

CLEAR FORTY-SECOND ST. TRIBUNE'S FIGHT WON.

This Paper Warmly Thanked for Success of Vigorous Crusade. The Tribune's fight for the merchants and others interested in having Forty-second st. restored from a state of chaos...

True, the paving was hastily put down, and when the city gets ready to relay it in a substantial manner the temporary surface will have to be taken up. That did not detract, however, from the joy felt by the merchants and pedestrians...

Of the four years of toll and moil and clamoring over debris the merchants said nothing last night as they surveyed the restoration. They were in a forgiving mood, and while gray hairs did not turn black once more, still there was a youthful look to the men and women...

For fear that the contractors will feel like taking a holiday, it may as well be understood by them that they are not yet discharged from the work. There were numerous broken wheelbarrows and tool boxes along the street last night...

The Tribune began its attack on those responsible for turning Forty-second st. into a scrap heap less than two weeks ago. As a result of the agitation the street last night was in such a condition that traffic was unobstructed except in front of the Lincoln Bank...

Some of the merchants have had their cellars flooded along Forty-second st. because of accidents in the subway work. They will bring suits wherever they have cause of action. It will be years before the city has heard the last of the Forty-second st. nightmare...

To the Editor of the Tribune. Sir: On Saturday, May 28, conditions in this neighborhood were at their worst, more particularly on the block between Fifth and Sixth avenues...

Washington, June 4.—Postmaster General Payne today issued an order for the free transmission through the mails of reading matter in raised letters for the blind. The order directs that such reading matter may be sent by a public library or institution to blind readers on a loan and returned through the mails without postage...

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Mrs. L. C. Phipps Was Helpless—Attempt at Reconciliation.

It was not till last night that the sensational manner in which Lawrence C. Phipps, of Pittsburgh, kidnapped his two children from his wife in this city on Friday morning, when it became known that on Friday morning when the father was fleeing in his automobile with the two little daughters, the mother lay in her room in a hotel, where she had been bound and gagged by the emissaries of her husband...

These men accomplished their purpose by climbing a fire escape and entering her room by the window. The children were in a room with their two nurses. The mother occupied an adjoining room. On Friday morning, it is said, the door between the rooms was locked on the children's side, and the mother was unable to see her children after the invaders entered. The nurses, it is believed, assisted in carrying out the plot...

It is said that Mr. Phipps spent \$60,000 in getting possession of his children. He succeeded in spite of the fact that his wife kept herself surrounded by private detectives and servants whom she supposed she could trust. The report was circulated yesterday that Henry Phipps, of No. 6 East Eighty-seventh-st., the original partner of Andrew Carnegie and an uncle of Lawrence C. Phipps, was seeking to reconcile the couple through his attorney, Percy S. Dudley, of Moore, Wallace & Dudley, of No. 26 Liberty-st. Mr. Phipps was not at home last night, and Mrs. Phipps would make no comment on the report. A friend of the family said, however, that the report was correct, and that Henry Phipps had known of the trouble in his nephew's family for some months. He said that Mrs. Lawrence Phipps visited her husband's uncle last winter unaccompanied by her husband, although he was in this city at the time. It was said then that the visit was to ask the uncle to effect a reconciliation...

J. C. Thompson was asked last evening if he had been approached by Henry Phipps or his attorney on the subject of reconciliation. He hesitated for a moment, and then said, "I cannot answer that question." At the Hotel Netherland it was denied that Mrs. Phipps had been staying there, in spite of the admission by the clerk the night before of a clerk of J. C. Thompson was waiting there last night to meet Mr. Thompson, presumably for a conference with Mrs. Phipps.

PHIPPS BOUND FOR DENVER. Servants Met Him at Pittsburg and Boarded the Train.

Pittsburg, June 4.—Lawrence C. Phipps, of this city, who was captured here last night by two young men in New-York, is now on his way to his home in Denver, Colo. It was learned to-day that Mr. Phipps passed through Pittsburg last evening on his way to Chicago, with the two children. He was met at the East End station here, it is said, by five servants from the children. At his home in Pittsburg it was admitted that the servants had joined Mr. Phipps here, expecting to go to Denver.

ACTOR GETS BLACK EYE. Real Fight Adds Variety to Final Night at Wallack's.

The last performance of "The County Chairman" until next September, and the 27th performance of the play in this city, was given last night at Wallack's Theatre, before a large audience, who received bound and illustrated souvenir programmes. The performance was enhanced quite unexpectedly at the end of the second act by some of the stage hands. The second act ends in a stage fight, incident to the political meeting in progress, and the scene is supposed to be decidedly animated. But for some weeks there has been bad blood between some of the stage hands and the supers in the company, and last night the stage hands decided it was their last opportunity. So when the fight began they slipped in out of the wings and mixed in with the supers and began to fight in real earnest. The curtain came down speedily, but not before one of the actors in the company, Claude C. Boyer, who takes the part of the station agent, had received a black eye in the mix-up, and the second tenor of the quartet was decorated with a similar souvenir of the last performance. The stage hands who started the fight escaped unhurt. Maclyn Arbuckle made a speech after the second act, and after the third act the company assembled on the stage and presented to the manager, Colonel Braydon, a handsome diamond ring. The same company will reopen Wallack's on September 1.

STOLE \$12,500 TO SPECULATE. Bookkeeper in Baltimore Bank Lost \$8,000 in Cotton in Two Days.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Baltimore, June 4.—Jesse Baker, a bookkeeper of the National Howard Bank, who embezzled \$12,500 of the bank's funds, said to-day that he would plead guilty and beg for mercy for the sake of his family. He broke down in telling the story of his downfall through speculation. He said: "I lost \$8,000 in two days on cotton. That was the time when Billy failed. Then I felt all was gone and I could not recover. I was terribly worried, and my first thought was to kill myself. Then I thought of my dear wife and my little boy, and I determined that I would come home, face it all and accept my punishment. It is a desperate game to speculate, and I will never do it again."

ELOPING HUSBAND WRITES HER. Clergyman Sends Wife \$100 Draft—Puts Blame on a Certain Man.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] New-Brunswick, N. J., June 4.—Mrs. J. F. Cordova, wife of the South River Methodist pastor who eloped with Miss Julia Bowen, one of the choir singers, received a letter last night from her husband, mailed in Texas, where the pastor has a brother. It is believed this was done to throw people off the track, as Cordova and Miss Bowen have been seen in Canada. Mr. Cordova's brother at El Paso, Tex., is in sympathy with Mrs. Cordova, and has offered to aid her. The pastor's letter contained, it was said to-day, a \$100 draft in favor of his wife, and said that the writer had had many sleepless nights since he left home because of worry over the children. The letter also stated, it is said, that the writer blames a certain man for bringing about the elopement through his exposure of disapproval of the conduct of the pastor and Miss Bowen.

TEACHERS TO SUE G. W. VANDERBILT. Trouble at the Biltmore Parish School Has Just Begun.

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DISTILLERY BLOWS UP. TEN KILLED; SIX HURT.

Blazing Flood of Whiskey Spreads Destruction.

Peoria, Ill., June 4.—An explosion which occurred in the eleven-story warehouse of the Corning Distillery, the second largest in the world, this afternoon wrecked the building. The ruins immediately took fire, and the flames communicated to three adjoining buildings, burning them to the ground. Ten men were buried beneath the ruins and burned to death and six others were seriously injured. The loss on buildings and whiskey and spirits stored will approximate \$1,000,000. The fire spread to the stockyards district, where a dozen large cattle barns, filled with cattle for market, were burned.

The cause of the explosion cannot yet be determined. The wildest excitement prevailed. The plant was surrounded by thousands of persons, who, however, were unable to get close to the structure on account of the intense heat. The warehouse, containing in the neighborhood of thirty thousand barrels of whiskey, was instantly a seething caldron, and it was seen that no one inside the big structure could escape. The warehouse in crushing the smaller structure nearby set that on fire, and the whiskey from the bursting barrels flooded everything in that section. Large streams ran down grade toward the river, and in a short time there was a foot of blazing whiskey in the cattle pens east of the warehouse, where thirty-two hundred steers were chained fast. Their distress lasted only a few moments, for they were soon roasted to death or suffocated. The firemen got near the fire with difficulty, and the water had little or no effect. A high wind was blowing and fanning the flames in the directions of the Monarch Distillery, and for a time it was feared that the fire would sweep along the entire river bank, but the firemen succeeded in preventing the further spread of the flames.

TORNADO DEALS DEATH. Towns Wiped Out and Farms Laid Waste in Oklahoma.

Lawton, O. T., June 4.—A tornado in the Kiowa and Comanche Nations has demolished a great number of dwelling and business houses at numerous small towns and laid waste dozens of farms. One person is known to have been killed and about a dozen are believed to have been injured, one fatally. It is reported that the towns of Chattanooga and Faxon, small places, have been wiped out. They are known to have been in the track of the storm. Wires are down and details are lacking. The town of Helen also is said to have been destroyed.

KANSAS FLOODS GROW. Great Damage in Oil Fields—Many Bridges Gone.

Kansas City, June 4.—Further rains have fallen in Southern Kansas in the last twelve hours, and the flood conditions in the Valley of the Neosho and Cottonwood rivers continue to grow worse. The streams are higher than at any time in twenty years, not excepting the rise a year ago, and they are still rising. The Kaw, which caused the real damage from Kansas City west to Manhattan in the flood of 1903, continues to come up slowly at Topeka, Lawrence and Kansas City, but as yet no alarm is felt over the result of the flood along this stream. Although the Missouri River at Kansas City is high and rising slowly, it is believed it will be able to carry off the great amount of water coming this way from the West through the Kaw. As the streams which are the highest are those off the Kaw watershed, and drain into rivers south of Kansas City, whatever serious damage is done must affect Southern Kansas territory, and will not do material damage at Kansas City, Lawrence and North Topeka, which suffered the brunt of last year's flood. Railway service throughout the Southwest is still demoralized, and a dozen or more trains are stalled in Kansas. The damage already done by the flood is immense. Hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of bridges have been destroyed and growing crops have been greatly damaged. As far as known, only two persons, a woman and child, names unknown, have been drowned. The greatest damage wrought is in the great oil fields of Southern Kansas around and at Iola, Florence, Emporia, Fort Scott and further west along the Arkansas at Wichita and other places. Many derricks and rigs have been swept away. Railroad traffic on all lines in that section has been abandoned. In some places the Neosho is six miles wide.

R. C. VANDERBILT COMING. A Member of the Neilson Family Expected Him To-day.

Reginald C. Vanderbilt was expected to repeat his visit to this city to-day in the hours when the process server comes out. Soon after 1 o'clock this morning a member of the Neilson family arrived at the home of Mrs. Frederic Neilson, Mr. Vanderbilt's mother-in-law, at No. 100 Fifth-ave. When asked by a Tribune reporter if Mr. Vanderbilt was expected, the man said that Mr. Vanderbilt would not arrive before 5 o'clock in the morning. Then he modified this by saying that Mr. Vanderbilt might be here to-day.

YOUNG'S CAREER ON TRACK AND TURF. Young was not only well known as a bookmaker and owner of a string of horses, but about a dozen years ago, as the champion amateur athlete of the United States.

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BOOKMAKER SHOT IN CAB. SUICIDE, COMPANION SAYS. Actress Held "on Suspicion"—Wife Waiting at Pier.

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Patrolman Junior, who was called by the cab driver when he heard the shot, said: "When I stepped to the platform of the cab I saw only the woman inside. Looking again, I saw the man lying on the floor. I did not see any pistol. It was not in his hand. Later I found it in his right hand coat pocket. Junior ordered Michaels to go with all speed to the Hudson Street Hospital. Before the wounded man could be laid on the operating table he died, without recovering consciousness. Miss Patterson became hysterical in the hospital, and treatment was necessary before she could be taken to the Leonard-st. station. While Captain Sweeney was talking to her, J. G. Millin, Young's partner in bookmaking, entered and cursed the woman. "Caesar," he declared, "was not man who would kill himself. He never carried a gun under any circumstances." Millin rushed toward Miss Patterson, cursing her. The detectives held him until she passed into the street with Captain Sweeney. As she went out, Millin shouted: "If I had a gun I'd kill you, you!" Meantime, Mrs. Young and her friends were awaiting Young's arrival at the pier. A reporter told Mr. Luce of the tragedy, and a few moments later Millin told the others. Mrs. Young was told that her husband had been delayed uptown, and she was taken away by friends. Millin said he had been with his partner until 1 o'clock that morning, and that Young was in excellent spirits, and looked forward with pleasure to his trip abroad. The trip to Europe had been planned to break off Young's association with Miss Patterson.

SHIPS WORRY FRANCE. THE PERDICARIS CASE. Would Like Fewer American Cannon at Tangier.

Paris, June 4.—Although no official intimation on the subject has been given, it is understood that France would view favorably the withdrawal of some of the American warships now at Tangier. The presence of the American ships there has had the effect of attracting ships of other nationalities, including Italian and British. According to the French view, if a local agitation occurred American, Italian and British ships might land forces to preserve order, and it is pointed out that this would involve serious responsibilities upon the United States, and would also have the effect of discrediting France's paramount influence in Morocco. The American officials say that the United States warships will be promptly withdrawn, if France undertakes the entire burden of securing the release of Ion Perdicaris. Thus far, however, France, while offering to do everything possible, has no desire to assume the entire burden of settling the incident. The French officials say they would gladly relieve the United States government of the embarrassment of the Moroccan affair, but they do not wish to do so by placing themselves in a similar embarrassment.

ITALIAN WARSHIP JOINS AMERICAN FLEET AT TANGIER.

Washington, June 4.—Admiral Chadwick today cabled to the Navy Department that the presence of the American fleet at Tangier has had a salutary influence, but that the community in that state of great religious excitement. The cable dispatch also reported that the Marietta, which was sent to Gibraltar for stores, had rejoined the fleet at Tangier; that an Italian man-of-war had arrived, and that an English warship was expected to arrive at the Morocco port. Admiral Chadwick's cable dispatch is understood to be in reply to certain criticisms, mainly from British sources, on the wisdom of sending American warships to Morocco at this juncture. The British view is that the release of Mr. Perdicaris and Mr. Varley can be more safely obtained by refraining from adding to the anti-foreign feeling of the Moors. England therefore planned to send to Morocco waters nothing more formidable in a naval way than a small dispatch boat, the Surprise, and to rely chiefly on the efforts of the British Minister Resident. The religious excitement mentioned as prevailing among the Moors is believed here to be incident primarily to one of the annual Mahometan pilgrimages occurring at this season. It is also believed here, however, that the presence of the seven American warships at Tangier, with a promise of reinforcement if necessary by the big battleship squadron, is regarded as threatening Morocco in every way as the Mahometan religion, and has contributed to the excitement.

TO STOP BULLFIGHT. Governor Dockery Acts on Protests of Religious Bodies.

St. Louis, June 4.—As the results of protests filed with him by the Congressional State Association of Missouri and other religious bodies, Governor Dockery to-day ordered Prosecuting Attorney Johnson of St. Louis County to enforce the law against the promoters of the proposed Spanish bullfight advertised for to-morrow near the World's Fair grounds, and to arrest all violators of the law. Sheriff Henoken says that he has been assured that there will be no cruelty or brutality incident to the fight, and adds: "I will be there with enough deputies to see that the law is enforced." Richard Norris, president of the amusement company under whose auspices the fight is scheduled to take place, declares the fight will be observed in every particular. The law prohibits bull baiting or bull fighting as practiced in Spain.

REVENUE CUTTER BADLY DAMAGED—LOSES RIGGING.

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BOARDING HOUSE BLOWS UP. Natural Gas Causes Catastrophe from Which Four Will Die.

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FATALLY SHOTS WIFE FOR BURGLAR. Vermont Trapper Informs Authorities After Early Morning Tragedy.

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CANFIELD ASSAULTED. Former Employee Angered by Failure to Get \$10.

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ENGINEER KILLS HIMSELF. FOUND IN SECRET OFFICE. Guest Waiting While Ice Expert Took Poison and Gas.

George Richmond, consulting engineer of the De La Vergne Refrigerating Company, a director of the Quartz Ice Company, of Elizabeth, N. J.; author and translator of technical books of international reputation and an expert in the manufacture of ice, yesterday was found dead in his private office on the fourth floor of the Carr Building, at Third-ave. and One-hundred-and-thirty-eighth-st. He had committed suicide by drinking a mixture of chloral and brandy and turning on the illuminating gas in the room. He had been dead for twenty-four hours. Overwork is the reason given by his family for his act. Besides his duties as consulting engineer for the De La Vergne company, for which he received \$10,000 a year, he was interested in the Quartz Ice Company, a newly organized concern, of which his son Julian was secretary, and had been busy with its affairs of late. He was also employed in an advisory capacity on the engineering staff of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company.

Mr. Richmond was to have entertained a friend at dinner Friday night in his home, at No. 1,144 Clinton-ave. He left home about 9 o'clock. When evening came and he did not return his family was not alarmed at first, but when his friend appeared and the host did not return his family began to rise. After worrying about him all night, in the morning his son Julian searched for him all over Manhattan and the Bronx among his business acquaintances without result. The son did not know of the private office in the Carr Building. A month ago Richmond went to Austin Carr, superintendent of the building, and hired the office, getting Carr's promise not to let any one know that he was a tenant. An odor of gas was noticed in the corridor outside Richmond's office on Friday afternoon, but it was so slight that it was supposed to be due to a defective jet. Yesterday a boy, passing through the corridor, saw that several letters apparently intended to be thrown through the slot in the door of Richmond's office had fallen to the floor outside. He picked them up and tried to pass them through the slot. He found that at the back of the opening a heavy sheet of paper was pasted. The boy broke the paper, and peering into the room, saw the engineer stretched out in his swivel chair in front of his desk, with his hands in his pockets and his feet on the desk, in his characteristic attitude. The boy told the superintendent and he entered the office with his keys. On the table beside the engineer was a half pint bottle half full of brandy, a small bottle of chloral and a glass with a few drops of liquid in the bottom. All the cracks in the windows and door had been covered by strips of paper. A new rubber tube extended from the jet to near one of the dead man's hands. Evidently he had made all his preparations, drunk the brandy and alcohol, which probably made him insensible to any unpleasant effects of the gas, and then striking back into a comfortable position in his chair had awaited his end. Richmond was fifty-four years old. He was probably one of the most skilled engineers in his specialty in this country. He travelled in Europe several years ago.

ROBBERY IN BROADWAY. Men Assault Girl and Take Money While Throgs Pass.

Just before noon yesterday Miss Fannie Fierman, nineteen years old, of No. 62 Amboy-st., Brooklyn, was assaulted in the hallway of No. 418 Broadway, where she is employed as a stenographer by Tafer & Ebstein, dealers in advertising novelties, and robbed of \$25 which she had just drawn from the National Butchers and Drovers' Bank. David Paley, of No. 56 Canal-st., has been arrested on a charge of assault and robbery, but two young men with him got away with the money, the police say. It has been Miss Fierman's custom for some time to draw every Saturday the money with which the employees of the firm are paid off on Saturday. She carried the money in a small black handbag. The men who attacked her, the police say, evidently knew that she was in the habit of drawing this money. As she entered the hallway the three men suddenly sprang on her. She alleges that Paley struck her in the face, knocking her down, and that the others wrenched away the handbag and ran out into the street, in which throgs were walking. She grabbed her feet and ran screaming into the street after her assailants. "Stop thief! Help! Police! Catch those men!" she cried. The three men ran north, and a crowd following them, the hallway of the Elizabeth-st. station, was at Canal-st., and seeing the crowd, ran toward it. The girl pointed at Paley. Van Winkle grabbed him.

MC LANE FOLLOWED SUICIDE EXAMPLE. Killed Himself After Reading of Others, Alienists Think.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Baltimore, June 4.—This has been a week of suicides in this city, and alienists and specialists in nervous diseases say that people mentally depressed read of suicides and follow the example. The suicide of Mayor McLane has led to two others, and it is pointed out that, on last Monday, the day the Mayor killed himself, the local newspapers contained stories of two suicides on Sunday. The Mayor read how those men ended their mental and physical sufferings; his mind, through worry, was in a receptive state, and the impression proved fatal. Mentally deranged from brooding over fancied troubles and worrying over the suicide of Mayor McLane, Mrs. Mary D. Schuler, forty-two years old, committed suicide last night by hanging herself in a closet in her house. She had talked of nothing for three days except the Mayor's suicide.

NO POLITICAL WILL BY QUAY. Richard R. Quay May Fill Out Father's Unexpired Term.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Pittsburgh, June 4.—Richard R. Quay to-day said that his father, Senator M. S. Quay, did not leave any political will, as has been stated. It has been reported that Don Cameron and Senator Quay talked over the succession on Friday before the Senator died. Major A. G. C. Quay said that his brother, "Dick," would undoubtedly accept the appointment for the short term left unexpired by his father if it were offered to him, but that "Dick" would not make a fight for the place. Whether his brother would go into a fight for the long term, Major Quay said he was not prepared to say. The feeling here is that Senator Quay should be honored by giving his son the short term appointment. Politicians are generally willing that it should go to him.

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BUSTER BROWN AND TIGER GO TO EUROPE. Two-cent stamp to POND'S EXTRACT. 78 FIFTH AVENUE, for copy of Buster Brown's birthday book.—Adv.

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Mr. Hossfeld says that a foreign market must be found for a surplus of more than 800,000 tons of European production, and that within two years the world's production of cane sugar has increased from 4,625,000 tons to about 4,325,000 tons. The consul says the increasing production of cane sugar has worried the manufacturers of beet sugar, and that they are preparing to meet an increasingly critical condition of the market.

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Richard R. Quay to-day said that his father, Senator M. S. Quay, did not leave any political will, as has been stated. It has been reported that Don Cameron and Senator Quay talked over the succession on Friday before the Senator died. Major A. G. C. Quay said that his brother, "Dick," would undoubtedly accept the appointment for the short term left unexpired by his father if it were offered to him, but that "Dick" would not make a fight for the place. Whether his brother would go into a fight for the long term, Major Quay said he was not prepared to say. The feeling here is that Senator Quay should be honored by giving his son the short term appointment. Politicians are generally willing that it should go to him.

Washington, June 4.—George W. Vanderbilt has not seen the end of his Biltmore parish school trouble, which terminated in all the teachers resigning. Some interesting developments are promised, and the indications point to one or more big damage suits. Miss Nolin, of the teachers, against whom, it is said, a complaint was lodged on the ground of incompetency, thinks that her reputation has suffered thereby, and her brother, Samuel G. Nolin, a lawyer of Pittsburg, has appeared on the scene, and an investigation is to follow. All the teachers in the school are back of Miss Nolin.

St. Paul, June 4.—A fight in which umbrellas were the weapons and Robert C. Dunn, Republican candidate for Governor, and C. B. Cheney, political writer for a Minneapolis paper, were the principals furnished some excitement in one of the principal business streets of Minneapolis to-day. Mr. Dunn made sarcastic references to the paper on which Cheney is employed, and several blows were struck before the men were separated. The quarrel was the result of the bitter campaign waged in Minnesota over the Governorship.

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Falmouth, W. Va., June 4.—Four people were fatally hurt and eight others seriously injured to-day in an explosion of natural gas which wrecked a large boarding house here. Immediately following the explosion fire broke out, and the occupants, who were buried in the ruins, were rescued with difficulty. The explosion was caused by natural gas leaking from a rubber tube and igniting with a kerosene lamp.

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