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STOCK REPORTS.

Sugar Certificates Take a Bound Despite the Anti-Trust Decision.

But After Squeezing Some of the Bears the Price Drops to 71.

Talk of an Alliance Between Atchison and Missouri Pacific.

THE long expected and anxiously awaited decision in the Sugar Trust case was handed down by the Court of Appeals to-day. The illegality of the combine is finally decided, so far as New York State is concerned, and the Trust must dissolve. Nothing has developed to indicate that the Havemeyers will carry the matter to the United States courts, and the impression in some quarters is that the Trust will attempt a reorganization under one of the numerous State charters secured in anticipation of an adverse ruling. So much for the legal aspects of the case.

Wall street, at least the upper end of it, has been banking heavy on the Court of Appeals decision in the sugar case. In fact, the "tip" was pretty well distributed on Saturday that the Trust would be defeated. On this theory a large short interest was made, and at 70 the bears couldn't get out enough of the stock.

Everything looked auspicious on Saturday, the stock closing then at 69, but matters assumed a different phase yesterday when the certificates opened 1½ per cent. higher.

Still the shorts were not alarmed, and said wait and see what to-morrow will bring forth.

To-morrow came and with it the decision. Just as the bears had predicted forty-eight hours previously.

Sugar certificates, however, refused to respond, and, on the contrary, upset all their calculations by marching up to 74½.

Later on, when the little bears had paid for their experience, the price receded to 71.

There is still an enormous short interest outstanding, and the street is wondering whether it can be covered without materially advancing the price.

Chicago Gas, Missouri Pacific and Atchison led the general list in point of activity, the first named selling at 57.

Atchison and Missouri Pacific were in demand on the continued talk of an alliance, offensive and defensive. London bought largely of Atchison.

There were any number of reports about the Chicago Gas dividend. One report was that the Central Trust Company, of New York, would be authorized to pay it by Receiver Davis and the Fidelity Trust, of Philadelphia.

Again, complainant Charlton was quoted as saying that Judge Collins will refuse to allow the dividend to be paid until the Fidelity Trust complies with his order.

Reading officials say that a special meeting will be called to accept President Corbin's resignation.

A number of the leading drawers of sterling exchange reduced their posted rate for 60-day bills to 4.85½.

Money 4½ a 5 per cent. on call.

The total sales of listed stock to-day were 125,000 shares.

The coal sales agents to-day decided to advance the price of anthracite coal 10 to 15 cents a ton. They also make the output of coal for July 3,250,000 tons.

THE CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.
Am. Cattle Trust	1 1/8	1 1/8	1 1/8	1 1/8
American Express	112	112	112	112
Am. Cotton Oil, T. R.	30⅝	30⅝	30⅝	30⅝
Atlantic & Pacific	3	3	3	3
Atch., Top. & Santa Fe	40¼	41⅞	40⅞	40⅞
Canadian Pacific	82¼	82⅝	82¼	82⅝
Canada Southern	58⅝	58⅝	58⅝	58⅝
Central Pacific	34½	34½	34	34
Chesapeake & Ohio	25¼	25¼	25¼	25¼
Chicago Gas	58	57	54⅞	55⅝
Chic. & Northwest	111	111½	111½	111½
Chic., Mil. & St. P.	76⅝	76⅝	76	76⅝
Chic., Mil. & St. P. pfd	119	119	119	119
Chic., R. I. & P.	92⅞	92⅞	92	92⅞
Chic. & E. Ill.	41⅝	41⅝	41⅝	41⅝
Chic. & E. Ill. pfd	88⅝	88⅝	88⅝	88⅝
Cley., Cin., C. & St. L.	74⅝	74⅝	74⅝	74⅝
C., C., C. & St. L. pf.	96⅝	96⅝	96⅝	96⅝
Col. & Hock. Valley	24⅝	25¼	24⅝	25
Col. & Hock. Coal	25	25	25	25
Col. Coal & Iron	31⅝	32¼	31⅝	32¼
Consolidated Gas	100¼	100¼	100¼	100¼
Del., Lack. & West	145	145	144½	145
Delaware & Hudson	139	139¼	139	139¼
Den. & Rio Grande	17⅞	17⅞	17⅞	17⅞
Den. & Rio Grande pfd	54	54	54	54
Dis. & Cattle Feed	40⅝	40⅝	40	40⅝
E. T., Va. & Ga. 2d pfd	55⅝	55⅝	55⅝	55⅝
Evans. & Ter. Haute	170¼	170¼	170¼	170¼
Flint & Pere Marq.	34⅝	35	34⅝	34⅝
Lake Shore	118	118	117½	118
Lake Erie & Western	31	31	31	31
Lake Erie & West. pfd	96⅝	96⅝	96⅝	96⅝
Louisville & Nashville	88⅝	88⅝	88	88⅝
Manhattan consol	100⅝	100⅝	100	100
Mexican Central	20⅝	20⅝	20⅝	20⅝
Mexican National	6⅝	6⅝	6⅝	6⅝
Missouri Pacific	73⅝	74⅝	73⅝	73⅝
Mich. Cent.	89⅝	89⅝	89⅝	89⅝
Nat. Lead Trust	209	209	195	195
New Jersey Central	124	124⅝	124	124⅝
N. Y. & North. pref.	28	28	28	28
N. Y. & New England	47⅝	48⅝	47⅝	48
N. Y., L. E. & West	20⅝	20⅝	20⅝	20⅝
Northern Pacific	26⅝	26⅝	26	27⅝
Northern Pacific pfd	82⅝	82⅝	81⅝	81⅝
Ohio & Mississippi	17⅝	17⅝	17⅝	17⅝
Ontario & West	19⅝	19⅝	19⅝	19⅝
Or. Transcontinental	18	18	17	18
Oregon Short Line	45⅝	45⅝	45	45
Pacific Mail	45⅝	45⅝	45⅝	45⅝
Pipe L. Amelioration	85⅝	85⅝	85⅝	85⅝
Phila. & Reading	44⅝	45⅝	44⅝	44⅝
Phila. & Western	28⅝	28⅝	28⅝	28⅝
Pullman Pal. Car Co.	200	200	200	200
Rich. & West P. Ter.	23⅝	23⅝	23⅝	23
Rich. & W. P. Ter. pfd	84⅝	84⅝	84⅝	84⅝
Rio Grande W. pref	90⅝	90⅝	90⅝	90⅝
St. Paul & Omaha	30	30	30	30⅝
St. P., Minn. & Man.	111	111	111	111
Silver Certificates	74⅝	74⅝	70⅝	71⅝
St. L. & San F. pref.	63	63	63	63
South Carolina	28	28	28	28
Southern Pacific	34⅝	34⅝	34⅝	34⅝
Sugar Refineries	76⅝	77	76⅝	77
Texas Pacific	20	20	20	20
Term. Coal & Iron	70	70	69	69⅝
Tol. Ann Arbor & N. M	41⅝	41⅝	41⅝	41⅝
Union Pacific	63	63⅝	64	64
U. P., Den. & Gulf	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝
Wabash	17⅝	17⅝	17⅝	17⅝
Wabash pfd	37⅝	37⅝	37⅝	37⅝
West. Union	84⅝	84⅝	84⅝	84⅝
West. Penn Express	97	97	97	97
Wheeling & Lake Erie	9⅝	9⅝	9⅝	9⅝
Wheeling & L. E. pfd	75⅝	75⅝	75⅝	75⅝
Wisconsin Central	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝

DID IT MAKE IVINS TIRED?

Fassett Committee Sessions Are Postponed Indefinitely.

Opinions That Croker's Story Was Not What Was Expected.

Late this afternoon it was announced by Mr. Ivins that there would be no meeting of the Fassett Committee to-morrow.

He also stated that the sessions of the Committee are postponed indefinitely.

It is the general opinion that Mr. Croker's testimony was not what was expected, but Mr. Ivins's ostensible excuse for having the Committee meet to-morrow is that he has to go to Washington on important business prior to his departure soon for Europe.

Mr. Richard Croker appeared to be very well satisfied with himself this morning, and his friends and followers in Tammany Hall shared in the feeling.

Yesterday's ordeal before the Fassett Investigating Committee, where he had submitted for four hours to a rigid cross-examination regarding municipal affairs for a period of twenty years past by a personal and political enemy, had naturally fatigued the Tammany chieftain, whose health has been in such precarious condition. To-day, however, he showed no deleterious effect from the ordeal.

Mr. Ivins's cross-examination had been unexpected, in that it went so far back in the political history of the city. It was welcomed, though, by Mr. Croker, he says, for it stirred up recollections of a time when he considered that he was making a virtuous fight against municipal corruption.

"It seemed like sitting down and talking over old times," he said of the way he put it in discussing the matter with a friend after the session.

Tammany Hall men were delighted with the result of the examination of Mr. Croker, and were lavish in their praise of the stand Mrs. Croker took when she rebuked the Committee for meddling in her family affairs.

"I think that yesterday's testimony demolishes that of Mr. McCann," gleefully regarded Commissioner Gilroy.

"Just what we all expected," was the positive declaration of ex-Senator George W. Plunkitt, the Seventeenth District leader—"an absolute, straightforward, honest statement of facts, and, of course, an absolute denial of the utterances of McCann."

Comptroller Myers, who is a County Democrat, contented himself with the statement that Mr. Croker's testimony and that of his wife was very positive.

Other County Democrats acknowledged that Mr. Croker's testimony was quite positive, but shook their heads as though they found it difficult to believe that the hopes that McCann's testimony is true had been absolutely dissipated.

One Tammany Hall man, who desired not to be quoted, expressed surprise that there should be any doubt as to the truth of Mr. and Mrs. Croker's testimony regarding the investment of Mayor Grant's present of $10,000 to the child Flossie.

"There never was any evidence that the money was presented to Mr. Croker," said he. "Nothing but a suspicion was raised, and there was no need to deny it. Yet, in the face of the positive sworn statements of Mayor Grant that the money was given to the little girl for her sole use and benefit, and of Mr. Croker and his wife that it was invested as they thought best, for her benefit, there seems to be a lingering doubt in the minds of some people that this is not the truth.

"Three people, who are the only ones who know, swear positively that there is no foundation for the suspicion, yet there are still some who will believe it.

"I suppose that Mrs. Fraser will go on the stand to-morrow and swear that when she bought the One Hundred and Forty-eighth street property she did not know that Flossie's money was being invested; but that is merely negative testimony, and has been discounted by Mrs. Croker, who testified yesterday that her mother was not aware of this fact."

"While Mr. Croker's story appears to be very positive and plausible, it is full of holes," said Inquisitor Ivins's partner, Frank H. Platt, son of the Republican boss, this morning.

"Who cares how the Flossie money was invested? It is the receipt of the money which constitutes the wrong alleged.

"It is improbable that Mrs. Croker had $5,000 or $10,000 lying about the house loose and had no definite knowledge of its exact whereabouts. Mrs. Croker's mother knew nothing about the investment, and that the employes, or other person of the family knew of the $10,000 or $25,000, as the case may be, it appears.

"This was a trust fund, if the witnesses are to be believed, and yet Mayor Grant never was informed of the investment, or asked concerning it, though he visited the family frequently.

"It looks much as if this real estate transaction had been selected, and the investment saddled on it. The story is unreasonable and lacking in probability. A careful analysis of the testimony demonstrates its poor quality.

A lively and exciting day is promised for to-morrow, when an attempt will be made to discover some incongruities in the testimony of Mr. Croker.

McCann, who sat silently through the session yesterday and heard his own sworn testimony branded as false by Mr. Croker and his wife, has insisted on going again on the stand, and Mrs. McCann and her mother, Mrs. Fraser, will also be produced as witnesses.

McCann declares that he will prove by surrounding circumstances, beyond a doubt, that much of his testimony was true.

Both Mrs. Fraser and Mrs. McCann are called by the Senate Committee. Mrs. McCann is expected to corroborate her husband in many details of his story, and particularly with reference to his statement that Mayor Grant declared that Mr. Croker, by his advice, had saved him from sharing the fate of other members of the 1884 Board of Aldermen.

Mrs. Fraser's testimony will be confined, it is thought, to a denial of any knowledge that the real estate transaction was for the purpose of investing little Flossie's fortune.

Chairman Hendricks held a long consultation with Mr. Boardman, Mr. Ivins's partner, this morning.

To-morrow's session is expected to be the last the Committee will hold before the return of Mr. Fassett next Fall, when the attack on Tammany Hall will be renewed.

Col. Fellows Still Ill.

District-Attorney John R. Fellows, who had to leave his office yesterday morning on account of sudden illness, was still too ill to leave his house to-day.

Mining Stocks.

The following were the closing quotations for mining stocks at the Consolidated Exchange to-day:

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Alice	$ .60	$ .65	Leadv. con	.11	—
Adams Con	.05	—	I. Chief	.25	—
Amazon	.03	.06	Mono'on	.55	.60
Bruns con	.95	1.00	M. White	.09	—
Cal. & H	1.70	1.90	Navajo	.85	.40
Clipsnite	.05	—	Ontario	42.00	—
Con. Cal. & V.	2.00	—	Plymouth	—	5.00
Con. P. Co Stock	.17	.19	P. Arizona	1.25	1.30
Dunca	.50	—	Potosi	.03	—
El Cristo	.10	—	R.Hip Sec's	—	.05
E. Dentoni	.09	—	Standard	.42	.44
Freeland	—	.50	Silver King	.20	.21
Homestake	100	—	Silver Q	—	.06
Hora S.	3.20	3.40	Sn Sebas	.25	.50
Iron Sil.	1.05	2.25	Silv'r Cord	.40	—
Iron Hill	.38	.45	St. M. Co of Lead	.44	—
Julia Con	.45	—	Shoshone	.01	—
La Cresce	.05	.10	Sun Creek	1.30	1.35

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So refreshing too, in the warm weather, Knapp's Root Beer Extract is a great treat. 25c.

THIS SLAYS THE SUGAR TRUST

The Court of Appeals Confirms the Denial of a Stay.

Summary of the Litigation Aimed at the Big Sugar Combine.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

SARATOGA, June 24.—The Court of Appeals to-day handed down its decision against the North River Refinery Company, otherwise known as the Sugar Trust.

The appeal from the order of the General Term affirming the order of the Special Term, denying in part the defendants' motion for a stay of proceedings, is dismissed with costs.

This means that the Sugar Trust has been knocked out beyond all hope of appeal. Two appeals were argued at the same time before the Court of Appeals. One was from an order denying a stay on the proceedings of the receiver to take possession of the Trust property, on an appeal from the decision of the lower court. The other and more important appeal was from the judgment dissolving the North River Sugar-Refining Company because of its connection with the combine.

Subsequent to the first decision the Court handed down a decision on an appeal from the judgment affirming the former decision, and declaring that the combination was illegal, and that the Court further affirmed the judgment dissolving the Company.

Thus the decisions of the lower courts, all of which were antagonistic to the Sugar Trust, have in every instance and on every point been affirmed by the Court of Appeals.

"This," said General Pryor, of counsel, "was a test suit against Trusts, and the courts have decided that a trust to increase prices is not only illegal, but that a company by becoming a member of a Trust forfeits its charter.

"We have been fighting this Trust for over two years now, and I am very glad the matter is settled. The first thing I did was to draw up a bill for the suppression of such combinations, which I presented to the Legislature, but it did not take me long to find out that our Legislators in Albany were not as much opposed to Trusts as I was, so I dropped that end of the matter.

"Then I tried the existing law and found that by its application I could have the Trust dissolved. The Special Term of the Supreme Court sustained us, and although the Sugar Trust people brought the case to the General Term on appeal, and latterly to the Court of Appeals, every judgment has been in our favor."

Gen. Pryor did not care to talk on the decision in its relation to Trusts generally, but he said that the receiver of the North River Sugar-Refining Company would probably sell out its property as soon as he can get a fair chance.

The lawyers for the Sugar Trust were John E. Parsons, ex-Chief Justice Daly and James C. Carter.

NOW HAS GILROY'S PERMIT.

Work on the Third Avenue Cable Will Begin in Two Weeks.

A permit was issued by Commissioner Gilroy this morning which will allow the Third Avenue Railroad Company to tear up the pavement from the Post-Office to the Harlem River, for the purpose of introducing the cable system.

At a conference between Mr. Gilroy and counsel for the road it was agreed that the work of constructing the cable conduit should be carried on so as not to interfere with the work of repaving the streets through which the tracks of the company run.

Work will begin on the lower section from the City Hall to Sixth street in the Bowery in about two weeks at the latest, after the Commissioner of Public Works to repave Park Row between the Bridge and Chatham Square.

A BULLET-PROOF THIEF.

Pistol-Shots Drive Him Into the River, but He Lands in Jail.

Three pistol-shots were fired at Jack Kelly, an old offender, by Policeman Callahan, of the Fourth Precinct, Brooklyn, about 1 o'clock this morning. None of the bullets hit the mark, and Kelly jumped into the East River at the foot of Hudson avenue to escape another fusillade.

Kelly got out of the river only to be captured by Officer McKenna, of the Second Precinct.

The prisoner was seen by Callahan in the act of relieving James Murray, of 11 Evans street, of a silver watch, while the latter was sitting on his doorstep enjoying the night air. Police Justice Walsh turned Kelly over to the Grand Jury.

CAN'T UNLOAD HIS ICE.

A Maine Schooner's Cargo Refused by Its Consignees.

Capt. Phineas Harris, of the schooner Daniel Pearson, to-day sought the aid of Judge Brown, of the United States Circuit Court, to enable him to dispose of 415 tons of ice, or so much of it as still remains on his vessel.

The cargo was shipped at Dresden, Me., June 5, by Morse Brothers, of Maine, consigned to F. H. Smith & Co., 19 William street.

The captain docked his vessel at Red Hook, June 12, and sent notice to the Company that he was ready to deliver the ice on order, but this firm has declined to have anything to do with the ice.

Prison Records Proved His Alibi.

James Donovan, who was arrested by Inspector Byrnes's men at the request of the Gloversville police, on a charge of being concerned in a recent $25,000 jewelry robbery there, was released to-day by Judge Beach, in habeas corpus proceedings. Donovan proved an alibi. He was "doing time" on the island when the robbery took place.

Censure the Ferry Company.

The Coroner's jury at South Beach, S. I., have rendered a verdict that the death of Thomas E. Reno, of Detroit, the training-ship apprentice who fell from the ferry-boat Westfield and was drowned, was accidental; but the jury censures the Ferry Company for having insufficient guards against such accidents.

Jockey Palmer Sent to Jail.

Jockey Willie Palmer pleaded guilty in the Butler Street Court, Brooklyn, this morning, to the larceny of a gold watch and money from Edward Bannon, of Tenth avenue and Twentieth street.

Palmer was sent to jail in default of $1,000 bail.

"THE METROPOLIS DAY BY DAY."

A NEW FEATURE OF THE MORNING WORLD.

HIS DOOM IS SEALED.

Kemmler's Last Case Lost in the Court of Appeals.

Remanded to Warden Durston's Care for Execution.

"The Great Experiment Is to Be Tried," Says Lawyer Cockran.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

SARATOGA, June 24.—The case of the People of the State of New York, ex rel., appellant, vs. Charles F. Durston, Agent and Warden of the Auburn State Prison, respondent, came up before the Court of Appeals this morning.

W. Bourke Cockran, of New York City, argued the case for the appellant.

This is the Kemmler case in its latest form. The petitioner contends that chapter 480 of the Laws of 1888 is unconstitutional and void, because in making the Agent and Warden of Auburn Prison the custodian and executioner in this case it assumes to deprive the Sheriff of Erie County of the powers conferred upon him by the constitution.

Among the points presented were that the Sheriff is a constitutional officer, elected by the voters of the respective counties, to hold office for three years.

Being such constitutional officer, elected and not appointed, he cannot be deprived of any of the duties, privileges or emoluments of his office.

Neither can the same be conferred upon or transferred by indirection to another officer by the act of the Legislature.

It can make no difference that in the case at bar only a part of the powers of the Sheriff is infringed. The principle is the same.

The Sheriff either has the constitutional right to the custody of all such prisoners, which cannot be taken away, or he has no rights whatever.

The act, so far as it attempts to give the custody of the relator to the Warden, being void, and the relator being detained by a person not having a shadow of authority, and being confined out of the county of his conviction and in an authorized building, it follows that he is illegally restrained and deprived of his liberty.

Mr. Cockran's closing point was that the order of the General and Special Terms should be reversed, and an order made directing the Warden to discharge the relator from custody.

The appeal was opposed by Attorney-General Charles F. Tabor.

Immediately at the close of his argument, which was very brief, Chief Judge Ruger dismissed the motion for appeal and ordered that Kemmler remain in the custody of Durston, and that he (Durston) proceed to execute the sentence.

Mr. Cockran, after leaving the court-room, and on being asked what was the substance of the decision, replied:

"The substance of it is that the great experiment is to be tried."

Ella Wheeler Wilcox

Writes a chapter of THE EVENING WORLD'S Great Composite Novel to begin Monday, June 30.

HOPE'S FAINT RAY AT DUNBAR

Rescuers Finally Enter the Wrecked Hill Farm Mine.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

DUNBAR, Pa., June 24.—The town is all astir and the vicinity of the Hill Farm mine is thronged with an excited multitude, all with strained nerves and anxious hearts.

The crisis is at hand, and it will soon be known whether or not any of the thirty-one miners imprisoned since the explosion of more than a week ago have lived through the terrible days since then.

At 2.30 o'clock this morning the rescuing parties working from the neighboring tunnel broke into the Hill Farm mine.

A test of the air, consuming several hours, delayed pushing the operations, but the men are now going ahead rapidly, and the part of the mine where the men were imprisoned will probably be reached about 2 o'clock this afternoon.

By direction of District Master Workman Kerfoot, all the miners in the coke region are out to-day to assist in the work of searching the Hill Farm mine and in the possible rescue of the sufferers.

After the tests of this morning, Mine Inspector Keighley said that if the air held out as good as it was at the opening, he should have hopes of finding some of the buried men alive.

The suspense among the relatives of the missing men is terrible.

THEIR FIGHT DECLARED OFF.

The Nerve of the California Athletic Club Didn't Stay.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

SAN FRANCISCO, June 24.—Notwithstanding the California Club's declaration that the fight between La Blanche and young Mitchell would positively take place next Friday night, the match has been declared off.

The cause most generally assigned is the the recent declaration of the authorities that such contests came under the head of felonies and that the police would arrest the principals and seconds when they entered the ring.

Our Duchess Asks for Another $75,000.

Application was made this morning before Surrogate Ransom on behalf of Lilian Hamersley Churchill, Duchess of Marlborough, for $75,000 out of the estate of her former husband, Louis C. Hamersley.

The executors, George G. Williams and Jacob R. Lockman, in their answer, say the value of the personal assets is about $3,000,000, and of this amount $850,000 consist of interest and dividends.

Club Standings This Morning.

Percentages this morning of clubs in the leading leagues:

PLAYERS.	Won.	Lost.	Per cent.	NATIONAL	Won.	Lost.	Per cent.
Boston	31	18	.647	Cincinn'i	24	15	.615
Phila.	27	14	.659	Brooklyn	30	19	.612
Brooklyn	28	23	.549	Phila.	30	22	.582
Chicago	25	21	.543	Chicago	25	23	.521
Pittsburg	24	24	.500	Boston	23	25	.479
New York	24	25	.490	New York	20	28	.417
Cleveland	19	23	.452	Cleveland	19	28	.404
Buffalo	14	23	.320	Pittsburg	13	33	.283

AMERICAN.	Won.	Lost.	Per cent.	ATLANTIC	Won.	Lost.	Per cent.
Athletic	35	19	.648	Baltimore	30	14	.682
Roch'st'r	32	19	.627	S. Haven	25	14	.641
Louisville	29	22	.569	Worcester	24	15	.615
Columb's	29	25	.537	Wash'gt'n	23	15	.607
St. Louis	26	25	.510	Hartford	23	18	.561
Syracuse	19	31	.380	J. City	20	21	.488
Kansas C.	18	31	.367	Hartford	19	27	.413
Toledo	16	34	.320	Wilmingt'n	13	27	.325

INFANTS BURNED OUT.

Explosion and Fire at the New York Infant Asylum.

Six Hundred Lives in Deadly Peril from Blazing Oil.

The Flames Fought Under Difficulties—No Loss of Life.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

MT. VERNON, N. Y., June 24.—Only the prompt action of a well-organized corps of amateur fire-fighters saved this peaceful village from being the scene of a most frightful holocaust this morning.

Shortly after 9 o'clock Fireman John Lynch discovered fire in the New York Infant Asylum, on the White Plains road.

The fire was in the basement and cellar.

A barrel of oil used for disinfecting purposes became ignited and exploded, and in an instant fierce flames enveloped the lower stories of the main building.

There were 600 little ones housed in the building and horror almost paralyzed the villagers for a moment.

But for a moment only, when the village turned out en masse and fought the flames with desperate will.

The asylum is on the outskirts of the village on the White Plains road, but the Fire Department hurried thither.

The cellar was at this time filled with seething flames, and the blaze was eating its way through the flooring of the dining-room in a hundred places.

Citizens worked with a will in rescuing the children, and to the coolness and presence of mind of those in charge is due the saving of every child.

Among those who were most energetic in this work was William H. Leonard.

Mr. Leonard was badly burned about the face and body.

The nurses, orderlies and mothers swelled the number of inmates of the asylum to 600.

Head Physician Kerley maintained perfect control over all, and he gave orders to the nurses to marshal the little ones in marching order.

All hands obeyed and the children were moved out of the fiery furnace without any panic.

The flames, after reaching the dining-room, crept up the walls of the building to the third story.

The little ones had but just left that floor when the barrel of oil exploded, and the work of the firemen was thereby simplified.

The fire was extinguished at 9.45.

Pauline Hall

Writes a chapter of THE EVENING WORLD'S Great Composite Novel to begin Monday, June 30.

NO TRACE OF THE DECKHAND.

Four Lives Believed to Have Been Lost in the Exploded Tugboat.

Nothing has yet been heard of "Pea Coal Jimmy," the deckhand on the tug Alice D. Crowe, which blew up in Gowanus Bay yesterday and killed Capt. Oscar W. Squires, Cook James Rogers and a fireman known as "Dutch."

It is believed that the missing deckhand would have reported long before this if he were alive, and there seems a strong probability that poor Jimmy is at the bottom of the bay.

Efforts will be made to-day to raise the wreck, and a diver will probably go down to search for the missing bodies of the fireman and deckhand.

Coroner Rooney has summoned a jury, and after viewing the bodies, they will adjourn the inquest until the missing men are found.

KILLING THEM BY HUNDREDS.

A Strange Disease Among Cattle in a Pennsylvania Section.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

WILKESBARRE, Pa., June 24.—A strange disease is epidemic among cattle in this section.

Cows suffer especially, but swine and poultry are also affected.

Hundreds are dying in Columbia County. The veterinary doctors have thus far been unable to explain the disease or devise a remedy.

MAYBE WALLACE WON'T FIGHT.

The Pelican Club's Great Contest of Bantams in Danger.

(BY CABLE TO THE PRESS NEWS ASSOCIATION.)

LONDON, June 24.—It is now rumored that Nunc Wallace refuses to fight Dixon, the colored Boston bantam, unless the Pelican Club allows Jimmy Carney to be present.

The Club directors refuse this demand, and it looks as if the fight might be lost in a fiasco.

PHILADELPHIA, AHOY!

The New Cruiser Expected to Anchor Off Fire Island To-Night.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

PHILADELPHIA, June 24.—As early as 3 o'clock this morning the new cruiser Philadelphia left Cramp's shipyard for New York, where her official speed trial will take place the latter end of this week.

It is expected she will anchor off Fire Island to-night.

Jury Divided on Cucumbers.

After being out ten hours a Superior Court jury disagreed to-day in the suit of Starin & Co., produce merchants, to recover $159, the value of cucumbers seized by the Health Board.

Starin & Co., claimed that the cucumbers were wholesome, while the Health Board said they were unfit to be eaten.

Wah Out on Bail.

John Lee Wah, the Chinaman who is under indictment for abducting fourteen-year-old Lizzie Wallace from Providence, was released on bail to-day. The girl will be taken care of by the Children's Society.

Turners Discuss Their Constitution.

Discussions regarding amendments to the constitution affecting details in the management of the Order took up the entire forenoon session of the North American Turners' Convention to-day. The discussion was resumed after recess this afternoon.

To Regulate the Stomach, Liver and bowels, take Carter's Little Liver Pills. 25c.

806,583 SOULS.

That's the Recorded Population of the City of Churches.

Census Supervisor Sedgwick's Estimate Given Out This Afternoon.

Complete Returns from All but 12 of the 375 Districts.

Not quite half as many people as New York.

That is the report made by Census Supervisor Leonard Sedgwick for Brooklyn.

The exact figures are 806,583.

Mr. Sedgwick was expressly ordered last week not to give out any estimate of the population of the City of Churches, but this afternoon he consented to give a curious public an idea of the growth of the big city across the bridge.

There are 375 election districts in Brooklyn, and the reports of the enumerators of all but twelve districts have been completed.

Supervisor Sedgwick's estimate is based on the complete returns for the 363 districts, and the daily reports of the enumerators for the other twelve districts.

The census of 1880 gave Brooklyn a population of 566,663. The increase of 239,920 in ten years will not be in the nature of a surprise, if, indeed, it will not be disappointing.

Last week it was estimated that the complete returns would show a population of at least 900,000.

SULLIVAN WAS FINED $500.

Paying That Amount and Costs John L. Became a Free Man.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

PURVIS, Miss., June 24.—John L. Sullivan pleaded guilty here this morning to the charge of prize-fighting on which he was yesterday indicted by the Marion County Grand Jury.

Judge Terrall then spoke briefly on the case, and wound up by imposing a fine of $500 and costs.

The money was promptly paid and the big fellow, after thanking the Court, the District-Attorney and others, walked out of the room a free man.

The outcome of the case was a surprise to many and has caused a partial reversal of hasty judgments passed yesterday as to the prejudiced feelings of Judge Terrall.

The diplomacy and tact of Prosecuting Attorney Neville contributed largely to the result attained.

WHY NO POLICE MATRONS?

Ladies Health Protective Committee After the Commissioners.

The Ladies' Health Protective Association launched itself at the Police Board in a phalanx to-day, aiming at the acquisition of police matrons for the station-houses.

A committee of three, headed by Mrs. Potron, wanted to know why matrons had not been appointed.

"Because," replied the Chairman, "there was no appropriation to pay them."

The ladies showed a disposition to go into the merits of the matter, and the Board adjourned until it at length occurred to Commissioner Voorhis to ask what connection there might be between health matters and police matrons, that the Ladies' Health Protective Association should take up their cause.

"We are protecting the moral health of the community in this matter," said Mrs. Ostron with dignity, and Mr. Voorhis collapsed.

TWO NEW SERGEANTS.

Well-Earned Promotions Made by the Police Board To-Day.

Roundsman Ernest Lindeman, of the Nineteenth Precinct, was to-day made a Sergeant. He has fought for the promotion four years.

Lindeman has been sixteen years on the force. When arresting a Ninth Ward highway once he got his jaw broken and honorable mention. Another thief on another occasion broke his nose.

Roundsman Lyra B. Strope, of the Ninth Precinct, was made a sergeant. His career is less exciting, but he is likewise a faithful officer.

WESTERN UNION LOSES.

The Inman Company Wins the Counter Suit for Libel.

Judge Brown, of the United States District Court, to-day handed down a decision in counter suits for libel brought by the Western Union Telegraph Company and the Inman Line Steamship Company, finding in favor of the Steamship Company and dismissing the libel brought by the Western Union.

The litigation arose over the tearing away Aug. 7, 1887, of twelve cables of the Western Union by the propeller blades of the steamer.

HAD BOGUS LOTTERY TICKETS.

A New Yorker Arrested in Hoboken Prepared to Swindle.

Louis Jagielky, a diamond setter of 176 Broadway, was arrested in Hoboken this morning charged with having quantities of bogus lottery tickets.

Jagielky is a handsome, well-dressed man, about thirty-five years old. He was arrested by order of Chief Donovan, who had been informed by a printer at 61 Garden street, Hoboken, that Jagielky had ordered the tickets printed.

Results of Chicago Racing.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

WASHINGTON PARK, CHICAGO, June 24.—The racing here to-day resulted as follows:

First Race—One-half mile. Silver Charm won, with Woodford second and Fanny Royal third. Time—0.49½.

Manager Barton Very Ill.

It was reported this afternoon that Business Manager Charles Barton, of the Casino, was lying at the point of death from diphtheria, the result of a severe cold.

VOLCANO ERUPTS AGAIN.

Electric Subway Explosion at Sixth Avenue and Twelfth Street.

Part of the Avenue Shot Skyward with the Manhole.

Still another volcanic eruption in much shaken Manhattan Island.

Again the scene is a subway trench filled with electric wires in close proximity to gas mains.

The latest explosion occurred soon after 10 o'clock this morning. On the southwest corner of Twelfth street and Sixth avenue, close to Cammeyer's big shoe store, and Sheppard Knapp's carpet store, is the manhole of the United States Electric Light and Telephone Company.

This manhole is covered with an iron plate 5 feet in circumference and an inch thick.

At 10.10 o'clock, when the throng on the avenue was densest, a loud rumbling noise was heard under the earth.

This was followed by a dull report, and the manhole cover, covered with a lot of dust and stones, was hurled many feet in the air.

Six men who were at work close to the manhole escaped without a scratch.

Some of the debris and broken brickwork from the hole struck the foreman, Robert Berwick, in the face, but did him no harm to speak of. All the damage that was done was to the property.

The particular manhole has been noted always as a "gassy spot" in the subway by those who worked on it. A gaspipe runs right through it and there is constant leakage.

Foreman Berwick used to work for the Subway people and was posted. For that reason, he saw to it that none of his men smoked or had any light about when they dug past the manhole.

He is now in charge of a gang piping the street to some of the big stores for the Edison Electric Light Company. He scented the danger within half a block.

The explosion was, nevertheless, entirely unexpected.

What set it off no one knew. It knocked the gang of six men silly for a moment, and their surprise was great when they found that not one of them had received even a scratch.

The brick work of the manhole was partly wrecked, and the hole was half filled with dirt and debris.

The enormous iron head of it, over four feet across, weighs a ton if it weighs a pound. This was broken and the lighter cover flung one side as if it were a shaving or scrap of paper.

The wires and pipes in the hole were twisted apart and broken, of course. A strong smell of gas lingered about the place after the explosion, and the curious crowd s