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CRASH ON THE RAIL.

Twelve Persons Injured in a Collision in Brooklyn.

A Long Island R.R. Engine Runs Into a Rapid Transit Train.

Two Cars Thrown from the Track and Badly Broken Up—Passengers Imprisoned in the Wreck—The Engineers of Both Trains Hurt—How the Crash Occurred.

A collision occurred on the Long Island Railroad, near the Ralph avenue station, on Atlantic avenue, just after 7 o'clock this morning.

So far as is known twelve persons were injured. No one was killed.

That such is the case is a miracle, as both trains were pretty well filled at the time.

The accident was due to the slippery condition of the rails.

Engine No. 5, of the rapid transit branch of the system, which runs from the Flatbush avenue station to East New York, had just left the Ralph avenue station, with three cars, on its way down.

It was being closely followed by engine No. 73, with eight cars, which was coming in from Long Island.

As a rule the Long Island trains do not stop after leaving East New York until they reach the Flatbush avenue station, which is the Brooklyn terminus of the road. The rapid transit trains stop at all the intermediate stations between these two points.

After the train drawn by engine No. 5 had pulled away from the station Engine 73 increased its speed, having slowed up so as not to run the other train down when it stopped at the station. The track at this point is a very heavy down grade.

Both trains had gone but a short distance when the Long Island train began to gain much speed. In a few minutes she was on top of the other.

With a crash the ponderous locomotive dashed into the rear car of the rapid transit train, which in turn smashed into the car ahead of it. The shock threw both cars from the track, badly wrecking them.

A number of people rushed to the assistance of the imprisoned passengers.

In a few minutes George Carney, the fireman of Engine No. 5, was helped out from his caboose. He was injured about the head.

Edward Kelly, of 12 Columbia place, had his left hip injured.

William S. Woods, of Farmingdale, L. I., had his face injured.

William Grath, of the Twelfth Police Precinct, received injuries to head and shoulder.

They were all taken to their homes. Several other passengers were slightly injured, but they left for their homes before their names could be ascertained.

Travel was delayed for almost four hours.

"DO-DO" NOT TO BE ENJOINED.

The Dog-Faced Boy Obliged to Endure the Competition of a Rival.

The application of Nathan Morris, manager of "Jo-Jo," the dog-faced boy, for an injunction restraining Wicks & Simkins, Bowery museum proprietors from exhibiting "Do-Do," has been denied by Judge Lawrence.

He holds that no case for an injunction is made out as there is not the slightest resemblance between "Jo-Jo" and "Do-Do."

Clung to the Thieves Until Help Came.

James Smith, eighteen years old, of 315 East Thirty-sixth street, and Thomas Murphy, nineteen years old, of 235 Forsyth street, were arraigned before Justice Murray in the Yorkville Police Court this morning, charged with robbery by William Cook, who keeps an oyster saloon at 566 Second avenue. Smith and Murphy entered Cook's saloon at 10 o'clock this morning and called for stews. Smith pretended to be drunk and made so much noise that Cook ordered him out.

Murphy assisted in ejecting Smith, but when the party reached the sidewalk Smith suddenly became sober and snatched Cook's watch, while Murphy dealt the saloon-keeper a blow on the ear. Cook seized both Murphy and Smith and, despite their efforts to escape, held them until a policeman answered his cries for help. Smith attempted to fight with the policeman, but was soon clubbed into submission. The prisoners were held in $1,000 bail each.

Peter J. Peterson is Missing.

Peter Jens Peterson, a cigarmaker, heretofore living with C. Kuerschner, at 111 East Fourth street, is thought to have committed suicide by drowning in the East River. He disappeared a few days ago. He was forty-five years of age, a German, five feet seven inches in height, with blond hair, cut short, high forehead, slightly bald, thick, sandy mustache, brown eyes and straight nose. The forefinger of his right hand is crippled and stiff.

When last seen he wore a dark brown coat, black and gray striped trousers and waistcoat, gaiters with uppers made of one piece of leather, white shirt, standing collar, brown necktie and breastpin, new red undershirt and drawers. On his left hand was a plain gold wedding ring. He is a member of Piano-Makers' Union No. 7, the card of which he carried in his pocket.

Dr. John D. Ogden Buried.

Dr. John D. Ogden, of No. 9 East Thirty-fifth street, who died yesterday at the age of eighty-four years, was to-day buried in the family plot at St. Luke's Cemetery, in Hudson street. The funeral services were held at Christ's Episcopal Church, at Thirty-fifth street and Fifth avenue, and were conducted by the Rev. Dr. J. S. Stipmann, rector of the church, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Satterlee, of Calvary Church, and the full choir of Christ's Church.

A Museum Manager Arrested.

Charles W. Gardner, agent of the Children's Aid Society caused the arrest of Arthur Turpin, manager of the Egyptian Museum of Anatomy at 138 Bowery, for permitting a child named Henry H. Murray to enter the place and view the exhibition, which the agent pronounced dangerous to the morals. Turpin was arraigned in the Tombs Police Court this morning and held in $500 bail for trial in Special Sessions. He pleaded not guilty.

Merciful During the Holidays.

Only one removal was made at the Custom-House during the past week, that of Alfred S. Bugbee, the assistant weigher, for neglect of duty. It was said by one of the officials that the Collector did not like to mar the enjoyment of a merry Christmas and a happy New Year by discharging any one.

DEMPSEY AND MCAFFREY TO FIGHT.

To Spar Ten Rounds in Public on Jan. 31—Articles of Agreement.

Jack Dempsey and Dominick McCaffrey met again at the Coleman House this morning and drew up an agreement to box ten rounds in public on Jan. 31.

Dempsey was anxious to have a finish fight, and thought an acceptance of Billy Edwards's offer of $2,000 backing for each of them, with a certainty of $1,000 to the winner, ought to be accepted, said Jack.

"Why not snap up the money? We can bet as much more as we like on the outside."

Dominick said he could get $5,000 backing and Dempsey was sure he could get even more than that. McCaffrey seemed to think there was more in a public boxing contest and the following are the articles of agreement:

Articles of agreement entered into this 27th day of December, 1887, between Dominick McCaffrey, of Philadelphia, and John Dempsey, of Williamsburg, to box ten rounds in public according to the Marquis of Queensberry rules, on the 31st day of January, 1888, at a place and hour agreed upon.

In consideration of this agreement said Dominick McCaffrey is to pay into the hands of said John Dempsey on the day prior to this contest the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000). In event of the net gate receipts of said contest exceeding the sum of $2,000, the said Dominick McCaffrey agrees to pay to the said John Dempsey a sum equal to 40 per cent. of the amount taken in excess of the said $2,000.

Said Dominick McCaffrey further agrees to allow said John Dempsey the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars ($150) for training expenses for said contest.

It is further agreed between said McCaffrey and said Dempsey that in case of police or other interference with the course of said contest, said Dempsey shall abandon all claim upon said Dominick McCaffrey excepting for the sum of $150, already agreed upon for training expenses of said Dempsey.

JOHN DEMPSEY,
DOMINICK MCCAFFREY.
LEANDER RICHARDSON, Witness.

The place agreed upon is kept secret for the present, and the proposed fight is practically a "finish" contest, as both men, under the Queensberry rules agreed upon, will be pushed to their utmost to last through.

McCaffrey is the heavier of the two, but Dempsey's record of battles won has never been broken, and there is much interest in sporting circles over the coming event. McCaffrey goes at once to Philadelphia to train, and Dempsey repairs to Rockaway for the same purpose.

Denny Kelliher, of Quincy, Mass., is in town looking for a match with any of the middle-weights. He says he has no certainty of a match with Jack Fogarty.

THE BONDS ARE HIDDEN IN EGYPT.

Young McNeally Has Not Returned the Stolen Securities to the Bank.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

SACO, Me., Dec. 27.—It turns out that the rumors that the securities stolen by McNeally have been returned to the bank are without foundation.

It is now stated on good authority that all securities and Government bonds taken by the defaulter are hidden in Cairo, Egypt.

The first knowledge of McNeally's whereabouts was obtained last month, when his brother received a letter from Egypt in Frank's handwriting.

The writer stated that his sole desire was to have the bank regain possession of the missing securities. He was suffering both mentally and physically and had he not been the only one who knew where the bonds were, he would have put an end to his sufferings by suicide.

While at Cairo he fell into the hands of sharpers and was fleeced of all the ready money he had.

Victim of the Gas Jet.

Richard Costello hired a room last night at the Hotel Hartman, 58 Whitehall street, saying that he had missed the last boat for his home at Tottenville, S. I. This morning he was found unconscious in bed, with the gas turned on.

He was taken to the Chambers Street Hospital, where, with the aid of oxygen, he was brought out of danger. Both the proprietor of the hotel and the hospital people think the gas was turned on by mistake. It was said at the hospital that other cases of gas poisoning had been reported from this hotel.

Followed by an Imaginary Crowd.

Policeman Charles H. Davis brought to the Tombs Police Court this morning William Smith, a well-dressed man who now closely resembled Samuel J. Tilden. The officer said Mr. Smith went to the station-house in Mulberry street at 6 o'clock this morning and told the Sergeant in the desk that a gang of men was following him about, and that he wanted police protection. Justice O'Reilly committed him to the care of the City Physicians for examination as to mental condition.

A Morning Fire in Brooklyn.

Fire broke out from some unknown cause in the two-story frame house corner of Third avenue and Fourteenth street, South Brooklyn, at 7 o'clock last evening.

The house was occupied by Yates & McGrath as a blacksmithing shop. Before it was extinguished a damage of $1,000 was done to the building. Two horses valued at $200 perished in the flames. The tools and other furnishings of the shop valued at $150 were also lost.

A Dakota Blizzard Coming.

The snowstorm that visited this section yesterday was local, and has disappeared no one knows whither. There is, however, a big storm footing around in Dakota and the upper lake region, and it may reach this way in two or three days.

The storm is accompanied by a cold wave that is freezing things solid in the Northwest. The coldest spot this morning was Fort Assiniboine, in Montana, where the mercury stood at 34 degrees below zero. In this city the temperature was 28 degrees above.

Tips from "The World's" Ticker.

The London market for American securities was generally lower to-day.

St. Paul's earnings for the third week in December show an increase of $101,863 over last year.

"Things ought to be a little lively this week," was the general opinion expressed on the street this morning.

President John King, of the Erie, says: "Earnings are famous," and predicts big business for the trunk lines in the near future.

It is claimed that there is a big short interest in the market, which will be sure to make prices jump whenever the starter is given.

Other roads reporting increased earnings to-day are the Northwest, Denver and Rio Grande and Richmond Terminal. The latter $68,000.

The sales of stocks at the New York Stock Exchange last week aggregated 706,587 shares, against 1,569,385 for the same week last year.

According to an insider the advance in Union Pacific last Friday was due to the settlement of difficulties regarding the Oregon Navigation lease.

Traders, however, who are most interested in the market at the present time don't care which way it goes if it will only get in motion and keep that way.

The Reading strike was the general topic of interest in the street this morning. It is not thought that its effect upon the stock in the market will be more than temporary.

The bulls seem to be more hopeful, and John D. Slayback says that the market is now so low that bear news has no effect on prices. This, it may be observed, is the same with the bull news.

The market opened fairly steady at declines ranging from ¼ to 1⅛ per cent. The heavy declines were caused by the selling of Reading, which was 1½ lower than Friday's close, St. Paul and Union Pacific for the London account. After the opening there was a sharp rally, Reading recovering ¾ per cent. in the first half hour.

STOCKS BOUND UPWARD.

LARGE TRANSACTIONS IN WALL STREET IN THE FORENOON.

Prices Low at the Opening, But Favorably Affected by the News About the Reading Strike—Bulls Trying to Twist the Shorts—Not Much Outside Business to be Expected During the Holidays.

WALL STREET, Dec. 27.—As had been expected, the developments in the Reading strike formed the basis for a lively condition of things on the Stock Exchange this morning. The bears opened the ball with free sales at prices anywhere from ¼ to 1⅝ below last Friday's closing figures, Reading, of course, being the great objective point and scoring the largest decline.

It soon became apparent that insiders had placed heavy buying orders for the stock with the various brokers, and intended to twist the shorts on the strength of their knowledge that the backbone of the strike had been broken.

This, of course, means a big saving to the company and, besides, renders any further trouble in the anthracite regions improbable.

Lackawanna was lifted from 127¼ to 129½, and the movement showed that the Deacon has not lost his old antipathy towards those who would seek to lower the market value of his pet stock. Reading bounded up to 66 and the rest of the list advanced ¼ to 1 per cent.

The bulls derived valuable aid from London, where Americans were reported strong and advancing.

The announcement that the Pennsylvania road had placed orders for 60,000 tons of steel rails, and that other companies would follow suit was looked upon as a "bull" point.

Still it is not to be forgotten that during this week most people in the business world will be busily engaged closing up their accounts for the year and that outsiders will accordingly have little time to devote to speculation. Such trading as is done will therefore be almost wholly professional.

Up to noon 154,000 shares changed hands. This is the largest total for some time. In subsequent transactions the market was much quieter

BONDS FIRM.

Governments were in small supply at 108⅝ a 108¾ for 4½s, 126 a 127 for reg. 4s and 127 a 128 for coupon 4s.

In State securities Louisiana 4s sold at 91¼, Alabama, Class A, at 108; North Carolina 4s at 96 and do. 6s at 121½.

In railroad bonds, Shenandoah Valley generals jumped from 34½ to 37. Kansas & Texas general 6s ranged from 73¼ to 75, with latest sales at 74. B. & O. 5s rose ½, to 106; Missouri Pacific Con. ½, to 110½; Minn. & St. Louis Equipments 2½, to 52½, and Rich. & Allegheny 1sts 1½, to 58½. West Shores sold at 101½ a 101⅞, Nickel Plates at 85¾, and Erie 2ds at 97.

Money is easy at 4½ a 5 per cent. and foreign exchange at 4.83½ a 4.84 for long and 4.86½ a 4.87 for sight.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

In London, consols are steady at 101 9-16 and 101 11-16; U. S. 4s down ⅛, to 110½ and 4½s ¼, to 110½. American railways advanced ⅛ to 1½ per cent. Reading was an exception selling down to 32¾ and rallying to 33¾. In Paris rentes declined to 81f. 10c.

QUOTATIONS.

	Open.	High.	Low.
Canada Southern	55½	56⅝	55½
Canadian Pacific	61¾	61¾	61¾
Central Pacific	33⅝	33⅝	33⅝
Chic., Bur. & Quincy	129	129	129
Chicago & Northwest	107	107½	107
Chic., Mil. & St. Paul	74⅞	75	74⅞
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul pref.	111⅝	111⅝	111⅝
Chic., Rock Is. & Pacific	114⅝	114⅝	114⅝
Col. & Hocking Valley	26	26	26
Col. & Hocking Coal	27⅝	27⅞	27⅝
Colorado Coal & Iron	35⅝	35⅝	35⅝
Consolidated Gas	74	74	74
Del., Lack. & Western	127¼	127⅝	127¼
Delaware & Hudson	103	103⅛	103
E. Tenn., Va. & Georgia	10⅛	10⅛	10⅛
E. Tenn., Va. & Georgia, 2d pfd.	22⅝	22⅝	22⅝
Fort Worth & Denver City	45	45	45
Illinois Central	118	118	118
Ind., Bloom. & Western	14⅛	14⅛	14⅛
Louisville & Nashville	61	61	60⅞
Lake Shore	95	95⅛	95
Long Island	90	90	90
Manhattan consol	96	96⅛	96
Michigan Central	87	87	87
Minneapolis & St. Louis	6¼	6¼	6
Minn. & St. L. pfd.	16	16	15⅞
Missouri Pacific	87⅞	89	87⅞
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	18	18⅛	18
Morris & Essex	134⅞	134⅞	134⅞
New Jersey Central	74⅞	79⅛	74⅞
New York Central	109	109	108⅞
N. Y. & New England	36⅞	37½	36⅞
N. Y., Lake Erie & Western	24⅞	25⅛	24⅞
Northern Pacific pfd.	46⅞	46⅞	46⅞
Ohio & Mississippi	23⅛	23⅛	22⅞
Oregon Transcontinental	21	21¼	21
Philadelphia & Reading	64⅝	66⅛	64⅝
Peoria, Decatur & Evans	22⅞	22⅞	22⅞
Pullman Palace Car Co.	142⅞	142⅞	140⅞
Rich. & West Point Ter.	22	22⅛	22
St. Paul & Omaha	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝
St. P., Minn. & Manitoba	106⅝	106⅝	106⅝
St. Louis & San Fran pfd	72⅝	72⅝	72⅝
Texas Pacific	22⅛	22⅛	22
Union Pacific	57⅞	57⅞	57⅛
Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific pref	27⅞	27⅞	27⅞
Western Union Telegraph	77⅞	77⅞	77⅞
Wheeling & Lake Erie	43⅞	45	43⅞

New York Markets.

WHEAT.—The bullish temper of the wheat market was intensified this morning by the firm tone of the cables from London and Liverpool, and options opened at an advance of ⅛ a ⅜ over Friday's closing prices: Dec., 91⅝c.; Jan., 91⅝c.; Feb., 92½c.; March, 93½c.; May, 95⅝c. The good buying at the start was sustained, and during the forenoon May sold up to 95⅞c. The receipts show a falling off at primary markets, and the demand for export continues fair. The market for corn and oats was firm but dull.

COTTON.—Futures in the cotton market opened steady this morning at 4 to 5 points advance over closing prices last week: Jan., 10.58; Feb., 10.66; March, 10.78; April, 10.87; May, 10.96; June, 11.05; July, 11.10; Aug., 11.14. The Liverpool market was firm and higher, and a slackening in the movement at the ports accounts for the increased bullishness. The market was steady during the morning.

COFFEE.—Another bulge took place in coffee speculation this morning and futures jumped 25 to 45 points above Friday's close at the opening call. December sold at 16.80; Jan., 16.60; Feb., 16.50 bid; Mar., 16.55; April, 16.55; May, 16.50; June, 16.55; July, 16.25; Aug., 16.05. All the foreign markets were higher, and the talk on the floor was very bullish. The sales were 14,000 bags.

PETROLEUM.—The oil market was active and excited this morning. The opening prices of Pipe Line certificates was 84, and from this point the course of the market was steadily upward. At noon prices had reached 86¼, and the shorts appeared to be in a very panicky condition, still higher prices are looked for by the majority of speculators.

LIVE STOCK.—No trading in beeves. Of the 975 cattle received 40 carloads were for exportation, 17 carloads for city trade slaughterers direct, and 3 carloads for the market. Tuesday after Christmas is never a good market day for butchers' stock, and to-day's trading was exceptionally dull for everything. No cattle changed hands, and dressed beef remained undisturbed on the hooks in Washington Market. Exports included 400 beeves and 1,700 quarters of beef. Sheep and lambs were quiet but steady at $5.75 a $5 per 100 lb. for common to fair sheep, and at $5.50 a $6.60 for ordinary to choice lambs. No trading in live hogs. Nominal value, $5.50 a $5.75 per 100 lb. Receipts—975 beeves, 65 calves, 1,019 sheep and lambs and 3,811 hogs.

Murderer Swift to be Hanged in 1889.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 27.—John H. Swift, who was convicted a week ago of murder in the first degree for killing his wife, Katie, was to-day sentenced to be hanged April 5, 1889. Swift addressed the Court, saying: "I have no recollection of the transaction. It is all a blank to me. This is all I have to say." Judge Sanford was visibly affected during the reading of the sentence.

WILLIAM WEBBER'S MILLIONS.

He Proves His Title to Sixty-six Acres of Land in the Heart of New York City.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

DOVER, N. H., Dec. 27.—Dr. W. W. Webber, a painter by trade, who has also had considerable experience as a healing physician, made it public this forenoon that the claim of his father, William Webber, as one of the heirs to a plot of land of sixty-six acres, located in New York City south of Canal street, has been proved.

Said plot of land is now studded with massive blocks of buildings. It was bought in 1636 by Wilfred Webber, of Holland, who settled on Manhattan Island.

It is known that in 1674 Mr. Webber leased the land referred to, to a kinsman, Wilfred Webber, jr., for 200 years. Dr. Webber's father is the seventh generation of Webber, sr., who originally owned the land.

On the expiration of the lease in 1874 the land naturally reverted to the descendants of the original Wilfred Webber.

For a few years past William Webber and other descendants have been busily engaged in proving that they were direct descendants of the first owner.

Now that it is proved there will be a meeting of heirs in New York City, Jan. 20, to complete arrangements for getting possession of this property, valued at $20,000,000.

PREPARING FOR FESTIVITY.

The Produce Exchange Gorgeously Decorated for the Evening Promenade Concert.

In anticipation of the annual promenade concert of the Produce Exchange the big trading hall has been elaborately and handsomely draped during the Christmas interval and presented a gay, festive appearance to the brokers when they came upon the floor this morning.

The artistic arrangement of the decorations was universally admired and praised.

The ceiling was ornamented with long lines of red, white and blue streamers radiating from two central points and looped up at the sides of the room.

The two rows of pillars extending down both sides of the hall was almost hidden from view behind draperies of gaily-colored banners and flags of different nations, while the walls and gallery were similarly decorated with brilliant colored hangings.

It is proposed to make the ornamentation of the hall still more elaborate before the night of the ball.

FAILURE IN THE MILLINERY TRADE.

John Thompson Makes an Assignment with $42,000 Preferences.

John Thompson, a dealer in millinery goods in this city, made an assignment to day for the benefit of his creditors to David Richardson, with preferences amounting to $42,063.76.

The principal preferred creditors are the People's Bank, of New York, $15,000; Merchants' Exchange Bank, $2,098; National Park Bank, $5,000; the First National Bank, of Chicago, $4,200; the Bank of the Metropolis, $3,925, and the Metropolitan National Bank of Chicago, $2,235.

A Fire Alarm's Little Joke.

Several fire-engines swung around at full speed and stopped with a jerk in front of Thurber, Whyland & Co.'s stores, on Reade, Duane and West Broadway, at noon to-day and startled the firm and clerks alike.

Brawny firemen rushed into the building and asked where the fire was. Every one gasped and asked the firemen if the building was burning. The firemen said that they should know, for they had sent in an alarm. This was denied, and all hands turned to find the fire. Neither smoke, spark or even escaping steam could be found.

The firemen left in disgust, and the clerks resumed work with trembingly held pens. The cause of all this was that the automatic fire alarm in the fifth story of the Duane street building had been a little too automatic, and sent in a false alarm.

Robbed in a Novel Manner.

"He threw his arms around my neck and said 'Hallos, pop,' and at the same time he stole my gold watch," said Joseph Dorlety, a stevedore for the Clyde Steamship Company who lives at 95 Forsyth street, in the Tombs Police Court this morning, pointing to John Meehan, of 250 Monroe street. Policeman J. J. O'Brien, of the Elizabeth street station, said that he found Meehan and the complainant wrestling, as he thought, in the Bowery, near Hester street, at 8 o'clock last night, when he saw Meehan suddenly dart away. At the same time Dorlety shouted "Stop thief," whereupon the policeman gave chase and caught Meehan just as he dropped the watch at his feet. Meehan was held in $1,000 bail for trial.

Land Sharks Attack a Wreck.

William Wreck, a seaman from the United States cruiser Boston, was robbed in the Bowery at 2 A. M. to-day by three men at the corner of Canal street. While one took his watch, worth $48, another one took a finger-ring worth $6. Policeman Dowdican arrested Alexander Elder, who was held in the Tombs Police Court this morning as one of his assailants. A complaint taken against Wreck for intoxication was dismissed. Elder gave his residence as the Phœnix House, 53 Bowery, where Greenwall, the Weeks murderer, and Krause, who just escaped from the Raymond Street Jail, both lived.

Her Daughter's Disgrace Was Too Much.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 27.—Mrs. Margaret Ford, living on Fountain street with her fourteen-year-old daughter, committed suicide this morning. She had become despondent owing to the fact that her daughter had been disgraced.

While sitting at the breakfast table she took a table-knife and drew it across her throat. Her daughter tried to take the knife from her, but Mrs. Ford broke away, ran down into the cellar and when help arrived she was found dead in the coal-bin.

Frank A. Durey's Trial for Embezzlement.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

CANANDAIGUA, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Frank A. Durey, a Danville banker, appeared in the Police Court here this morning to answer to a charge of obtaining the signature of William E. Hale to a promissory note for $2,000 by false representations.

The examination was adjourned to Jan. 21 on account of the absence of the complainant's counsel and Durey was liberated on his mother's bail.

Death of a Female Miser.

[From a Lewiston (Me.) Special.]

Widow Millett, who for forty years lived alone in an old cottage near the cottage of Dr. Browning, in the business portion of the town, died last week. She was very receptive and for years no one was permitted to see the inside of her house. No smoke was ever seen issuing from the chimney, for even during the coldest weather in winter no fire was kept in her dwelling. Every curtain in the house was kept closely drawn, and the eccentric woman carefully avoided any intercourse with relative and neighbors. After her death the contents of her humble dwelling were overturned and in one old-fashioned bureau which stood in the corner of her sleeping-room, were found bundles of crisp bank notes, bags of shining gold and packages of bonds and other securities. The bank bills were in packages of $100 each, all carefully folded. In all over $25,000 was taken from the drawers of that one old bureau. Her other property will bring her fortune up to fully $30,000. Mrs. Millett's husband, who died thirty-three years ago, was a doctor. In his will he especially provided that if his wife married again she would forfeit the greater portion of his property. Since then she has lived the life of a hermit in this populous city.

Save Your German Laundry Soap Wrappers and send to your favorite charitable institution. ***

READING MEN HAPPY.

The Great Strike Declared Off This Morning.

Employees Report for Duty and Trains Begin to Move.

Conference Between a Committee of the Convention and Reading's General Superintendent—The Men Recognized as Company Employees and Not as Knights of Labor—Heated Discussion Among the Men—Cool Heads Finally Prevail.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27.—The employees of the Reading Railroad Company have been ordered back to work and the company's business will be running as usual this afternoon. The strike was declared off about 1 o'clock this morning, after a meeting of the Reading Employees' Convention Committee and the officials of the Reading company.

The General Superintendent has sent out this message:

The strike is settled and men will return to work.

There were several conferences yesterday between the committee of employees and General Superintendent Sweigard. The meetings took place by invitation of the company and at their offices in South Fourth street.

All the disputes were earnestly and harmoniously discussed and resulted in a general good feeling.

The last conference was between John Lee and John Kelley and Mr. Sweigard. Every point but the recognition of the men as Knights of Labor had been agreed upon. This subject was mentioned by Mr. Lee and Mr. Sweigard replied: "Of course the men must come to me as Reading employees. I will not treat with them as Knights of Labor."

The committee of employees then withdrew and made their report to the convention at Port Richmond. A three hours' discussion followed, but finally the cooler heads mastered the situation and the men were ordered back to work.

Everything is quiet at Portchester and in this city. The men began to report for work as early as 5 o'clock and trains will soon be running as usual.

It is understood that the crews over which the trouble originated, five in number, are not to resume work, but that they are to be provided for by the Knights of Labor.

At 11 o'clock General Manager McLeod said every department of the road was running.

It is asserted that the understanding between General-Supt. Sweigard and the committee of employees was if the men could lift the strike the company would agree to arbitrate.

The Reading officials say the company agreed to nothing whatever, but simply told the committee that the men must go to work as usual this morning or they would be discharged.

JUBILATION IN THIS CITY.

A Telegram from President Corbin Announcing that the Strike is Off.

The jubilation at the office of the Philadelphia and Reading road in this city to-day was very marked.

While the great strike lasted the officials protested that no inconvenience was being felt by the company and that it was only a trifling matter concerning the discharge of five crews, but when news came of the adjustment of the difficulty they were willing to confess a feeling of great relief that serious trouble had been averted.

Mr. Henry W. Maxwell, the partner of President Austin Corbin, was in a very good humor as he turned this telegram over to a WORLD reporter this morning:

The strike is off and future arbitration agreed to. Men are coming in by the hundred, and all trains scheduled up to 10 o'clock have been provided with crews and are already moving. By this evening everything will be running smoothly.

No visible dissatisfaction on the part of the men. Am exceedingly gratified at the loyalty of the employees to the company. AUSTIN CORBIN.

Quite a crowd of men from Elizabethport and Jersey City came over to-day and loitered around the Coal Exchange, waiting for scraps of news. They could not believe that the strike was off, and smiled derisively when told the purport of Mr. Corbin's telegram.

They insisted that the strike instead of coming to an end had extended to the Schuylkill miners and the Pennsylvania freight handlers and that the men would not yield till the difficulty over the Taylor Brothers' freight at Port Richmond was settled in favor of the Knights.

On the Coal Exchange the news was received philosophically. Secretary Foster said there had not been time since the ordering of the strike on Saturday for speculators to get up a scare about a coal famine.

Prices would have risen to-day, he said, had the fears of a general extension of the strike been verified, but the prospect now was in favor of a reduction.

Held and Robbed of His Watch.

Thomas Dukane, twenty-one years old, of 235 West Sixty-first street, was held in $1,000 bail by Justice Murray in the Yorkville Police Court this morning on a charge of stealing a watch from John Brennan, of 218 West Sixty-first street, last night.

Brennan was opening the door of his house when two young men stole up behind him, and one of them stole his watch and ran off, while the other, Dukane, held him to prevent him following the thief. The thief escaped, but Brennan grabbed Dukane and gave him into the custody of a policeman.

Robbed With a Christmas Shake.

William Armitage, a sugar-dealer at 166½ Leonard street, appeared at the Tombs Police Court this morning and charged Mary Smith with stealing $126 in money and a ring from his finger in a saloon at 43 Baxter street.

The complainant said: "It was done in two minutes. She took hold of my hand to give it a Christmas shake and she forced the ring from my finger. She stole the money at the same time from my trousers pocket." The woman was held.

Standing by Warden Viall.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 27.—The State Board of Charities and Prisons refused this morning to suspend Warden Viall pending the investigation into his administration at the State Prison.

Gold Invites the Burglar, colds invite pain, and PAIN PAINT is a sure antidote. ***

THE READING STRIKERS.
The Employees' Strike is Off, but the Coal Barons' Strike is Always in Progress.

GEORGE COFFIN'S WAYS.

Characteristics of the Faithful Old Janitor of Tammany Hall.

Sincere sorrow was manifested by Paddy, the engineer of Tammany Hall, this morning as he led a WORLD reporter to the little room where the remains of John T. Coffin, the veteran janitor, were lying in state.

"Poor George," continued Paddy, who was one of the old Monitor's crew, "won't handle these keys any more. He and I have been here these many, many years and I shall miss him.

"Let me see. He began complaining two years ago, and he was never the same man in health after that. He suffered a great deal, and the doctor told him he had Bright's disease and that it would fetch him.

"Seems to me I can see him now sitting at that window all by himself, smoking and looking out. His last work was to direct the envelopes notifying the members of the General Committee to attend the December meeting.

"Come here, Tom. Here is his favorite cat. Do you know," to the reporter, "that Tom appears to know that his master is dead. We could not get him out of that room last night, so we left the door open and kept watch in here.

"Do you remember the time the Young Democrats, led by Jimmy O'Brien, Tom Creamer and others, who were rebelling against Mr. Tweed, tried to get possession of the Wigwam? That was a great night. The doors were doubly barred, there was a crowd of police outside, and George had command of an army of men inside. George stood on guard all night, and he would have died right at that door.

"All the big guns knew George. I tell you when he was angry—on election nights when the returns came in against Tammany Hall. But when the returns were in favor of the old organization George would be as happy as a king."

Mr. Coffin was a member of the Tammany Society, or Columbian order. The Sachem and members of the General Committee will attend his funeral, which will take place tomorrow from St. Ann's Church, in Twelfth street, near Third avenue. Services will begin at 9 A. M. The procession will leave Tammany Hall at 8.30.

W. K. VANDERBILT'S RUMORED PURCHASE.

Not Known Here to Have Bought an Earl's Estate in England.

Mr. Edward Rossiter, Treasurer of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, was asked to-day by a WORLD reporter if the story were true that Mr. W. K. Vanderbilt had purchased the estate of the Earl of Buckinghamshire. He replied that he knew nothing of it.

"If such a purchase had been made you would have known it?" asked the reporter.

"It is quite likely, though Mr. Vanderbilt does not always inform me when he does such a thing. No one here knows anything about it. I do not myself believe the story."

The Clifton Entries.

The entries for the races announced to be run at Clifton to-morrow (Wednesday) are as follows:

FIRST RACE.

Purse $200, of which $50 to the second, for three-year-olds; five furlongs.

	Lb.		Lb.
Glenbrook	118	Little Emily	115
Richelieu	118	Lillian K.	119
Falsehood	118	Zero	115
Count Luna	115	J. J. Healy	115

SECOND RACE.

Purse $200, of which $50 to the second, for all ages; five furlongs.

	Lb.		Lb.
Valean	118	Flutter colt	95
King Arthur	115	Glen Queen	92
Editor	115	Courtier	92
Bass Viol	115		

THIRD RACE.

Purse $200, of which $50 to the second, for three-year-olds and upward that have run and not won more than one race at Clifton during the present meeting; selling allowances; three-quarters of a mile.

	Lb.		Lb.
Vaulter	118	Rozetta	107
Trouborn	115	Frank Mullins	107
Pegasus	111	Velvet	103
Bishop	110	Glen Almond	103
Gold Bond	110	Trojan	88

FOURTH RACE.

Purse $220, of which $50 to the second, for all ages; selling allowances; seven furlongs.

	Lb.		Lb.
Lancaster	118	Neptunus	105
Franx	115	Top Sawyer	105
Glendon	105	Sailor	105
Joe Mitchell	105	Spring Eagle	77
Big Head	105	St. Clara	77
Nellie Van	105		

FIFTH RACE.

Purse $200, of which $50 to the second, for horses that had run and not won at the Clifton autumn meeting; horses beaten once allowed 5 lb., twice 10 lb., three times 15 lb., 4 times 20 lb.; one mile.

	Lb.		Lb.
Ridge Lorraine	110	Brilliant	95
Playfair	105	Castilian	95
Compensation	105	Redeemer	95
Lute Arnold	103	Zampa	95
Carolina	100		

The racing will begin at 1 P. M. sharp. Trains will leave via the Erie Railroad on the arrival of boats leaving foot of Chambers street at 11.30 A. M., 12 M., 12.30 and 1 P. M.

Will Prob's Forecast be Sustained?

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—*Indications for the 24 hours commencing at 3 P. M. to-day:*

For Connecticut, slightly warmer, threatening weather, with light snow, light to fresh variable winds.

For Eastern New York, slightly warmer, threatening weather, with light snow; light to fresh variable winds.

DANIEL MANNING'S BURIAL.

MANY PROMINENT MEN ATTEND THE CEREMONIES AT ALBANY.

President Cleveland Reaches the State Capital Sad and Despondent—Relatives and Friends Take a Last Look at the Remains in the House of Mr. James H. Manning—Flowers in Abundance.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

ALBANY, Dec. 27.—The train bearing the Presidential party to attend Daniel Manning's funeral steamed into the depot at 8 o'clock this morning. When it had come to a halt it was boarded by Erastus Corning, Col. William Rice, Col. C. L. Judson and ex-Mayor Banks, who constituted a Citizens' Committee of Reception.

After a short conference the party, consisting of the President, Col. Lamont and the members of the Cabinet, were driven to the Executive Mansion,