A. O. BROWN & CO., BIG BROKERS IN WALL ST., FAIL FOR $1,500,000

Smash Directly Due to the Enormous Volume of Business Handled in the Market Manipulation of Saturday.

Inability to deliver stocks, sold on its own account or for others in the big Stock Exchange manipulation of Saturday, caused the brokerage firm of A. O. Brown & Co. to make an assignment this afternoon. This was the leading wire commission house of the country, with extensive branches and outside connections.

Because of the tremendous amount of business done by the firm on Saturday the Stock Exchange clearance sheets showed transactions totalling 738,000 shares. The books are in a terrible tangle, and the office force, which has been at work without intermission since Saturday, is worn out.

It is figured that the liabilities of the firm at the time of suspension were between $1,500,000 and $2,000,000, but no statement of a definite nature could be obtained from any of the members. They frankly confessed that they did not know where they stood.

Could Not Make Deliveries.

Up to 2.15 o'clock yesterday afternoon the firm had delivered 277,000 shares of stock sold in the market Saturday. An extension of time was granted by a majority of the brokers to whom shares should have been delivered, but A. O. Brown & Co. found themselves as badly off to-day as yesterday. They could not make deliveries to purchasers of their stocks.

When a realization of this fact got through Wall Street there was a rush to close out the deals under the Stock Exchange rule. This permits brokers who have purchased stocks which the sellers cannot deliver to go on the floor and buy the necessary shares to complete the deal at the market price, the seller being held for the difference.

The final time for A. O. Brown & Co.'s deliveries would have expired at 2.15 o'clock this afternoon. After that hour all brokers to whom they had sold shares which they could not deliver would have been at liberty to go into the market and buy in, and A. O. Brown & Co. would have had to pay the piper.

Would Have Boosted Stocks.

The number of shares which A. O. Brown & Co. owed to brokers who had purchased of them ran into the hundreds of thousands. A general demand in the market for that number of shares by brokers to complete deals would have sent prices soaring, and A. O. Brown & Co. concluded to go into the hands of an assignee.

E. F. Buchanan, a member of the firm, in an interview this afternoon insinuated that some interest for which the house had acted in selling stocks Saturday had failed to live up to an agreement and had thus precipitated the trouble.

He would not name the person or interest responsible, but denied it was Thomas W. Lawson or any Lawson clique.

"We don't know Lawson and were not acting for him," declared Mr. Buchanan. "The failure will not break the firm. We will start up again as soon as we are straightened out, and we'll make certain people who are to blame for this suffer."

"Were you acting for Daniel G. Reid, the Tin Plate and Rick Island man, in trying to break the market Saturday?" Mr. Buchanan was asked.

"I cannot go any further," he replied. "It will all come out when we are ready."

A Bear Raid?

Wall street report has it that A. O. Brown & Co., being away short in the market, organized a bear raid on Saturday with the intention of breaking the market and covering when the prices were low. But some mysterious influence held prices up in the face of unprecedented offerings, land the firm found itself worse off than before.

"Wall street report is a little wrong in that respect," said a man conversant with the affairs of the firm. "As a matter of fact, every transaction A. O. Brown & Co. made on Saturday was legitimate. Every sale was legitimate.

"They bit off more than they could chew. No Stock Exchange house would have dared attempt to handle the business A. O. Brown & Co. put through, and they overestimated their resources.

"Big blocks of stock which should have reached New York yesterday and Sunday from other cities did not arrive. Other blocks were found to be improperly signed or transferred, and the Stock Exchange would not pass them. It would have been unjust to the customers of the firm to allow the undelivered stocks to be bought on the floor under the rule."

A Remarkable Day.

The dealings on Saturday, with which the difficulties of the firm are linked, were the most remarkable in many ways in the history of the Stock Exchange. In point of activity the market was sensational, transactions in the two hours of the half-day session exceeding a million shares, whereas yesterday they were about only 375,000 shares for the full-day session of five hours.

The amounts in which stock changed hands, moreover, were notable, blocks of 10,000 figuring frequently in the sales. Not a few single transactions were of even larger proportions, and this unusual activity soon enough excited suspicion of manipulation from the fact that little impression was made on prices.

A dozen stocks figured in the day's active dealings, almost to the exclusion of the rest of the list, the sales and purchases in nearly 100 other securities being comparatively insignificant.

The suspicion was general in the Street, even on Saturday, that orders had been matched, but the scale on which this form of manipulation was carried on was so extensive that it was declared Wall Street never before had seen such bold attempts to shape the course of speculation artificially.

It would appear from the Stock Exchange records of A. O. Brown & Co.'s part in Saturday's transactions that the firm has failed to deliver close to 500,000 shares of stock upon which brokers to whom the shares were sold have legitimate claims.

In this event there is bound to be further disturbances in brokerage circles. Three commission houses closely associated with A. O. Brown & Co. in dealings are regarded with suspicion, and their creditors began taking steps to secure claims this afternoon.

Little Effect On Market.

The Brown failure had little effect upon the market. It had been anticipated since yesterday, and the big speculators were prepared for it. There was a temporary flurry, but the level of prices established in brisk trading during the morning was soon re-established.

Dix W. Noel, a lawyer, of No. 1 Broadway, was named assignee for A. O. Brown & Co. Mr. Noel found the affairs of the firm in such a tangled state that he was unable to get any idea, in a cursory examination, of the true condition of affairs.

He announced that he hoped to have enough information on hand to warrant the issuance of a statement at the Waldorf-Astoria branch of the firm about 5 o'clock this afternoon.

A. O. Brown & Co., in common with other Wall street brokerage houses, has not been doing much business with the public since the panic of last fall. The expense of maintaining the offices was enormous, and the resources of the house were diminished on that account.

Had 32 Branches a Year Ago.

Up to a year ago A. O. Brown & Co. conducted the biggest brokerage business in the United States, having thirty-two branches outside New York City. The firm has memberships on the Cotton Exchange and the Chicago Board of Trade.

After the panic of last fall most of the outside branches of the firm were closed. Branch offices in the following cities were maintained, however, until the failure: Chicago (2), Toledo, Toronto, Buffalo, Cleveland, Detroit and Utica.

The firm maintained local branches in the Plaza Hotel, the Hoffman House, the Flatiron Building, at Fifth Avenue and Thirty-fourth street and No. 2 East Forty-fourth street.

The main offices, at No. 30 Broad street, and all the branches are magnificently appointed, and the house was noted for its lavish expenditure in the way of rents, advertising and hustling to secure business.

The firm was incorporated in 1902. The members are Albert O. Brown, G. Lee Stout, Edward F. Buchanan, Lewis G. Young, Samuel C. Brown and W. Rhea Whitman. A. O. Brown and Lewis G. Young are the board members.

No Flurry in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Aug. 25.—At 12.45 o'clock this afternoon, half an hour before the close of the session of the Board of Trade, notice was posted to close all trades with A. O. Brown & Co., whose failure was announced from New York. The effect of the notice was not apparent in the trend of prices.

A. O. Brown & Co. have a Chicago office at No. 115 Adams street and a branch of this office at No. 2 Jackson Boulevard.

NEW YORKER RUN OVER BY AUTO IN NEWARK.

NEWARK, N. J., Aug. 25.—Abraham Mandlebaum, sixty-four years of age, who lives in New York City, was run over by an automobile to-day as he was crossing at Walnut and Adams streets, and sustained severe injuries. He was hurried to St. James's Hospital, where it was said he would probably recover.

Louis Pfeifer, the chauffeur, who was driving the machine, was arrested, but later paroled.

TO BURY VON STERNBURG ON FAMILY ESTATE.

HEIDELBERG, Aug. 25.—Announcement is made that the funeral services and the burial of the late Baron Speck von Sternburg, German Ambassador to the United States, will be held at Lutzchena, the family estate near Leipsic next Friday.

The Baroness von Sternburg has received telegraphic messages of condolence from friends in all parts of the United States and Europe.

EVENING WORLD RACE CHART

NINTH DAY AT EMPIRE CITY.

Weather Cloudy. Aug. 25. Track Fast.

810 FIRST RACE—Two-year-olds; selling; $500 added; five and a half furlongs. Post time, 2.31; off, 2.35. Start good. Won driving. Winner, br. c., by Planudes—Rorka. Owner—H. R. Brandt. Time—1.07 1-5.

Index.	Starters.	Wts.	St.	¼	½	¾	Fin.	Jockeys.	Op.	Hi.	Cl.	Pl.	Sh.
512	Lawton Wiggins	112	1	1½	1¹	1¹	1¹	J. Lee	3	6	4	7-5	8-5
790²	Arondack	102	10	9¹	6h	4¹	2h	Smith	5	8	7	5-2	7-5
786	Star Thistle	108	2	2¹½	2¹	2h	3½	Miller	6	8	6	2	1
(775)	Civita	107	3	3²	3²	3¹	4²	Butler	6	6	5	2	1
780²	Grania	104	4	6¹	7¹	7²	5¹½	McCarthy	3	3	11-5	4-5	2-5
796	Gliding Belle	107	5	4²	5²	6½	6½	McCahey	10	15	12	5	3-2
(792)	Billy Bodemer	104	6	5½	4²	6¹	7¹	Bergen	8	7	6	2	1
796	Rosefenton	107	11	10	10	8¹	8²	Upton	10	15	10	4	2
780	O. U. Kid	107	9	8h	9²	9½	9¹⁰	Lang	10	15	15	6	3
796	May River	99	12	12	12	11	10¹	Creevy	15	30	20	8	4
799	Siskin	109	7	7¹	8¹	10	11²	E. Dugan	5	8	8	3	8-5
—	Lady Bute	104	12	11	11	12	12	Clement	20	30	30	10	5
766	Elmer Boy	104	8	13	13	13	13	Cullen	20	30	20	8	4

Lawton Wiggins dashed into a big lead early, but was stopping very fast at the end and just lasted. Arondack closed with a rush. Star Thistle ran a good race and held on gamely. Civita quit.

811 SECOND RACE—Three-year-olds and upward; handicap; $600 added; six furlongs. Post time, 3.00; off, 3.02. Start good. Won ridden out. Winner, b. g., by Star Shoot—Lady Elite. Owner—G. M. Odom. Time—1.11 4-5.

Index.	Starters.	Wts.	St.	¼	½	¾	Fin.	Jockeys.	Op.	Hi.	Cl.	Pl.	Sh.
(788)	Nimbus	114	1	2¹	2¹	1¹	1¹	McDaniel	1	6-5	1	1-3	—
(785)	Don Enrique	102	4	3½	3¹½	3h	2¹½	E. Dugan	7	8	5	6-5	—
800³	Firestone	108	3	4	4	4	3²	Miller	6	6	5	6-5	—
(632)	King Cobalt	118	2	1h	1²	2¹½	4	J. Lee	8-5	2	9-5	1-3	—

Nimbus lay in behind the pace to the stretch, where he moved up and took the lead, but had to be ridden out to win. Don Enrique, shut off in the early part, ran on the outside and closed very strong. Firestone was an easy third. King Cobalt quit after forcing a fast pace.

812 THIRD RACE—Three-year-olds and upward; non-winners at this meeting; $500 added; one mile. Post time, 3.27; off, 3.29. Start good. Won easily. Winner, ch. g., by Prince of Melbourne—Homespun. Owner—T. Welsh. Time—1.40.

Index.	Starters.	Wts.	St.	¼	½	¾	Fin.	Jockeys.	Op.	Hi.	Cl.	Pl.	Sh.
790	The Squire	92	6	3²	3h	2²	1¹	G. Burns	4	5	4	1	2-5
801	Royal Tourist	101	1	4½	4²	1h	2½	E. Dugan	3-5	4-5	1-2	1-4	—
774	Balbus	95	5	1¹½	2¹	3¹	3²	Butler	30	30	30	8	3
783³	Zienap	103	2	5²	5²	4²	4²	McCahey	10	15	12	4	6-5
800²	Tony Bonero	111	4	6	6	5²	5²	McCarthy	6	7	6	8-5	4-5
783	Wool Sandals	108	3	2²	1h	6	6	McDaniel	6	8	7	2	4-5

The Squire, saving ground all the way, lay in behind the pace to the stretch, where he came away easily. Royal Tourist ran his race. Balbus showed big improvement. Wool Sandals a quitter. Zienap was running strong.

813 FOURTH RACE—The Knickerbocker Handicap, $3,000 added; two-year-olds; about six furlongs. Post time, 3.59; off, 4.03. Start poor. Won handily. Winner, b. c., by Dick Welles—Lady Roller. Owner—J. B. Respess. Time—1.10 2-5.

Index.	Starters.	Wts.	St.	¼	½	¾	Fin.	Jockeys.	Op.	Hi.	Cl.	Pl.	Sh.
789³	Dick Roller	112	3	6¹	2¹½	2¹	1³	J. Lee	4	7	6	2	1
427	Erbet	100	4	1½	1½	1½	2h	Gilbert	5	8	7	5-2	6-5
(780)	Footpad	119	1	3½	3½	3¹	3¹½	Notter	8-5	8-5	6-5	1-2	—
(802)	Wise Mason	115	5	6½	6½	4¹	4½	Butler	7-2	5	7-2	6-5	3-5
789³	Torbellino	116	2	4²	4²	5¹	6h	McCahey	5	6	5	8-5	4-5
778	Homecrest	102	6	5h	5h	6¹	6¹	E. Dugan	10	15	15	5	6-2
664	*Catherine Simpson	90	7	7	7	7	7	Upton	10	20	15	6	3

*Added starter.

Dick Roller a nice colt; followed the pace to the stretch, where he came through on the outside and won with plenty to spare. Erbet had plenty of speed, but tired at the end. Footpad could not give the weight. Wise Mason off poorly.

814 FIFTH RACE—Three-year-olds; selling; $500 added; one mile. Post time, 4.26; off, 4.28. Start good. Won driving. Winner, ch. g., by Galashiels—Sounding Brass. Owner—W. Gerst. Time—1.41 1-5.

Index.	Starters.	Wts.	St.	¼	½	¾	Fin.	Jockeys.	Op.	Hi.	Cl.	Pl.	Sh.
(798)	Cymbal	108	1	3²	2½	2²	1h	Bergen	6	10	7	5-2	7-5
798	Black Oak	110	2	1²	1²	1²	2²	McDaniel	5	7	6	2	1
—	Milford	108	6	7	7	3h	3¹	Butler	4	4	2	4-5	2-5
290	Miss Delaney	98	7	4h	4½	5h	4h	Upton	15	20	15	6	3
798³	Dark Night	109	3	5½	5h	4²	5²	E. Dugan	2	15	3	1	1-2
702	Black Mary	108	4	2½	3h	6½	6²	Yorke	4	5	4	7-5	3-5
776²	Laughing Eyes	98	5	6½	6¹	7	7	H. Smith	4	4	3	1	1-2

Cymbal was very nicely ridden; lay in behind the pace, and, saving ground on the turn, closed very gamely and just got up. Black Oak showed big improvement, but was raced to pieces in front. Milford closed a big gap.

815 SIXTH RACE—Four-year-olds and upward; selling; $500 added; one mile and a sixteenth. Post time, 4.52; off, 4.53. Start good. Won easily. Winner, b. g., by Rockton—Lady Primrose. Owner—F. H. Milden. Time—1.47 4-5.

Index.	Starters.	Wts.	St.	¼	½	¾	1	Fin.	Jockeys.	Op.	Hi.	Cl.	Pl.	Sh.
701²	Rockstone	103	3	3²	3¹	1h	1½	1½	Garner	8-5	5-2	11-5	4-5	1-3
—	Miss Lida	103	2	5h	4h	4¹	2½	2½	Butler	1	6-5	4-5	1-4	—
793	George G. Hell	103	6	2¹	1½	2½	3½	3½	McCarthy	6	7	6	8-5	4-5
803²	Lad of Langdon	103	1	1h	2½	3¹	4¹	4¹	Gilbert	6	6	4	6-5	2-5
788	Bonnie Bard	103	5	4½	5h	5¹	5½	5¹	E. Dugan	12	15	15	4	7-5
240	Prince of Castile	103	4	6¹	6²	6¹⁰	6¹⁰	6¹⁰	Lang	12	20	20	7	3
729	Charley	108	7	7	7	7	7	7	J. Lee	6	7	7	2	4-5

Rockstone closed very strong. Miss Lida sure to improve. Lad of Langdon was badly ridden.

ALLEN WINTER WINS BIG STAKE AT READVILLE MEET

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made. After circling the track twice these were the eight winners to get a place in the final: Bervaldo, winner; Jay Kay, second; Teasel, third; Composer, fourth; Dewitt, fifth; Locust Jack, sixth; Ralph Wyck, seventh, and Daniel, eighth. Time—2.46 3-4.

Sweet Marie was only fortunate enough to get eighth place in the second heat of the weeding-out trials.

Prince C. won the Huntsman second. Allen Winter third, Peter Balta fourth, San Francisco fifth, Kim sixth, Delcoronada seventh and Sweet Marie eighth. Time—2.52.

The final heat of the Rich event was won by Allen Winter, who is owned by C. H. Reardon, of Indianapolis, Ind., and gets the big slice of the money, $30,000. Prince C. owned by James Farley, of New York City, was second, and takes $10,000 of the stakes. San Francisco, owned by P. W. Hodges, of Pleasanton, Cal., was third, and receives $5,000. Ralph Wick was fourth and gets $2,500. The Huntsman, owned by J. L. Drulen, of Bardstown, Ky., was fifth, and was the winner of $1,500. The sixth horse in the money was Peter Balta, owned by Harry B. Clarke, of Fairmount, W. Va.

The time for the final heat was 2.46.

Allen Winter, the winner, had a handicap of 250 feet. He won third place in the second weeding out heat.

FORT ERIE RESULTS.

FORT ERIE, Ontario, Aug. 25.—To-day's races resulted as follows:

FIRST RACE—Five furlongs; maiden two-year-olds.—Scantling, 104 (Pickens), 8 to 1, 5 to 2 and 3 to 2, won; Desperado, 107 (Troxler), 8 to 1, 4 to 1 and 11 to 5, second; Lucky Ford, 103 (Ross), 25 to 1, 10 to 1 and 5 to 1, third. Time—1.01 2-5. J. W. Frye, Devanson, High Ormonde, Console, Stowaway, Automatic, Yankee Tourist, Appointment also ran.

SECOND RACE—Two-year-olds; five and a half furlongs.—Michael Angelo, 111 (Moreland), 6 to 1, 2 to 1, and even, first; Maxim Gun, 108 (Nicol), 30 to 1, 10 to 1, and 4 to 1, second; Cowdin, 105 (Troxler), 20 to 1, 8 to 1, and 3 to 1, third. Time—1.08 3-5. The Missus, Emperor William, Anemonella, Robin Grey, Ceremonious, Gerrymander, Admonish also ran.

THIRD RACE—Six furlongs; for three-year-olds; selling.—Heine, 105 (Pickens), 3 to 1, even and 1 to 2, won; Night Mist, 105 (Burton), 13 to 5, even and 1 to 2, second; Punky, 110 (Murry), 20 to 1, 8 to 1 and 4 to 1, third. Time, 1.12. Temmerarte, Comic Opera, Little Minnie, Geneva S., E. M. Fry, Montbert, Bertha E., Meadowbreeze, and Snake Mary also ran.

FOURTH RACE—Mile and seventy yards; three-year-olds.—King's Daughter, 124 (Nicol), 4 to 1, 2 to 05 and 4 to 5, won; Terah, 105 (Burton), 5 to 1, 2 to 1 and 4 to 5, second; Goes Fast, 98 (Schiller), 7 to 1, 3 to 1 and 3 to 2, third. Time—1.42 2-5. Minot, Czar, The Minks, John Carroll and The Shaughraun also ran.

FIFTH RACE—Two-year-olds; five and one-half furlongs.—Berwick, 127 (Powers), 6 to 10 and out, won; St. Jeanne, 107 (Rice), 8 to 1, 7 to 5 and out, second; Elizabeth Harwood, 99 (Deverich), 12 to 1, 3 to 1 and 3 to 2, third. Time—1.06 3-5. Handbridge, Marse Abe also ran.

SIXTH RACE—One mile; three-year-olds.—Lady Baldur, 107 (Ross), 4 to 1, 6 to 5 and 1 to 2, won; Keep Moving, 105 (Burton), 8 to 2, 8 to 5 and 7 to 10, second; Giles, 109 (Powers), 11 to 10, 7 to 20 and out, third. Time—1.41. Evelyn S., Mamie Gallagher, Melange, Aunt Rose, Grotesque, Bitter Sin, Cannie Maid and Black Hawk also ran.

SEVENTH RACE—Three-year-olds; mile and a sixteenth.—Dr. Lee Hoffman, 102 (Glasner), 15 to 1, 6 to 1 and 3 to 1, won; Lady Esther, 106 (Powers), even, 8 to 20 and out, second; Arrowswift, 92 (Deverich), 4 to 1, even and 1 to 2, third. Time—1.46. Lady Martha, Annie Lady, Usury and Rose F. also ran.

FELL FROM HIGH SCAFFOLD.

John Lester, forty-five years old, of One Hundred and Eightieth street and Prospect avenue, the Bronx, fell five stories from a scaffold on Fort Washington avenue to-day and was removed to Washington Heights Hospital with a fractured skull.

M'CARREN TO RELY ON COURTS FOR AID

Will Apply to Have Nominations Declared Illegal if Delegates Are Thrown Out.

Isaac M. Kapper, counsel for Senator P. H. McCarren, said this afternoon at the offices of the Board of Elections that in the event of the Democratic State Convention at Rochester throwing out duly elected McCarren delegates he would apply to the courts to have the nominations made by the convention declared illegal.

"The Supreme Court," he declared, "has held that nominations made for public office in violation of the Primary law are illegal and must be denied a place on the official ballot. If those in control at Rochester unseat duly elected delegates I shall, in all probability, advise a review of the proceedings of the convention by the courts. And there is this much to say: A nomination which may readily be declared illegal is not an attractive position."

Mr. Kapper said he had directed Clerk Young, of the Kings County General Committee, to figure again for apportionment the numbers of voters in the Third and Fourth Congressional districts. McCarren's opponents, Leaders William E. Melody and William R. McGuire, of the Fourth and Sixth Assembly districts, both of which are within the limits of the Third Congressional District, and James P. Sinnott and Patrick F. Lynch, leaders in the Twenty-second and Twenty-third Assembly districts, respectively, both in the Fourth Congressional District, asserted that anti-McCarren districts had been discriminated against in the allotment of delegates to the Congressional district convention, and demanded a revision at the hands of the Commissioners of Election.

"There is no intention on our part of depriving any one of what he is entitled to," said Mr. Kapper. "We will rectify any and all errors to the fullest extent, and have the revision in the hands of the Commissioners to-morrow forenoon."

Mr. Carew wanted to know the basis upon which the computation was to be made.

"Do you want it computed on the total vote of Hearst for Governor, irrespective of party emblem?" inquired Kapper.

"Yes," was the reply.

"That's just what we want ourselves."

"That will satisfy us at present," said Mr. Carew. "I don't want to commit myself finally. As a matter of fact, there were many more Hearst votes in Kings recorded out of the column under the star than in it."

ROOSEVELT EXPECTED IN HERKIMER TO-MORROW.

HERKIMER, N. Y., Aug. 25.—Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Robinson, the latter a sister of President Roosevelt, have built a public library in Jordanville, near here, in memory of Mr. Robinson's mother, and to-morrow it will be turned over to the village. The event takes on importance from the fact that President Roosevelt is expected to be present. It was stated to-day that the President will leave New York in the morning on a fast train that will be stopped at Herkimer and will go to Jordanville by carriage.

Secretary of State Elihu Root and James S. Sherman, the Vice-Presidential candidate, will also be among the guests.

FRENCH SCIENTIST DEAD.

PARIS, Aug. 25.—The death is announced of Antoine Henri Becquerel, the well known French scientist. M. Becquerel held many positions in the scientific world, among them that of permanent secretary to the Academy of Sciences. He was born in 1852.

BRYAN THE MAN FOR THE CRISIS, SAYS N. E. MACK

Chairman of Democratic National Committee Writes Character Study.

RIPENED BY EXPERIENCE.

"The Bryan of '96 a Stripling Compared with the Bryan of 1908."

For twelve years William J. Bryan has been a notable figure in American public and political life. Now, in his third campaign for the Presidency, the query often is heard, "Is he the Bryan of 1896, or has he grown and developed?

This question is answered by Norman E. Mack, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, in a striking character study, written especially for The Evening World, and analyzing the growth and development of Bryan, the Man.

BY NORMAN E. MACK,
Chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

No other man in public life has grown as William J. Bryan has grown during the past twelve years. And I say this without disparaging the high qualities of the man as they were revealed to his intimate friends during his first campaign for the Presidency.

Mr. Bryan was conscientious then, as now. Then, as now, he was eloquent in public speech, resourceful in debate and faithful in the championship of measures which, in his view, were for the general welfare. But since then Mr. Bryan has grown in such a way as to make the Bryan of 1896 appear as a stripling when compared to the Bryan of 1908.

This growth is plainly noticeable among men who, through intimate political association with the man, have had every opportunity for close observation, and this growth is the natural order of a career fraught, as Mr. Bryan's has been, with elements that make for the development and the maturity of a high-class citizen.

Won His Spurs in Tariff Fight.

Mr. Bryan revealed to Nebraska Democrats his fine characteristics when he won his spurs in a battle for tariff reform. During his first term as a member of Congress he captivated his associates in the House and won the respectful attention of his countrymen generally through one of the greatest tariff reform speeches ever delivered in the American Congress.

Then he revealed himself to the members of the Democratic convention of 1896, while in the ensuing campaign a considerable number of the American people came to know him well, during a contest which, for sublime courage on the part of a young man fighting against the greatest possible odds, is without a parallel in the history of popular government.

But those who thought they knew him as a Congressman from Nebraska and those who thought they knew him during the Presidential campaign of 1896 learned in the single glance they obtained when on the day following the 1896 election he stood erect among his countrymen and showed by the manner in which he met defeat that he had in him the stuff of which heroes are made.

Ripened by Experience.

It goes without saying that a man having passed through Mr. Bryan's experiences in 1896, and having four years later been again nominated by his party only to meet defeat, must have had within him the elements for substantial progress.

When we add to all this the experiences through which Mr. Bryan has gone during the past eight years, then we need not find it difficult to believe that there has been going on in this country a process of character development in order that at a critical period in the history of free government a great occasion may be provided with a matured man.

Republicans who have carefully studied the danger signals just now visible in this Republic of ours feel, as Democrats do, that the occasion is at hand, and those who have the privilege of present day acquaintance with Mr. Bryan feel also that in him the American people have the man.

They feel that Mr. Bryan of 1908 is a well seasoned patriot, admirably fitted by experience as by character, by conservatism as well as by courage, for the head of a National administration during which peace and prosperity will be restored to the business and industrial world.

GIRLS VICTIMS OF STRANGE ATTACK BY WOMAN AND MAN.

(Special to The Evening World.)

PITTSFIELD, Mass., Aug. 25.—The police were notified to-day that three daughters and a granddaughter of John Gillen, a retired New York banker, were the victims of a strange attack on Bartlett street last night. They were taking a walk when a woman and a man jumped from the shrubbery on the Bishop Worthington place and began to scratch and strike at two of the Misses Gillen. Greatly frightened, they screamed and the assailants, both stylishly dressed, the woman heavily veiled, ran down the street, got into an automobile and were whisked away.

Certain facts given the police by two of the Misses Gillen, whose faces were badly scratched, are withheld by the police but it is believed that the man and woman was unknown to the Misses Gillen.

Official Voting Coupon.

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GIANTS

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Needham flies to Clarke. Donlin up; Donlin beats out a bunt. SeSymour up; ball one; Seymour gets an infield single; Donlin on second. Devlin up; ball one; foul; strike one; ball two; ball three; Devlin walks, filling the bases. Barry up; Barry flies to Wilson, Donlin scoring on the out. Bridwell up. Bridwell singles to centre, scoring Seymour and Devlin. Crandall up; he flies out to Wilson. THREE RUNS.

Second Half—Wilson up; Wilson gets an infield single. Gibson up; foul, strike one; strike two; Gibson flies out to Tenney. Maddox up; strike one; strike two; Wilson steals second; ball one; ball two, three, four; Maddox walks. Thomas up; strike one; strike two; strike three; two out. Leach up; Leach forces Maddox at second, Bridwell to Doyle. NO RUNS.

Seventh Inning.

First Half—Tenney up; Tenney flies to Wagner. Doyle up. Doyle flies to Thomas. Needham up; strike one; ball one; foul, strike two; strike three; Needham fans. NO RUNS.

Second Half—Clarke up; ball one; strike one; Clarke out, Doyle to Tenney. Wagner up; ball one; Wagner singles through Devlin. Abby up, ball one; strike one; Wagner steals second and goes to third on Needham's wild throw; two strikes now on Abby; Abby hits to Crandall. Wagner tries to score and, after seesawing, is nailed at the plate. Abby going to second base. Storke up; out, Bridwell to Tenney. NO RUNS.

Eighth Inning.

First Half—Donlin up; one ball; two balls; ball three; strike one; strike two; Donlin flies to Storke. Seymour up; ball one; Seymour singles to centre and goes to second on Thomas's fumble. Devlin up; foul, strike one; ball one; foul, strike two; ball two; Devlin singles through short, Seymour taking third base. Barry up; strike one; ball one; foul, strike two; Barry hits to Wagner, Seymour scoring when Gibson drops Wagner's throw. Bridwell up; Bridwell hits into a double play, Wagner to Storke. ONE RUN.

Second Half—Wilson up; strike one; Wilson out, Bridwell to Tenney. Gibson up; ball one; ball two; Gibson flies to Barry. Maddox up; ball one; ball two; strike one; Maddox foul flies to Tenney. NO RUNS.

Ninth Inning.

First Half—Crandall up; he singles through short. Tenney up; strike one; ball one; Tenney sacrifices, Maddox to Storke. Doyle up; ball one, foul; strike one; ball two; ball three; Doyle walks. Needham up; strike one; strike two; ball one; ball two; Needham hits to Leach, who nails Crandall on third. Two out. Donlin up, foul, strike one; ball one; ball two; Donlin flies to Thomas. NO RUNS.

Second Half—Thomas up; ball one; strike one; Thomas out, Devlin to Tenney. Leach up; ball one; ball two; strike one; Leach out, Devlin to Tenney. Clarke up; strike one; Clarke out, Doyle to Tenney. NO RUNS.

Final score—Giants, 5; Pittsburg, 3.

PETERSON'S WILL VALID, BAD SPELLING AND ALL.

"There isn't any question regarding this man's intentions," said Clerk Jackson as he looked over the strangest will filed in many a day in the Surrogate's Office to-day.

It was that of Oscar G. Peterson, who died June 14, 1908, at Elmhurst, L. I. He bequeathed everything to his wife, who lives at No. 424 West Twenty-seventh street. He leaves nothing to his four sisters. Emanuel I. S. Hart, of No. 355 West Twenty-third street, is the counsel for the proponent.

The will reads according to the rescript filed and accepted in the Surrogate's Office (with spelling):

"In the year of ouar Lord 1908, June 14th. Pleas get to my wife Augusta Othilia Peterson, Born Renglander.

"In case of Axedent, Suside or Naturnal Death all Bank Account, Furnitur or every thing belonging to him or her."

There will be no contest of the will, it was said.

HIGHLANDERS

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Howell bunted, but as Chase's throw to Ball at second was late, both runners were safe. Stone drew four balls, filling the bases. Hartsel sent a bounder to Laporte, who threw to Kleinow, forcing Jones at the plate. Heidrick's foul fly was grabbed by Conroy. Delehanty then made a marvellous catch, slipping to the ground near the fence and just getting his hands on Ferris's long skyscraper. NO RUNS.

Delehanty wrenched his ankle in making the catch and was carried off the field by his team mates.

Kleinow was hit with a pitched ball. Manning bunted, but, as Wallace dropped Howell's throw, both runners were safe. Conroy also bunted, Kleinow being nailed at third on Jones's throw to Ferris. Wallace fumbled McIlveen's bounder, filling the bags. Chase hit into a double play, Ferris to Smith to Jones. NO RUNS.

Fourth Inning.

Moriarty replaced Delehanty in left for the Highlanders. Schweitzer batted for Wallace. Schweitzer got to first on Hemphill's muff of his fly. Williams sacrificed, Manning to Chase. Smith hoisted to the infield, which Chase smothered. Jones strolled on four wide ones. Howell flied out to Conroy. NO RUNS.

Hartsel went to short and Schweitzer to right for St. Louis. Hemphill bunted safely. On the hit and run game Hemphill got to third on Laporte's single to left. Moriarty was a victim on strikes. A passed ball promoted Laporte to second. Ball then slammed the ball to left for a base, scoring Hemphill and Laporte. Ball was an easy out trying to steal on Smith's throw to Williams. Kleinow was called out on strikes. TWO RUNS.

Fifth Inning.

Stone banged a fly to centre which Hemphill got under. Hartsel smashed the ball to right for three bases. Heidrick flied out to McIlveen, Hartsel scoring. Ferris went out, Kleinow to Chase. ONE RUN.

Manning fanned out. Conroy's foul fly went to Jones. McIlveen hit to Hartsel, who shot the ball to Jones in time to retire him. NO RUNS.

Sixth Inning.

Schweitzer soaked the ball along the third base line for two bases. Williams flied out to Hemphill, and Schweitzer was doubled up trying to reach third on the out, Hemphill to Conroy. Smith banged a fly to Moriarty. NO RUNS.

Chase was disposed of on his bunt by Howell and Jones. Hemphill fouled out to Smith. Laporte drove a long fly to Heidrick. NO RUNS.

Seventh Inning.

Jones raised a foul which Kleinow captured. Howell was thrown out by Ball. Stone slammed the ball to the left field fence for three bases. Hartsell was disposed of by Conroy and Chase. NO RUNS.

Moriarty was put out of the game for kicking on a strike. O'Rourke batting for him. He was called out on strikes. Ball walked. Kleinow sacrificed, Howell to Jones. Manning went out, Williams to Jones. NO RUNS.

Eighth Inning.

O'Rourke replaced Moriarty in left for the Highlanders. Heidrick was retired by Manning and Chase. Ferris doubled to left. Schwitzer fouled out to Kleinow. Williams flied out to McIlveen. NO RUNS.

Conroy out, Howell