NONE IS GREATER THAN THE MOTHER, SAYS ROOSEVELT

President Pays Fine Tribute to Good Woman as Rock of the Nation.

TALKS TO METHODISTS.

Country's Continued Greatness Depends on Clean Family Life.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The trustees of the American University, now in course of construction, had as their guests this afternoon President Roosevelt, Vice-President Fairbanks, Senator Dolliver, of Iowa, and upwards of a thousand Methodists attending the General Conference of the Methodist Church now in session in Baltimore. The exercises, which began on the campus at 3 o'clock, were presided over by Bishop Earl Cranston, and President Roosevelt was the principal speaker.

The President in his address paid a fine tribute to the good mothers of the land, saying that the continued greatness of the nation was possible only through them.

Good Woman Most of All.

"As generation succeeds generation," he said, "the problems change in their external shape; old needs vanish and new needs arise; but it remains as true as ever that in the last analysis national greatness, national happiness, national success, depend upon the character of the individual man and individual woman. We need good laws; we need to have these laws honestly and fearlessly administered; we need wealth; we need science and art and all the kindred activities that spring from the clever brain and the deft hand.

"But most of all we need the essential qualities that in their sum make up the good man and the good woman; most of all we need that fine and healthy family life the lack of which makes any seeming material prosperity but a glittering sham.

"If the average man is brave and hard-working and clean-living, if the average woman has the qualities which make a good wife and good mother, if each has self-respect, and if each realizes that the greatest thing in life is the chance to do service—why, then the future of the nation is secure.

Mother Is Greatest.

"We admire a good man, but we admire a good woman more. We believe in her more. All honor is due the man who does his full duty in peace, who as a soldier does his full duty in war, but even more honor is due the mother, for the birth pangs make all men the debtors of all women.

"No human being has a greater title to respect than the mother who does her full duty, who bears and rears plenty of healthy children, so that there shall be national growth, and not national decadence, so that in quality and in quantity our people shall increase. The measure of our belief in and respect for the good man and the good woman must be the measure of our condemnation of the man and the woman who, whether from viciousness or selfishness or from vapid folly, fails to do each his or her duty in his or her special sphere.

ARRESTED UPON LINER'S GANGPLANK

Alleged False Check Swindlers Taken While Embarking for Antwerp.

Isaac Goldstone and Abe Friedman, who have been partners in a notion and jewelry jobbing concern in Philadelphia, were arrested to-day as they were walking up the gangplank to the Red Star line steamer Vaderland, which sailed for Antwerp. They are charged with uttering worthless checks amounting to $14,000.

Lieut. Emanel, of Police Headquarters in Philadelphia, came to this city early to-day and asked the aid of the local police in locating Goldstone and Friedman. Mrs. Goldstone was with them and they brought a wagon-load of trunks which had already been loaded on the Vaderland.

"The merchants on whom the checks were passed did not discover the paper was worthless until yesterday," said Lieut. Emanuel. "Then, at 11 o'clock last night I had to hustle Magistrate Gates, of the First Judicial Court, in Philadelphia, out of bed and get a warrant from him. We know of $14,000 in bad checks, and the amount may run up to $50,000."

Mrs. Goldstone, who is a pretty little brunette, was not arrested, but accompanied her husband to Police Headquarters. Lieut. Emanuel was assisted by Detectives Mooney, Aikman and McMullen, of this city.

If You Want to Buy a Dog, a Cat or Bird

at a reasonable price read World "Dogs and Birds" Advertisements to-morrow, Sunday. If you have plenty of money to squander, profit by Sunday World "Dogs and Birds" Ads. anyway—then you'll have so much MORE money to "burn" up the "Great White Way"—or elsewhere.

IRISH ATHLETES IN REVOLT WITH COUNTIES UNION

Four of the Strongest Teams to Join the Irish-American Athletic Club.

With the appearance of four of their best football teams and two of the best hurling teams of the Irish Counties Athletic Union at Celtic Park to-morrow afternoon comes the open break that promises to disrupt the counties organization.

For some time there has been much dissatisfaction expressed among the organizations in the Irish Counties Athletic Union over the fact that they were practically forced to purchase bonds of the new athletic park which is now being prepared in the vicinity of Wakefield. Finally, the County Kerry men, the County Mayo men, the County Limerick men and the County Cork men decided that they would decline to come up for this purpose, and have withdrawn from active participation in the Irish Counties Athletic Union.

It is expected that they will cast their lot with the Irish-American Athletic Club, which has taken steps to form a league of Gaelic football. The backing of the Irish-American Athletic Club, with its splendid organization, will undoubtedly do much to advance this fine sport to the high plane in athletics which it should have occupied long ago. The club also contemplates the organization of a Gaelic Hurling League.

In to-morrow's games the Kerrys will kick the Corks and the Mayos will tackle the Limericks. There will be a hurling match between Clare and Kilkenny. A handsome cup will be presented for this event by Dennis Buckley, President of the Kerrymen's Association. A silver cup will also be awarded to the victorious football team, one of them the gift of Patrick Carter; the other donated by the Kerrymen's Association. One of the feautres of the day will be the presence of Father Chang, the only Chinese Catholic priest in the world. "Big" Tim Sullivan will throw the ball into the field for the Kerry-Cork contest.

WOMAN CHOKED BY THIEF HOLDS HIM IN BATTLE

Pluckily Clings to Burglar During Struggle Down Flight of Stairs.

Mrs. J. R. Wall, a widow, who occupies the second floor of a fashionable boarding house kept by J. R. Warner at No. 142 West Eighty-second street, was the heroine of a burglar capture to-day, in which she was badly bruised and choked almost into insensibility.

Mrs. Wall's son, J. R. Wall, jr., a broker, occupies the rear room of the apartment. He had gone downtown before his mother got up, and just as she was waking she heard a rustling in her son's room, and saw a tall, slender young man rifling the dresser.

Crying for help, she rushed in and seized the intruder about the waist. He struck at her, but she held on. Then, while she still clung to him with all her strength, he dragged her down a flight of stairs. The plucky woman never let go, however, and still had a firm grip on the man when Mr. Warner came up from the basement, followed by the negro butler.

They got the thief down and sat on him until a policeman arrived. At the West One Hundredth street station the intruder said he was Jacob Kososky, twenty-four years old, of No. 763 Sixth avenue. The police say he is a graduate of Elmira Reformatory and has been in prison three times.

When Policeman Droskel arrived at the Warner house he found another man crouching in the areaway and made him a prisoner also. He was Theodore Crowley, eighteen years old, of No. 320 West Ninety-fifth street. Pawn tickets for a sealskin coat and automobile gloves were found in his clothing and he was locked up. Kososky had stolen $50 before Mrs. Wall nabbed him.

SHIPPING NEWS.

PORT OF NEW YORK.

ARRIVED.

Cedric ..... Liverpool
Comal ..... Galveston
Bermudian ..... Bermuda
Kaiserin Auguste Victoria ..... Hamburg
Lucania ..... Liverpool
Merida ..... Havana
Prinz Wilhem ..... Curacoa
Regina d'Italia ..... Genoa

INCOMING STEAMSHIPS.

DUE TO-DAY.

Pretoria, Plymouth. St. Louis, Southampton.
La Touraine, Havre. Pallanza, Hamburg.

OUTGOING STEAMSHIPS.

SAILED TO-DAY.	
New York, Southampton.	Carolina, Porto Rico. Saratoga, Havana.
Caronia, Liverpool.	Cherokee, S. Domingo.
Fr. der Grosse, Naples.	Trent, Colon.
Furnessia, Glasgow.	City of Macon, Savannah.
D. degli Abruzzi, Naples.	Nueces, Galveston.
Vaderland, Antwerp.	Arapahoe, Jacksonville.
Minnetonka, London.	Mobile, Old Point Comfort.
Maracaibo, Curacoa.	

New Comic Opera by Julian Edwards for Coming Week

"THE GAY MUSICIAN," a new comic opera by Julian Edwards, will be given its first metropolitan hearing at Wallack's on Monday evening. The piece takes its name from a young musician who has written an opera and is naturally anxious to have it produced. A budding prima donna, the daughter of a millionaire, is ready to furnish the money, but complications arise, when they become infatuated with each other, because of the fact that the composer is married. The cast will include Amelia Stone, Sophie Brandt, Olga von Hatzfeld, Mme. Georgiana Neunendorf, Walter Percival and Joseph M. Miron.

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E. H. Sothern will begin an engagement at the Academy of Music on Monday night. "Lord Dundreary" will be the bill for the first week. "If I Were King" will be played throughout the second week, and during the third week Mr. Sothern will be seen in "Hamlet," "If I Were King" and "Don Quixote."

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Chauncey Olcott comes to the Grand Opera-House in "O'Neill of Derry."

Cecil Spooner, at the Lincoln Square Theatre will appear in "The Dancer and the King."

At the Yorkville Theatre Mildred Holland will be seen in "The Triumph of an Empress."

Adelaide Keim will play the role of "Rhy" in "The Three of Us" at the Metropolis.

The Star Show Girls will come to the Dewey.

The Gotham will have Sam Devere's Burlesquers.

The Behman Show and Frank D. Bryan's Congress of American Girls will be the attraction at the Murray Hill.

The Rose Hill English Folly Company will be seen at Hurtig & Seamon's.

The Hippodrome begins its final week of the season on Monday. "The Soul Kiss" also will last for only another week. "The Warrens of Virginia" will be seen for the last time at the Stuyvesant to-night, and Joe Weber and his funmakers will say good-by and run off to Chicago for a summer stay.

VAUDEVILLE ATTRACTIONS.

Eddie Foy will be at Hammerstein's, together with Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew, in "Billy's Tombstones," Stewart Barnes, May Tully and company, Chris Richards, the Sa-Haras, the Arlington Four, Leon Roger and Luce and Luce.

The Colonial will have Eva Tanguay, Robert Hilliard in "The Man Who Won the Pool," Laddie Cliff, Willa Holt Wakefield, Charles F. Semon, Martinetti and Sylvester and the Kemps.

Cecilia Loftus will move to the Alhambra, where the bill will also include Fred Karno's Early Birds, Pat Rooney and Marion Bent, La Gardenia, Spanish dancer; Julius Tannen, Jack Wilson and company in "An Upheaval in Darktown," Coram, the Bessie Valdare troupe of bicyclists, and Goldsmith and Hoppe.

Keith & Proctor theatres: The bill at the Fifth Avenue Theatre will include George Primrose and his minstrels, "The Eight Hoboes," Effie Fay, Simon and Gardner, the Novellos, and "Jack the Giant Killer." The One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Street Theatre will have "The Love Waltz," Grapewin and Chance in "The Awakening of Mr. Pipp," the Six American Dancers, Sadie Jansel, Radford and Winchester, A. O. Duncan, Prince Kokin and Barry and Wolford.

At Tony Pastor's will be John Dunn, Wilhelma Francis and company in "The Hold Up," Jeanette Dupree, Gray & Graham, "The Musical Bell Boy and the Military Maid," Keen and Adams, Raymond and Hess in "Country Life," Daly and O'Brien, dancers, and many others.

Among the attractions at Huber's Museum will be the Guerniers, athletes; Princess Brandion, East Indian snake charmer, and Sober Sue.

STOCKS MAKE GAINS IN ACTIVE MARKET

Illinois Central, Pacifics, American Ice and Norfolk and Western Leaders.

Prices of stocks showed no very notable changes at the start to-day, although the trading was active and interest broadly distributed. Small gains and losses were mixed. Illinois Central rose 3 1-2. Union Pacific and American Ice rose 1 and Norfolk & Western 3-4. United Cigars preferred sold at an advance of 5. Later the market strengthened all around, the gains running from 1 to 3 points.

The total sales of stocks were 389,500 shares, and of bonds $3,328,000.

The Closing Prices.

To-day's highest, lowest and last prices of stocks and net changes, as compared with yesterday's final figures, are as follows:

	High.	Low.	Last.	Net change
Amal. Copper	68⅝	67⅞	68⅝	+ ¾
Am. Car & F.	38	37⅝	37⅝	— ¼
American Ice Co.	28	27¾	27¾	+ ¼
Am. Locomotive	51	50⅝	50⅞	+ ¼
Am. Smelt. & Ref	77⅝	77	77	— ⅝
Am. S. & R. pf.	96⅝	96⅛	96⅛	— ⅝
American Sugar	131⅞	130⅝	131⅞	+ ½
Am. Tob. Co. pf.	92¾	92¾	92¾	+ ½
Anaconda Mining	45⅝	45	45⅝	— ⅛
A. T. & S. F.	84	83⅛	83⅝	+ ⅝
Balt. & Ohio	93⅛	92⅞	93⅛	+ ⅛
Brooklyn R. T.	52⅝	50⅝	52	+ ½
Canadian Pacific	159⅛	159	159	— 1
Ches. & Ohio	45⅝	44⅞	44⅞	— 1⅛
C., M. & St. P.	136⅛	134⅛	135⅝	+ 1⅛
Chic. & NW.	155⅛	154	155⅛	+ ⅝
Col. F. & I.	28⅛	28	28⅛	+ ⅛
Col. Southern	32⅞	32⅝	32⅝	+ ⅛
Consol. Gas	122	121⅛	121⅛	— ⅝
Del. & Hudson	164⅞	164⅛	164½	
Dist. Sec. Corp.	36⅛	35⅞	36	+ ⅛
Erie	21	20⅞	20⅞	
General Electric	139⅝	137⅝	139⅝	+ 2⅝
Gt. North. pf.	132⅝	132	132½	+ ⅝
Inter. Met.	11⅞	11⅝	11⅝	+ ⅛
Illinois Central	141	138½	141	+ 3
Inter. Pump	23⅛	23	23	— ½
Louis. & Nash.	111½	109	110⅝	+ 1⅝
Manhattan	139½	138⅝	139⅛	— ⅛
Mex. Cent.	19⅝	19⅛	19⅛	— ⅛
M., S.P. & S.S.M.	115	113⅝	114⅛	— ⅛
Mo., K. & T.	29⅝	28⅝	29	— ⅛
Missouri Pac.	52	51⅛	52	+ ⅝
Nat. Lead	64⅝	64	64	
Norfolk & West.	72⅝	72	72⅛	— ⅝
North Am.	62⅛	62⅛	62⅛	— ⅛
N. Y. Cent.	109⅝	109⅛	109⅝	— ⅛
North. Pac.	138⅛	137⅛	137⅞	+ ⅛
Ont. & West.	42	41⅛	41⅝	— ⅛
Pennsylvania	122	121⅝	121⅝	— ⅛
Pressed Steel	79⅛	79⅛	79⅛	— ⅝
Ry. Steel Sp.	37⅞	37½	37½	— ⅝
Reading	118⅛	117	117⅛	+ ⅝
Rep. Steel	20	19⅛	19⅛	— ⅛
Rep. Steel pf.	71⅛	70⅝	71⅛	— ⅛
Rock Island	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛	— ⅛
Rock Island pf.	39⅛	38⅛	38⅛	— ⅛
South. Pac.	87⅛	87	87	— ⅛
South. Ry.	18⅛	17⅝	17⅝	— ⅛
South. Ry. pf.	46⅝	46⅛	46⅛	+ ⅛
St. P. & O.	134	134	134	— ⅛
Third Ave.	33⅝	32⅞	33⅛	— ⅛
Union Pacific	147⅛	146	146⅝	+ 1⅛
U. S. Steel	38⅛	38⅛	38⅛	— ⅛
U. S. Steel pf.	102⅝	102	102⅝	— ⅛
Utah Copper	31	30⅛	30⅛	— ⅝
Wabash	13	12⅛	12⅛	— ⅛
Wabash pf.	24⅞	24⅛	24⅛	
West. E. & M.	56	52	53	— 1⅝
West. Union Tel.	57⅛	56	56⅝	— ⅛
Wis. Central	18	18	18	— ⅛

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No Man Interests Her for More Than 20 Minutes

After That Time, Miss Farrar Declares, They Want to Make Love to Her, and "That Is Foolish."

GERALDINE FARRAR.

PARIS, May 15.—Miss Geraldine Farrar, the prima donna of the Metropolitan Opera House, in an interview with a World correspondent to-day, said:

"My art has absorbed me from the first, and when I must choose between that and something else, I always give it the first consideration."

Miss Farrar confessed that she continually receives letters from eligible young men, some of them occupying brilliant positions, but she declared she has never met a man whose company interested her for more than twenty minutes.

"After that," she said, "they begin to make love, and that is foolish."

Mere flirtation, she added, she considers contemptible.

"There are opera singers," she declared, "who encourage the attentions of men, get all they can from them, and then throw them away like a sucked orange."

A New Violetta to Sing at Majestic Theatre.

BY SYLVESTER RAWLING.

ADELINA PADOVANI, a coloratura soprano, is to make her New York debut with the Knickerbocker Grand Opera Company, which begins a season at the Majestic Theatre next Monday evening. The new aspirant for operatic stellar honors has been well received in New Orleans, San Francisco and Boston. Her first appearance here will be as Violetta in "Traviata." The other principal singers of the company are Laura Rethy, Colombati, Piazzoni and Lombardi. The bills announced for next week include "Trovatore," "Lucia," "Cavalleria" and "Pagliacci." Two or three weeks ago it was announced that this company would appear at the Lyric Theatre, but the Majestic has been chosen finally. Orchestra seats will cost $2.

Ivan Abramson's Italian Opera Company will begin its third week at the American Theatre on Monday evening, with a repetition of the double bill "Cavalleria" and "Pagliacci." Tina Desana, the popular young soprano, will appear as Nedda for the first time here. She will also be Santuzza. On Thursday night she will be Carmen in Bizet's opera, also for the first time here. The other bills for the week include "Aida," "Trovatore," "Rigoletto" and "Faust." At the Sunday concerts to-morrow afternoon and evening Edith Helena, who made a marked success as Violetta in "Traviata" this week, will sing. Mr. Abramson has been offered a four weeks' engagement of his company in Havana during July.

The Helen Noldi Opera Company will present "Rigoletto" at the West End Theatre on Monday night and continue it during the week, which will end the engagement. All the principal singers, now familiar, will appear. The company will go to Boston for a spring season of four weeks immediately after closing here.

The fourth Bach festival, at Montclair, N. J., takes place in the Congregational Church next Friday, Saturday and Sunday. There will be five meetings covering the three days, and the principal work to be presented will be the mass in B minor complete. The first part will be sung on Friday evening, the second on Saturday evening. The soloists will be Marie Zunkill Zimmerman, Gertrude Stein Bailey, Nicholas Douty and Dr. Carl E. Duftt. Samuel P. Warren will be the organist, and Paolo Gallico and Rudolph Winkler pianists. The Bach choir of 135 voices and the choir of St. Luke's Church, sixty strong, will sing the choruses. The orchestra will be made up of forty men from the New York Philharmonic Society. Henry P. Schmitt concert master. Frank Taft will conduct.

The spring tour in the South and West of the New York Symphony Orchestra, under Walter Damrosch, has assumed such proportions that it will be August before the band gets back to town. San Francisco, Los Angeles, Seattle, Spokane and Victoria, B. C., are among the cities to be visited. Harry N. Morse, the business representative of the organization, has resigned. His successor is Andre Tridon.

Mme. Jomelli has gone to Europe to sing in concerts in London, Paris and Ostend and a short season of opera in Frankfort. She will return to America for the Ocean Grove Festival on Sept. 7. She will sing also at the festivals in Worcester, Bangor and Portland next autumn.

WALTER A. WYCKOFF DEAD.

Noted Student of Political Economy and Social Conditions.

Walter Augustus Wyckoff, assistant professor of political economy in Princeton University, who became famous a few years ago as a tramp in order to investigate life on the road, is dead. He was fifty years old and was supposed to be one of the leading authorities on the subject of political economy in the country.

While working as a miner in Colorado he saw Miss Leah Lucille Ehrich, daughter of a Denver millionaire. Two years later he married her.

A NIAGARA TORRENT OF GOOD THINGS TO READ

Some Exclusive Features of Sunday World To-Morrow

The Explorigator's Trip to the Moon:
The Newest of Comic Features.

Two Arms That Cupid Branded with a Heart 20 Years Ago Are Now Linked Together Forever.

How a Brave Woman Is Going to Solve the Mystery of a Haunted House.

"ANDREW CARNEGIE," from a Pleasure-Seeking Standpoint.

The "Fence Jumper" Is the Latest in Automobiles.

How Scientists Are Striving to Solve "The Mysteries of Thought, to Send Photos by Wireless, to Watch a Living Stomach at Work, to See the Person Who Talks to You Over the 'Phone, to Check the Destructions of Age, to Restore the Dead and to See the Soul as It Leaves the Body."

Tragedies Enacted Under the Lure of Romantic Meetings.

Roosevelt's Joy When a Cornell Student Played a Piano Standing on His Head.

What Doctors Have to Say About Athletes Straining Their Hearts.

IRVIN S. COBB Prompts the "Hotel Clerk" to Say Some Humorous Things About "If Any Nation Ever Licked Us, the Name Escapes Me."

Read What MARGARET HUBBARD AYER Has to Say About "Big Waists to Make the Form Look Smaller."

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