

2 O'CLOCK. CARTWRIGHT YET.

The Englishman Slowly Increases His Slight Lead.

Pete Hegelman Trying Hard to Regain First Place.

More Men Keeping the Track Than on Previous Second Days.

Score at Noon. Cartwright 140, Golden 148, Herby 141, Connors 142, W. Smith 143, Adams 144, Herby 145, Connors 146, W. Smith 147, Adams 148, Golden 149.

Thirty of the fifty-four men who pitted their respective legs in the six-day go-as-you-please race at Madison Square Garden were still peering away this morning when the sun crept through the cracks and grooves and awakened the hundred sleepers who had lodged on the benches in the big amphitheatre.

George Cartwright, who holds the British championship for many styles of endurance contests and contests of speed, overtook Peter Hegelman, the flaxen-haired Saxon, at 5.30 o'clock last evening, and they scored their 1024 mile together.

CARTWRIGHT WIDENS THE LEAD. At 6 o'clock this morning the Britisher had made a breach of four miles between himself and Hegelman, and was running nicely. The watchmaker seemed in good form, too, and he had the advantage of the Englishman in that he had two and a half hours of refreshing sleep during the night, while Cartwright had not rested more than fifty minutes since the start on Sunday at midnight.

Sam Day, George Connor, William Smith, and Dan Harty were all in a bunch at this time, and the Boston boy's face was that expression of utter obliviousness to the surroundings for which Harty is known.

LITTLEWOOD'S RECORD BETTERED. Cartwright's 1436-mile score at 6 o'clock was 32 miles behind the record made by Charlie Rowell in his 100-mile race of 1892, which is the best performance for thirty hours.

FIVE IN GOOD FORM. Cartwright, Hegelman, Connors, Day, and Harty were in good form when the day opened, and either or all of them might break the six-day record Saturday night should no accident befall them.

HOW IT WOULD BE CROSS COUNTRY. Imagine that the course of the race were laid on the route of the New York Central Railway, the main trunk of the Forty-second street depot and going north.

Cartwright might have breakfasted at Albany at 5.30 o'clock, and then he would have breakfasted together with the watchmaker before he arrived at 7 o'clock.

The others were scattered all along the line. Some were struggling on, while twenty-four had been consigned to the morgue.

DAN O'LEARY WANDERS FROM THE FORTY-SECOND DEPOT. Dan O'Leary, who was in the front of the race, was wandering from the Forty-second street depot, and was seen in the distance, looking very much as if he were a ghost.

LOVETT HAD GONE TO TWENTY-FIVE MILES WHEN HE WAS FOUND ON THE TRACK. Lovett had gone to twenty-five miles when he was found on the track, and was seen in the distance, looking very much as if he were a ghost.

ALL UNDER 75 MILES DROPPED. And last night at midnight a half score of the men were shelled because they had failed to cover the required distance in the second day, and were dropped from the race.

SIX O'CLOCK SCORES. The score for the men remaining on the track was as follows at 6 o'clock this morning: Cartwright, 140; Golden, 148; Herby, 141; Connors, 142; W. Smith, 143; Adams, 144; Herby, 145; Connors, 146; W. Smith, 147; Adams, 148; Golden, 149.

TO BE CHAMPION PASTER. That is the present hope of Citizens' Train's Ambition.

ONE NOVEL SCENE IN VISITING MR. GEORGE FRANCIS TRAIN IN THIS FASTING PERIOD is the cheerful doubt whether an entering his room he may not be a noisy cheerful corpse.

THE UNKNOWN IS A TALL, spare man of thirty-two years, and he was "pretty tired" early to-day, and he was in good shape in the old chamber, who has been in a score of races.

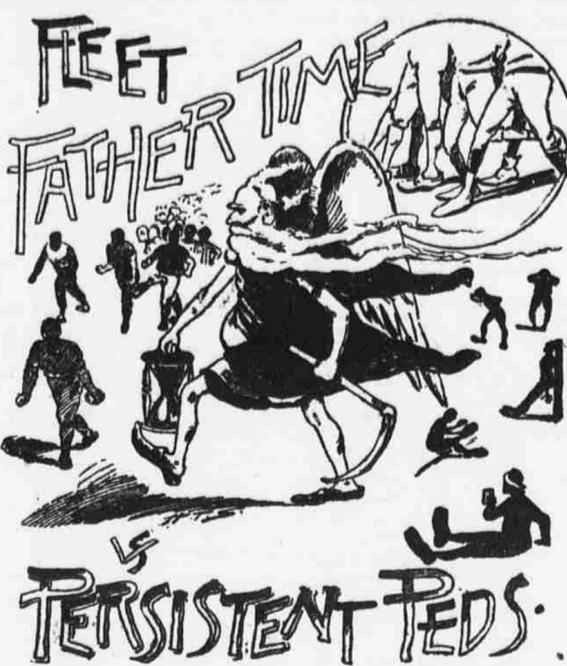
HUGHES IN GOOD SHAPE. The Lepper, under the soothing influence of his medicine, has done better than in either of the late races, and was in good shape this morning.

EVERETT WORLD REPORTER ASKED BRODIE what he was doing in the race, and Brodie said he was a reporter, but he was not a reporter, and he was not a reporter, and he was not a reporter.

THE ENGLISHMAN BACKED BY ARTHUR BRIDGES, who has been in a score of races, and he was in good shape in the old chamber, who has been in a score of races.

NORMAN TAYLOR HAS BROKEN IN. Norman Taylor has broken in, and he was in good shape in the old chamber, who has been in a score of races.

OLD MAN KILSON, who has been in a score of races, and he was in good shape in the old chamber, who has been in a score of races.



THE CRONIN MYSTERY.

It Grows Yet Deeper as the Hours and Days Go By.

CHICAGO, May 7.—The sensation over the disappearance of Dr. P. H. Cronin grows with every hour, as does the impression that he has been foully dealt with, and the case has become one of national importance.

Dr. Cronin's barber declares that the hair found in the trunk was not from the missing man's head, and as no further evidence has been found to connect the trunk and the doctor's disappearance, the police are thoroughly incensed.

A theory has been advanced that the doctor has not been killed at all, but is being kept a prisoner in some unknown locality, the body being used to distract attention while the rest of the scheme is being carried out.

But there is no end to the theories in the case, some of them dealing with the possible and others with the utterly improbable.

In some quarters it is insisted that the doctor himself arranged the whole scheme of his disappearance, and that he is now on his way abroad to testify in the Parnell case before the Special Commission.

It is denied to-day that Dr. Cronin was a friend of Le Carron. Indeed, he is said to have been an enemy of that individual.

Despatches from various cities of the Union have been received here inquiring anxiously concerning the case. The doctor was widely known, owing to his energy in the Irish cause, and his many friends as well as many enemies.

Dr. Cronin's enemy was of the same sort as he had been connected with most of the big quarrels in the Irish party, and was once expelled from the Clan-na-Gael, but was readmitted in 1888.

He was sent to New York a year ago as a delegate to the National Convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

WERE ALL HANDS DROWNED? A CATBOAT FOUND FLOATING BOTTOM UP IN THE SOUND.

There is every indication that a drowning catastrophe, whereby seven or eight people have lost their lives, has occurred on the Sound.

A catboat containing that number of people was seen cruising around the Sound in the neighborhood of City Island yesterday, and later in the day a boat, said to be the same one, was found floating bottom up, and was brought to City Island.

It was an eighteen-foot catboat, on the sail of which was marked the letter "D."

A man's coat was found entangled in the ropes, but it contained no clue for identification.

A canvass among the boatmen of Harlem River and Bowers Bay Beach failed to develop any one who could be identified with the catboat.

GRAVE OMISSION BY JUDGE HOLME. After Being Installed He Marries a Couple but Forgets to Kiss the Bride.

Leicester Holmes, recently appointed by Gov. Hill a Judge of the City Court, in place of Judge Edward Browne, who resigned to become Counsel to the Excise Board, was installed yesterday.

Judge Holmes sat in City Court, Chambers, and for over two hours lawyers crowded before him and obtained orders in supplementary proceedings and grants of motions to open defaults.

The young judge conducted himself in a highly dignified and judicial manner. He rendered his decisions promptly, and Judges McAdams, Nehrer, McDermott and Ehrlich warmly congratulated him upon his rulings.

GILROY'S CLUB. DEPEW TESTIFIES. PARNELL RETRACTS.

No Money for Lower Smith's Men on the Public Works. Senate Committee Enlightened About Railroads.

Warrants and Chamberlain Will Refuse to Sign Warrants. Chauncey Not in Favor of the Extension of Canadian Lines.

Grave Complications Likely to Arise from the Fight. He Describes the Dangerous Power Possessed by the Grand Trunk.

Another and very serious complication has arisen as a natural outcome of the contest between Thomas F. Gilroy and D. Lowber Smith for the administration of the Public Works Department.

It affects not only the Commissioner de facto, but all of his subordinates, heads of bureaus, clerks, laborers, and even the contractors who are doing work for the city in the Department.

Not one of them can secure pay for his services. Warrants or pay rolls certified by D. Lowber Smith will not be recognized, audited or paid.

Neither Mayor Grant nor Chamberlain Cronin will recognize the office of Mayor Grant's appointee in the legally constituted Commissioner of Public Works.

"Corporation counsel Beekman's opinion is well known," said a prominent Tammany man. "He has given expression to it frequently, and it is the effect of the Mayor's action as Commissioner expired May 1, 1890."

"He can do no less than officially declare that the Mayor's action is null and void, and that the Mayor is a usurper, and that the Mayor is a usurper, and that the Mayor is a usurper."

"You can depend on it that the subordinates of the Department of Public Works are not going to work for you, and should the present contest be prolonged, and Mr. Gilroy be appointed, they will flock to him on notice."

Still another and even more serious effect of this unforseen controversy may be felt by the taxpayers.

This may result from the vacation of assessments for local improvements, such as street paving, grading, building of sewers, etc.

Should any of this work be done by either Smith or Gilroy and the courts decide the one under whom it was done not legally entitled to execute contracts, there are hundreds of lawyers ready to insist that the city is liable for every assessment which may be levied on property bequeathed and throw the burden upon the city at large.

NEARLY BOUNCED THE BOUNCER. A Chicago Gambler Made Things Interesting in a Bowery Saloon.

Daniel McKee, of Chicago, has not returned to the Windy City since the Centennial, but lingered about New York to peruse more of its delights than the great celebration provided.

He wears a shiny high hat and fashionable clothing, and when at home shuffles the cards for a tony faro game. He sauntered into the People's Assembly Rooms, at 207 Bowery, about 10 o'clock last night and soon made the acquaintance of two of the fair, frail creatures who inhabit the Bowery.

The drinks came to 85 cents, and to liquidate this McKee claims he gave the waiter a five-dollar bill. The waiter returned to him but 15 cents.

"Here, what's this?" asked McKee. "I gave you 50 and want 84." "No, you didn't," said the waiter. "You gave me a one-dollar bill, and that's your change. I'll give it to you."

"I'll leave it to nobody. I want my change or I'll know the reason why," shouted McKee. "I'll give it to you," said the waiter.

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THE LAST OF LIBBY PRISON. Its Remains Scattered in a Railroad Wreck in Kentucky.

MATVILLIE, Ky., May 7.—The remains of the old Libby Prison have been splintered and scattered in a railroad wreck a few miles from this place, and throughs of relic-seekers have carried away a large part of them.

The prison was being transferred from Richmond to Louisville by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, and was wrecked in a smashup.

Baseball To-Day. THE LEAGUE. New York at Philadelphia. Chicago at Cleveland. Boston at St. Louis. Pittsburgh at Indianapolis.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION. Brooklyn at Louisville. Athletic at Cincinnati. Keokuk at Kansas City. Columbus at St. Louis.

ATLANTIC ASSOCIATION. New Haven at Jersey City. Worcester at Lowell. Worcester at Lowell.

Baseball Standings of This Morning. THE LEAGUE. New York, 10; Philadelphia, 8; Chicago, 6; Boston, 5; St. Louis, 4; Pittsburgh, 3; Cleveland, 2; Cincinnati, 1; Louisville, 0.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION. Brooklyn, 7; Louisville, 6; Athletic, 5; Cincinnati, 4; Keokuk, 3; Kansas City, 2; Columbus, 1; St. Louis, 0.

ATLANTIC ASSOCIATION. New Haven, 6; Jersey City, 5; Worcester, 4; Lowell, 3; Worcester, 2; Lowell, 1; Worcester, 0.

HE WAS MISLED INTO MAKING LAST FRIDAY'S CONFESSION.

A Great Sensation Before the Special Commission To-Day.

The Defence Endeavors to Break the Effect of the Entanglement.

BY CASE TO THE PRESS NEWS ASSOCIATION. LAST FRIDAY, May 7.—In the Special Commission to-day Mr. Parnell, on taking his place in the witness-stand, astonished everybody by saying that he wished to withdraw in toto the statement he made in this place on Friday last as to misleading the House of Commons in regard to secret societies.

He added that he had since consulted Hansard's report of the speech in question and found that it referred to libelous societies and not to secret societies.

The information he had given the House was accordingly correct. To say that this retraction caused a sensation in the court-room would be to describe the scene amply.

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THE EXECUTION FREED HIM. A SPANISH PRISONER'S SENTENCE COMMUTED FOR HANGING A MAN.

Antonio Gonzalez, the ex-convict from Gibraltar, who arrived on the India, is still a prisoner on board the ship. Customs Officer Kelly is in charge.

Gonzalez was sent to prison for robbing a baker's shop, and should have served ten years. When two years and four months of the term were up, however, he hung a murderer for the Government of Spain, for which the rest of his term of imprisonment was commuted.

As regards the robbery of the baker's shop, Gonzalez had a very good excuse. He was at the time of the robbery he obtained a job at the Naval Hospital to carve a tombstone.

He got 21 in advance and immediately got drunk. When he got hold of him and made him stand upon a table outside the shop while they stole the contents of the till.

When they came out one of the men thrust a pile of money into Gonzalez's coat pocket. The latter was found later on dead drunk and with the stolen money on him.

He claimed to be innocent, but after telling this story, he exclaimed regretfully: "Ah, if I had been sober I would have gotten away with the money."

Then while in prison he heard of the chance to get off by hanging the stevedore murderer.

He met the man who was to hang him, and met this afternoon and take action in his case. He will no doubt be sent back.

MAJOR HALSTEAD'S FRENCH LEAVE. He Departs from New Jersey Mysteriously and No One Notices Him.

Major George B. Halstead, whose attack upon Gov. Green in a speech before the Society of Sons of the Revolution is fresh in the memories of The World's readers, has disappeared from Elizabeth, giving no reasons for his departure.

His sister, Mrs. Spencer, with whom he boarded, found his room empty yesterday morning and a note on the table in which he bade her good-bye.

The thinks he has returned to Minnesota, from which State he came to New Jersey a year ago. His attachment to the record of Gov. Green aroused the indignation of every citizen irrespective of politics, and "Fire Alarm" Halstead did not sleep any too sound, judging from the ominous mutterings that were to be heard on all sides.

He had been in the city for some time, and had heard of the Major's flight that if he had remained another week in Elizabeth he would have been arrested and sent to the State Prison.

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An Opinion of Oklahoma. Oklahoma is a wild, grand country to look upon. Long green valleys, picturesque hills and water courses, fringed with the green trees of Summer, flowers blooming here and there, and the sunshine of the Southern Summer all tend to please the eye.

But as you look at the country, you will only have the word of an old Kansas farmer, as he sat upon the seat of his wagon urging on a pair of jaded horses. He was cross and crabbed, and all his righteous indignation merged into this reply to my question of what he thought of the country: "I couldn't raise 2-1 upon it if I was drunk."

American's Samoan Demands. BY CASE TO THE PRESS NEWS ASSOCIATION. HONOLULU, May 7.—The Honolulu Zeitung states that the American Commissioners to the Samoan Conference demand as the basis of a convention: First—The neutrality of the Samoan Islands; second—A purely native administration of the affairs of the Islands.

Parrell and Edinbergh. (BY CASE TO THE PRESS NEWS ASSOCIATION.) LONDON, May 7.—The Edinburgh Council had another heated debate over the question of granting the freedom of the city to Mr. Parrell. The recent so-called plebiscite, taken at the instance of the Lord Advocate, was not a fair one, and the Council, by a vote of 23 to 15, reaffirmed its previous resolution to grant the freedom of the city to the distinguished Irish leader.

An Entertainment in a Good Cause. An entertainment in aid of the family of Patrick McTamney, the switchman who gave his life to save a boy from being crushed under a freight engine of the Pennsylvania road, will be given by a number of ladies and gentlemen of Jersey City at Bouche's Hall, Bay and Grove streets, to-morrow evening.

Carnegie Donor Aiding the Strikers. PITTSBURGH, May 7.—Mr. Carnegie struck here this morning. He was asked about his large contribution in aid of the strikers at the Duquesne steel works, and said he had contributed nothing.

A \$40,000 Lumber Mill Fire. (SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.) LOCKPORT, May 7.—The Jackson Lumber Company's mill, destroyed by fire last night, was one of the best equipped in the State and employed 100 men. The company had large contracts with the State and with the New York Central Railroad. Loss, \$40,000; insurance, \$25,000.

2 O'CLOCK. BURNED TO DEATH.

Five People Perish in Flames This Morning.

The Bowne Homestead in Westchester Destroyed.

Old Mrs. Bowne and Her Two Grandchildren Dead Together.

Mr. Bowne Rescues His Wife and Baby at the Risk of His Life.

Five people were burned to death in a conflagration which destroyed the old Bowne mansion in Westchester town this morning.

The fire broke out about 1 A. M. How or in what part of the mansion is not known.

At the time there were eight people sleeping in the house. They were Mr. Watson Bowne, his wife, their three children, two servant girls, sisters named Dunn, and Mr. Bowne's aged mother, Mrs. Thomas Bowne.

The latter was burned to death. So were the Dunn girls and the two elder children. By nearly sacrificing his own life Mr. Bowne saved his wife and their baby.

He was seriously if not fatally burned about the head, body and face while climbing with his precious burden out of the garret windows.

They slept on the garret floor. The engine-house was situated right near the burned dwelling, but who first discovered the fire is not known.

Mr. Bowne was awakened by the solemn tolling of the church bells, the signal of fire at night in country towns.

He jumped out of bed and looked out of his window. Not for a moment did he suspect that it was his own dwelling that was burning unaided, looking out, he saw people hurrying towards his habitation.

He rushed out to arouse the other inmates, but upon opening his door was driven back by a sheet of flame.

He could do nothing but try and save his wife and children, and he managed to drag the earth apart with the means at his command.

The Bowne homestead was at least one hundred years old and many of the stoutest oak timbers which supported the roof were of the same material.

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Mr. Bowne, nearly frantic with grief and pain, tumbled on a bed in a neighbor's house. His wife had been killed, and the children were human beings perishing alive within the building, and no one could lift a hand to save them.

The bodies of the children were found on the floor of the burning house. It is assumed as if they had crawled out of bed when aroused by the flames, were overcome by the smoke and suffocated, and lay on the floor. All the bodies were taken to neighboring houses.

The Bownes were among the oldest residents of the town, and are highly esteemed people. Mr. Bowne is a vestryman of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Westchester.

Opposed to Closing in the Open Plaza. The citizens of the Fourth, Seventh and Thirteenth wards are very much in earnest in their opposition to Assemblyman Mullaney's bill which permits the placing of sheds on the few remaining open plazas on the East River. To-day their representatives will wait on the Board of Aldermen with a protest and to ask that body to abstain from preventing the passage of the Mullaney bill.

Murderer Kemmler's Trial. (SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.) BUFFALO, May 7.—William Kemmler was placed on trial to-day for murdering Mrs. Tillie Ziegler, a handsome Philadelphia woman, with whom he eloped to Buffalo. Kemmler chopped her head into all unrecognizable mass. The victim's sister is married to the murderer's brother, and both were in court. Insanity is the defense.

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