members of the new Transvaal Legislative Council.

Germans Sionize Schiel.

Frankfurt-on-Main, Aug. 15.—Col. Adolf Schiel, who commanded what was known as the "German Brigade" in the early days of the Boer war, has returned from St. Helena. The colonel was captured by the British when the Boers were defeated at Elandlaagte, and has been a prisoner ever since. He is the lion of the hour in this city, and large crowds follow him about the streets.

Col. Schiel praises the humanity of the British, and says that with the exception of minor grievances the captives had every reason to be satisfied with their treatment. The colonel purpose lecturing on the war.

SUNDAY LAW AT SARNIA.

Action Taken to Stop Steamboat Excursions.

NEWSBOYS SHUT OUT TOO.

Sarnia, Aug. 13.—Recently the Port Huron Ferry Company set aside the steamer Conger to ply on the St. Clair River afternoons and evenings, stopping at several Port Huron docks and making a feature of a ride for as long as the patrons desired to remain on the boat. The service was extended to Sundays. This grated on the religious scruples of some of the citizens of Sarnia. Complaints were made to the Magistrate, and a criminal charge was preferred, the contention being that the boat was not engaged in ferrying, but that the indeterminate riding feature made it an excursion affair. The case has been tried, and decision for the present reserved.

The agitation for the enforcement of the Sunday observance law in Sarnia has been extended to cover the sale and distribution of Detroit Sunday newspapers, and now newsboys are all barred from doing business on the streets on Sunday mornings.

CORPSE OPENED EYES.

Strange Case of Suspended Animation at Grenville.

Kingston despatch: A remarkable story of suspended animation comes from South Augusta township. It appears that a man named Han-tinson presumably expired at the home of his niece. The remains were laid out and a barber was called in to remove the beard.

After he had completed his work and was about to leave he glanced casually again at the face, and to his horror and dismay saw that the eyes were wide open and were regarding him with a grisly stare. So he promptly fell to the floor in a swoon, and almost had a relapse when, on awakening, he found the supposed dead man leaning over him endeavoring to revive him by administering whiskey.

A MEAN MAN

Seeks to Prevent Fishermen Telling Yarns.

Lacrosse, Wis., Aug. 15.—W. T. Woodward, a Lacrosse attorney has drafted a bill which he will put before the Legislature this winter, the purpose of which is to prevent the telling of "fish stories." The bill provides that every fisherman must, under penalty of fine, register the weight of every fish taken exceeding six pounds in weight. It provides for the appointment of a State officer with county deputies, who shall have duty it shall be to see that the law is enforced.

SEND PAUL TO AN ASYLUM.

Former Toronto Journalist Creates a Sensation

WITH A STRANGE SERMON.

Declares That Modern Methods of Doctors Would Have Ended in Incarceration of Apostle—How He Reasons It Out.

Baltimore, Aug. 15.—Rev. William A. Crawford Frost, the widely known rector of Holy Comforter Episcopal Church in this city, and formerly employed as a reporter on several Toronto newspapers, who created consternation at the banquet of the Society of American Authors by arising and proposing to sell to Mr. Andrew Carnegie for \$5,000,000 a patented "thought recorder," constructed like a typewriter, and who was subsequently incarcerated in an asylum, has again created a sensation by a sermon on "Insanity."

In this sermon he asks the question as to whether St. Paul was sane or insane, and, with biting sarcasm, tells of how present-day experts would decide that the Apostle was mentally unbalanced. He took his text from Acts xviii, verses 24 and 25, "And as he thus spake for himself, Festus said, with a loud voice: 'Paul, thou art beside thyself, much learning doth make thee mad.' But he said, 'I am not mad, Most Noble Festus, but speak forth the words of truth and soberness.'"

How He Reasons.

Continuing, he said: "No lawyer ever summed up the salient points in an argument more tersely or clearly than St. Paul did before Agrippa and Festus, and no defendant ever had a juster cause."

"Notwithstanding the cogency of St. Paul's reasoning, I believe if he were alive in the present day and reported that same argument before an average medical tribunal, such, for example, as a State Lunacy Commission, or even twelve jurymen, if there were any medical men on the jury, they would arrive at the same conclusion as Festus did. The attitude of medical men toward metaphysical and theological problems is, on the whole, one of dogmatic contempt, either openly spoken or silently felt. They are especially suspicious of religious emotion, for as long as the most absurd forms in all nations and all ages, and is a marked characteristic of the majority of insane persons even in the present day.

"If a sane man should ever, by chance, be locked in an asylum, it would be wise policy on his part never to mention God, especially in connection with the affairs of everyday life, and most especially in regard to business matters, for the physicians would diagnose him as a religious maniac at once. If he were overheard saying his prayers he would be considered dangerous to be at large. All this would be against St. Paul if he were on trial for his sanity in the present day. The reasons would be very simple. The physicians would argue thus:

Lectures Support Reasoning.

"All visions are hallucinations. St. Paul had visions. Therefore St. Paul had hallucinations. Second, syllogism. All persons who have hallucinations are insane. St. Paul had hallucinations. Therefore, St. Paul was insane."

"Now that American law has learned to use the water cure it may be adopted in asylums. They would be good pieces for it, because the sufferers would not be believed, and no person could be found to champion their cause."

INCREASES IN EVERY BRANCH.

Ottawa despatch (Special).—The department has prepared a statement of the imports and exports for the month of July, compared with the same month last year. The imports are as follows:

1901.	1902.
Dutiable goods \$8,381,112	\$8,987,088
Free goods	5,760,037
Coal and bullion	3,335,553
34,696,696	
Total	\$11,377,702
Duty collected	\$1,074,282
Total	\$12,451,984
The exports are as follows:	
1901.	1902.
Domestic	\$13,032,244
Foreign	2,541,149
Coal and bullion	885,279
Total	16,458,672
Total	\$15,635,134

Although there is a small decrease in the imports the domestic exports show a large increase. There is also a good increase in the duty collected.

WEARING WAR MEDALS.

Persons Not Entitled to Them Liable to Severe Punishment.

Attention of the military authorities has been called to the fact that South African war medals and ribbons are being worn by persons not entitled to them. Such persons leave themselves liable to severe punishment. The regulations of the War Office governing the issuance of medals and other decorations for military service says: "Any person or persons, whether civilian or soldier, who shall wear or exhibit upon his clothing or any part thereof any medal or other decoration belonging to any other person, and to which he is not entitled, or to any ribbon or badge representing any such medal or decoration, shall on conviction for such offence, be liable to be sentenced to a term of imprisonment not exceeding five years."

A six-year-old son of Mr. Robert Reid, of Collingwood, was found drowned in the mill pond. At San Angelo, Texas, fire destroyed the Landon Hotel, burning seven people to death.

Pittsburg glass-blowers have obtained a compromise settlement for skilled men at 7 per cent. advance in wages.

The police of Marblehead, Mass., say G. Tallander, steward of the New York yacht Anita, committed suicide by shooting himself in the mouth.