

# THE BOYS WHO WILL WALK WITH WESTON

Edward Payson Weston, the famous pedestrian, will start his daily walks in co-operation with The Evening World at 110th St. and Seventh Ave. next Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Every schoolboy in New York and those who have not already joined the club should be on hand at 3.30 o'clock. These walks will continue for six days, and parents are requested to note the effect on the physical welfare of their children.

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## BLAZE IN SCHOOL THROWS PARENTS INTO WILD PANIC

### Hysterical From Fright, They Gather About Front Doors While Pupils Are Quietly Marched Out of Burning Building.

## RESERVES CALLED OUT TO QUIET FRANTIC WOMEN.

### Hinder Firemen in Their Efforts to Get at the Children, Who Are in No Danger—The School Will Have to Be Rebuilt.

Fire on the third floor of Public School No. 86, at Lexington avenue and Ninety-sixth street, this afternoon, started an exciting panic.

The panic, however, was contributed by the hysterical parents of the 2,700 children in the building, all of whom marched from the building in quiet order.

When the fire alarm was sounded the parents of the children rushed from the nearby tenements and struggled at the front entrance to get inside. At the same time the children were being led out via the rear entrance. The fourth floor was badly damaged and about 300 children lost their outer wraps.

Principal John J. O'Reilly discovered the fire on leaving for his office, on the third floor. He saw smoke curling up from a crack in the floor. There is no fire signal in the building, owing to the fact that repairs have been under way on account of fire in the same building last March.

Principal O'Reilly stepped into room No. 506 and quietly instructed Miss Blakely, the teacher in charge of the forty boy pupils out by the rear entrance. The boys quickly formed in line and marched out in perfect order. O'Reilly then dispatched a teacher to give the alarm and sent word to all the teachers in the building.

Within two minutes, and just as the last pupil was entering the rear yard and well beyond the danger line, the engines swung around the corner, with Chief Dougherty in command.

Women Fight Firemen.

In the wake of the engines came the parents, chiefly the mothers of the school children who lived in the vicinity. They swarmed to the front entrance and blocked the way of the firemen. Some of the women grew hysterical and fought desperately against the firemen. "The children are all out safely in the rear," the firemen cried to the women, but it was not until the police reserves arrived that order was restored and the firemen were permitted to give their full attention to the fire.

In the rear of the school the panic was repeated. Frantic mothers ran through the crowd of children, each calling for her own offspring, and it was some time before all could be convinced that none had been forgotten. The school will have to be remodelled all over again.

## 9 SHOT AS 2,000 BATTLE IN RIOT

MUNCIE, Ind., Jan. 2.—Rioting was resumed to-day in the streets of Muncie between the striking employees of the street railway company and the strikebreakers.

Two thousand men gathered at various points and stoned the cars.

Shots were fired and nine persons were wounded.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 2.—Three companies of the Indiana National Guard spent the night under arms at the barracks and are being held ready in case there should be further trouble on account of the street railway strike at Muncie. Anderson and other places along the line of the Indiana Union Electric Lines.

## FEAR STEAMER HAS SUNK WITH 400 PASSENGERS

### No Tidings of Mount Royal, Twenty-five Days Out from Antwerp.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Jan. 2.—The absence of tidings of the Canadian Pacific steamship Mount Royal, now twenty-five days out of Antwerp, with Captain Purcell and nearly 400 passengers, has aroused the fear that one of the greatest ocean tragedies of years has occurred.

Not a vessel arriving during the past three weeks has reported the missing ship, which had a light cargo, and it is believed could not easily withstand the heavy weather. Ships leaving days after the Mount Royal and following the same track arrived a week ago without news.

The distance from Antwerp to St. John's is 3,000 miles and the ship would have had to be blown far off the route to be delayed this long. Many shipping men express the fear that she will never be heard from.

The only thing to inspire hope is the report to-day from Capt. Webster, of the steamer Lake Champlain, that he passed a four-masted steamer off Sable Island Monday, but saw no signals of distress and made no effort to learn the identity of the vessel, not knowing of the anxiety regarding the Mount Royal.

### NEW CUNARD SCHEDULE.

Officials of the Cunard line of steamers have worked out a new schedule between this city and Liverpool, and after March 25 will put it into effect, according to a London cable to-day.

In addition to Saturdays, Cunarders will sail on Wednesdays from both sides. The Lusitania and the Mauretania will begin their trips an hour earlier than their present starting time.

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## FULL OF FUN FIRST HOME IN STEEPLECHASE

### Aules, Well Played to Win, "Unshipped" His Rider During Race.

### BABY RACE FOR "B. C. O." McDaniel Wins Second Race for New Two-Year-Olds on Shone.

(Special to The Evening World.)

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 2.—Replying to the repeated statements that he would shortly leave here in response to the call of his friends and employers in New York, Jockey Joe Nutter, who is at present under suspension for rough riding here, declared positively that he has no idea of giving up riding here, and that he will be back in the saddle again as soon as the judges will allow him. Nutter will go with Charley Ellison to Blox, Miss., on a training trip for a few days, and after that will be back here to take up his fight for the top of the list with the riders, an honor that appeals to him more just now than any idea Jack McGinnis or others may have about his returning to New York.

The programme at City Park to-day had for features a condition race of six furlongs that gave chance to several very good horses, a steeplechase over the short course and a two-year-old race in which another batch of fourteen baby racers were engaged. The weather was fine, track fast and the usual crowd in attendance.

FIRST RACE—Purse \$400; two-year-olds. Three furlongs—Shone, 35 (McDaniel), 4 to 1 and 11 to 5; first; Belmont, 10 to 1 and 11 to 5; second; L. 2 to 1 and 3 to 1; third; Flying Flower, 12 (Stimpson), 5 to 1 and 2 to 1; fourth; Dancer, 12 (Swinton), 7 to 1 and 7 to 1; fifth; Time—3:36.45.

SECOND RACE—Steeplechase; purse \$100; four-year-olds and up; handicap; short course—full of fun, 12 (McDaniel), 8 to 1 and 3 to 1; first; Flying Flower, 12 (Stimpson), 5 to 1 and 2 to 1; second; Dancer, 12 (Swinton), 7 to 1 and 7 to 1; third; Time—3:36.45.

THIRD RACE—Rural Boy (4 to 1); Variety (2 to 1); Lorrimer (3 to 1); Time—1:24.5.

FOURTH RACE—Glorifier (1 to 1); Teo Beach (4 to 1); Emergency (2 to 1); Time—1:14.

## FALLS 150 FEET FROM BIG BRIDGE, SWIMS ASHORE

### Ironworker on Blackwell's Island and Span Refuses Aid While in River.

Thomas Huff, of No. 361 East Sixty-second street, and Anthony Sherk, of No. 27 Sutton place, were standing at the foot of East Sixtieth street, late this afternoon, looking up at the new Blackwell's Island Bridge, towering far above their heads.

Suddenly from the unfinished span on the Manhattan side a form shot out in the air, and turning over and over in its flight, struck the surface of the East River and went out of sight with a mighty splash.

Huff and Sherk jumped for a skiff. Grasping the oars they pulled for the place where they had seen the figure disappear. As they neared the spot a man's head showed in the water, and with strong, sure strokes the owner of the head swam toward the shore.

"Never mind me; I'm all right," the swimmer shouted as the skiff ranged alongside. "Without assistance he climbed on a pier."

He was Harry Smith, twenty-six years old, an ironworker, of No. 411 East Sixty-fifth street.

He was walking along the temporary footpath, about twenty feet out from the tower on the New York bank, when he stumbled over an iron bar and shot off. In his fall his head had struck a cross member on chain and it had cut his scalp slightly.

# COUNT CASTELLANE ARRESTED AS HE FIGHTS WITH PRINCE SAGAN IN GUTTER

## Prince and Count Expected to Fight Duel Over Insult in Street Row



## 1,100 MISSING ARE SOUGHT AS WOMAN SLAIN IN SWAMP

With the Harrison, N. J., swamp murder mystery as far from solution as it was a week ago, a most interesting feature in connection with the case is the number of women who are missing from various parts of the United States, and whose descriptions fit that of the unfortunate victim of the Christmas night tragedy. Since the news of the murder was first published the Chief of Police of Harrison has received 1,100 letters from fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers and husbands inquiring for further particulars about the dead woman.

These letters are mostly from the New England and Middle States, but some are from as far away as Nebraska and Texas. In each case the description of a missing errand daughter or a wife correspond with that of the victim of the swamp murder.

Mrs. Hattie Hull, the imaginative young woman who said that the victim of the tragedy was Mrs. Agnes Young, when she knew that Mrs. Young was alive, persists in asserting that the dead woman is really Minnie Jeannette Gaston, her half-sister. The only confirmation of this identification is that Mrs. Hull has a half-sister named Jeannette Gaston, whose whereabouts are unknown.

Chief of Police Rogers received an anonymous letter to-day in which the writer accuses himself of the murder of the victim of the tragedy of Five Points Pond. The letter was mailed in Station H district in Manhattan Monday evening, and Chief Rodgers is not greatly impressed with it.

The writer describes himself as a Norwegian. He says he met the dead woman in Brooklyn four years ago and became intimate with her. She deserted him, but he met her several times even after he had removed from Brooklyn to Philadelphia.

On Christmas Day, he writes, he met her in Newark. They rode to Harrison on the trolley and got off at First street. As they walked across the meadow the woman asked him to marry her, saying she had letters which would force him to do it.

The anonymous letter writer says he killed the woman for the letters, carrying off her clothes, piece by piece, in search of them. She fought him all the time. Finally, when he had failed to find the letters, he struck her in the back of the head and she fell insensible. He says he did not throw the body into the river.

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### Count Spat in Face of Prince Reported Engaged to Anna Gould, and Street Battle Follows in Which Blood Flows.

## PARIS EXPECTS A DUEL AS WIND-UP OF AFFAIR

### Boni Claims His Titled Cousin and Some Friends Were Lying in Wait for Him—Clashed After Leaving Church and Crowd Sees Encounter.

PARIS, Jan. 2.—Count Boni Castellane and Prince Helie de Sagan, his cousin, were the participants in a disgraceful street fight in the Rue de Chailion to-day. After an exchange of uncomplimentary remarks, it is said, Count de Castellane spat in the Prince's face, whereupon the Prince rushed at him and clinched.

They fought all over the sidewalk, clawing at each other's faces and shouting insults. So vicious were they that the bystanders were unable to get between them.

Both were soon down rolling in the gutter. Prince Helie was on top, bleeding from a wound on the head where Count Boni had struck him with his cane.

A big crowd at once collected. The police arrived on the scene and marched both men off to the police station, where they told their stories to the Commissary of Police.

Each claimed that the other had been the aggressor, and Prince Helie formally charged Count Boni with assault. The latter claimed that Prince Helie and some of his friends were lying in wait for him. Subsequently both men were released upon their own recognizance.

### Had Just Left Church.

The altercation occurred outside the Church of St. Pierre de Chailion, where a service had just been celebrated in memory of Lady Stanley Errington, who was the only daughter of Baron de Talleyrand. The two men had attended the church service.

The men finally were separated by Count Boni, who interposed between the combatants.

All Paris is on the qui vive over the approaching duel. It is considered quite necessary for the Prince de Sagan to accept a challenge to his cousin as soon as the preliminaries can be arranged.

The Prince is a noted duellist and has taken part in no less than one hundred affairs of honor. He is an expert with the foils and a dead shot, as Frenchmen estimate marksmanship.

Count Castellane is also famed as a duellist. No one questions his courage, and if he is challenged Paris believes he will accept without hesitation. The interest of Paris in the affair, however, is not begotten of any particular sympathy for either of the profligate principals in the affair. This volatile community sincerely hopes that both the Count and the Prince will live up to their reputations as deadly duellists and is playing no favorites.

### Posing as a Martyr.

The recent divorce of Count Boni Castellane from his New York wife is too fresh in the minds of the people to require any extended notice at this time. M. de Sagan was compelled to divorce himself from her worthless spouse. The courts not only fully sustained her petition for separation, but granted her the custody of her three children.

Since he was divorced Count Castellane has been posing as a martyr, and getting away with the pose to some extent, a condition that could not possibly prevail in any other community on earth.

He has been given to discussing in public places of the great love he still bears his wife and of the injustice that has been done to him by the laws of his native land.

In the trouble between Count Castellane and her husband Prince de Sagan took the side of the American wife. Immediately after the divorce was granted the Prince became most

attentive to the handsome divorced wife of his cousin.

### Anna Gould Denied It.

Soon the rumor that they were to be married gained currency. It reached such dimensions that Mrs. Gould felt constrained to issue a statement that she had no intention of marrying the Prince.

Nevertheless she has continued on friendly terms with him.

In the years preceding his domestic difficulties Count Castellane entertained feelings of almost idolatrous affection for his dashing cousin, the Prince de Sagan. The Prince was the Count's ideal of a French nobleman and gentleman. Prince de Sagan is the most notorious rake in France. He is now forty-eight years old. The scandals in which he has figured would fill many volumes. Compared with him the Count Castellane is a novice in vice.

### HAMILTON BANK IS TAKEN OUT OF RECEIVERSHIP

KINGSTON, N. Y., Jan. 2.—Justice Betts to-day gave a final hearing in the case of the Hamilton Bank, of New York, for which Supreme Court Justice Betts appointed Frank White, of Albany, temporary receiver on Nov. 18, and which was permitted to resume business under a decision handed down last week.

Justice Betts to-day signed the order discharging the receiver and fixing allowance for him and his counsel.

The attorneys appearing were Judge Alton B. Peckoe and James M. Gifford, for the depositors, whose plan of re-opening was approved by Justice Betts, and James A. Farrar for Receiver White for his commission. Mrs. Betts was allowed \$10,000. His counsel was given \$5,000.