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The Juvenile Stakes at the Morris Park Track.

LA TOSCA IN A GALLOP.

Death of Mrs. M. F. Dwyer Cause Dwyer's Horses to Be Scratched.

[SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.]

MORRIS PARK RACE TRACK, June 2.—The crowd at Morris Park to-day fully equalled, if not exceeded, that of yesterday. The free field was taken advantage of by thousands, and the betting privilege there is getting to be worth thousands.

Though the city was as hot as a baker's oven, the grand stand here was cool and pleasant, and a delicious breeze put every one in the best of humor.

The programme was a beautiful one, and Secretary Crickmore is entitled to great credit in bringing such a fine class of animals together.

It is a rare occurrence on a race track when the best horses in training are all to start in one or the other of the several events of the day.

The great Kingston, the mighty Tenny and the equally famous Raceland were all named to go.

At the last moment, however, Kingston and Raceland were scratched.

In connection with their scratching there is a sad incident. Hamilton had weighed out to ride M. F. Dwyer's Kingston in the first race, and betting had gone on some minutes when Barney Aaron rushed into the ring and in his stentorian tones anounced:

"All bets off."

Inquiry revealed the fact that Mr. Dwyer had telegraphed to have all his entries scratched on account of the death of his wife.

Mrs. Dwyer had undergone a painful operation and all went well until yesterday afternoon, when a relapse occurred and Mr. Dwyer was hurriedly called home. Efforts of skilled physicians proved fruitless and the noted turfman's wife died this morning.

The scratching of Kingston left La Tosca, that fast filly from the Schuykill Stable, to meet Key West, from the Morris Stable, Flavia and Trinity.

The track was as fast as it could possibly be and it was expected that these four would come down the toboggan slide at a record breaking pace.

With Lonastreet out of the second race, the talent was in a quandary. There were several who had equally good chances and there was some hesitation. Finally they plumped on the French mare, as they call L'Intriguante, and made her a hot favorite, though she was carrying twelve pounds more.

Toward the close, however, a lot of money came in on Livonia, and down she went into favorite's position, while the French mare receded.

It didn't make any difference in the result though, for L'Intriguante won in a pretty finish by a neck from the desolised Gloucester, India Rubber. Isaac Lewis was third and Lavonia fanced fifth.

Mr. Philip Dwyer scratched all entries in today's races just before the first race, out of respect for his brother's wife.

La Tosca was looked upon as an air-tight. The bookmakers wouldn't lay any odds against her; that is, they wouldn't give decent odds.

La Tosca won, and she didn't even have to raise a decent gallop to do it. Key West was heavily played for the place, but after running well for half the distance died away, and Trinity, the outsider, secured the place under Bergen's vigorous riding. Flavia was third.

FIRST RACE.

Sweepstakes, for all ages, with $1,000 added; six furlongs.

Starters.	Wgts.	Jockeys.	Betting. Straight.	Place.
1 La Tosca	116	Miller	1-2	out
2 Trinity	112	Bergen	15-1	2-1
3 Flavia	106	Stevenson	6-1	7-5
4 Key West	111	J. Littlefield	7-2	2-5

The start could not be distinctly seen, but when they came into view La Tosca was in front, with Key West, Flavia and Trinity in the order named.

La Tosca stayed in front all the way and won in the easiest possible manner by two lengths from Trinity, who beat Flavia half a length for the place. Time—1.14¾.

SECOND RACE.

Sweepstakes for three-year-olds and upwards, weight 20 lb. above the scale, with $1,000 added; one mile.

Starters.	Wgts.	Jockeys.	Betting. Straight.	Place.
1 L'Intriguante	7	Littlefield	11-5	4-5
2 India Rubber	107	Griffin	20-1	6-1
3 Isaac Lewis	112	Barnes	7-2	even
4 Hypatica	97	Simms	8-1	3-1
5 Levonia	101	Taylor	8-5	3-5
6 Sequence colt	107	G. Hill	60-1	15-1
7 Fonthkee	117	Thompson	20-1	6-1
8 Lynn	116	Midkiff	300-1	100-1
9 Wilfred	121	Bergen	40-1	12-1

Hypatica, India Rubber, L'Intriguante, Sequence colt and Isaac Lewis were the most prominent at the start, which was a good one. Hypatica rushed to the front and piloted the way to the top of the hill with Sequence colt, Isaac Lewis and Levonia next.

Hypatica was still in front when they straightened out in the stretch, but India Rubber, Isaac Lewis and L'Intriguante closed on her and a hundred yards from the finish they were closely bunched.

L'Intriguante won a shot out, followed by India Rubber, and in a pretty finish L'Intriguante won by a neck from India Rubber, who beat Isaac Lewis a neck. Time—1.41¾.

THIRD RACE.

The Juvenile Stakes for two-year-olds at half a mile. Osric won, Laughing Water second, Dagonet third. Time—0.47¼.

FIVE WERE KILLED OUTRIGHT.

[SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.]

FREDERICKSBURG, Va., June 2.—Five men were killed and eight others dangerously injured at J. L. Jordan's sawmill near Bowling Green, Caroline County, yesterday.

The boiler burst and the men were caught in a shower of iron fragments and scalding water.

Those killed were William Seef, Lawrence Haynes, William James, John Fry (colored) and Wossam Catlett.

Seven other colored men and one white were rescued alive, but so seriously hurt that all may die.

The building was completely wrecked.

CITY NEWS TERSELY TOLD.

To-Day's Record of Minor Happenings About Town.

Chronicles Briefly Drawn from Note Book and Docket.

Theft by a Furniture Mover.

James Turner pleaded guilty in Harlem Court to-day to stealing $100 from Mrs. S. O. Young, who employed him to move her furniture.

The Gorman's Summer Night.

A Summer night's festival will be held tonight at Washington Park, foot of East Sixty-ninth street, by the B. J. Gorman Association.

Spain's War Sloop Sails.

The Spanish trainingship Nautilus, whose officers and men have been our guests for the past month, lifted her anchor early this morning and sailed for home. She passed Sandy Hook at 9.15.

Insane and Dangerous.

John Mongues, a tailor, of 100 West Twenty-eighth street, was committed to-day as insane, he having tried to kill his wife with a pair of shears and then thrown the shears at Policeman Conklin.

Mrs. Lachman Found Drowned.

At 5.30 o'clock this morning, the body of Mrs. Elizabeth Lachman, sixty-five years old, who has been missing from 520 West Thirtieth street, since Jan. 24, was found in the North River off Twenty-eighth street.

Saved From Suicide.

A man supposed to be Michael Burke, of Mount Holly, N. J., was found at 1 o'clock this morning at the foot of Chapel street, Jersey City, unconscious, presumably from the effects of poison taken with suicidal intent. He was taken to the hospital.

Accused by His Employer.

Victor Wertheimer was held to-day on a charge of passing a forged check upon his employer, Frederick Penner, the Avenue A cigar box manufacturer. Wertheimer denied the charge.

Stabbed a Month Ago.

Joseph Hollender was to-day held for trial at the Tombs for stabbing William McGahn in a quarrel at 24 Broad street, April 30 last. McGahn has been in hospital and unable to appear in court until to-day.

An Actor in Hard Luck.

"Richard Cunningham," who was arrested last night on the charge of stealing a towel from the dressing-room of Bang's saloon, 1214 Broadway, was held for trial to-day. A letter in his clothes indicated that he was Richard Benson, an actor connected with the County Fair Company.

Highway Robbery Is No Joke.

Henry Siebert and Gustave Simenowsky were held for trial at Essex Market to-day for assaulting and trying to rob Conrad Miller, of No. 96 East Ninth street, while he was sitting on his own doorstep last evening. The footpads claimed that they were simply playing a joke on Miller, who was asleep.

This Suicide Was Not an Edgar.

Secretary James Keen, of Washington Lodge, I. O. O. F., Manchester Unity, today identified at the Morgue the body of the man who killed himself in Street's hardware store yesterday as that of a member of the Order who called himself J. W. Perry, and said he came from Eastleigh, Hants, England.

Flora Loses Her $5,000 Suit.

The jury, before Judge Bookstaver in the Court of Common Pleas to-day, returned a verdict against Flora Hirschberg, who sued the Houston, West street and Pavonia Ferry Railroad Company for $5,000 damages for injuries, by falling from the Company's cars May 14, 1889.

BORING FOR RAPID TRANSIT.

Commissioners Authorize Engineers to Make Contracts at Once.

The Rapid Transit Commissioners met to-day at 2 o'clock. All the members were present except Commissioner Starin.

The engineers made a report, recommending the awarding of the contracts for boring along Broadway, and they were authorized to contract in accordance with their application.

The engineers also asked permission to increase their working force, which was granted.

The Commission then adjourned until Tuesday next.

PARNELL GRAVELY ACCUSED.

The "National Press" Charges Him with Misapplying Funds.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE EVENING WORLD.]

DUBLIN, June 2.—A sensation is sprung today by an article in the *National Press*, accusing Mr. Parnell of misapplying certain funds.

The paper announces its intention of reiterating the charge, in order to compel Parnell to take legal proceedings against its publishers, and the editor says: "Our secretary waits in his office to receive service of a writ from Mr. Parnell."

JUMPED TO INSTANT DEATH.

[SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.]

MADISON, Wis., June 2.—Miss Bessie Pinney, the twenty-year-old adopted daughter of Justice Pinney, of the Supreme Court, was instantly killed by jumping from a carriage attached to a runaway team.

Miss Pinney and two other ladies, Miss Evans and Miss Baxter, were out driving when the horses became frightened and all three jumped out.

Miss Evans was quite seriously injured, but Miss Baxter escaped injury.

Fishermen, Take Notice.

It will be high tide to-morrow June 3—at Sandy Hook at 4.39 A. M. and 5.08 P. M.; at Governor's Island at 5.17 A. M. and 5.49 P. M.; at Hell Gate at 7.06 A. M. and 7.35 P. M.

Hotel Royal, 60th st. and 5th ave. Superior Table d'Hôte dinner, 5 to 8 P. M.; One dollar.

SECOND-HAND LUMBER GOES.

One Profitable Result of the Lumber Dealers' Embargo.

No Signs of Truce in the War on the Walking Delegates.

The troubles in the lumber trade, arising from the dealers' war on the Building Trades walking delegates, bid fair to make an unprecedented record. The fourth week of the embargo on all the lumber yards in this city is rapidly passing away, and the yards are still closed for local business.

The Board of Delegates is directing the movements of the laborers, and the unions are putting up a pugnacious resistance against the attacks of the dealers.

Organized labor in the building trades is presenting a remarkably strong front, having been able to cope with the Lumber Trade Association so successfully for such a length of time.

The Lumber Trade Association claims to have an aggregate representation of capital amounting to more than $20,000,000. The dealers also claim positively that there is no ulterior motive influencing them in their present stand.

They are simply trying, they say, to force the Board of Delegates to raise a boycott from the lumber of one firm—Buckl & Co.

Although they have apparently done their utmost to rout the delegates from their position, thus far they have been unable to do so.

Another attempt was made yesterday to get the delegates to "surrender unconditionally." It was expected by the dealers that they would do so, but a reply was returned that an arbitration committee must settle the difficulty. This the Association does not want, as by conceding this point it will fall short of obtaining an unconditional surrender.

Building operations all over the city have been stopped, and thousands of bricklayers, carpenters, masons and laborers in other trades are idle.

Without doubt a break must occur somewhere before long. Both sides are waiting and hoping that the other will give in, but the end is not yet.

It is impossible to get an accurate idea of the full number of men affected by the lumber embargo, because of the variety of interests involved.

The yards appear to be closed tightly to-day and no signs of an early break appears there. The various trades that are out of work because of the embargo are beginning to appear anxious, although no pronounced grumble has been heard.

On the other hand, many of the dealers feel very dubious as to the result. On good authority it was learned this morning that the dealers are to look out for the signers of their agreement who are liable to suffer because of inability to meet outstanding paper.

It is claimed that the Association has a Finance Committee which visits the holders of notes who are putting on the screws, and persuades them to hold up till the trouble is over if they value their present clientage.

This was emphatically denied at the headquarters of the Association this morning. In fact the professed ignorance on the whole subject was manifestly painful.

The scheme has so many phases like boycotting that it would be hard to find a father for it at the Association's headquarters.

Charles L. Buckl & Co. loaded five trucks with yellow pine Sunday and delivered it to the Weehawken Amusement Company yesterday.

Ho said a picket at the Lumber Handlers' headquarters, 427 Second avenue, this morning.

W. W. Kenyon, Chairman of the Association's Advisory Committee, said that dealers in Hoboken can deliver lumber in Hoboken; yet is claimed that the Hoboken yards are tied-up except for "export."

The second-hand lumber dealers are reaping a great harvest just now. Their stocks have been almost completely exhausted during the tie-up, and at prices that gladden the owners' hearts.

Some of the timbers look rather dubious as to safety, but "everything goes" now.

At the headquarters of the boss framers, 160 Third avenue, Henry Siegrist, Chairman of the Executive Committee, said that a committee of discontented framers waited on him last night and said they wanted to go to work.

They claimed to represent 300 discontented men. Some men were put to work this morning.

It was claimed at 18 Broadway, the headquarters of the Lumber Trade Association, that the fight was back again now where it was before the negotiations of yesterday began, and no chance of an early settlement could be seen. No negotiations are pending.

The Association still holds that Buckl's lumber must be used on the Thompson street building before the yards will be opened.

The new committee of the Board of Delegates to handle the lumber trouble, composed of Delegates Kent, Clark and Doody, expressed surprise to-day that Buckl's lumber had not been taken to the Thompson street building, as they say the lumber would be used there.

The Association claim that this is all they want to satisfy them that the boycott is off, and they will open their yards if union men will handle Buckl's lumber on this job.

The strike on the Western Union Building caused by "scab" housesmiths being employed to take the places of the strikers, was declared off this morning, the builders agreeing that no more iron work will be done till the strike of the housesmiths is over.

It was reported to Master Workman Werner, of the Housesmiths' Union, that J. B. & J. M. Cornell had secured police protection for their shop at Twenty-sixth street and Eleventh avenue. He investigated the report and found it true.

Buckl Makes an Ultimatum.

Charles L. Buckl, when asked by an EVENING WORLD reporter this afternoon if he would now send lumber to the Thompson street building, said:

"If the delegates will send their framer to my yard and order the lumber, assuring me that he will have men there to handle it, I will send it over.

"I do not want to pile the lumber in the streets, as my drivers would be arrested for obstructing the thoroughfare."

Statesman Dinkel Sails.

Ex-Civil Justice and ex-Alderman John A. Dinkel, of the Tenth Assembly District, sailed to-day on the North German Lloyd Steamship Lahn, for a long visit to his native Bavaria. He was accompanied by his wife. The Board of Trustees of the Steckler Association of which Mr. Dinkel is a member bade him bon voyage and presented him with a beautiful floral ship.

WALL ST.

STOCK REPORTS.

London Buying Orders Send Share Prices Up in Wall Street.

Louisville and Nashville Capital to Be Increased.

Effect of Additional Gold Export Engagements—The Quotations.

London was the controlling factor in the local market for stocks this morning. The foreigners bought 20,000 shares of various securities up to midday, and this buying power vanquished the bears in short order.

The latter, it must be said, stood up gamely for a time, but finally they submitted gracefully and pocketed their losses.

Some traders thought the rally in prices, which was equal to ⅝ to 1⅛ per cent., was simply and purely the result of covering for London professional account.

After these contracts are covered, it was thought, prices would recede again. Traders of this opinion pointed to the strength of sterling exchange, the further engagements for export of gold, and dubbed the morning's advance a soda water rise.

A special meeting of the Louisville & Nashville stockholders will be held July 6 to increase the capital stock $7,000,000 to $55,000,000. The object is to pay for the Kentucky Central and for the new Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis stock.

Coupons of the Toledo, St. Louis & Kansas City bonds were being paid to-day.

Stocks, while dull, were in the main strong this afternoon. London was still a factor, it being reported from there that the Bank of England Governors will reduce their discount rate to 4 per cent. Thursday, on condition that the Joint Stock Banks agree to a minimum rate of 3½ per cent.

According to cables the latter have consented to this proposition, and traders here immediately jumped to the conclusion that the deal was completed. They backed their opinion by buying stocks, and their purchases gave the market a firmer undertone than has been witnessed for a week or so.

An Albany special says: "The Railroad Commissioners to-day approved the increase of capital of the Manhattan Railway from $36,000,000 to $50,000,000."

The sales at the New York Stock Exchange were 195,600 shares of listed stocks, 170,000 ounces of silver and 15,000 barrels of Pennsylvania oil.

The steamship Lahn, which sailed for Europe to-day, took out $1,000,000 in gold coin. The engagements for to-morrow's steamships foot up $2,000,000. Kidder, Peabody & Co., of Boston, will also ship $500,000 Saturday.

Private cables from London state that the Bank of England to-day reduced the price for American gold to 76s. 5d.

The Closing Quotations.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.
Adams Express	147	147	147	147
Amer. Sugar Ref.	86⅝	86⅝	85	86
Amer. Sugar Ref. pref.	93	93	92¾	93
Amer. Cotton Oil	23	23	23	23
Amer. Cotton Oil pref.	45⅝	45⅝	45⅝	45⅝
Atch., Top. & Santa Fe	30⅝	30⅝	29⅝	30
Buffalo, R. & Pit.	34⅝	34⅝	34⅝	34⅝
Buffalo, R. & Pitts. pref.	78⅝	78⅝	78⅝	78⅝
Canadian Pacific	76⅝	77	76⅝	76⅝
Canada Southern	48⅝	49	48⅝	49
Chicago Gas	51	51⅝	50⅝	51⅝
Chic., Bur. & Quincy	87⅝	88⅝	87⅝	88⅝
Chicago & Northwest	107⅝	108	107⅝	108
Chic., Mil. & St. Paul	62⅝	63⅝	62	63⅝
Chic., Mil. & St. Paul pfd.	110⅝	110⅝	110⅝	110⅝
Chic., Rock Is. & Pac.	76⅝	77⅝	76⅝	77⅝
Chic. & Eastern Ill.	64	64	64	64
Chic. & Eastern Ill. pref.	93	93	93	93
Cleve., Cin., Chic. & St. L.	61⅝	62	61⅝	62
Col. & Hock. Valley	25⅝	25⅝	25⅝	25⅝
Colorado Coal & Iron	35⅝	35⅝	35	35⅝
Consolidated Gas	98⅝	98⅝	98⅝	98⅝
Del. Lack. & West	134⅝	135⅝	134⅝	135⅝
Denver & Rio Grande	17	17	17	17
Delaware & Hudson	130¼	130¼	129¾	130¼
Denver & Rio Grande pf.	55⅝	55⅝	55⅝	55⅝
Dis. & Cattle Feed	47	47⅝	46⅝	47
Great Northern pref.	87	87	87	87
Laclede Gas	15⅝	15⅝	15⅝	15⅝
Lake Shore	109	109⅝	109	109⅝
Lake Erie & Western	13	13	13	13
Lake Erie & Western pfd.	66⅝	66⅝	66	66
Long Island	99⅝	99⅝	99⅝	99⅝
Louisville & Nashville	74⅝	75	73⅝	75
Louis., New Alb. & Chi.	24	24⅝	24	24⅝
Louis., St. L. & Tex.	12	12	12	12
Manhattan Consol.	102⅝	102⅝	102⅝	102⅝
Missouri Pacific	66⅝	67⅝	66⅝	67⅝
Mobile & Ohio	41⅝	41⅝	41	41⅝
Missouri, Kan. & Tex. pf.	29⅝	29⅝	28⅝	29⅝
Miss., Kan. & Tex. Ex. 2d	14⅝	14⅝	14⅝	14⅝
N. Y. Cent. Co.	107	107⅝	107	107⅝
Nat. Cord. Co. pref.	103⅝	104⅝	103⅝	104⅝
Nat. Lead	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝
New Jersey Central	114⅝	114⅝	113	114⅝
New York Central	99⅝	99⅝	99⅝	99⅝
N. Y. & New England	33	34⅝	33	33⅝
N. Y., Chicago & St. L.	15⅝	15⅝	15⅝	15⅝
N. Y., Lake Erie & West	19⅝	19⅝	19⅝	19⅝
Norfolk & West. pfd.	51⅝	51⅝	51⅝	51⅝
Northern Pacific	24	24⅝	23⅝	24⅝
Northern Pacific pfd.	67⅝	68⅝	66⅝	68⅝
North American	15⅝	15⅝	15⅝	15⅝
Ontario & Western	16⅝	16⅝	16⅝	16⅝
Pacific Mail	36	36	36	36
Pipe Line Certificates	69⅝	69	68⅝	69
Phila. & Reading	31	31	31	31
Pitts., C., C. & St. L.	16⅝	16⅝	16⅝	16⅝
Rich. & W. Point Ter.	15⅝	16	15⅝	16
Rich. & West P. Ter. pfd	69	69⅝	69	69⅝
Rio Grande W. pref.	69	69	69	69
St. Paul & Omaha	24	24	24	24
St. Paul & Duluth	28	28	28	28
St. Paul & Duluth pref.	94	94	94	94
St. Paul, Min. & Man.	104	104	104	104
Silver Certificates	97⅝	97⅝	97⅝	97⅝
Southern Pacific	31⅝	31	30⅝	31
Texas Pacific	13⅝	13⅝	13⅝	13⅝
Tenn. Coal & Iron	34	34	34	34
Tol., Ann Arbor & N. M.	17⅝	17⅝	17⅝	17⅝
Union Pacific	44⅝	44⅝	44⅝	44⅝
Wabash	10⅝	10⅝	10⅝	10⅝
Wabash pfd.	21⅝	21⅝	21	21⅝
West. Union	80⅝	80⅝	80	80⅝
Wheeling & Lake Erie	35⅝	35⅝	35⅝	35⅝
Wheeling & L. Erie pfd.	75	75⅝	75	75⅝
Wis. Central	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝

Mining Stocks.

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

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Alice	.40	—	La Crosse	—	.05
Adams Con.	1.85	—	Leadville Con.	.10	.12
Astoria	.01	.02	Little Chief	.03	.05
Aspen	2.00	—	Mollie Gibson	.09	—
Bulla Inca	.01	—	Mono	.40	—
Bodie	.09	—	Navajo	.15	—
Bulwer	.20	—	N. Belle Isle	.60	—
Breese	.03	—	Ontario	38.00	40.00
Bruns. con.	.08	.09	Ophir	5.00	—
Blue Bird G'ld	.60	.01	Orient & M.	—	.08
Cal. & H.	.70	.90	Homestake	1.00	—
Chrysolite	.20	—	Plymouth	2.00	2.05
Con. Central	—	1.50	P. Arizona	.35	—
Con. Cal. & V.	—	—	Rich Iron	.65	.40
Crown Point	9.10	—	Sierra Nev.	2.10	—
C. & Hornet	.02	—	Standard	.95	—
Con. T. Dis.	—	—	Silver King	—	.10
Deadwood	.19	.21	Silver Hill	.05	.06
Bonds	37.00	40.00	Stormont	—	.60
Dead. Ter.	1.35	—	Santiago	—	.10
Eureka con.	3.50	—	Sacramento	—	.10
El Cristo	.25	—	Silver Cord	.25	.35
F. Da Bunt	.60	—	Silv'r M. Un	—	—
Freeland	—	.15	of Lake V.	—	1.00
Homestake	10.00	—	Shoshone	.01	.02
Horn Silver	3.50	—	Union con.	2.05	—
Iron Silver	1.10	—	Yel'w J'ck't	2.00	—

REFORM CLUB WAITER CAUGHT.

He Had the Proceeds of a Robbery of Chemist Brennan.

Finley Brennan, a Baltimore chemist, was found on his back in the gutter in East Thirteenth street at 12.30 this morning, and a man who had robbed him was seen running away.

George C. Larkin, a waiter at the Reform Club, was afterwards arrested, and Brennan's watch, chain and $6 of his money were found upon him. He was held for trial.

SIR GORDON TALKS SUICIDE.

Will Kill Himself If He Loses the Baccarat Case.

Prince of Wales Forced to Believe in Charges of Cheating.

[DUNLAP CABLE NEWS SPECIAL.]

LONDON, June 2.—The change in the weather from the brilliant sunshine of yesterday to the cloudiness and murkiness of to-day produced a corresponding alteration in the aspect of the court-room, where the fate of Sir Gordon-Cumming, as a reputable member of society, is hanging on the issue of the baccarat scandal case.

The crowd, however, was as dense as on the first day of the proceedings, and the favored ticket-holders as jealous of their privileges.

The Prince of Wales, despite his four hours' attendance yesterday, was promptly on hand, entering the room just before 11, when the entire Bar arose and remained standing until he took his seat by the side of Lord Coleridge.

The plaintiff was then recalled, and Sir Charles Russell continued his cross-examination. The learned counsel began by reading a letter written by the plaintiff in answer to one dated Sept. 12, 1890, and addressed "Dear Owen." In it Sir Gordon wrote:

"I now have little before me to make life worth living, but suppose that in the mean time I must try to live as of old."

Sir Charles Russell—What interest could the Prince of Wales, Gen. Owen Williams and Lord Coventry have in hushing up the matter other than friendship for you?

Sir Gordon Cumming—I should say that neither Gen. Williams nor Lord Coventry would wish to have their names or that of the Prince connected with such a scandal. I took these proceedings because the affair had become public property, and the Clubs would have taken the matter up if I had not.

Sir Charles then read two letters from Gen. Williams to the plaintiff, dated Temple House, Great Marlowe, and addressed "Dear Bill." They referred to the complaints made by Sir Gordon that the pledge of secrecy had been broken.

The plaintiff said that in January last he wrote to his commanding officer, Col. H. H. D. Stracey, of the Scots Guards, sending him his papers and applying to be allowed to retire on half pay.

To a question by Sir Charles, the plaintiff denied having written to Gen. Williams saying, "There is nothing left for me but to cut my own throat or vanish."

"Col. Stracey told me," continued Sir Gordon, "that the fact of my signing the document could not be overlooked."

A letter was read from Gen. Williams, dated January 28, addressed "My Dear Bill," telling plaintiff that there was nothing left but to place himself unreservedly in Col. Stracey's hands, as he had done in the case of Gen. Williams. The letter continued:

"You are quite at liberty to tell Col. Stracey that you signed the document under extreme pressure, under promise of secrecy, and that you never for a moment ceased to deny the truth of the accusation."

Sir Charles Russell—Did you say to Mr. Berkeley Levett, one of the players: "Could you not say you were mistaken?"

Sir Gordon-Cumming—I did not.

Sir Charles Russell (gravely)—You will have to be careful, Sir William.

Sir Gordon-Cumming—I may have said something of the sort.

Sir Charles proposed to read a letter written by the plaintiff to Gen. Williams and marked "private," whereupon a discussion ensued as to whether it was desirable to read a letter so marked. Finally Sir Charles yielded, and the letter was not read.

Sir Charles having no more questions to ask, the direct examination was resumed by the Solicitor-General, after which the Prince of Wales entered the witness box. He was examined by Sir Edward Clarke.

His Royal Highness testified that he had known the plaintiff for twenty years and that Sir Gordon had enjoyed his friendship for ten years.

The Prince had visited plaintiff's house several times, and the intimacy and friendship had continued unimpaired down to Sept. 10, 1890.

His Highness had observed nothing at all suspicious in the plaintiff's play at baccarat at Tranby Croft, and Lord Coventry was the first to inform him of the reports current regarding Sir Gordon. Five persons were named as the accusers. The party at Tranby had broken up in consequence of this sad event.

"As to the document which was signed by myself and others," continued the Prince, "it was sealed by me and placed in a packet and sent under seal to my private secretary, Sir Francis Knollys, who was unaware of its contents. It remained in a safe place until it was sent for."

On being cross-examined by Sir Charles Russell, the Prince of Wales said: "In addition to Mr. Berkeley Levett, Mr. Arthur Stanley Wilson and Mr. E. Lycett Green, I believe I saw Lord Edward Somerset and Capt. Somerset, to whom certain statements had been made by the first three regarding the affair.

"I had also been informed that two ladies witnessed the facts, but I do not remember that either Mr. E. Lycett Green or Mr. Arthur Wilson said anything about withdrawing any portion of the statement. The suggestion as to the signing of the memorandum came not from me but from Lord Coventry and Gen. Williams.

"I have been greatly distressed regarding the whole affair."

Sir Charles Russell—You desired, sir, to look as leniently on the affair as you could, out of regard for Sir Gordon-Cumming?

The Prince of Wales (emphatically)—Most certainly. I have not been intimate with the plaintiff since the event, and intimated that it would be more agreeable to me not to meet him.

In reply to a juryman the Prince said: "I saw nothing of the alleged irregular proceedings on the part of the plaintiff; one would naturally not expect such a thing among friends in a country house. Witnesses, however, were so unanimous that I could not help believing the charge."

Gen. Williams was the next witness. He corroborated the testimony of the Prince of Wales and that of the plaintiff as to the events on the 10th of September and subsequently. He added:

"The document was certainly signed by many who had seen no foul play, but it was necessary that they should sign for the preservation of silence. I have not given Messrs. Wontner & Sons, the solicitors, any letters of Sir Gordon's, and have no idea from whom the letters produced to-day were obtained."

Sir Charles Russell—They have been in the possession of the Prince of Wales. I received them from Sir Francis Knollys.

On being cross-examined, Gen. Williams said that he saw no foul play of any kind, and had not the slightest predisposition to believe it.

The accusation against his friend Sir William came as a horrible shock. Mr. Lycett Green was the first to tell him that he had seen the plaintiff cheating, adding that others besides himself had seen it.

He (Williams) had told Sir Gordon that if he did not sign the paper he would have to leave the house and would be warned off every racecourse in England.

On being re-examined by Sir Edward Clarke Gen. Williams said that the statements of of Messrs. Green and Levett were the only material upon which he had relied as the basis of his action.

This concluding the case for the prosecution, the court adjourned.

SIR GORDON THREATENS SUICIDE.

By private information received at the office of the Dunlap-Daisiel Agency it is learned that Sir Gordon Cumming has positively stated that if the suit now pending should be decided against him he would immediately take his own life.

RULE FOR POLICE AT FIRES.

Plan for Joint Action of Police and Fire Departments for Public Safety.

As a result of the conferences between the Police and Fire Commissioners relative to the co-operation of the two Departments at fires, which question arose out of the action of Capt. Stephenson at the fire in Leggett's store a few weeks ago, Police Commissioner Martin has submitted the following joint rule for the consideration of the Board:

"At fires it shall be the duty of all officials and men of the Police and Fire Departments to co-operate for the protection of life and property.

"Should at any time danger arise from unsafe or falling walls, spread of fire, explosions or any other cause, necessitating the temporary stopping of travel through any of the streets adjacent to a fire, it shall be the duty of the officers in command of the forces of the Fire Department to give notice to that effect to the officer in command of the police force, who shall at once comply with such notice.

"In carrying out this rule care must be taken that the rights and privileges of citizens, business interests and public traffic and travel shall not be interfered with or obstructed any longer than public safety may require.

"Notice shall be promptly given that public traffic and travel may be resumed whenever the officer in command of the forces of the Police Department and the officer in command of the forces of the Fire Department shall agree that danger to life and property no longer exists.

"In the case of unsafe or falling walls the commanding officer of the Fire Department shall immediately notify the Superintendent of Buildings, whose duty it shall be to at once proceed to the fire, and after making a careful official inspection, thereupon take such proper additional measures as he may deem necessary, to protect life and property and to enable traffic and travel to be safely resumed."

The matter was then referred to the Corporation Counsel for his opinion as to whether such join rule will conflict with either Department.

SUICIDE IN THE BROWER HOUSE.

C. W. Harris, of Hartford, Cuts His Throat with a Penknife.

C. W. Harris, sixty years old, of Hartford, Conn., was found this morning to have committed suicide some time during the night in his room at the Brower House, Broadway and Twenty-eighth street, by cutting his throat with a pocket knife.

The man was found dead in his room at 11 o'clock this forenoon. The Coroner has charge of the body.

At the hotel it was said that Mr. Harris was a business man, who had for ten years past been a frequent guest of the house. He had been here this time about two weeks and had been ill.

He had appeared rather despondent and had telegraphed somewhere for money, which had been sent to him.

Mr. Harris was described as a very gentlemanly refined man, quiet and reserved in his manners.

Nothing was known of his family, but he had a friend, a Mrs. Satterlee, who lives at Kingsbridge, from whom the address of his friends will be gotten, if possible.

Judge Josiah G. Abbott Dead.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

WELLESLEY, Mass., June 2.—Judge Josiah G. Abbott died this morning. He was one of the best-known Democrats in Massachusetts.

SHAKING THE OFFICIAL SIEVE.

FEARS AT THE CUSTOM-HOUSE

Big Guns from Washington Come to Cut Down the Staff.

Acting under instructions from the Secretary at Washington, Special Agents Wilbur, of this city, and Chance, of Philadelphia, began today a thorough overhauling of the affairs of the New York Custom-House. Every department of the service will be investigated.

The object of the investigation is to bring about a more economical administration of the Custom-House, and to this end a considerable reduction in the present force will probably be made. Ostensibly it is the intention to lop off a good many of the moss-backs in the service, and thus diminish the salary list and at the same time get rid of a lot of superfluous material.

As a result a general shake-up is expected in some of the departments, and there are lots of clerks who are on the anxious seat, especially those who are known to be of a different political faith from the powers that be. They feel that their heads are in danger, and in consequence there is a very perceptible undercurrent of excitement in the big building in Wall street.

Before entering upon their duties of investigation Special Agents Wilbur and Chance had a long consultation this morning in the former's office.

When questioned in regard to the matter Special Agent Wilbur said:

"This examination is the following out of a general scheme of investigation into the affairs of all the customs-houses in the country.

"The customs-houses at Boston, Baltimore and several other places have already been examined and reductions have been made in the running expenses. New York is the most important port of the country and the force required is very large. It is believed that the expenses of the service here can be materially reduced.

"Naturally we expect to be able to lop off a good many excrescences."

Mr. Wilbur said it was very probable that Secretary of the Treasury Foster might be in town this week. It is said that the Secretary is coming here to make a personal investigation of the Appraisers' Stores and that several resignations are awaiting his arrival.

As a result of the investigation of the special agents the salary list at the Boston Custom-House was cut down $55,000. This will give some idea of what is in store for New York office-holders.

BROOKLYN'S POLICE PARADE.

The Best Showing Yet Made by the Finest Over the Bridge.

Brooklyn's blue-coated guardians went on parade this afternoon and made an exceptionally fine showing. Just 1,000 men, including musicians, rank and file, sergeants, captains and inspectors took part.

The men assembled at the fountain on Bedford avenue. Shortly after noon Mayor Chapin arrived, and, under the escort of Police Commissioner Hayden, witnessed the dress parade. Then the men were reviewed in open ranks, this being