

ICE BARONS ARE IN PANIC

Mayor Van Wyck Will Plead "Private Business" in Answer to World's Charges Before the Governor.

Crocker Says Roosevelt's Course Will Hurt His Own Party More than It Will Tammany Hall.

SARATOGA, Aug. 15.—There is a panic among the ice trust magnates here over the announcement that Gov. Roosevelt will demand an explanation from Mayor Van Wyck of his connection with the notorious monopoly.

The Mayor, John F. Carroll, Augustus Van Wyck and Richard Crocker have been in consultation since the news came.

The Mayor would say nothing today as to Gov. Roosevelt's demand, but it is known on the highest authority that he will fall back on the old plea of "private business" in his answer, and will deny that he received \$250,000 worth of ice trust stock at a reduced rate because of his opportunity as Mayor to promote the interests of the trust.

Crocker, however, said today that the Governor's course would hurt his party more than it would hurt Tammany Hall.

"If the Mayor is guilty now," he said, "he was guilty last March, and Roosevelt knew as much then as he does now. I think he is making a grand stand play which will not do him any good."

But for all of Crocker's assurance, he was undoubtedly as much surprised at the Governor's declared intention to probe into the World's charges against the Mayor as any other man in Saratoga.

The probability of the Governor seriously considering a demand for the removal of Mayor Van Wyck had been furthest from the thoughts of the Tammany leaders. They had been confident all along that the Governor would either ignore the demand for the Mayor's removal or would permit the charges to go unnoticed.

Mayor Van Wyck is manifestly annoyed by the new turn of affairs. He and Carroll indulged in a spirited controversy in the corridor of the Grand Union Hotel last night, they said, when the Governor's announcement that he would probe the charges against the Mayor, and frequently referred to it. The Mayor did most of the talking and at times appeared to be excited. He has not yet received Roosevelt's request for an answer to the World's charges.

TWO DAYS' RESPITE.

Attorney-General Has Received a Copy of Complaint Against Van Wyck.

ALBANY, Aug. 15.—Attorney-General Davies this morning received a copy of the amended complaint against Mayor Van Wyck.

He expects he will take two days before acting upon it.

He has not written a letter to Van Wyck on the subject.

ONE FIGHT WON BY MILLIONAIRE

John T. Ryan, Who Is Testing Cycle Path Law at Islip, Acquitted.

John T. Ryan, the millionaire resident of West Islip, L. I., who has been on trial at intervals in Justice Hall's court for the past month on the charge of damaging the cycle paths in front of his residence, was acquitted to-day.

KEENE'S \$3,000,000 WINNING IN B. R. T.



CHARLES T. DAVIS.

How James R. Keene made \$3,000,000 the Standard Oil crowd of operators \$500,000, and he himself \$300,000 out of the drop in Brooklyn Rapid Transit stock, is told today by Charles Thomas Davis, who is now in the Tombs pending appeal from his sentence of three months imprisonment for conspiring to break the stock.

He also tells of the late Gov. Flower's threat to "break Jim Keene."

Jinx is under \$10,000 bail, which he is unable to raise. He declares he is being kept in jail to force him to get something together against Mr. Keene.

"I have been informed," he said to-day, "that if I showed my hand in regard to him I would not only get my bail reduced, but get the \$25,000 reward offered by the Brooklyn Rapid-Transit Company."

"Everything I did was within the law," he said.

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"Well, when I heard him say that about Mr. Keene I felt hot under the collar. I walked over and talked to the Standard Oil men. I kept up my exposure of the weakness of Brooklyn Rapid Transit, and I told Mr. Keene all the while when the Standard Oil men were selling. But there was never any conspiracy. Mr. Keene never suspected that I had relations with the Standard Oil crowd, nor did they know that I had relations with him."

Undertakers Fight for Body.

While the body of Mrs. Mary Hammond lies at the morgue awaiting burial, two undertakers are engaged in a lively war to decide which shall bury the corpse.

The woman was admitted to Bellevue some days ago and gave as the name of her nearest friend that of Mrs. Mary Callahan, of 229 East One Hundredth street. When she died yesterday Mrs. Callahan was notified of her death and sent word to the undertaking firm of Burke & Sullivan, of 177 Third avenue, to prepare the body for burial.

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PENN. RR. BUYS 39TH ST. FERRY

Also After Brooklyn Wharf and Street Franchises.

The development of Brooklyn as a big railroad center is involved in the transactions by which the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has obtained control of the Thirty-ninth Street Ferry, running from the Battery to South Brooklyn.

Large blocks of bonds of the Brooklyn Wharf and Warehouse Company, which owns much of Brooklyn's water front and which is trying to get control of part of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company's system of street-car lines.

Experts have just finished an exhaustive examination of the Brooklyn company's lines with a view to purchase.

The big warehouse company, now bankrupt, is to be reorganized in the interests of the Pennsylvania Company.

SALE OF SHIRT WAISTS.

500 White Cotton Shirt Waists. Made of lace weaves and fancy striped Muslins. Soft cuffs, 75 cents each; Value \$1.50.

JAMES McCREERY & CO., Broadway and 11th St.

BEARS HAMMER SUGAR STOCK.

Manhattan and B. R. T. Attacked but Prices, Were Held Up.

The trend of prices on the Stock Exchange today was toward a higher level. Trading was active.

Some of the prominent issues, notably Sugar, Brooklyn Rapid Transit, Manhattan and Southern Pacific, were attacked by the bears at the start, evidently for the purpose of causing depression elsewhere in the market.

These stocks yielded fractionally at first, but with the exception of Southern Pacific quickly recovered.

The railroad issues, particularly New Jersey Central, Norfolk & Western, Louisville & Nashville and St. Louis & Southwestern, preferred, showed up strongly.

Fractional gains were manifested in the iron and steel shares, aside from Colorado Fuel & Iron, with Republic Steel and Federal Steel preferred the features.

Among the Grangers small advances were also shown. Laclede Gas preferred, Anacosta Mining, American Tin Plate and Consolidated Gas were exceptionally strong industrials.

Consolidated Gas climbed four points to 174 in substantial style and the rights advanced over a point.

A sudden burst of activity in the transactions benefited them 1 to 1 1/2. Brooklyn Rapid Transit was taken on revised rumors as to the showing in the forthcoming annual report. Sugar joined in the rise.

Other specialties were advanced, but the gains were not important outside of the Pacific Mail and Steel & Wire preferred.

In the railroad list prices reached a higher level, with the demand showing some diminution on the way up. At midday trading was very light and prices sagged on realization. Bonds were generally firm with pronounced strength in St. Louis South Western seconds and Washob debentures.

The advance was resulted in Brooklyn Rapid Transit after midday and it rose to 107 1/2. Speculation otherwise was dull and uninteresting, with the undertone of the Granger group again assumed prominence in the market. Heavy buying orders were placed in the Anthracite coal stocks and a feature of the day was an exceptional rise of 1 1/4 per cent. There was less demand for the general list and a feature of the day was an exceptional rise of 1 1/4 per cent. There was less demand for the general list and a feature of the day was an exceptional rise of 1 1/4 per cent.

The Closing Quotations

Am. Int. & Mailing	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
Am. Steel & Wire	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
Am. Steel & Iron	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
Am. Sugar	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Am. Tobacco	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
Am. Cotton	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Lumber	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Oil	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Paper	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Glass	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Rubber	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Leather	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Iron	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Steel	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Coal	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Gas	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Electric	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Telephone	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Printing	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Book	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Stationery	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Furniture	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Hardware	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Dry Goods	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Textiles	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Hosiery	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Knit Goods	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Millinery	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Jewelry	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Watches	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Clocks	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Toys	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Games	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Books	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Magazines	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Am. Newspapers	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
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Am. Newspapers	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2

LONDON STOCKS FIRM.

Reassuring War Reports and Easier Discounts Helped the Market Steady.

War reports from China being of a reassuring nature and discounts easier owing to gold imports, the London stock market was firm to-day, consoled advancing.

New York's unexpected animation yesterday was responsible for some aggressiveness in the American railroad stocks at the opening. On subsequent transactions, however, numerous issues in this department suffered reactions, which reduced the quotations in the affected stocks to about a parity level.

Those that receded after the opening included New York Central, Pennsylvania, Illinois Central, Canadian Pacific and Baltimore & Ohio, the latter selling ex-dividend.

Anacosta Mining, Louisville & Nashville, Norfolk & Western and Atchafalaya preferred maintained their initial advance.

KILLED IN WRECK, 7; NINE PERSONS HURT.

Engineers and Firemen Who Stuck to Posts Instantly Killed Near Grand Rapids.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Aug. 15.—Seven lives were lost and nine persons injured this morning in a wreck on the Grand Rapids and Indiana Railroad at Pierson, twenty-nine miles north of this city.

THE DEAD.

LETTIS, CHARLES M., Grand Rapids, conductor northbound train No. 5.

GROETVELDT, GILBERT, Grand Rapids, engineer No. 5.

FISH, WILLIAM H., Grand Rapids, engineer No. 2.

WOODHOUSE, EDWARD O., Grand Rapids, fireman No. 5.

DOYLE, LOUIS G., Grand Rapids, fireman No. 2.

PIERSON, C., passenger, of Franklin, Ind.

LEVAN, RALPH, son of Baggage-man Levan, of Grand Rapids, who was in the car with his father.

THE INJURED.

BLISSON, MARK, Grand Rapids, news agent, back of skull fractured; will die.

DENNIS, H. A., Grand Rapids, passenger, cut on head, legs jammed, left shoulder hurt.

GRAVES, W. M., Grand Rapids, colored, waiter on No. 5, compound fracture of right arm and badly cut.

FOUR, C. W., Grand Rapids, colored, porter No. 5, injured about legs and chest.

POWERS, DAVID C., Grand Rapids, baggage-man of No. 2, scalp wound, throat cut.

POHOFF, FRANK, Traverse City, trainman, head badly cut.

HARBER, W. M., Grand Rapids, dining car conductor, left of chest hurt, head cut.

TAYLOR, HARVEY, Grand Rapids, colored waiter, both hands lacerated, arms cut.

HARTSAW, W. G., passenger, badly hurt about face and chest.

The north-bound Northland express, which left here at 4.05, collided head-on with passenger train No. 2, due here at 6 A. M.

When the trains met day was just dawning, and the fog was so thick that the engineers could not see more than one hundred yards ahead.

The trains were to have passed at Sand Lake, two miles south of Pierson, at 4.52. The passenger train was evidently late and was trying to make the siding at Pierson. The express had the right of way, and was thundering along at full speed.

Either the engineers blundered in their orders or were not able to see signals on account of the fog.

Dulness prevailed in the wheat market at the opening to-day, and prices were unfavorably affected by the weak start in corn and continued lower on English cables. Foreign orders were entirely absent.

New York's opening prices were: September wheat, 82 1/4; December, 80 1/4; March, 84 1/2; September corn, 47 1/2; October, 45 1/2; December, 44 1/2; March, 48 1/2.

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The Cotton Market.

The closing prices of cotton to-day were: August, 8.25 to 8.31; September, 8.71 to 8.72; October, 8.50; November, 8.30 to 8.31; December, 8.35 to 8.36; January, 8.40 to 8.41; April, 8.41 to 8.42; May, 8.43 to 8.44; June, 8.45 to 8.47. Market steady.

Silver Going to Europe.

The steamship Augusta Victoria, sailing for Europe, will take out 50,000 ounces of silver.

Child Dies from Burns.

Jacob Leih, six years old, of 21 Henry street, died in Gouverneur Hospital this morning from burns received at his home several days ago.

Ehrich Bros.

Hot Weather Undermuslins Marked at Zero Prices.

Many of the following offers have scarcely been comfortably settled on our tables and shelves. Nothing can long remain in this underwear store. Selections are too carefully made, and prices too reasonable to permit it.

CONGRAT COVERS, over 100 dozen styles and shapes, made from sheer muslins and cambrics, trimmed with lace or embroidered edges and insertion, at 19c., 25c., 29c.

MUSLIN and CAMBRIC GOWNS, DRAWERS, SKIRTS, CHEMISES, COVERS, COVERS and LAIN KIMONOS, awarrior, in number, marked from 8c. to 59c.

25 doz. long LAWN KIMONO NEGLIGEE GOWNS, fancy colored stripes, white lawn bordered all sizes, special value at 96c.

FANCY COLORED LAWN SKIRTS, umbrella shape, pink, lavender or light blue, deep ruffles, decorated with white piping, marked from 8c. to close at 49c.

10,000 Yds. Cotton Dress Goods to be Closed at Cost and Less.

This sale will include all that remain of the most popular lines of the season. They're not merely remnants, either—that point is worth remembering. Every piece of cotton dress goods in the store has been reduced for this sale.

IRISH DIMITY, FANCY SWISS, CORDED BATISTE, SCOTCH ZEPHYR, PRINTED MULLS, MADRAS SKIRTING. Regular prices range from 15 to 22 cents per yard; now all at 10c and 12 1/2c.

Colored Wool Dress Goods.

FANCY CHEVIOT SUITING, 5 different styles, regular prices 40c. and 49c. per yard, at 25c.

IMPORTED WOOL GRENADINES, original price 69c. per yard, at 45c.

SILK AND WOOL VELOUR PLAIDS, usual price \$1.25 per yard, at 69c.

Black Dress Goods.

FIGURED BRILLIANTINE and WOOL GRENADINES, worth 45c. per yard, at 19c.

WOOL HOMESPUN and NOVELTY SUITING, worth 49c. per yard, at 25c.

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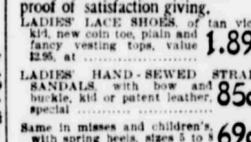
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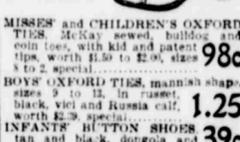
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The Best Shoes in America.



The shoe chief says that he gets the best shoes in America for the money. Certainly they go very quickly—that partially bears him out in his statement. Yes, and new friends that they make come here again and again—become our regular patrons. That's conclusive proof of satisfaction giving.



LADIES' LACE SHOES, tan and kid, new coin toe, plain and fancy vamping tops, value 1.89 to 2.99, special 1.25.

LADIES' HAND-SEWED STRAP SANDALS, with bow and buckle, kid or patent leather, special 85c.

Same in misses and children's, with spring heels, sizes 5 to 9 and 10 to 12, special 69c.

LITTLE MEN'S SATIN CALF SHOES, spring heels, sizes 9 to 12, worth \$1.25, special 69c.

MISSSES' and CHILDREN'S OXFORD TIES, McKay sewed, building and coin toes, with kid and patent tops, worth \$1.50 to \$2.00, special 98c.

BOYS' OXFORD TIES, mannish shape, sizes 9 to 12, in rubber, black, red and Russia calf, worth \$2.50, special 1.25.

INFANTS' BUTTON SHOES, plain and black, dogonia and cotton tops, sizes 9