VANDERBILTS BUYING PULLMAN STOCK.

RECENT PURCHASES WERE MADE MERELY FOR INVESTMENT, IT IS SAID.

Reports are current in Chicago, according to a dispatch published in The Tribune yesterday, to the effect that the Vanderbilt interests have secured absolute control of the stock of the Pullman Palace Car Company, and that consequently they were now in a position to dictate the policy of the company.

At the offices of the Pullman company, in the Mills Building, a Tribune reporter was informed that the report was untrue, that no large blocks of stock had recently changed hands, and that the report was an irresponsible one, which had been repeated at periodical intervals for months.

There were none of the prominent officials of the Vanderbilt system in the city yesterday, so that nothing could be learned from these interests. It was learned from an authoritative source, however, that the Vanderbilts have recently increased their holdings in the Pullman company to an appreciable extent, but it is also declared that this was with no idea of getting control or of making any change in the management. The stock was purchased, so it is declared, purely for investment purposes and everything is said to be satisfactory in the management.

JAMES SPEYER RETURNS HOME.

HE WILL SAY NOTHING ABOUT SOUTHERN PACIFIC OR ITS FUTURE CONTROL.

James Speyer, a member of the international banking firm of Speyer & Co., arrived yesterday on the White Star steamship Oceanic, after a somewhat extended stay abroad. When Mr. Speyer was seen at his office, No. 30 Broad-st., yesterday afternoon by a Tribune reporter he was not inclined to comment upon financial conditions as applying to either Europe or this country. He explained that his trip had been mainly one of pleasure and of visiting friends, and that in consequence he had not been sufficiently observant of affairs to feel himself qualified to pass upon them.

Mr. Speyer is closely identified with the Huntington interests in Southern Pacific, but beyond expressing his sorrow at the death of Collis P. Huntington, he refused to answer any inquiries concerning the road or the policy which may enter into the future control of the company. As to the report that he is at the head of a syndicate which will handle the Southern Pacific bonds of the Huntington interests, Mr. Speyer would say nothing.

PRINCESS HATZFELDT STILL ABROAD.

Although Princess Hatzfeldt, the adopted daughter of the late Collis P. Huntington, had booked passage on the White Star Line steamer Oceanic and according to some dispatches had actually sailed by that vessel, which reached here yesterday, she was not among the passengers. Charles H. Tweed, an executor of the Huntington estate, said yesterday that Princess Hatzfeldt, after hearing of her foster-father's death, had postponed her contemplated visit to this country. Mr. Tweed added that beyond the fact that the Princess had foregone her intention of coming to America after she had received news of Mr. Huntington's death, he had no knowledge of her immediate plans.

ALABAMA A HELP TO GET RECRUITS.

NEW BATTLESHIP'S PICTURE USED BY NAVAL MEN ON POSTERS.

Every new ship that comes into the Navy means that several hundred more sailors must be persuaded to join the service, and naval recruiting officers say that there is no better persuader than a new ship, like the Alabama. They have already begun to use the new "Queen of the Navy" as a recruiting advertisement. A large half tone of the new battleship, surrounded with the rates of pay and an interesting statement of the chances of advancement, is being posted about the city. Promises of sea service in new vessels are freely made, but nothing is said about sending men to the Alabama.

Two prospective sailors were drawn to the naval recruiting office in South-st. yesterday by the newspaper prominence given the new battleship. They were willing to sign papers if they were assured service on the new vessel. The officer in charge told them that he could not promise to send them to the Alabama. He assured them that nearly all of the vessels now in commission were fine, large ships, in which the seamen had every convenience.

"When we want to ship on a certain merchantman there is never any trouble," said one of the sailors. "Why can't you ship us for the Alabama?" "The Navy does not do things that way," said the quartermaster.

"We might get a hoodoo ship," said the other man. "Let's stay ordinary sailors."

WARRING KNIGHTS OF LABOR FACTIONS.

The fight in the National organization of the Knights of Labor which has been going on for several months has caused a split in the ranks in this city, and two factions pretend to be the original and only District Assembly No. 49. One faction is known as the Parsons faction, and the other as the Hayes faction. The Parsons faction is headed by P. McMahon, Master Workman, and P. J. Daly, secretary. James O. Hovey is Master Workman and John Wilkens secretary of the Hayes faction.

The latter faction held a meeting at its headquarters, Gramercy Hall, No. 326 East Twenty-first-st., on Monday night, when the Parsons faction burst in, and, it is alleged, seized the books and other property of the Hayes men. It looked as if a fight would result, but the raid was accomplished so quickly that the Hayes men were taken by surprise, and offered only a feeble resistance. It could not be learned yesterday what steps they will take to recover the property. The Parsons men declare that the property is rightfully theirs.

REAL ESTATE.

A $200,000 GAS TANK TO BE BUILT IN WEST END-AVE.

William H. Bradley, chief engineer for the Consolidated Gas Company, filed yesterday plans and specifications for the erection of a brick retaining wall and a brick and steel tank to enclose a steel gas cylinder, costing $200,000. The tank will be erected on a plot 200.10x200.10, on the east side of West End-ave., between Sixty-fifth and Sixty-sixth sts. The new cylinder will be 187 feet in diameter and 43.6 feet deep.

Paul K. Ames, receiver of the Long Beach Association, has arranged with the Town Board of Hempstead to take title by September 10 to that part of the beach from the western end to a point east of the Point Lookout Life Saving Station. The consideration is $25,000. It is understood that the purchase of the property by capitalists allied with the Pennsylvania Railroad will result in an extended improvement of the beach.

AUCTION SALES FOR TO-DAY.

By Peter F. Meyer & Co.: No. 80 Carmine-st., south side, 78.9 feet east of Varick-st., 20x60, a two story frame (brick front) tenement house and store; Jane E. Oothout against Minard D. Mildeberger et al.; W. E. Wyatt, referee; amount due, $8,335 22; subject to taxes, etc., $264 72. No. 2,965 Decatur-ave., west side, 254 feet north of Southern Boulevard (Two-hundredth-st.), 37x110, a two story frame dwelling house; Maude H. Patterson against Violetta A. Calkin et al.; Henry B. Heylman, attorney; Wauhope Lynn, referee; amount due, $2,469 75; subject to mortgage, $6,250, and taxes, etc., $446 06. Ninety-seventh-st., northwest corner of Madison-ave., 95x100.11, two seven story brick flathouses; German-American Real Estate Title Guarantee Company against Morris Mandelstein et al.; Charles Ruston, attorney; Henry Kropf, referee; amount due, $59,059 80; subject to prior mortgages, $250,000; taxes, etc., $96. No. 540 One-hundred-and-fifty-third-st., south side, 550 feet west of Amsterdam-ave., 25x99.11, a five story brick flathouse; Cæcilie Ettinger against Mary A. Cannon et al.; Bloch & Attinger, attorneys; William J. O'Sullivan, referee; amount due, $3,073 88; subject to prior mortgage, $21,000; taxes, etc., $99. No. 2,006 Seventh-ave., east side, 34.11 feet north of One-hundred-and-twentieth-st., 16x77, a three story brick dwelling house; Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association against Nathan Murdough et al.; George Burnham, jr., attorney; Isaac B. Brennan, referee; amount due, $13,750 48; subject to taxes, etc., $1,022.

At the New-York Real Estate Salesroom yesterday D. Phœnix Ingraham & Co. sold in foreclosure to the plaintiff for $8,700 No. 14 Convent-ave., a three story brick dwelling house, 20.1x55.8x22.1x51.11.

RECORD OF PRIVATE SALES.

Joseph F. Gallagher has sold for Adler & Herrman to John Scheuring, for improvement, three lots on the north side of One-hundred-and-thirteenth-st., 75 feet east of Lexington-ave., 75x100.11.

Neubeck & Busher have sold for E. C. Bell a plot 20x100 on the west side of Tiffany-st., 272 feet south of One-hundred-and-sixty-seventh-st., to Paul Dannhauser.

Irving Kempner has sold the five story double flathouse No. 304 West One-hundred-and-twentieth-st., on lot 25x100.11, to a Mrs. Redding.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

206-st., n s, 240 ft e of West End-ave, 77x101.9x63.7x100.11; A W Wanmaker to the Metropolitan Investment Company	$1
West End-ave, n w corner 70th-st, 100.5x100; William D Kilpatrick to F W White	1
Same property; Laura Oelbermann, by attorney, to William D Kilpatrick	100
Stanton-st, No 97, s s, 23.1x75x23x64.7; Ernst Detmold to Marie Rosenberg	20,600
Madison-ave, e s, 45.10 ft s of 43d-st, 20.10x100; David Webster to Genevieve Webster	1
Pleasant-ave, No 281, n w corner 115th-st, 15.7x74; Pleasant-ave, No 283, w s, 15x74; Pleasant-ave, No 285, w s, 15x74; Pleasant-ave, Nos 287 and 289, w s, 30x74; Morris Finn to Asher Salwen	31,000

RECORDED MORTGAGES.

Flynn, Charles, to Kalman Haas, No 1,519 Madison-ave, collateral for lease of No 64 Beaver-st	—
Hamburger, Barnett, to Alexander Frankenstein, Nos 821 to 825 Madison-st, n e corner Gouverneur-st, demand	$15,000
Gillett, Letitia C, to William Hogencamp, 72d-st, s s, 240 ft e Amsterdam-ave, one-third year	15,000
Kilpatrick, James, to Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, 93d-st, n s, 94 ft e of Madison-ave, due January 1, 1906	72,000
Kilpatrick, William D, to Laura Oelbermann, West End-ave, n w corner 70th-st, 2 years	47,500
Same to James E North, West End-ave, nw corner 70th-st, 1 year	7,500
Rosenberg, Marks and Nathan, to Lambert Suydam, No 97 Stanton-st, 5 years	16,000
Lamberti, Pasquale J, to William E Ver Planck, trustee, 171st-st, s s, 50 ft e of Park-ave, 3 years	10,000
Carlew, James, to Thomas R A and William H Hall, Nos 18, 22 and 24 West 76th-st, two-thirds year	20,000
Rapallo, Helen S, to Manhattan Savings Institution, Broome-st, n w corner Green-st, 1 year	10,000
Carlew, James, to Franklin Savings Bank, Nos 18, 22 and 24 West 76th-st, 1 year, 3 mortgages, each for	45,000
Monk, George, and Willis Gillies to Lily W Beresford et al, trustees, etc, No 340 West 21st-st, 5 years	45,000
Reynolds, Edward H, to Adeline C Van Iderstine, No 366 Madison-st, 3 years	14,000

NEW BUILDING PLANS.

170th-st., n s, 100 ft w of Franklin-ave, for a five story brick tenement house, 43.6x102; Margaret Strese, No 1,405 Vyse-ave, owner; W C Dickerson, 149th-st and 3d-ave, architect	$25,000
Allen-st, No 157 to 161, for two seven story brick tenement houses, with stores, 37.8x74 and 25x76; H C Wirth, No 145 Delancey-st, owner; Kurtzer & Rohl, No 190 Bowery, architect	50,000
Amsterdam-ave, West End-ave, 65th to 66th sts, the block, for a brick and steel gas tank; Consolidated Gas Company, owner and architect	200,000
147th-st, s s, 174.6 ft w of Broadway, for two three story and basement brick and stone dwellings, 12.9x51.4; Annie F Raymond, No 611 West 147th-st, owner; Henri Fouchaux, architect	20,000

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