WHO IS THIS DEAD GIRL?

Mystery Surrounds the Identity of the Probable Elevator Victim.

DIED CALLING "MOTHER!"

Was About Fifteen, Had Blue Eyes, Golden Hair, and Was Large for Her Age.

DEATH THOUGHT ACCIDENTAL.

Residents of Elizabeth Street and Vicinity View Her Body, but No One Knows Her.

Complete mystery surrounds the identity of the young girl who was found dying at the foot of an elevator shaft in the basement of 97 Elizabeth street, as told in yesterday's "Evening World."

The Mulberry street police have found absolutely no clue to the dead girl's identity, and no one has been reported missing at the station.

The body was removed to the Morgue late last night.

Up to 4 o'clock no one had called at the Morgue to see the dead girl.

Coroner Hoeber has been notified and will hold an inquest.

Except for an abrasion on the left side of the neck and a cut on the left thumb, there are no marks on the girl's body.

Geo. Madden and Philip Colavio, two men who worked in the building, heard groans, and sent for an ambulance. The girl murmured the single word "Mother!" and died before the ambulance surgeon reached her.

The building is a five-story machine shop occupied by Johnson Brothers. A freight elevator runs to the top of it, and opens on the street. The elevator gate leading to the street is sometimes left open through carelessness.

It is conjectured that the unfortunate girl may have started up in the elevator for fun and then have fallen out on the way, or else that she may have stepped backward through the open door on the street and fallen down the shaft to the basement, a distance of about ten feet.

The police, thinking she might be known in the neighborhood, had the body laid out in the building and permitted the neighbors to look at it. Hundreds of people came and looked, but none could identify the body.

An employee of the Brinckerhoff cracker factory, across the street, remembered having seen the girl standing beside a cracker wagon with another girl about an hour before she was found dying.

She had been given some broken bits of cracker, and had asked for a bag to put them in. The bag was given her, and she was then ordered away. The man saw her walk across the street towards Johnson Brothers' building. The paper bag was afterwards found lying beside her body.

The girl was apparently about fifteen, but large for her age. She had blue eyes and golden hair. She wore a straw hat, a black waist, a red calico skirt, black stockings and button shoes. All her clothing was of a cheap quality.

ECKFORD WEBB'S ESTATE.

Mrs. Ranken Accused of Deceiving the Shipbuilder.

Jessie Belknap Ranken's suit to bar William H. Janes, a nephew of the late Eckford Webb, from title to the house 88 Rush street, Brooklyn, was continued before Justice Rumsey in the Circuit Court, Brooklyn, this morning.

Under Eckford Webb's will Mrs. Ranken, who was Webb's housekeeper, was given the Rush street house and $5,000 in cash, pictures and furniture. The will provided that Mrs. Ranken should remain in Mr. Webb's employ until his death, or her bequests were to go to his nephew, William H. Janes.

The interest centred in the opening of Lawyer Louis O. Van Doren for the defence. He told the jury he would prove that all of Mrs. Ranken's relations with Mr. Webb were the result of a conspiracy, as it was well known Mr. Webb would not have a married woman in his employment.

He said Mrs. Ranken palmed herself off on Mr. Webb as a single woman, when, as a matter of fact, she had been married ten years.

He said also that Mrs. Ranken's husband, Thomas Ranken, agreed to Mrs. Ranken's scheme, and was to receive half of what she got out of Mr. Webb.

CALL HER ACCOUNTS FALSE.

Holland Trust People Accuse Thomas J. Naughton's Widow.

Mrs. Mary Naughton's accounts as administratrix of the estate of her husband, the late Dr. Thomas J. Naughton, are objected to by the Holland Trust Company, guardian for the doctor's children, Katie, Bessie, Mary and Thomas Naughton.

It is charged that Mrs. Naughton, who was the doctor's second wife, "has altered vouchers in excess of the sums expended" for the benefit of the children as part of a systematic plan to defraud the estate, and that her testimony about her stewardship is false and her accounts are incorrect.

Dr. Naughton died in May, 1891. Mrs. Naughton did not render an accounting of the property in her possession for the benefit of the children until 1893, and then only on the application of the children's general guardian. The accounting was objected to and sent to a referee for further examination.

An item of $18 for a sacque for Julia Naughton, it was claimed, was incorrect, as testimony had been given to show that only $8 was paid for the article. A charge of $19.25 for a sacque for one of the girls, it was said, had been raised from $9.25. Numerous other items were cited in proof of the charge that Mrs. Naughton had falsified the accounts.

Decision was reserved.

Says the Colonel Stole Bedsteads.

Col. Jonathan de Styak, who lives at Pelham Manor, was arrested last week charged with stealing two iron bedsteads, valued at $40, from W. G. Dewey, a New York real estate man. Dewey rented a furnished house in New Rochelle to Col. de Styack a year ago, and on coming back to it found two of the beds gone.

Life Is Surely Worth Living.

When the opium and liquor habits are conquered. Try the Keeley Cure, White Plains, N. Y. ***

HE WANTS HIS LITTLE GIRL.

Neglected the Dead Wife and Did Not Go to the Funeral.

Justice Cullen in Supreme Court, Brooklyn, this morning, heard argument on a writ of habeas corpus in behalf of George Anderson, to get control of his two-months old baby. The child is with its grandfather, John Golden, of Winfield, L. I.

Golden said that Anderson married his daughter, took her away, lived with her a while, and left her to starve.

Some time ago his daughter returned to her father, sick and hungry. A few weeks later the child was born and the mother died.

Anderson did not go near his wife and child.

When Judge Cullen asked Anderson why he did not visit his wife and child he said that he heard he would be shot if he went near Golden's house.

"You did not believe you would be shot, did you?" asked the Court.

"Yes, I did," was the reply.

Case set down for June 1.

KIDNAPPED BY MUSICIANS?

Little Reuben Savage Followed a Street Band.

ELIZABETH, N. J., May 21.—The police of this city are trying to find five-year-old Reuben Savage, son of the captain of the steamboat Chase, who mysteriously disappeared yesterday afternoon.

The little boy followed a street band, and as he did not return home, his parents fear he was kidnapped by some of the musicians.

INSANE IN THE PARK.

Mrs. Thatcher Tried to Jump Into Washington Square Fountain.

William Schneider, of the Washington Square Park police squad, noticed a woman acting queerly in the park at 7.30 o'clock this morning. He went to her and she asked him how she could find the river, saying she wished to drown herself.

Schneider walked away and watched her. She walked across the grass plot to the fountain, and started to jump in. Schneider stopped her.

"Don't do that. Let me drown myself," she pleaded.

Then she walked along with the policeman, picking up pieces of paper, tearing them into bits and imagining they were flowers. When any one passed, she would whisper:

"There goes a murderer."

The woman said her name was Emma Thatcher, that she was a New England woman, that her husband had been killed in a railroad accident, and that her daughter, Mabel, was dead.

Suddenly she pulled a great handful of hair out of her head, and nearly tore off her dress waist before she could be restrained.

Park Policeman Capper came to Schneider's assistance, and the woman was taken to Jefferson Market Court, struggling with the police all the way, and attracting a great crowd along the streets.

Justice Simms sent the woman to Bellevue Hospital.

10 DAYS FOR MRS. MEINECKE.

She Wrote a Threatening Letter to Mrs. Lawless.

Mrs. Mary Jessie Meinecke, whose adventures have filled many columns in the newspapers, was arraigned in the Court of Special Sessions to-day on the complaint of Anthony Comstock, who charged with having sent threatening letters through the United States mail to Mrs. Ella Lawless.

Mrs. Lawless is Mr. Meinecke's private secretary. Mrs. Meinecke declares that Mrs. Lawless is unduly friendly towards her husband. Mr. Meinecke recently brought suit for divorce and the case is now pending.

Mrs. Meinecke May 2, sent a letter to Mrs. Lawless, in which she told her to stop her relations with Mr. Meinecke or take the consequences.

"Beware the vengeance of his lawful wife, as she fears not the electric chair," she wrote.

Mrs. Lawless took the letter to Mr. Comstock, and he caused Mrs. Meinecke's arrest.

Justice Hogan, in imposing the sentence determined upon by him and Justices Martin and Meadie, said in consideration of all the facts, Mrs. Meinecke would be sent to the City Prison for ten days.

GALLANT JUDGE M'ADAM.

Says a Divorce Defendant Is Handsome--Urges Reconciliation.

In dismissing the complaint of John R. Nugent, Jr., for an absolute divorce, Judge McAdam in the Superior Court today paid Mrs. Hattie Nugent the compliment of saying that she is "a handsome woman, and one whose conduct would be very apt to excite jealousy."

In the Judge's opinion, however, Mrs. Nugent gave provocation for jealousy on more than one occasion.

During the trial yesterday, Nugent tried to prove that his wife had behaved improperly with ex-Marshal Halahan and Frank S. Baker. The Court finds that "Mrs. Nugent was indiscreet in allowing Halahan to visit her, and imprudent in accompanying Halahan and Baker to places of amusement, thus furnishing her husband with ground for strong suspicion.

"The proof," the Judge says, "consists merely of indiscretions, and the inferences to be drawn from them—nothing more."

Judge McAdam also dismissed the cross-bill filed by Mrs. Nugent for separation, and strongly recommends the couple to become reconciled.

SCHATCHEN SUES FOR $100.

Abraham Hoffman Says There Was No Bargain and Alleges Spite.

Charles Susnitzky, clothing dealer of No. 34 Canal street, has begun a suit against Abraham Hoffman, shoe dealer, of No. 122 First street, Hoboken, to recover $100, for services, which, he says, he rendered as a Schatchen.

Susnitzky alleges that he introduced Hoffman, who is a widower, to a young woman whom he will shortly marry, and that it was agreed that in the event of a marriage Hoffman was to pay $100.

Hoffman denies the bargain and says that because he refused to buy a tombstone for his first wife from one of Susnitzky's friends, Susnitzky is angry.

TRIED TO MARRY HEIRESSES.

Henry Hidighorst Wrote Many Letters to Get Rich Brides.

Henry Hidighorst, twenty-eight years old, of 113 East One Hundred and Eighth street, whose mother is janitress at that address, was sent to Bellevue Hospital from the Harlem Police Court this morning for examination as to his sanity.

Hidighorst has been demented for two years. Although never a member of any society he imagines secret organizations have wrecked his health. He has written letters to a number of wealthy men in this city asking for the hands of their daughters in marriage.

It was on their complaint that Chief of Police Byrnes sent Detective Sergts. Titus and Crouch to arrest Hidighorst.

Change in the Order of Police Trials.

Henceforth complaints against members of the police force will be tried in the order in which they are received by the Board, regardless of their nature or precinct. Hitherto it has been the custom to try the more serious complaints first.

DIED TO SAVE HER HUSBAND

Alleged Bigamist's Wife Would Not Swear Against Him.

Hanged Herself While Temporarily Insane, Says the Coroner.

Coroner Hoeber to-day held an inquest in the case of Jennie Kimmell, who hanged herself May 13 in her home, 220 Madison street.

The jury returned a verdict that the woman hanged herself while undergoing temporary mental aberration. May 13 the woman had been subpoenaed to appear before the Grand Jury to give evidence against her husband, John Kimmell, and Max Gross.

She had been deserted and left with four children destitute. Her husband was the accomplice of Max Gross, who conducted a matrimonial agency at 90 Lewis street. Gross introduced Kimmell to a woman of property. A mock marriage was held in Gross's store and the woman's property was stolen from her.

Mrs. Kimmell, however, knowing of these things, killed herself rather than testify against her husband.

SAW HIM CUT HIS THROAT.

Buonocoro Was Despondent When His Wife Went Away.

Because his wife deserted him and went to Italy ten days ago, Nicolo Buonocoro, thirty-eight years old, of 321 East One Hundred and Fifteenth street, grew despondent, and tried to cut his throat with a razor, at his home at 7 o'clock this morning.

People who saw the act through a window, called Policeman Converse, of the East One Hundred and Fourth street station. Buonocoro inflicted only a slight wound.

He was held in the Harlem Police Court for trial in $1,000 bail.

FOUND HANGING IN HER CELL.

But Maud Casey Was Not Dead and Was Cut Down by a Matron.

Maud Casey, thirty-eight years old, and without a home, who was a prisoner in the Elizabeth street station for intoxication, was found in her cell at 8 o'clock this morning by a matron suspended by the neck from the cell door.

She was cut down by Matron Lanner, and was removed to the prison ward at Bellevue Hospital charged with attempted suicide.

Hanged Himself in a Cell.

NEWBURG, N. Y., May 21.—James O'Neil, an engineer, aged forty-six, who was arrested at 9 o'clock last night for drunkenness, on complaint of his wife, hanged himself at 1 o'clock this morning in his cell at the police station. He used a large handkerchief for a noose, fastening it around his neck and to the cell door.

DIED WITHOUT WARNING.

Sudden Deaths Reported to the Police and Coroners.

Israel Rosenstein, thirty-one years old, dropped dead this morning in the grocery store of his brother, 416 East Eleventh street. He had been suffering from disease of the kidneys. His home was over the grocery store.

James Prensatuk, fifty-five years old, was found dead this morning in bed at his home, 486 Canal street. He had been ill a long time.

Jacob Trenfoluk, fifty-five years old, unmarried, was found dead in bed on the third floor of 445 Canal street at 5.30 this morning.

Annie Misel, four years old, died suddenly early this morning at her parents' home, 315 East Sixty-fourth street.

COL. WARING'S NEW DEPUTY.

Capt. Gibson Gets the Place That Major Moore Had Before.

Col. Waring to-day appointed Assistant Supt. Gibson as Deputy Street Cleaning Commissioner in the place of Major Charles K. Moore, whose resignation was accepted yesterday.

The new Deputy Street Cleaning Superintendent has the military title of captain. Capt. Gibson was not an applicant for the position, and was very much surprised this morning at his appointment.

Capt. Gibson has been promoted solely upon his merits and for the good service that he has done in the past.

Capt. Gibson was with the Seventh Cavalry of the regular army, and resigned in 1891 on account of illness. He entered the army through West Point. He fought at the battle of Little Big Horn in June, 1876, when Gen. Custer was massacred. Gibson was the First Lieutenant, and was fighting in a company commanded by Captain, now Col., Venteen, at some distance from the place where Gen. Custer was killed.

Must Separate Ashes from Garbage.

Beginning to-morrow, section 95, of the Health Department regulations will go into force in that section of the city bounded by Fourteenth street, Sixth avenue, Fifty-ninth street, Lexington avenue and Irving place. The section provides that every occupant of a building shall provide separate vessels for the reception of ashes and rubbish, and other receptacles for garbage and liquid refuse. The receptacles are to be of such a nature that they will not allow of leakage. The people may use any vessel they see fit.

Dredging Contracts Awarded.

The Dock Commissioners at their meeting today awarded contracts aggregating $23,400. One was for dredging in the North River north of Thirty-fourth street, 100,000 cubic yards, at 18 cents a cubic yard. Another was for dredging in the Harlem River, 15,000 cubic yards, at 22 cents a cubic yard. Both contracts were secured by the Atlantic Dredging Company. A contract for 600 tons of anthracite coal at $3.55 a ton was given to George W. Winant & Sons.

Roosevelt Wants to Borrow a Man.

Commissioner Roosevelt, of the Police Board, paid a visit to Secretary Lee Phillips, of the Civil-Service Board, to-day. The Commissioner asked Mr. Phillips to lend him a man from the Civil-Service Board for use in the Civil-Service Board at Police Headquarters. Mr. Phillips told the Commissioner that his examiners were very busy just now, but that he would see what he could do and would try and comply with the request.

Urging Rolland for a Magistrate.

Mayor Strong was waited upon to-day by a delegation of Sixteenth District Republicans, who asked him to appoint L. L. Rolland a city magistrate. Mr. Rolland was formerly an assistant United States District-Attorney under Edward Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell is personally urging Rolland's appointment. The Mayor promised to take the application home with him on Saturday, along with the 267 other names which have been presented to him for consideration.

Lida Darrell Settles for $1,500.

The case of Lida Darrell, the actress, against John E. Ray, son of a wealthy carriage-maker of Greenwich, Conn., for breach of promise, has been settled out of court. The case was to have been tried next Thursday. Miss Darrell claimed to be engaged to Ray and that he married another woman. Lawyer Stilwell, counsel for the actress, has accepted $1,500 and withdrew the suit.

The Dunraven Suit

is really the sensation of the season. It is the best value ever offered for $15, made of all imported goods, and the linings and trimmings are the best that "gives." The "make-up" special features are "bell-fitted coat," Castellane link cuffs and cylinder-fitted trousers. The slight error in the headline in spelling the word suit was intentional, and not an error of the proof-reader. It is "Dunraven Suit." Cohen & Co., the French tailors, at 27 and 29 Ann street, one door west of Nassau, are the originators. ***

NO HARVARD-YALE GAME.

New Haven Comment Puts the Blame on the Cambridge College.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., May 21.—The campus talk to-day and opinions expressed by Yale professors agree that Harvard's reply ends all hopes of a game this year.

The Yale News to-day, editorially, defends the position of that university, and says that it was not an individual vindication which was sought. It asserts that Yale's teams have been repeatedly misrepresented by Harvard, and that it is time to stop. The editorial in conclusion says:

"For many reasons we shall be extremely sorry not to see next year's Springfield game, but it is much better so than for the eleven to meet again without some previous peace-making. This, Harvard has made impossible.

"We do not doubt that our stand will be severely criticised, but it will remain firm and will in the end command respect. We hope that the action of the Cambridge authorities will prove a blessing in disguise, and that after things have cooled down for a year we shall again play Harvard, and a new era of good feeling in athletics will come about between the two universities."

WITH THE WHEELMEN.

The State Division of the L. A. W. advises wheelmen to defy the recent order aimed to prevent bicycle riders from passing awheel through Babylon on Sunday. The L. A. W. will defend any cases which may be carried to court as a result of such arbitrary and absurd ordinances as these.

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It seems that one of the village trustees of Babylon was compelled to watch the road while he was crossing it last Sunday, instead of sauntering across it with his head down in abstracted self-communion. That settled it. An order was immediately promulgated by the irate trustee to arrest every bicyclist in sight. The police officer who was thus commanded used better discretion, and Babylon has not now a number of lawsuits on its corporative hands.

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The Good Roads Association will talk a lot and to the point in Avon Hall, Bedford avenue, Brooklyn, to-night. Something is likely to be said about a return pathway.

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A vaudeville entertainment will be given by the South Brooklyn Wheelmen on Thursday evening in Acme Hall.

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What sort of legal redress Trainer Eck is going to seek for his suspension is not apparent, but he says he is going to seek it. Certainly the L. A. W., under its constitution, had a right to rule him off the tracks over which it has jurisdiction. Its action did not prevent Eck from training people, and as that is supposed to be his profession, where has it injured him?

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Entries for the opening meet of the National Circuit, under the auspices of the Crescent Wheelmen, of Plainfield, N. J., Decoration Day, close to-morrow with C. E. Teel, Chairman of the Race Committee. A big prize list has been announced and the entries have been coming in by basketfuls. Chairman Gideon, of the L. A. W. Racing Board, has promised to act as referee.

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It strikes the average cyclist this way: Less than 1,000 equestrians have miles and miles of specially prepared paths reserved for their use. Twenty times the number of wheelmen have to pick their way between fast and sometimes recklessly driven horses. This in the city of New York.

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Mr. Dewitt, there is a law against carriages being driven about the city without carrying lights after dark.

ODDS AND ENDS OF SPORTS.

Through a typographical error last evening, a notice appeared in this column saying that the Hall-Choynski glove contest had been postponed until June 27. The contest has not been postponed, and will be decided on the original date, June 17, before the Seaside Athletic Club. Jim Hall, who is training at Coney Island, says his meeting with Choynski will be a very lively session. Jim and Joe were both spectators at the Atlantic's show last night, and both looked to be in the best of condition. "Win or lose with Hall, I want to get a crack at Steve O'Donnell," said Choynski, as he left the club-house.

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Tommy Ryan, another of the "Parson's" wonders, was also a spectator at the Marshall-Maher farce. Ryan looked as hard as nails. Some one asked Tommy what he thought about his meeting with Smith next Monday night. "If you don't want to miss a good thing, why be on hand and have a 'quid' or two on me," was the Chicago boy's reply.

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In a letter to Matchmaker Kennedy, of the Seaside Athletic Club, Billy Smith says he is getting into fine condition for his bout with Tommy Ryan May 27. Smith is confident of defeating Ryan, he writes. With him is a lad from Canada, Eddie Connelly by name, who Smith says is remarkably clever at 128 pounds. He suggests a match for Connelly with Johnny Gorman or Jack Skelly.

MISREPRESENTED STATESMEN.

Mistaken Impressions of an Honest Native Allayed by a Short Talk.

(From the Detroit Free Press.)

A United States Senator from Somewhere and a Congressman from Another-place, both in the same State, were going one day in September last to a town where they were billed to make a speech. They had to take an accommodation train for it, and at a small station a native came aboard and, after looking around for a good seat, took the one in front of the two statesmen. For five minutes he gazed around the car, and finally turned to his fellow-traveller.

"Goin' to Smithville, I reckon?" he said, in the inquiring way of the inquisitive uncultured.

"Yes," replied the Congressman.

"Goin' to the speakin' thar to-day?"

"Is there going to be speaking?" asked the Congressman, with a chuckle.

"Oh, yes. A United States Senator and a Congressman. Big-bugs, they air. Anyhow, the Senator is. Congressmen ain't so skeerce."

The Senator nudged the Member.

"Are you going to the show?" asked the Member.

"Well, I ain't goin' fer that. I'm goin' to see about sellin' a mule. Ef business is slow in mules, I reckon I'll drap in on the speakin' fer a change."

"Do you like speaking?"

"Not mucher'n the law allows."

"Why not?"

"Well, I'm kinder losin' confidence in these yer statesmen after they git to Washington.

"Wiat makes you do that?"

"I read the newspapers some, and they tell a good many things I ain't in favor uv."

"But the newspapers misrepresent them."

"Mebbe they do, and mebbe they don't," said the native, shaking his head in doubtful fashion.

"But I know they do. I happen to know a number of Senators and Members, and I can assure you that they are frequently misrepresented in the papers.

"I'm mighty glad to hear you say that," exclaimed the native. "I wus jis' readin' in the paper I got last night that most of the Senators wuz plum teetotalers, nine-tenths of the Congressmen wouldn't play poker, and, as fer bettin' on a hoss race, they'd sooner cut off a thumb than do it. Ef you say them's lies an' kin prove it," concluded the native, "I'd further lose the dern mule than miss the speakin'."

What happened between that time and the time of the speaking is not generally known, but the native was not only at the meeting but had a place on the platform.

Awakened by a Brass Ligament.

(From the Philadelphia Record.)

The study of etymology causes no end of trouble among that class of schoolchildren whose knowledge of English is limited to words which figure in the ordinary street conversation, and many curious results have followed. The custom usually observed by the teachers is to require first a definition of the word, then its derivation, and finally a sentence in which the word is properly used. The word "ligament" fell to the lot of a rather diffident boy recently in the Camac Grammar School, at Thirteenth and Norris streets. He defined it properly as "a band," but followed up the correct derivation with the remarkable sentence: "I was wakened up last night by hearing a brass ligament going down the street."

BEARS WERE DISAPPOINTED.

All Stock Offered Was Eagerly Bought and Prices Rose.

OperatorsBelieve London Will Soon Buy "Americans" Again.

The market was a disappointment to the bears this morning. They had expected, in view of their success on yesterday, and the report of widespread damage to the growing crops, that they would be able to shake out timid holders. There are two active forces at work, however, and the bulls were heard from in a way that made the shorts feel anything but comfortable.

All the stocks the bears wanted to sell were eagerly snapped up and then prices were advanced more rapidly than they declined yesterday. The buying orders seemed to come from banking houses as well as professional operators.

One of the news agencies sent out a telegram purporting to come from Chicago to the effect that the corn crop had been killed by frost. As corn is hardly out of the ground in many sections, this was regarded as far-fetched, to say the least. It may be well to call attention to the fact that just a year ago to-day wheat jumped 4 cents a bushel on reports that the wheat crop had been ruined by frost, yet this country produced in 1894, 460,000,000 bushels of that cereal, according to the Government figures. This should be kept in mind by those who are now apt to be influenced by the colored telegrams sent by Chicago grain speculators.

The exports, exclusive of specie, from New York for the week were $7,525,581, against $7,149,215 for the corresponding week of 1894.

Foreign exchange was strong, and posted rates were raised half a cent, to 4.88 for bankers' long and 4.89 for demand sterling.

Money, 1 a 1 1-2 per cent. on call, with the supply largely in excess of the demand. Actual business in exchange was at 4.87 a 4.87 1-4 for bankers' long sterling, and 4.88 a 4.88 1-4 for demand. Commercial bar silver sold at 66 7-8, and Mexican dollars at 53.

The Vice-President of the Missouri Pacific Railway Company has just received despatches from the Superintendents of that Company's lines, in reply to special inquiries as to the condition of the crops along the Missouri Pacific lines, stating that the recent cold weather has not damaged wheat or oats on any portion of the system.

The stock market was favorably influenced by the break in wheat, and a moderate rally a the former ensued.

Operators are looking forward to the fortnightly settlement which begins at the London Stock Exchange to-morrow with a good deal of interest.

This is carrying-over day in London for "Kaffirs" only, but owing to the enormous speculations in these the outcome is, to say the least, indefinite. If the settlement goes through all right it is believed that the foreigners will once more turn their attention to Americans.

Northern Pacifics here were exceptionally weak, owing to the probability that the shares will be heavily assessed under any reorganization plan that may be adopted.

On more favorable weather reports from the West the stock speculation assumed a buoyant tone towards the close, and on large purchases prices advanced right through the list. The improvement was equal to 1-2 a 1 1-2 per cent., and the commission houses received liberal orders for the Grangers and other shares.

The Closing Quotations.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
American Tobacco	106⅞	107¼	106⅝	107¼
Amer. Sug. Ref.	117⅞	119	117⅞	118⅞
Am. Sug. Ref. pf	99⅛	99⅝	99⅛	99⅝
American Cotton Oil	28⅛	28⅝	28⅛	28⅝
Amer. Cot. Oil pf	75⅛	75⅛	75⅛	75⅛
Alton & Terre Haute	47½	48⅛	47½	48⅛
Atlantic & Pacific	1⅝	1⅝	1⅝	1⅝
At., Top. & Santa Fe	7⅛	7⅝	7⅛	7⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	62⅛	62⅝	62⅛	62⅝
Amer. Tob. pf	112⅛	112⅞	112⅛	112⅞
Canada Southern	53⅞	54⅛	53⅞	54⅛
Chesapeake & Ohio	22⅛	22	22	22⅛
Chicago Gas	73⅝	75	73⅝	75
*Chi., Bur. & Quincy	78⅛	79⅛	78⅛	79⅝
Chicago & Northwest	98	99⅛	98	99⅛
Chi., Mil. & St. Paul	65⅝	67⅛	65⅝	66⅞
C., M. & St. P. pf	120½	120½	120½	120½
Chi., Rock Isl. & P.	68⅛	69⅛	68⅛	69⅛
C., C., C. & St. L.	43⅞	44⅛	43⅞	44⅛
Col. & Hock. Valley pf	65	65	65	65
Colorado Fuel	26	26	26	26
Colorado Dev.	8⅝	8½	8⅛	8⅛
Consolidated Gas	141	144	141	144
Dis. & Cattle Feed	22⅝	23⅛	22⅝	23⅛
Erie Tel.	58	58	58	58
General Electric	34	34	33⅞	33⅞
Green Bay & Winona pf	21⅛	21⅛	20	21⅛
Great Northern pf	127	128	127	128
Houston & Texas Central	25	25	25	25
Del., Lack. & West.	162½	162½	162½	162½
Del. & Hudson	131⅛	131⅛	131⅛	131⅛
Iowa Central	9	9⅛	9	9⅛
Laclede Gas	30	33	30	31⅛
Laclede Gas pf	90½	90½	90½	90½
Lake Erie & Western	20	21⅛	21	21⅛
Long Island	86	86	86	86
Long Island Traction	9⅛	9⅛	9⅛	9⅛
Louisville & Nashville	58	58⅛	58	58⅛
Louis., New Alb. & Chic.	10⅛	10⅛	10⅛	10⅛
Lou., New A. & C. pf	78½	78⅞	78⅛	78⅞
Manhattan Consol	115⅛	116⅛	115⅛	116⅛
Mexican Central	17⅛	17⅛	17⅛	17⅛
Mich. Central	100½	100½	100½	100½
Minneapolis & St. Louis	33	33	33	33
Missouri Pacific	28⅛	29⅛	28⅛	29⅛
Mobile & Ohio	29⅛	29	29⅛	29
Mo., Kan. & Tex.	17	17	17	17
Mo., Kan. & Tex. pf	31⅞	32⅛	31⅞	32⅛
Nat. Lead Co.	34⅛	34⅞	34⅛	34⅞
Nat. Lead Co. pf	90	90⅛	90	90⅛
Nat. Lin. Oil	28	28⅛	28	28
Nat. Starch Mfg. 2d pf	30	30	29⅞	29⅞
New Jersey Central	100⅛	101⅛	100	101⅛
New York Central	101⅛	101⅛	101⅛	101⅛
N. Y. & New Eng.	42	42⅛	41⅞	42⅛
N. Y., C. & St. L. 2d pf	31⅞	32	31⅞	32
N. Y., L. E. & W.	12⅞	12⅞	12⅛	12⅞
N. Y., Sus. & West.	13	13	12⅞	12⅞
N. Y., Sus. & W. pf	37	37⅛	36½	36½
Norfolk & West.	4⅛	4⅛	4⅛	4⅛
Northern Pacific	6⅝	6⅝	5⅞	5⅞
Northern Pacific pf	20⅛	20⅛	19	20⅛
North American	5⅞	6⅛	5⅞	6⅛
Ontario & Western	18⅞	18⅞	18⅛	18⅞
Pacific Mail	29⅛	29⅛	28⅞	29⅛
Phila. & Reading	18⅞	19⅞	18⅞	19⅞
P., C., C. & St. L.	19⅞	20	19⅞	20
P., C., C. & St. L. pf	82½	82½	82	82
Pullman Palace Car Co.	172½	172½	171	172
Pec., Dec. & Evans	6⅛	6⅛	6⅛	6⅛
Southern Railway	13⅞	14⅛	13⅞	14⅛
Southern Railway pf	39⅞	39⅞	39⅞	39⅞
St. P. & Omaha	37⅞	37⅞	37⅞	37⅞
St. L. Southwestern	6⅞	7	6⅞	7
St. L. Southwestern pf	13⅞	14⅛	13⅞	14⅛
Southern Pacific	19½	20⅛	19½	20⅛
Texas Pacific	11	12⅛	11	12⅛
Tenn. Coal & Iron	28	29⅛	27⅞	29
Tenn. Coal & Iron pf	85	85	85	85
Union Pacific	14⅞	14⅞	14⅛	14⅞
U. S. Wedge	4½	4½	4½	4½
U. S. Cordage pf	6½	6½	6½	6½
U. S. Cordage guar.	11⅛	11⅛	10⅞	11⅛
U. S. Leather	23⅛	23⅛	20⅞	23⅛
U. S. Leather pf	93⅞	93⅞	92⅞	93⅞
U. S. Rubber	40⅞	41	40⅞	41
U. S. Rubber pf	94½	94⅞	94½	94⅞
Va. Pac., Den. & Gulf	6⅞	6⅞	6⅞	6⅞
Wabash	8⅞	9	8⅞	9
Wabash pf	18⅞	19⅛	18⅞	19⅛
West. Union Tele.	92⅞	92⅞	92⅞	92⅞
Wheeling & L. Erie	14	14⅛	14	14⅛
Wheeling & L. Erie pf	46	46⅞	46	46⅞

*Ex div.

COTTON DECLINES 10 POINTS.

Liverpool Took an Unexpected Drop and We Followed Suit.

The Liverpool cotton market took an unexpected drop, prices falling off about 2 points under yesterday's closing on heavy realizing by holders of cotton on more favorable crop reports from this side and limited takings of spot cotton. Our market opened with a decline of about 10 points, in sympathy with the Liverpool market. The early sales included June at 6.86; July, 6.94; August, 6.97 a 7.00; September, 7.02 a 7.05; October, 7.06 a 7.08; November, 7.10 a 7.12; December, 7.14 a 7.15; January, 7.20; February, 7.24.

Wheat took a down turn this morning on favorable reports from the West and free foreign selling. First sales were about 3-4c. lower, July selling here at 75 1-4c. and September at 75 3-4c.

Corn opened at a decline of about 1-4c., July selling here at 58 1-2c. Oats were quiet and provisions dull.

House Raided in Harlem.

Mrs. Fannie Cole, thirty-eight years old, of 74 East One Hundred and Fifteenth street, was held in $500 bail in the Harlem Police Court this morning, charged with keeping a disorderly house. Fannie Gibbons, twenty-five years old, an inmate, was fined $5. Myrtle and Alfreda Cole, aged fifteen and fourteen years old, respectively, daughters of Mrs. Cole, were committed to the care of the Gerry Society.

GEN. ALGER A DEFENDANT.

Mendham Claims that Alger Owes Him Commissions.

Gen. Russell A. Alger, of Detroit, Mich., is defendant in a suit in the Supreme Court, brought by Maurice B. Mendham, a member of the Consolidated Stock and Petroleum Exchange, to recover $27,845.83 claimed as a balance due on an account arising out of stock transactions.

When the suit was brought in February last, Gen. Alger made no answer, but obtained an order for Broker Mendham's examination before trial, to enable him to obtain sufficient information on which to base a reply to the complaint. Justice Lawrence to-day decided that Mendham must submit to the examination.

Mendham's claim is for commissions and for money advanced in the sale and purchase of stocks and securities on Gen. Alger's account between November, 1892, and July, 1894.

Gen. Alger denies that the transactions were made on his account, and alleges that the statements submitted by Mendham were incorrect and fraudulent.

RECEIVER GRANT WINS.

The Decision Against the Madison Square Bank Affirmed.

ALBANY, May 21.—The Court of Appeals has affirmed the judgment of the lower court in the case of Miles M. O'Brien and another, as receivers of the Madison Square Bank, against Hugh J. Grant, receiver of the St. Nicholas Bank.

Action was brought by the receivers of the Madison Square Bank against the St. Nicholas Bank to recover $234,669.72, and notes and securities of the value of $120,947.29.

By the decision of the Court, the Madison Square Bank receivers lose the suit and will have to pay about $4,000 in costs.

WANTS TO SEE THE BOOKS.

Oregon Improvement Company Stockholder Applies to Court.

W. J. Hoffman, a stockholder in the Oregon Improvement Company, of Portland, says that he has been denied the right to inspect the books of the Company, in violation of the law, and he applied to Judge McAdam, in the Superior Court, to-day, for a peremptory mandamus, compelling the transfer agent of the Company to produce the books for examination.

Behind Hoffman's application is said to be a scheme to change the management of the Company, which is one of the wealthiest on the Pacific coast.

Decision was reserved.

TO DISSOLVE THE COMPANY.

Receiver Named for the Bowery Insurance Company.

George B. Rhodes was appointed receiver of the New York Bowery Fire Insurance Company by Judge McAdam in the Superior Court to-day.

The appointment was made on the application of a majority of the Board of Directors, who allege that the Company's liabilities exceed its assets, and ask for a voluntary dissolution of the company.

ROCKEFELLER SPOKE OF AIR.

Relates His Talk with Merritt, Who Sues Him for $1,500,000.

DULUTH, Minn., May 21.—The deposition of John D. Rockefeller, of New York, in the $1,500,000 Merritt suit, has been filed in the United States Court here. In it, Mr. Rockef