PAN-AMERICAN BUSTLING.

THE WORK OF PREPARATION GOES MERRILY AHEAD—REACTION AFTER OPENING DAY; BUT THAT WAS ONLY A CALENDAR MATTER.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Buffalo, May 2.—This, the second day of the Pan-American Exposition, will have to be set down as rather a dull one. Reaction after the opening day could scarcely be assigned as the reason, because, according to the laws of physical soreness, reaction is equal to action, and the action of yesterday was not violent enough to occasion any undue lethargy to-day. The fact is that the Exposition, although it is going to be a big and interesting and beneficial affair when the time comes, has opened quietly and modestly. Everybody knows that things are not altogether ready yet. A certain mark was made on the calendar, and on one side of it was written, "The Exposition is not open" and on the other side was written, "The Exposition is open." In reality everybody knows and nobody denies that the state of preparation still continues. There was a tiny flurry yesterday, because the mark on the calendar was reached. To-day the flurry is over, there is no more excitement and nothing is going on except progress.

But progress is certainly to be noted. A good judge of the progress of the fair seems to be the condition of the walking. Every day the weather has less power to make a visit to the Exposition grounds a joy or a misery. The weather to-day was showery, a genuine remnant left over from the lately departed April. But the walking about the grounds was no worse than last Monday, which counted as a dry day. That was because so much pavement had been laid since then and so much rubbish cleaned away. An equal progress has been made indoors. Actors say that one performance is worth ten rehearsals, and some such rule doubtless applies here. One day with the fair open is worth ten with it closed. Last Monday and Tuesday nobody cared how the fair looked. It was supposed to be closed, and if visitors came they came on their own responsibility. Now the fair is open the exhibitors feel that they are responsible for not being ready and they are all hurrying to be ready. The difference of feeling is manifest everywhere.

Under this inspiration the work is going on with leaps and bounds. In all the buildings exhibits which were invisible on the day before the opening have now a settled air, as if they had really come to stay. About half the shows in the Midway are open to the public, although not one has yet been discovered completed. But the principle seems to be, "if you cannot show what you like, show what you can."

One of the prettiest features of the exposition to-day was the carnation show, in the Horticultural Building. It was not a large show, but there were several fine displays of beautiful varieties, and it was proved that the Lawson is not the only big carnation. The one which seemed to attract most attention was called the Enquirer. It came from Cincinnati, and is named after the newspaper of the same title. It is a huge pink flower, more remarkable for size than for beauty of color.

The commission from Porto Rico arrived at the fair this morning and is attending to the installation of its exhibit, which it is expected will be ready in about a week. The work of placing the organ in the Temple of Music began this morning. It is a big organ, and it is said to be a fine one, and it will take a considerable number of days to set it up. It is confidently expected that its tones can be heard on dedication day, May 20. Frederick K. Archer, of Pittsburg, will play it then.

It is promised that the electric fountains will be displayed for the first time next Monday. It is said that they are to eclipse anything of the kind hitherto seen. The electric fountains were one of the wonders of the Chicago fair, and it is said that these will far surpass them. It is quite possible, for improvements are easier to make than new inventions. If they are worthy of the rest of the evening display at the exposition they will surely repay any little trouble that may be taken to see them.

MORE TROUBLE OVER SUNDAY OPENING.

BUFFALO CONCERT HALLS WANT SAME LIQUOR SELLING PRIVILEGES AS THE MIDWAY.

Buffalo, May 2 (Special).—Bishop James E. Quigley, head of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Western New-York, predicts a summer of looser public morals for Buffalo on account of the decision of the directors to keep the exposition open on Sundays.

"If the directors of the exposition break the Sunday law and the Mayor looks on without doing anything, how will it be possible to compel other people to observe the law?" said Bishop Quigley to-day to a Tribune reporter. He continued:

The result of Sunday opening for the fair will be that for the next six months the concert hall proprietors all over the city will defy the law. In fact, they began to do so last night by refusing to renew licenses for their places, alleging that as the exposition Midway concert halls were not required to take out licenses they should be on the same footing. They declare that if they are compelled to take out licenses they will have the electric lights shut off from the Midway. When the directors came to me a year ago I said I did not contemplate doing anything that would embarrass the directors if I could avoid it. I shall not take part in any plan to enjoin the directors from running the fair on Sundays. I have been against Sunday opening from the start, on the ground that it is a violation of the Penal Code. Public officials cannot expect the poor and ignorant to observe laws if they themselves break them.

The sixty-odd concert hall men have engaged a lawyer to conduct their opposition to Mayor Diehl. They ran their places on Wednesday night without a license, selling beer in the same rooms where there were music and dancing. They say that if they must close they will compel the Midway concessionaires to close too.

QUEER PRANKS OF THE WEATHER.

THE EXPOSITION IS TREATED IN TURN TO SPRING, SUMMER AND WINTER.

Buffalo, May 2 (Special).—Unless the Pan-American Exposition managers succeed in making a satisfactory arrangement with the Weather Bureau or Professor Andrew Jackson De Voe, New-Jersey's great weather manufacturer, or whoever is responsible for the queer jumble of spring, summer and winter now being served out here, the most picturesque and attractive fair of modern times will be a financial loss. Take to-day, for instance. It had been raining all night, and was still wet when the breakfast bells sounded this morning. Rubbers and mackintoshes seemed to be the most appropriate outer covering. Then, without a moment's warning, the sky cleared and a cool, crisp breeze swept the city and the streets were dried in a twinkling.

The new condition suggested winter overcoats. By the time ten thousand people reached the exposition grounds the weather manipulators started to have a lot of fun with the innocents abroad. The sun was turned on so fiercely as to make some people wish that there were facilities on the ground for changing their dress in accordance with the rapid alterations of the season. There was no favoritism, however, for the weather was changed consistently at brief intervals so as to meet all tastes. Rain and sunshine, hail and lightning came along regularly on half hour schedules. The prognosticators tell us that a warm wave is en route here, probably by freight train, but there is no hint that the other varieties will be dropped entirely.

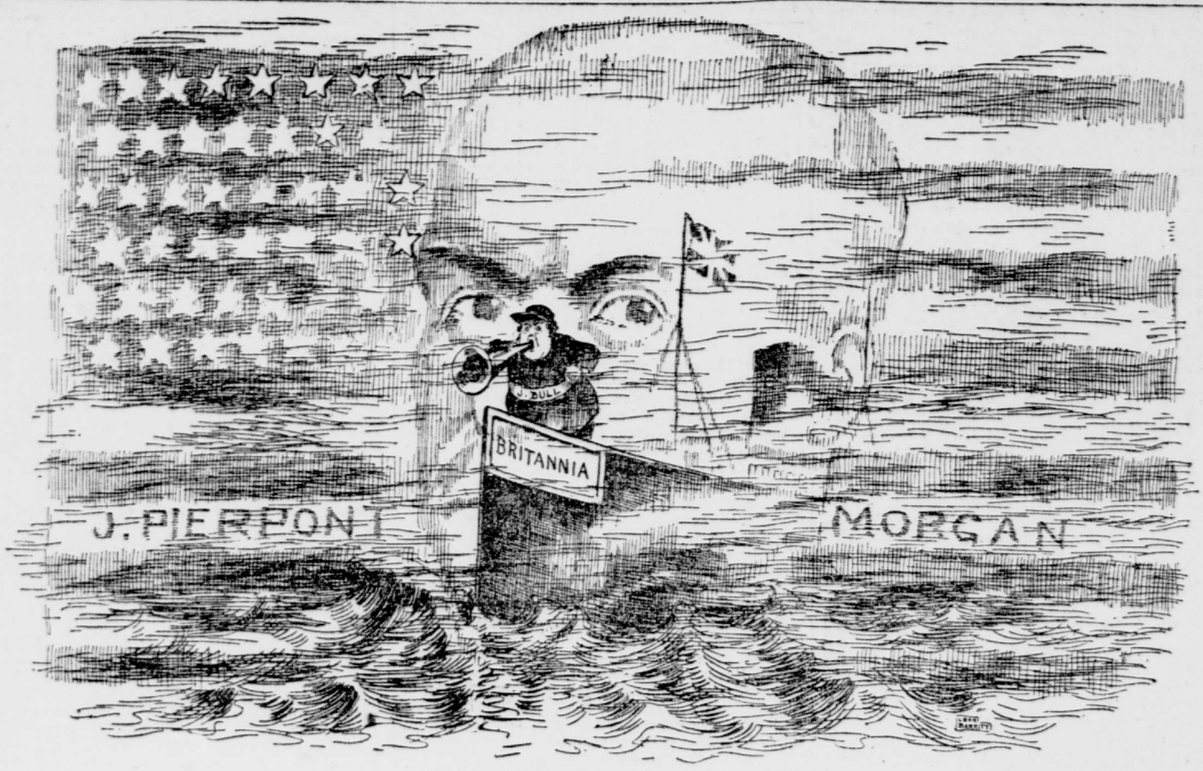
The most surprising thing about it all perhaps was the philosophical, if not absolutely cheerful, spirit of the inhabitants. In Manhattan we should have heard all kinds of sputterings and grumbling. Here the folks were making the best of things and hoping for ideal conditions later on. Thousands trudged through the exposition grounds, picking their way through the mud and studying with keen interest the Indians and Tyrolese, the Orientals and Hawaiians, and the Filipinos, who wandered around in their national dress. There was not much of a formal show anywhere, but there were many opportunities to peep behind the scenes to see the preparations and to learn how the illusions are worked, and most visitors seemed exceedingly well pleased.

MESSAGE FROM LOUISIANA FAIR.

Buffalo, May 2.—Director-General Buchanan has received the following telegram from Chairman Francis of the executive committee of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition:

St. Louis, May 1, 1901.

The directors of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition salute the Pan-American Exposition on its auspicious opening, and are confident that the sanguine expectations of its originators and projectors will be more than realized. Our people are informed concerning your unique plans, and will certainly visit in large numbers an exposition which in beauty of design has never been equalled and in the perfection of its details has never been surpassed. Best wishes for unqualified success.



JOHN BULL—WHERE AM I AT?

HOTELS FILLING UP.

MANY NEW-YORKERS REGISTER.

Buffalo, May 2 (Special).—The hotels are rapidly filling up with out of town people. Some of those from and near New-York who registered to-day will be found in the following list:

IROQUOIS.

Dr. W. A. Porter.	David Pearson, jr.
Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Elliott.	G. B. Walker.
G. F. Lee.	Robert Currie.
F. D. Farrell.	E. Cohen.
H. W. Macumber	H. Sperling.
J. O. Lorimer.	Daniel O'Reilly.
Morris Dettelbach.	Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Paul.
E. T. Howe.	W. H. Barrows.
F. P. Smith.	S. H. Butzel.
J. H. Mannes.	Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Fernald.
J. J. Donnellan.	Fred S. Haskell.
C. H. Keith.	Fred A. Beer.
John H. Elliott.	Charles A. Stadler.
H. O. Moon.	W. Van Hawn.
Mr. and Mrs. Monroe W. Lane.	A. Von Holzhausser.
T. H. Keller.	

ROBINSON.

G. W. Bitzer.	C. M. Smith.
G. L. Abrams.	Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Mason.

GENESEE.

A. Gnutzer.	W. Whelen.
L. H. Torvis.	I. W. Hathaway.
H. Gimpel.	F. T. Bowler.
J. M. Heartt.	J. Wyper.
R. F. Foster.	J. T. Rowland.
S. Chadwick.	J. T. Howe.
W. W. Bell.	L. Beeman.
S. J. McArdell.	A. C. Moore.
M. C. Levi.	B. Darling.

NEW TIFFT.

S. Shevlank.	J. C. Morton.
Mrs. B. M. Tyrrell.	J. C. Daggett.
T. U. Lewis.	W. H. Meyers.
W. J. Bradt.	John J. Gilroy.
W. C. Wheeler.	J. E. Marden.
H. C. Sweeton.	Joseph H. Orr.
J. R. Bushey, jr.	S. R. Hunter.
J. J. Armstrong.	B. Jacobson.
J. K. Hall.	Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Graham.
H. B. Bohks.	E. M. Yellburn.
E. N. Bartlett.	Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Frear.
Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Dingler.	Mr. and Mrs. C. Gordon.
B. Warendorff.	C. S. Hoffs.
H. B. Harwood.	R. T. Blaurett.
E. D. Kahn.	

MANSION.

L. Bellamy.	W. D. Streetor.
I. Miller.	S. Ritchie.
H. B. Platt.	T. Coulon.
A. T. Rosey.	Mr. and Mrs. L. Anderson.
F. W. Tarnutz.	F. J. Trompeter.
B. Brown.	G. Mornath.
L. Benedict.	M. Brugman.
A. C. Rosevelt.	E. J. Dewall.

STAFFORD.

C. P. Hall.	F. G. Wilkin.
D. Conigan.	C. E. Brown.
C. F. Puntler.	M. Brown.
W. H. Ward.	W. S. Needen.
S. J. Pugsley.	W. E. Smith.

BROESZEL.

L. Diamond.	C. Wilkinson.
J. G. Evans.	W. P. Maple.
L. H. Lawler.	H. O. Smith.
P. G. Burton.	T. A. Pitson.
Dr. A. Kunto.	M. Poinders.
A. B. Bryon.	S. J. Hanuston.
P. C. Leary.	J. Stutt.
R. C. Lewis.	W. A. Brooks.
W. H. Portong.	S Seiffer.
H. Abrams.	B. E. Howard.
Mr. and Mrs. W. Conover.	F. N. Eno.
Mr. and Mrs. A. Drake.	W. P. Oliver.
T. L. Charles.	B. Stephens.
A. A. Warnstadt.	C. J. Williams.
H. K. Laforge.	W. T. Finkel.
F. Harrison.	L. J. Schlitzer.
R. M. Loomis.	C. H. Waring.
A. Miller.	W. C. Olds.
W. B. Stevens.	A. C. Kittel.
Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Henning	C. M. Brown.
Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Pollock.	C. E. Hoffman.
C. F. Quinn.	C. E. Booth.
A. J. Gallien.	William White.
Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Webb.	A. H. Allen.
L. Miller.	

WELCOMED BACK WITH A HURRAH.

HOBOKEN CELEBRATES THE RETURN OF THE NORTH GERMAN LLOYD LINE TO HER WATERFRONT.

Hoboken celebrated last night the reopening of the North German Lloyd Line piers in that city. After the great fire of June 30 last Hoboken had a bad scare. The North German Lloyd for a time proposed to move its terminal to this city, and Hoboken had visions of an empty waterfront. Inducements were offered the line to return, and now one new pier is in use and Hoboken is happy.

When the Grosser Kurfürst arrived on Tuesday there was a big reception for her, but last night was fixed upon for the official celebration. Just as it was growing dark the singing societies of the city assembled and marched to the new pier. There they sang "The Star Spangled Banner" and other songs, and a torchlight parade, with three thousand men in line followed. The crew of the Grosser Kurfürst took part in it, and most of the organizations of the city were in line.

Mayor Fagan and Captain Reinskaften, of the Grosser Kurfürst, rode in the first carriage, and were warmly received. There was a fireworks display at Hudson Square Park, and a concert afterward. Later in the evening the city officials and the officers of the Grosser Kurfürst, the local officials of the line and prominent citizens had a dinner.

NO MONEY OFFERED YET.

In regard to a rumor that a memorial chapel and new parish house were to be added to the buildings of All Angels' Episcopal Church, West End-ave. and Eighty-first-st., by friends of the church, the rector, the Rev. Dr. S. De Lancy Townsend, said last evening that while he had in mind certain new buildings, no money had yet been offered for them, and no definite plans had been drawn. He hoped, he said, before going abroad, as he will soon, to be able to say that there would be new buildings erected, and that the money had been provided for them.

"They cannot be built for at least eighteen months anyway, for we cannot spare the old parish house now," said Dr. Townsend.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC WRECK NOT SERIOUS.

Ogden, Utah, May 2.—The Southern Pacific passenger train, to which the private car of D. O. Mills was attached, and which was wrecked at Emigrant Gap, Cal., reached Ogden to-day. The injured passengers were attended by the company's physician here. None of them were seriously hurt and all proceeded on their way East.

ANTI-TAMMANY MEETING IN THE BOWERY.

The downtown headquarters of the Republican Club, No. 274 Bowery, was well filled last evening at an anti-Tammany meeting. Alfred R. Conkling presided and speeches were made by J. C. Coleman, representing the upper West Side; William Byrnes, representing the East Side, and John P. Faure, ex-Commissioner of Charities.

Everett P. Wheeler was the last speaker. He said that every man in the hall helped to pay the taxes that Tammany spent, whether he paid for a bed in a lodging house, hired a floor in a tenement house or rented a flathouse, for it was the real estate that paid the tax, and the owner of the property got it out of the occupant. Every time a person made a purchase he helped to pay rent, which went partly to the tax gatherer. Therefore, every man in the hall had a right to insist that the taxes be spent for the benefit of the people and not for the benefit of the leaders of Tammany Hall.

Mr. Wheeler declared that the time had come for the people to make a change. Under Tammany misgovernment and disorder it came to pass that a woman could not walk in the street without fear of insult, and if a man had a pretty daughter she was liable to be caught up and carried to a disorderly house.

G. N. Y. DEMOCRACY IN THE XIXTH.

IT IS BUILDING A HANDSOME HEADQUARTERS, TO BE FINISHED BEFORE CAMPAIGN BEGINS.

The advisory committee of the Greater New-York Democracy of the XIXth Assembly District, chosen to perfect a district organization, met in the Hotel Empire, at Sixty-third-st. and Columbus-ave., last night. Ex-Surrogate Ransom acted as temporary chairman. Fifteen of the most influential Democrats of the district were present. The officers of the organization chosen are as follows: R. S. Ransom, chairman; William E. McFadden, vice-chairman; M. Theodore Brophy, secretary, and N. Taylor Phillips, treasurer. Mr. Ransom was appointed executive member. A committee to select temporary headquarters was appointed and $1,000 was raised for expenses. In speaking of headquarters Mr. Ransom after the meeting said:

We are now building permanent headquarters. The building is now in course of construction, and will be finished before the campaign begins in earnest. It will be the handsomest political headquarters in the city. The place and cost will be announced at the next meeting.

In speaking of the growth of the movement Mr. Ransom said:

Nearly all the districts in Greater New-York have been organized. This is one of the last districts to organize. There is great enthusiasm manifested everywhere. The feeling that Tammany will be defeated is growing. I think that in a few days there will be a call for the meeting of the executive committee of the organization of the greater city, and then steps will be taken for an active campaign. We have plenty of ammunition and plenty of argument, and we are full of zeal and fight.

THE CIGAR COMPANIES' COMBINATION.

NOT LIKELY THAT IT WILL CONTROL MORE THAN A FRACTION OF THE CLEAR HAVANA OUTPUT HERE.

The amalgamation of the American Cigar Company, a branch of the American Tobacco Company, and the Havana-American Company, according to a large manufacturer of clear Havana cigars, does not bring under one control more than about one-seventh of the output in this country of clear Havana cigars. "This combination will have the effect of stimulating the firms which are outside," he said, "by making them more ambitious. It has advantages over the individual dealers, however, because of its connection with the manufacturers of cigarettes and plug tobacco, who practically have a monopoly of those articles. It may be able to force dealers to patronize it because it can say, 'Unless you take our cigars we will not sell you cigarettes and tobacco.'"

This manufacturer did not think the combination would be favorable to an increase of its trade, basing his opinion on the experience of a combination of sixteen or eighteen factories in Havana. "That combination lost business," he said, "because the identity of the product of the individual factories was lost. Before the consolidation some of the firms had gained reputations for certain brands of cigars for the manufacture of which great care had been used in selecting the tobacco. The brands had individuality. After the consolidation the tobacco for all the factories was bought by one buyer."

TO SHOW NEGRO WORK AT CHARLESTON.

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON AS HEAD OF DEPARTMENT FOR HIS RACE IN EXPOSITION MAKES AN APPEAL.

Charleston, S. C., May 2.—Booker T. Washington has been placed at the head of the negro department of the South Carolina Interstate and West Indian Exposition, and has issued the following address:

To the colored people of the United States:

The South Carolina Interstate and West Indian Exposition promises to be a most important event in the history of the South, and especially beneficial to the interests of the negro. The exposition is to open in the historic city of Charleston, S. C., December 1, 1901. From the first the promoters of this enterprise have taken the deepest interest in providing an opportunity for the colored people of the United States to exhibit the progress they have made since their freedom.

A special building on one of the most attractive and prominent parts of the grounds has been set aside for the use of the colored people for their exhibit. It is earnestly desired that it be filled with the products of the negroes representing every section of the country. The exposition will be in no sense a local or State exposition, but national in its character and scope. It is the desire of those in charge of the negro department to make the negro exhibit the most complete and satisfactory of any exhibit the race has made since its freedom. The aim is to secure not a great quantity, but a select quality.

Those in charge of the negro department are especially anxious to secure exhibits representing the progress of the race along the following lines: Agriculture, mechanics, social culture and domestic life, education, morals and religion, woman's work and arts, as well as other relations of life.

The cost of the building as well as other expenses in connection with securing the negro exhibit has been guaranteed by the officials of the exposition, but we do not, as a race, want some one else to bear all the expenses in connection with the negro department, and the wish is earnestly expressed that the race contribute something, however small, toward the expenses of the negro exhibit. Such gifts may be offered through correspondence with the commissioners or they may be made to the secretary and field agent.

As is already widely known, Charleston is one of the most liberal cities in the country so far as concerns the treatment of the negro, and every one visiting Charleston or making an exhibit will be sure of a liberal and kindly treatment. By far the greater proportion of the common as well as the highest class of skilled labor in connection with the erection of the various buildings is being done by negroes.

The following officials have been appointed for the negro department: Executive committee—E. A. Lawrence, S. W. Bennett, William Ingliss, Dr. Thomas E. Miller, the Rev. N. B. Sterritt, the Rev. J. L. Dart and W. J. Parker.

Thomas Jefferson Jackson is field agent and secretary.

This exposition brings to the race a rare opportunity to show the world what it is accomplishing in every line of human progress, and we believe the opportunity will be utilized to the fullest extent.

NEW PARTNER FOR JOHN W. GRIGGS.

Paterson, N. J., May 2 (Special).—Ex-Attorney-General John W. Griggs has invited John W. Harding, a prominent lawyer of this city, to become a member of the firm of Dill & Griggs. It is understood that Mr. Harding will look after the Paterson end of the business of the firm. Mr. Harding was referee in bankruptcy for this county, and he has sent in his resignation to Judge Kirkpatrick, to take effect on May 15.

THE FLEUR DE LYS AT MALTA.

Valetta, Malta, May 2.—The American schooner yacht Fleur de Lys, of the New-York Yacht Club, owned by Dr. Lewis A. Stimson arrived here to-day.

OBITUARY.

DR. CLARENCE W. CORNELL.

Dr. Clarence W. Cornell died Wednesday at his home, No. 200 West Seventieth-st., from hemorrhage of the stomach, after a short illness. Dr. Cornell was born in this city in 1856, and was graduated from the New-York Homœopathic Medical College in 1877. He was a member of the staff of the Hahnemann Hospital and the Metropolitan Hospital, and had been president of the Pathological Society. In 1890 he married Miss Annie E. Rudd, of this city.

She survives him. The funeral will be held at his home this evening at 8 o'clock.

HENRY F. BROWN.

Sayville, Long Island, May 2.—Henry F. Brown died last night from consumption, aged sixty-three years. In early life Mr. Brown followed the sea and made a fortune in the oyster industry and the coasting trade, and at his death was a large land owner. Mr. Brown was the local Republican leader.

OBITUARY NOTES.

Dubuque, Iowa, May 2.—George B. Burch, president of the Second National Bank, and one of the best known men in the Mississippi Valley, died today.

Pittsburg, May 2.—William C. Moreland, former city attorney of Pittsburg, died at his home this morning after an illness of twelve weeks' suffering from Bright's disease. He was sixty-six years old, and from early manhood had been prominent in State and local politics.

Chicago, May 2.—Mother Ascension, the last of the early pioneers at Notre Dame, Ind., died at St. Mary's Academy last night. Born in France in 1826, she came to Notre Dame in 1845, one year after Father Sonn, the founder. She was a famous character, and known in every part of the United States. For the last thirty years she had been known as the mother of the missions at Bengal, on account of her great works of charity.

"UNCLE JOEL" STILL HOLDS THE FORT.

TRUCE DECLARED, HOWEVER, AND HE WILL MOVE OUT TEMPORARILY, AT LEAST.

"Uncle Joel" Holcomb, who refuses to be dispossessed from his old home, at No. 151 Henry-st., Brooklyn, although a family has already moved into the ground floor, was still holding the fort there last night. His meals were sent up to him during the day by means of an improvised dumbwaiter—a bucket and a rope lowered from the window.

"This is my house, and I'm going to hold it, no matter who tries to put me out," said Holcomb to a reporter who conversed with him from the sidewalk.

The old man's lawyers, however, have arranged to have him leave the premises to-day, but he will surrender none of his rights by so doing. B. E. Valentine, who claims to own the house, has agreed upon a truce, by which "Uncle Joel's" possession of the premises will be conceded, even though he does not personally stay in the house.

The dispute over the house is of ten years' standing. Mr. Valentine holds a heavy mortgage upon the property, and has collected the rents for ten years, although the house has never been publicly sold under foreclosure proceedings. When the recent tenants moved out, Holcomb got into the house, and there he was when the succeeding tenants arrived. Mr. Holcomb's daughters were with him at first, but went out one day and could not get back. They are staying temporarily at No. 96 Pineapple-st.

PROGRESS OF THE EASTMAN TRIAL.

AGED WITNESS SAYS EASTMAN SAID OF GROGAN, "HIS DAYS ARE SHORT."

Cambridge, Mass., May 2.—Although the larger portion of the proceedings at the Eastman murder trial to-day was taken up in unimportant expert testimony on powder stains on clothing and alloys of lead in bullets, there were a few witnesses who proved to be most important in the trial, while the day ended with a magnificent forensic effort on the part of the Attorney-General to obtain the admission of the testimony of the accused which he made before the grand jury which indicted him.

This testimony the court earlier in the week, after a private hearing to the different lawyers, excluded, but the Attorney-General to-day made another effort in open court to obtain a reversal of the decision of the judges through numerous legal citations, backed by an earnest and eloquent plea. The defence, relying on the court's former decision, made no reply to the arguments of the Attorney-General, and, as the court withheld its decision on the last plea of the Attorney-General, the latter to-morrow morning will cite additional cases bearing on the subject.

By far the most important witness of the day was the aged and decrepit mother of the dead man, who tottered feebly into the court and gave an instance where Eastman looked toward her son and said, "His days are short." This was a little over a week before the tragedy.

Two witnesses, recalled, identified the little bullet as the one taken from the body, by reason of its peculiar formation. This last testimony will have a great bearing on the case if the defence should allege that the bullet, which has been frequently shown to the jury, and which is admitted by Eastman's testimony before the grand jury in October, which grand jury indicted him, is not the same bullet that was taken from Grogan's body.

The Attorney-General announced that he would cite additional cases in the morning. The lawyers for the defence stated to the court that they would make no argument against the Attorney-General's contention, and the court then adjourned.

FRANCHISE TAX CASES TO BE HEARD.

Albany, May 2.—Judge Robert Earl, of Herkimer, who was appointed by Justice Herrick, of the Supreme Court, as referee to take testimony in the proceedings brought by New-York City corporations in consequence of the franchise tax act, will probably begin the trial of the cases in New-York City on May 21. Before him will be tried the cases of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit system, the Metropolitan Street Railway Company, the Consolidated Telegraph and Subway Company, the New-Amsterdam Gas Company, the Consolidated Gas Company, the Northern Union Gas Company and the Central Union Gas Company.

POOL SELLING PENALTY LIGHTENED.

Albany, May 2.—Governor Odell to-day signed the bill of Senator Brackett amending the Penal Code by removing the minimum penalty for convictions for pool selling, bookmaking and making bets and wagers. Heretofore the penalty has been imprisonment for not less than one year nor more than two years, together with a fine not to exceed $2,000. Under the new law the minimum period of imprisonment is unlimited, and the courts are prohibited from imposing both a fine and imprisonment for the same offence.

A WEDDING.

Detroit, May 2.—Miss Mignonne E. Swift, of this city, and Captain Frederick M. Alger, son of ex-Secretary Russell A. Alger, were married at 12 o'clock to-day in the Fort Street Presbyterian Church. Captain and Mrs. Alger started for the East this afternoon in General Alger's private car and will sail for the Mediterranean on Saturday.

THE PASSING THRONG.

"The wonderful bull market that is now in progress in our stock exchanges," said Charles Herron, of Cleveland, Ohio, at the Waldorf-Astoria yesterday, "is gathering into the malestrom of speculation the highest and the lowest of the country's inhabitants. No one to-day is free from it, and it is good betting that nine out of every ten groups you see sitting about engrossed in conversation are talking naught but stocks. Even children have caught the fever, and will discourse to you learnedly of the merits of 'steal' preferred or the chances of the San Antonio and Aransas Pass absorbing the Pennsylvania and thus securing a direct route to Philadelphia. It happened to be my lot to be more or less identified with music and to be in touch with the Grau Opera Company and familiar with its members. No set of people are more deeply imbued with this present and prevalent fever of speculation. Their talk between times is all of stocks, and at an intermission at a rehearsal the jargon of the exchanges issues from the lips of all. The disciples of Wagner are at such times not in Valhall, but rather in Wall Street. As they are all wild, rampant and raging bulls, they are all well ahead of the game to date.

SPECULATIVE FEVER RAMPANT.

"From ballet master to orchestra member, they all buy and sell stocks, but to date none of them, so far luckily enough, has sold and then bought stocks. Formerly the orchestra played poker and hearts when travelling. Now they discuss Wagner preferred or whether Rheingold will go up or down. A certain young tenor I know has already cleared $45,000 and is deeper in than ever, and divides his time about evenly between the opera house and the Street. The husband of one of the best known prima donnas has made to date over $135,000, and looks forward to the quarter of a million. Others have made greater or less amounts in proportion to the capital involved. Musicians are proverbially jealous, so 'tis said, but out of the speculative fever that has swept over them has come a spirit of comradeship. Their tips they eagerly share and discuss with each other, with the general result that, as does one, so do all. When a tip would arrive during the recent trip of the company it would be the signal for a council, invariably followed by a flood of telegraphic orders to brokers in New-York to buy, buy, buy. These be wonderfully speculative times, and nowhere is there greater evidence of their presence than in the Grau Opera Company."

OPERA SINGERS TALK OF LITTLE ELSE.

A VETERAN DIES IN THE STREET.

COLONEL H. F. LIEBENAU BREATHES HIS LAST AFTER ALIGHTING FROM A CAR AT SOUTH FERRY.

Henry F. Liebenau, a veteran of the Civil War, who was an inspector in the Department of Water Supply, and who lived at No. 625 East One-hundred-and-fortieth-st., dropped dead shortly after noon yesterday after alighting from a Broadway car at South Ferry. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and was at one time connected with the 7th Regiment.

Colonel Liebenau was sixty-nine years old. At the outbreak of the Civil War he went to the front as sergeant-major of the 71st Regiment. He returned and organized the 25th New-York Volunteer Cavalry. He was appointed colonel of the regiment. He had been a member of Volunteer Fire Company No. 1, was president of the Vosburg Veteran Association of the 71st Regiment, and belonged to Farnham Post No. 458, G. A. R. A widow, two daughters and a son survive.

BRIDAL FLOWERS ON GRAVES.

WAGONLOADS OF BLOSSOMS USED AT YONKERS WEDDING SPREAD IN CEMETERY LOT.

Several wagonloads of bridal roses and other cut flowers were spread yesterday upon the graves of members of the family of ex-Mayor John G. Peene, of Yonkers. The flowers were so disposed of at the request of Mr. Peene's daughter, who was married on Wednesday night to Dr. Edwin Sterling Munson, of this city.

The wedding took place in St. John's Episcopal Church, Yonkers, and a reception followed at the home of the bride's parents, the guests including nearly all the officers of the 7th Regiment, of which the bridegroom is a member. As the bride was leaving her father's home on the arm of her husband she asked that the great mass of flowers used in the decorations be placed on the graves of her dead relatives, and her wishes were respected.

MORE CARDINALS FOR THIS COUNTRY.

Buffalo, May 2 (Special).—The Right Rev. James E. Quigley, Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Western New-York, said to-day that he expected that within twenty-five years there would be at least half a dozen more Cardinals in the United States. "At present," said the Bishop, "it does not seem easy for an American prelate to reach this distinction, but the rapid growth of this country will change that soon. Within twenty-five years I am confident we shall see cardinals located in such cities as New-York, Chicago, St. Louis, New-Orleans, San Francisco and Pittsburg."

TREASURY BOND PURCHASE.

Washington, May 2.—The Secretary of the Treasury to-day purchased $150,000 short term 4 per cent bonds at 113.61.

THE WEATHER REPORT.

YESTERDAY'S RECORD AND TO-DAY'S FORECAST.

Washington, May 2.—The weather in the southern half of the country east of the Rocky Mountains has continued fair and warm. Rain and cooler weather has prevailed in the Rocky Mountain region and over the great basin. There have been occasional showers and thunderstorms in the lake region, and it is raining to-night in Eastern New-York and New-England. The temperature has fallen sharply in the Rocky Mountain region and on the northeastern slope. There will be rain in the Missouri and upper Mississippi valleys and in the Southwest Friday and probably in the middle Mississippi and Ohio valleys and in the lake region Saturday. The temperature will fall sharply in the Missouri and upper Mississippi valleys Friday, and in a less marked degree in the Southwest. It will also be colder in the upper lake region Friday, and in the lower lake region Saturday. The winds on the New-England and Middle Atlantic coasts will be brisk southwesterly, probably becoming northwesterly by Saturday. On the South Atlantic Coast fresh to brisk southwesterly winds will prevail.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

For Maine, New-Hampshire and Vermont, fair to-day, except rain on the Maine coast; to-morrow fair and colder.

For Massachusetts and Connecticut, partly cloudy with showers to-day; colder in western portion; to-morrow fair; colder in eastern portion.

For Rhode Island, showers, followed by fair to-day; to-morrow fair and colder.

For Eastern New-York, showers, followed by fair and colder to-day; to-morrow fair.

For Eastern Pennsylvania, rain, followed by fair to-day, with lower temperature in northern and western portions; to-morrow fair; colder in southeast portion.

For New-Jersey, rain and warmer to-day; to-morrow fair and colder.

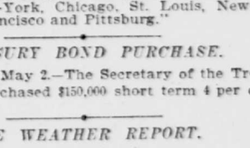
For Delaware, rain, followed by fair to-day; to-morrow fair and colder.

For the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia, partly cloudy to-day; to-morrow fair and colder.

For Western Pennsylvania, fair to-day and to-morrow; lower temperature to-day.

For Western New-York, showers and cooler to-day; to-morrow threatening, probably rain in western portion.

TRIBUNE LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.



In this diagram the continuous white line shows the changes in pressure as indicated by The Tribune's self-recording barometer. The dotted line shows the temperature as recorded at Perry's Pharmacy.

Tribune Office, May 3, 1 a. m.—The weather yesterday was fair, with a thunderstorm at night. The temperature ranged between 58 and 48 degrees, the average (52⅝ degrees) being 6⅛ degrees lower than on Wednesday and 5½ degrees lower than on the corresponding day last year.

In and near this city to-day there will probably be rain.

MARRIED.

HAMMOND—BUSBEE—In Grace Church Chantry, New-York, on Thursday, May 2, 1901, by the Rev. Dr. William R. Huntington, rector of the parish, Thomas A. Hammond, son of the late General John Hammond, to Olivia Worden Busbee, daughter of the late Admiral John L. Worden.

Notices of marriages and deaths must be indorsed with full name and address.

DIED.

Breese, Theodore F.
Bright, Katharine B.
Brown, Elizabeth R.
Cornell, Clarence W.
Crouch, George.
Davison, William S.
Hand, Ziba.
Hastings, Hannah S. T.
Hickok, Sarah A. C.
Jeffery, Clara M.
L'Hommedieu, Nathaniel C.
Miller, John F.
Turner, John T.
Vermilya, William.
Waterman, Lewis E.

BREESE—At Meriden, Conn., on May 1, Theodore F. Breese, in the 73d year of his age.
Funeral Saturday, May 4, at 2:30 p. m.

DIED.

BRIGHT—At Pomfret, Conn., on May 1, 1901, Katharine B., daughter of Maria Wyckoff and the late Osborn E. Bright.
Funeral services at St. Mark's Church, New-Canaan, Conn., on Saturday, May 4, at 3:30 p. m.
Train leaves Grand Central Depot, New-Haven R. R., at 2 o'clock.

BROWN—On Tuesday evening, April 30, 1901, at Glen Ridge, N. J., Mrs. Elizabeth R. Brown, aged 71 years.
Funeral services at the residence of her son, Rev. Elliott W. Brown, No. 8 Hillside-ave., Glen Ridge, Friday, May 3, at 4:30 p. m.

CORNELL—On May 1, 1901, in his 45th year, Clarence W. Cornell, M. D.
Funeral services at 8 p. m., Friday, May 3, at 200 West 70th-st.
Relatives, friends and members of medical societies with which he was connected are invited to attend.

CROUCH—On Wednesday evening, May 1, 1901, in his 85th year, George Crouch.
Funeral services at his late residence, 110 West 77th-st., on Saturday afternoon, at 2 o'clock.
Kindly omit flowers.

DAVISON—Suddenly, on Tuesday, April 30, William S. Davison, in his 61st year.
Funeral private.
Interment at Princeton, N. J.

HAND—At Flushing, N. Y., on May 2, 1901, Ziba, husband of Hannah Hand, aged 72 years.
Funeral from the Reformed Church, Amity Street, Flushing, on Sunday, May 5, at 4 p. m.
Potsdam papers please copy.

HASTINGS—Suddenly, Tuesday, April 30, at her residence, No. 150 Henry-st., Brooklyn, in her 86th year, Hannah S. T., widow of Waitstill Hastings.
Funeral services will be held at late residence, Thursday, May 2, at 2:30 p. m.

HICKOK—At Bethel, Conn., Monday, April 29th, 1901, Sarah Ann Coley, widow of George A. Hickok, in her 80th year.
Funeral Thursday at 2 o'clock p. m., from her late residence.

JEFFERY—At the Langham Hotel, Boston, Mass., April 30, Clara Mary Jeffery, mother of Dr. J. Albert Jeffery, aged 65 years, 11 months, 25 days.
Funeral services at the Church of the Messiah, St. Stephen-st., Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock.
Relatives and friends invited to attend.

L'HOMMEDIEU—At Newark, N. J., May 1, Nathaniel C. L'Hommedieu, in his 92d year.
Interment at Milford, Conn.

MILLER—At his late residence, No. 85 State-st., Ossining, N. Y., John F. Miller, aged 68 years.
Funeral services will be held at the Presbyterian church at 2:30 o'clock Friday, May 3, 1901.

TURNER—Suddenly, on Wednesday morning, May 1, 1901, at Atlantic City, N. J., John T. Turner, of 60 West 76th-st., New-York, in the 56th year of his age.
Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services at All Angels' Church, 81st-st. and West End-ave., to-day (May 3), at 2 o'clock.
Baltimore papers please copy.

VERMILYA—At Clifton Springs, N. Y., on Wednesday, May 1, 1901, William Vermilya, formerly of Tarrytown, N. Y., in the 79th year of his age.
Funeral at Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church, Tarrytown, on Saturday, May