

MARK TWAIN'S DEATH MOURNED IN ENGLAND

No American Man of Letters was More Popular in the Old Country--Many Tributes of Respect.

London, April 22.—The British public followed the reports of Mark Twain's last illness with deepest sympathy and the news of his death will be felt as a national loss. All of the London newspapers publish extended sketches of his career with portraits and reminiscences, especially recalling his last visit to England in 1907 when Augustine Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland presiding at the pilgrims' dinner paid an eloquent tribute to Mark Twain as a man Englishmen delighted to honor.

The morning Post says that he enjoyed a popularity in Great Britain rarely exceeded by an American man of letters.

The Daily Mail says that it is no exaggeration to say that Mark Twain was the greatest humorist the modern world has known.

"With the exception of Tolstoi" says the morning Leader, "probably there is no writer whose death would rouse more universal emotions of respect and regret. Mark Twain's death leaves a blank in the purely human literature."

AN EDITOR'S COMMENT.

Salt Lake City, Utah, April 22.—"Mark Twain lacked only six months and nine days of four score years," said Judge C. C. Goodwin, a veteran editor, in commenting on the death of the humorist.

"I knew he said that he was only 75," continued the judge, "but when we were in Virginia City, Nevada, Mark was older than I was and I am 78. Here is the record of it." He opened a book of biographies by Amelia J. Carver, published in 1889 and there it was.

"Samuel J. Clemens, born November 30, 1830."

Paris, Mo., April 22.—B.C.M. (Barney) Farthing said to be the original of "Huckleberry Finn" wept when he heard of Mark Twain's death. "The old days are passing" he said even the long sweep of majestic Mississippi seems to have dwindled. The noise of its traffic and the music of its deep throated whistles are practically no more. The man who put into words for the delight of the world, the pictures of the great river, is dead."

Hannibal, Mo., April 22.—Mrs. Laura Fraser, (Becky Thatcher), known as Twain's first sweetheart, said, "I can see him in my mind's eye now, as we started to our first school together more than 60 years ago, he barefooted, and fingers stained with berries as he divided the berries with me, a little girl in calico dresses, sun bonnet and pig tails."

PUBLIC MEMORIAL SERVICE

New York, April 22.—Friends of Mark Twain announced today that arrangements are being made for the great public memorial service, at which it will be possible for thousands who knew and loved him, to be present.

Tribute to his life and character will be paid by a number of men prominent in public life.

Expressions of regret and tributes from men of letters, statesmen, lawyers, clergymen, scholars, and business men of prominence from the Atlantic to the Pacific are more num-

erous and varied than have been offered upon the death of any other man of prominence, in years.

SORROW AT HANNIBAL.

Hannibal, Mo., April 22.—The news of the death of Samuel L. Clemens was received with profound sorrow in Hannibal, his boyhood home. Many of the characters in his earlier books are still living here.

All business places and city offices will be closed on the day of the funeral, and memorial services will be held at the same hour as the services in the east.

A movement has been started to have the Clemens "boyhood home" purchased by the state, and State Senator McAllister said that a bill to this effect would be introduced in the next legislature.

BENEFACTOR TO REDDING.

Redding, Conn., April 22.—The free public library, which the literary colony is building, will stand as a permanent monument to the town's most distinguished citizen. The building is to be known as the "Mark Twain Memorial Library."

One of Mark Twain's last acts was to draw a check for \$6,000 towards the building fund. Work on the building is to begin at once. Besides his financial assistance Mr. Clemens gave a great part of his private library to the institution.

A few hours before his death Mr. Clemens conversed at some length with his literary executor, A. Bigelow Paine regarding his manuscripts. There is a large amount of unpublished work besides his autobiography, which is a collection of incidents and short stories of his life. According to Mr. Paine there are many short stories, several longer works and all the odds and ends of a lifetime of literary activity. There are stories which Mark Twain began and cut short either from fatigue or lack of interest. Then there are others which he finished, but discarded because he thought them unfit.

New York, April 22.—A simple funeral service over the body of Samuel L. Clemens will be held in this city tomorrow afternoon. The body will then be taken to Elmira, N.Y., where it will be buried beside those of his wife and children.

Later a public memorial service will be held in a large hall.

Dr. Henry Van Dyke of Princeton University will preach the funeral sermon tomorrow which will be held at the Brick Presbyterian church, 37th St. and Fifth Ave, at three o'clock. The service will be attended by only relatives and close friends of the dead author. There will be no pall-bearers and although final arrangements have not been made, the service probably will consist of merely a short address by Dr. Van Dyke. There probably will be no music. The body will be brought to New York, from Reading, Conn., on a special car.

At Elmira another simple service will be held. This service will probably be at the home of General Langon a relative of Mr. Clemens, wife, and so far as not known will consist simply of a short address by Joseph Twitchell of Hartford Conn, who was one of Mr. Clemens' closest friends.

FRENCH ENGINEERS AND AMERICAN METHODS

New York, April 22.—M. Henri Veltart, inspector general of bridges and highways of France, is in New York to inaugurate a plan by which young French engineers will study the methods in this country in various branches of engineering, manufacturing, etc.

The French engineers will be designated from the government engineering school of France and will be maintained at government expense. They will inspect the methods of production at large manufacturing centres, the motive power plants at Niagara Falls and the large projects of railway, harbor and canal construction in various parts of the country.

Mrs. Coles Kitchen has returned from a trip through Nova Scotia, including Windsor, Wolfville and Halifax.

COBALT PROSPECTORS ARE UNDER ARREST

Cobalt, April 22.—(Special.)—E. E. Jones and A. Blackburn, prospectors, who caused the rush into Caribou Lake from Burke's Siding by one of their tales of untold gold fields, have been arrested and are now at Halleluyah facing charges of perjury and obtaining money under false pretenses. The men, it is alleged, sold claims to Halleluyah men for \$2,000, signing an affidavit about the value of the claims.

LONGBOAT TO TRAIN JEFF

Hamilton, April 22.—(Special.)—Longboat is to go to California to train Jeff in his road work.

Post Office Inspector Colter is among the visitors to the city today.

THE DEFENCE BEGUN IN WOLTER TRIAL

Prisoner's Counsel Trying Hard to Sweep away Strong Evidence of the Prosecution.

New York, April 22.—Two witnesses, the young prisoner himself and a woman were relied upon by Albert Wolter's counsel today to sweep away the mass of evidence which the prosecution has piled up against him and to clear him from the charge of having strangled Ruth Wheeler and burned her still living body in the fire place in his apartments. The trial of the 19 year old youth moved swiftly to its close. For the last four days he has sat in a queer calm, and seen without a quiver the constant production in court of the charred bones and other gruesome relics of the dead which so shockingly ended the life of a 15-year-old stenographer who called at his rooms looking for work.

Wolter's lawyer said that the boy's innocence has fortified him and he expected to prove from Wolter's own lips today that the prosecution's array of facts counted for nothing. He would be helped in this, counsel stated, by the testimony of a woman who would say that the body of Ruth Wheeler was not placed on the fire escape of Wolter's apartment until two days after the alleged commission of the crime when it would have been impossible for Wolter to have put it there.

FURTHER DECLINES IN STOCK PRICES

New York, April 22.—Wall Street, noon.—The news that the Teft-Weller Company would not be re-organized was taken as evidence of unfavorable conditions in the dry goods trade. This was the main motive for selling stocks. Inferences were drawn of unsatisfactory state of the trade in general. There was a lull in the selling before noon, but the demand was languid at any recovery. Bonds were easy.

WALL STREET.

New York, April 22.—Wall Street.—The average declines at the opening of the stock market ran from a substantial fraction to a point for practically all of the prominent active issues. The larger loss was shown by St. Paul, Kansas and Texas, U. S. Steel and Central Leather. The early dealings were quite active but the execution of accumulated orders left the market quieter after a few minutes.

THE COTTON MARKET.

New York, April 22.—Cotton futures opened steady; April 14.90; May, 14.80; July, 14.57; Aug., 13.79 to 13.82; Sept. offered 12.91; Oct., 12.41; Nov., 12.25 bid; Dec., 12.26; Jan., 12.23 to 12.25.

LATE QUOTATIONS.

New York, April 22.—Amalgamated Steel, 73½; Canadian Pacific, 181½; Erie, 29; Great Northern, pd., 136½; Northern Pacific, 133½; Pennsylvania, 135½; Rock Island, 46½; Southern Pacific, 124½; Union, 184½; U. S. Steel 83.

Chicago, April 22.—Corn, May, 57½; July, 61½; Sept., 62½.

Oats, May, 42; July, 39½; Sept., 38.

SOVEREIGN'S OVERDUE DEBTS.

The overdue debts due the Sovereign Bank now amount to 53,852,389

REGULAR PEMMANS DIVIDEND.

Pemmans have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1 p. c., payable May 15th to shareholders of May 5th.

CONVICTS STILL AT LARGE

Leavenworth, Kansas, April 22.—Frank Grigware and Theodore Muddock, two of the six convicts who escaped from the federal prison yesterday, are still at large.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. F. M. Turner and daughter of Houlton, are at the Queen Hotel.

Mr. M. MacMonagle of St. Stephen is in the city.

Mr. A. M. Budd of St. Stephen, is registered at the Queen.

Mr. J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., of St. John, is in the city on business.

Mr. E. L. Corbett, of St. John, is at the Queen.

Mr. J. Garnou, of Quebec, arrived in the city last night.

ENGLISHMEN WERE HUFFED

Passed Resolution Censuring Chief of Police at Brantford, Ont.—Lively Time.

Brantford, April 22.—There was a lively time here tonight, when about two hundred Englishmen assembled at the lodge rooms of the Sons of England to protest against the statement alleged to have been made at the Police Court last week by Chief Sleinin, to the effect that the police had more trouble with Englishmen than any other class in the city. Some rousing speeches were delivered, in which the Chief was severely criticized.

There was some doubt as to the exact words used by the Chief, those present differing in their versions but the meeting was almost unanimous in declaring that a slur at Englishmen as a class was implied. Those who interviewed the Chief subsequently to the conference were informed by him that this was not intended, but that he referred only to a certain troublesome class of Englishmen and not to them in general. The outcome was the unanimous adoption of a resolution to the City Council and Police Commission "protesting with all the power at our command against the unpatriotic language used by Chief Sleinin."

PEACE PROCLAMATION WAS TORN DOWN

New York, April 22.—A proclamation was posted in Chinatown to the effect that a treaty of peace between the See Sing Tong or Four Brothers Company and the On Leong Tong would be signed in the Chinese consulate today in the presence of Dr. Ou Shou-Tehun, first secretary of the Chinese legation at Washington and the consul Yung Yu Yang.

Before the proclamation had been up 15 minutes it was partly torn down apparently by "gun men" dissatisfied with the idea.

FATAL EXPLOSION IN OHIO COAL MINE

Stuebenville, Ohio, April 22.—Nineteen miners are believed to be dead as the result of an explosion in one of the mines of the Youghioben and Ohio Coal Company, near New Amsterdam today. One body has been recovered. Four men were rescued.

Every window in the village was broken.

After the explosion, timbers were placed over the mouth of the shaft to prevent a draft, as it was feared that the interior of the mine might catch fire.

BRAKEMAN AWARDED SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGES

Chatham, Ont., April 22.—Frank Leech, of Ridgetown, while a brakeman on Pere Marquette, was injured at St. Thomas a few years ago, received \$4,000 damages in the high court yesterday. Leech had eight toes cut off and is still a cripple. One of his feet may yet have to be amputated. Leech at the former trial held two years ago, received \$1,500 but judgment was reversed in court of appeal and trial ordered.

FRAUDS DISCOVERED IN COTTON MARKET

Bulletin, London April 22.—A severe shock has been experienced in the Liverpool cotton market according to today's Shipping Gazette in the discovery of forged bills of lading for cotton purporting to have been shipped from the Unoted States. The quantity invoiced is said to be between 15,000 and 20,000 bales.

Mr. W. H. Harrison is in the city to attend the Supreme Court.

Mr. W. E. Whitehead of Toronto, is at the Queen.

Mr. F. J. Kee of St. John, arrived in the city this morning.

WOMEN AND CHILDREN FLEE FOR THEIR LIVES

Disgusting News from Scene of Chinese Missionary Riots--Troops Being Hastened to Scene.

Pekin, April 21.—The lawlessness of the natives, which began at Changsha the capital of Hunan province, is reported to be spreading. Advices received here state that riots have occurred at Ningsiang, the site of a Protestant mission, about 30 miles west of Changsha. A mission school, at Yi Yang, 20 miles north of Ningsiang, has been burned.

The foreigners are said to have escaped harm. Foreign residents at Yochow were preparing to leave that place last night.

These reports are coupled with the statement that a wholesale desertion of the troops has taken place.

One hundred Chinese from the Chinese cruiser that recently arrived at Changsha are guarding the foreign settlement there.

Hankow, China, April 22.—The situation in Hunan province is reported as critical. Women and children are fleeing for their lives from Changsha, the capital. A number of villages near that city have been reduced to ashes by native mobs. The country is placarded with threats to kill all foreigners. This disquieting news was brought by Missionary refugees who arrived here from Changsha and nearby missionary stations at 1 o'clock this forenoon. Many of

them had traveled thirty miles on foot and reached the Yang Tee Kiang river in rags. Their houses had been burned and they lost all their personal effects. The missionaries stated that gunboats in the river have their guns trained upon Changsha and nearby points and have afforded a refuge for many foreigners. Three thousand Chinese imperial soldiers are occupying the strategic points of the capital detachments are being hurried to the outlying districts where rioting is reported. Many Chinese have been killed. In one instance a technical school was set on fire and thirty students were burned to death. When vessels approached Changsha to rescue the imperilled ones, the Chinese mob saturated junks with kerosene oil from the looted stations of the Standard Oil company and setting them afire allowed them to float down the stream in an attempt to fire the on-coming steamers.

The Viceroy of Hunan province, and the governor of Changsha assert that they have the situation in hand and that order is practically restored but the missionaries say that they fear further outrages. The telegraph wires to the westward of disturbed districts have been cut. Many missionaries remain at outlying posts.

TELLING EVIDENCE AGAINST WOLTER

New York, April 21.—The trial of Albert Wolter, with its morbid accounts of the slaying of little Ruth Wheeler by choking and burning in the fire place of Wolter's room, moved expeditiously today.

The prosecution rested its case today soon after Wolter's companion, Katie Mueller, a fragile girl, almost sick with fright, had testified to seeing Wolter at night stealthily at work on the tell-tale fire place.

Wallace Scott, Wolter's attorney, outlined the defence in an address to the jury, which lasted only ten minutes.

Wolter will take the stand in his own defence. According to Mr. Scott he will call a second witness—a girl—to show that the body was on the fire escape until late Saturday, two days after Ruth Wheeler disappeared. Further Scott said, he would prove that Wolter left the house Friday early and did not return.

Wolter squirmed nervously in his seat as he heard Katie Mueller tell of the fire-place incident.

ENTOMBED MINERS THOUGHT TO BE DEAD

Birmingham, Ala., April 22.—Black damp is slowly disappearing from the workings of the Mulga mine in which 43 men were entombed by an explosion Wednesday and rescuers are now able to stay underground 45 minutes at a time. A negro's body has been brought to the surface and half a dozen others have been found.

Mine Inspector Neale entered the mine and later said he did not believe that any one was alive in the mine. Gas has penetrated every cranny of the mine since the explosion.

SALVAGE OPERATIONS ON S. S. MINNEHAHA

Hughton, Scilly Islands, April 22.—The salvaging operations on the wrecked Atlantic Transport Liner "Minnehaha" are progressing favorably. Among other valuable cargoes taken from the steamer today was silver ore to the value of \$100,000. The weather continues fine and the salvagers are beginning to hope that they may be able to save the vessel herself.

THREE KILLED; EIGHT INJURED

Terre Haute, Ind., April 22.—Three persons were killed, and eight injured in a wreck on the Big Four early today near Sanford, Ind.

AMERICAN INFLUX HAS BEGUN AGAIN

Ottawa, April 21.—Hon. Frank Oliver received today from W. J. White inspector of Canadian immigration, agencies in the United States a telegram giving some illuminative information as to the character and extent of the present rush of immigrants from across the line into Canada.

Mr. White notes that yesterday, there passed through the St. Paul office from a single locality in Missouri twenty families comprising sixty people, taking with them \$70,000 in cash and effects valued at \$13,000.

During the past two days 150 people were ticketed at St. Paul for Canada, where they intend to take up land. They had no less than \$200,000 in cash and effects. "This kind of a movement" says Mr. White, "has been going on all the spring. Most of the trains for Canada go out in two or three sections and special trains are going every day."

CHECK HUNDRED YEARS OLD PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT

Greensboro, Pa., April 22.—A check almost a hundred years old has been presented for payment to the cashier of the Greensburg bank. It was found among the papers of William Hillis, who died a week ago, and was dated Greensburg, Nov. 21, 1814. It directed the cashier of the Greensburg Banking Company to pay the bearer \$23.23 and was signed by Joseph Wiegley. The successors of the Greensburg Banking Company are looking up the matter.

AIRSHIP FLEET STARTS FOR HAMBURG

Cologne, April 22.—The government airship fleet which was delayed by boisterous weather yesterday, started for Hamburg today. The squadron consisting of three aerial cruisers, will be reviewed at Hamburg by the Emperor.

GOLF BOOM IN CHICAGO

Chicago, April 22.—Eight new golf clubs with an estimated membership of 5,000 will open new courses for play this summer and fall, increasing the number of old organizations counted within the jurisdiction of the Chicago district to forty.