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# BIG STORM HEADED THIS WAY CARRIES DESTRUCTION INTO MANY STATES; THREATENS PITTSBURG.

## PRIEST WOULD SOLVE THE MYSTERY OF MISSING BOY.

Father Mullin, Who Offers \$10,000 Reward, Says Kidnappers Should Be Punished, Yet Fears that Willie McCormick Is Now Dead.

### \$10,000 IN REWARDS FOR MCCORMICK BOY.

\$1,000—By Oscar Willgerodt, and no questions asked.  
\$5,000—By Michael G. McCormick, now in the hands of Pat Sheedy; no questions asked.  
\$10,000—By the Rev. J. A. Mullin, of the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church of High Bridge, for the return of the boy and the capture of the kidnapers.

Another reward of \$10,000 was offered to-day not only for the return of Willie McCormick, but also for the capture of his kidnapers. The total amount now offered is \$16,000.

What the city has failed to do has been done by the Rev. Father James A. Mullin, pastor of the Church of the Sacred Heart, Highbridge. He declares that kidnaping is the crime of the times, and, appreciating the tremendous encouragement that will be given to kidnapers throughout the country by the failure of the police to run down the criminals in the present case, he has offered his reward, not only for the return of the boy, but the capture of those who have stolen him.

Of the \$16,000 in rewards \$1,000 is offered by Oscar Willgerodt and \$5,000 placed in the hands of Pat Sheedy by the uncle of the lost boy. The McCormick family are members of Father Mullin's church, and it was for the church the boy started on the night he disappeared.

### Wants Kidnapers, Too.

"I would not pay the money just for the return of the boy," Father Mullin said to-day. "When any one brings back the boy, I shall be ready to pay the reward of \$10,000."

"I have never felt sure that the lad was kidnaped. It may be that the boy was coaxed away from home that night, or that he deliberately went away in fear of punishment, but in either case I believe he would have returned long before this unless he is being held."

"My proposition is, that if Willie McCormick was taken away by kidnapers I will pay \$10,000 for him and the kidnapers. Kidnaping has grown to be the crime of the times, and drastic measures should be taken to stop it. That is the spirit that prompts me to make this offer of \$10,000."

### Sheedy Won't Handle It.

"Will this money be handled by Mr. Sheedy?" he was asked.

"No. Pat Sheedy nor any other gambler will handle my money," said the priest. "I'll handle it myself."

"Do you think you will have any claimants for the reward?"

"I hope so," was the reply, "but I fear that something has happened to him. I fear that if they ever find him he will be dead."

"I gather from this that it is your money that is being offered," was suggested.

"You are no father confessor to me," said the priest, his eyes twinkling. "If I was to own up that I had \$50,000, and you put it in 'The Evening World,'

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REV. JAMES A. MULLIN.

## NEW LEAD CO. MAY FIGHT THE TRUST.

The Union Lead and Oil Company Has Been Formed with \$15,000,000 Capital and Big Plant.

Oil men and lead men are deeply interested in the organization of a big new company in New Jersey with a capital of \$15,000,000 known as the Union Lead and Oil Company. It was announced in several papers that the company was to absorb the American Lined Oil Company and a new giant combination formed. Other reports were of a big fight against the Lined Trust. "In the first place," said Mr. Wise, President of the new company, to-day, "the Union Lead and Oil Company is not planning to reorganize the American Lined Oil Company or to absorb it. The Union Company propose to build four 60-process lined oil mills at Chicago, Buffalo, Minneapolis and New York or vicinity, and she plans in this matter as well under way. The aggregate capacity of these mills will equal the capacity of the mills of the Lined Trust. "In the second place the manufacture of white lead is not an unimportant branch of the company's business. On the contrary the company will erect factories in connection with its oil mills for the manufacture of white lead on a scale corresponding in extent to its lined oil manufacture. "This lead will be 'old Dutch process lead,' made by a new and improved method. It will be superior in quality to the old Dutch lead and is to be produced by a process entirely automatic, eliminating the element of lead poisoning and decreasing the cost of manufacture very materially. "Again, the manufacture and sale of lined oil and white lead in conjunction will save 50 per cent. on the selling expense alone. Arrangements have been completed for the marketing of the lead by leading firms in New York and other large cities.

### DIPHTHERIA NEAR SCHOOLS.

Board of Health Closes Institutions at High Bridge.

The parochial and Sunday schools of the Church of the Sacred Heart, High Bridge, and the Union Dutch Reformed Church, Marlon avenue and Highbridge, were ordered closed to-day by the Board of Health.

This action is taken on account of the prevalence of diphtheria in that vicinity.

### FIRE SHIP LITTLE HURT.

Olinda Will Sail To-Morrow for Cuban Ports.

The Munson liner Olinda, which had a fire yesterday in her cargo, was not much damaged.

The steamship is being pumped out and will be ready to sail to-morrow for Cuban ports. The damage to the lumber cannot be estimated until the Board of Survey looks over it.

## \$400,000 GIVEN TO NIECES BY CORNELIUS VAN NESS.

NEWBURG, April 20.—The suit against Cornelius H. Van Ness by Harriet B. and Marie B. Harman was settled by agreement to-day in Justice Dickey's court. Under this agreement Van Ness allows \$374,000 to the Harman girls and to Emma Van Ness Day and pays \$25,000 to the attorneys and guardians. The estate was left to him by his wife and was valued at \$1,250,000.

Mr. Van Ness retains the remainder of the estate which will probably be left to his present and third wife. The claims of the Misses Harman and Misses Day, nieces of his second wife, were based on a promise said to have been made by Van Ness to his second wife that he would keep the estate intact and on his death distribute it equally to the three heirs-at-law.

### RESULTS AT AQUEDUCT.

Sixth Race—Janice 1, Ista 2, Kentucky 3.

### RESULTS OF BASEBALL GAMES.

At Cincinnati—End sixth inning: Pittsburg, 4; Cincinnati, 1.  
At St. Louis—End third inning: Chicago, 4; St. Louis, 10.

## A RECORD DAY IN WALL STREET.

Biggest Total of Saturday Sales Ever Known on the Exchange.

The total sales of stocks to-day eclipsed all Saturday records, 1,144,200 shares having changed hands. The largest day previously recorded sales of 1,115,000 shares.

When the Stock Exchange opened to-day it was as if a recess of ten minutes had been taken since the closing of yesterday instead of nearly twice as many hours. For as it closed with a roar and a rush so it opened.

There seemed to be but one aim and object among the brokers, who crowded the floor to its utmost capacity, and that, to the contrary the company will erect factories in connection with its oil mills for the manufacture of white lead on a scale corresponding in extent to its lined oil manufacture.

### 15,000 Shares in a Bundle.

The first quotation sent out was Delaware and Hudson. It was a modest 600 share lot at the closing price of last night. Then like a flash came Rock Island, and following 15,000 shares of Union Pacific at prices ranging from 100 1/2 to 101. So rapidly were these transactions made that the actual opening price was not known. IN THE FIRST TEN MINUTES IT WAS ESTIMATED THAT OVER 300,000 SHARES OF STOCK HAD BEEN TRADED IN.

The scenes on the floor of the Exchange were unparalleled except during times of panic. Nothing like the excitement that prevailed has ever been seen before. New records were established in a number of stocks, including Chicago and East Illinois, which made the phenomenal rise of 12 points, Pennsylvania, Missouri Pacific, Lake Erie and Western, Canada Southern and Atchison and others, and the great bull movement seemed to soar upward without hindrance.

Blocks of from 1,000 to 15,000 shares were taken of various stocks on a rising scale of prices. The first sales of Union Pacific were 15,000 shares at 100 1/2 to 101, compared with 100 last night. In St. Paul 7,000 shares changed hands at 164 1/2 to 164 3/4, compared with 152 3/4 last night. Both of these stocks advanced additional fractions after the opening.

Amalgamated Copper was quoted at 128 1/2 to 128, compared with 127 1/4 last night on sales of 7,500 shares. There were wide openings at extreme gains, running over a point and up to 2 points in Baltimore & Ohio, Chesapeake & Ohio, Texas & Pacific, American Smelting, People's Gas, Pennsylvania, and of large fractions in a number of other stocks.

### Deals on a Huge Scale.

It came near being what might be termed a "bull panic" if such a thing were possible. To the outsider it seemed that only an hour or two remained in which to buy stocks—that there never would be another opportunity and that their value was limitless.

In addition to the local buying London was also a large purchaser. After the first half hour there was a large amount of realizing evident, but it in no way affected the general tone and buoyancy of the market.

The activity of the market was well maintained until St. Paul gave way nearly a point, when the buying demand was checked. Union Pacific was back within 1/4 of the close, and many of the most prominent stocks in the list were from a fraction to 1 1/2 under. Chicago & Eastern Illinois reacted 3 1/2 to 3 1/2.

The local tractions became strong before the appearance of the bank statement, and afterward St. Paul and Union Pacific were bid up again in an effort to rally the market. Brooklyn Transit rose 3 3/4; Chicago & Eastern

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## Greatest Flood in River History Predicted by Boatmen—Current Sweeping Through Streets—Towns Under Water and Loss of Life May Be Heavy.

The greatest storm of the year in extent of area swept several States to-day. It reached to Tennessee in the South, Ohio in the West and Canada in the North.

All the territory within this boundary was severely affected and late to day a terrific gale was sweeping up the coast to this city.

Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, New York and Kentucky suffered the most, Pennsylvania being flood swept and several farms inundated.

Pittsburg is threatened with the worst flood in its history. This evening water is rushing through the city streets and the Monongahela River steadily rising menaces the city's safety.

Over the lakes a gale is blowing and in this State trains are impeded by heavy snow.

## SHOT DOWN AT FACTORY DESK.

Three Men Attacked Bookkeeper While at Work.

RUTLAND, Vt., April 20.—The authorities were notified to-day of an alleged attempt to murder Charles F. Campbell, a bookkeeper for Harden Brothers, tool manufacturers at Wallingford, late last night.

The story of the would-be murder was accompanied by one to the effect that the bookkeeper had attempted to commit suicide. The authorities are investigating.

It is feared that the man is mortally hurt. The story told by Mr. Campbell, who came here from New York about a year ago, is that while he was at work in the office of the factory about 10 o'clock last night three men rushed in and within warning one pulled a revolver and discharged it, the bullet striking Campbell two inches below the heart.

Campbell fell unconscious. Later he revived and dragged himself to a hotel half a mile away.

He told an incomplete story and became unconscious. He remains in a stupor to-day and physicians state there is little hope that he will recover.

It is believed that robbery was intended by the men, but they gave up without ransacking the office.

Campbell was planning to go to New York to-day, and it is reported that he was to be married next Wednesday.

How the suicide theory gained circulation is not apparent and no motive is assigned for such an act.

### McCoy's Cottage Burned.

(Special to The Evening World.) SARATOGA, N. Y., April 20.—Kid McCoy's cottage, adjacent to his Cedar Bluff roadhouse at Saratoga Lake, was burned to the ground last night. It was occupied by its roadhouse manager, James Barrett.

## RIVER WATERS SWEEP STREETS OF PITTSBURG.

(Special to The Evening World.) PITTSBURG, April 20.—Death and destruction have been wrought by the flood in this city. It is the worst April flood since 1852, of which there is any record.

Some of the rivermen say that the present flood may pass this stage. The river is rising at the rate of a foot an hour, as against eight inches an hour in 1884. This would indicate a larger volume of water than in the year named. As the rivers are still rising at all points, the exact amount of water to be expected at Pittsburg cannot be forecasted.

### Waters Rising.

There is a very dangerous current in both rivers and the river men are taking all possible precaution to protect floating property. Everywhere comes word that creeks and small streams are overflowing their banks and that the mighty rush of water is doing great damage. All of the creeks flowing into the Ohio River adjacent to Pittsburg, have overflowed their banks.

This afternoon the Monongahela River overflowed, and the waters rushed over the wharves into the city streets. It ran in a volume six inches deep at first, but increased in depth, and was soon two feet deep in places.

Residents of the lower wards were driven from their houses and ran before the flood to places of safety. Hundreds were homeless and many were taken care of by the city.

### River a Torrent.

As night closed in the river was a raging torrent and the flood area was growing. Wires were down and in many places the streets were in darkness.

Three persons have been found drowned so far, and many other fatalities are looked for.

The damage caused is very heavy. At the Western Penitentiary, in Allegheny, consultations are being held as to the best steps to be taken for the safety and security of the many prisoners should the worst predictions be realized. The danger line at the penitentiary bank is twenty-seven feet and the water was near that mark at dusk. The people of Carnegie, the steel town

### STORM'S HAVOC IN FIVE STATES.

Pennsylvania—Swept by floods. Carnegie and other towns inundated. Pittsburg partially flooded.

Ohio—Tied up by blizzard. Snow heavy, and high gales prevail.

New York—Rain and snow hamper traffic. Wires down. Kentucky—Record snow storm. Streams swollen and much suffering.

West Virginia—Big floods cause washouts and landslides.

Erie and Ontario Lakes—Gales menace shipping. Vessels in trouble.

near Pittsburg, fleeing from a flood that sweeps the place today, faced a new terror in a mob of drunken negroes. The police, led by Chief Foster, charged upon the mob this afternoon, and in a riot that followed the Chief was seriously wounded, while others of the police were slightly hurt. It has been raining almost incessantly throughout western Pennsylvania, east-

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### WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Sunday, for New York City and vicinity—Northeast rain and windstorm this afternoon and to-night; Sunday rain, followed by fair, northeast gale shifting to northwest on Sunday.