MR. JOHNSON AND MRS. ANNIS

MRS. JOHNSON'S SUIT FOR DIVORCE BEGUN IN BROOKLYN.

Strolls in the Grove, Sails on the Lake, and Moonlit Piazza Scenes at Conesus Lake Described by Employees of a Hotel.

The suit of Mrs. Mary C. Johnson against Eli Johnson, the temperance lecturer, for absolute divorce on the ground of adultery, was begun in the City Court of Brooklyn yesterday afternoon, before Justice Alexander McCue. The scandal first came to the knowledge of the public in the suit of Mr. Johnson against Henry Higley, a member of the Produce Exchange, for alleged alienation of his wife's affections, damages being laid at $50,000. Mrs. Johnson sat yesterday in a row of elderly but fashionably dressed ladies. Snowy white hair peered out from her velvet hat, which was ornamented in front with a purple plume, and she wore a rich satin dress trimmed with wide thread lace and velvet, and an easy-fitting silk sacque trimmed with the same material. Mr. Johnson, apparently undisturbed in mind, sat behind George F. Elliott and Benton T. Beach, his lawyers. Mrs. Johnson's lawyers were Frederick E. Ward and United States District Attorney Tenny. A jury was obtained without much delay.

Mr. Tenny said the couple were married in Richmond, Indiana, in 1852. The alleged improprieties occurred, he said, at Conesus Lake, in Livingston county, N. Y., in August and September, 1881. There were a series of temperance meetings there at that time, and Mr. Johnson was one of the prominent speakers. He stopped at the Long Point Hotel, and there became acquainted with Mrs. Elvina Annis, the chambermaid, who is at present Mrs. Colbert. It would be shown that Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Annis wandered together in the groves, reclined against rustic trees, and rowed alone in a boat on the lake. They were so intimate and their conduct so coarse that it became the talk of the neighborhood. The trustees of the camp meeting called Eli Johnson to account, and he never had been invited to lecture there since.

Mrs. Johnson, who was the first witness, affirmed with uplifted hand. She was married, she said, to Mr. Johnson at Richmond, Indiana, on March 31, 1852. She handed to her counsel the following certificate of the marriage, written on parchment, and bearing the names of over 100 persons as witnesses:

Whereas, Eli Johnson of Corwin, in the county of Warren and state of Ohio, and Mary C. Doble, daughter of the same county and State, and Judith his wife, both deceased, and Mary Coffin, daughter of Elijah Coffin of Richmond, in the county of Wayne and State of Indiana, and Nancy his wife, having declared their intention of marriage with each other, before a monthly meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, held at White Water, and having consent of surviving parents, their said proposals of marriage were allowed by said meeting. These are to certify unto whom it may concern that for the full accomplishment of their said intentions, this 31st day of the third month, in the year of our Lord 1852, they the said Eli Johnson and Mary Coffin, took each other in marriage, at a public meeting of the said Society, held at White Water aforesaid, and that said Eli Johnson taking the said Mary Coffin by the hand declared that he took her, the said Mary Coffin, to be his wife, promising, with Divine assistance, to be unto her a loving and faithful husband until death should separate them, and then the said Mary Coffin, in like manner declared that she took him, the said Eli Johnson, to be her husband, with Divine assistance, to be unto him a loving and faithful wife until death should separate them.

And, moreover, they, the said Eli Johnson and Mary Coffin (since married), according to the custom of marriage, taking the name of her husband, did, as a further confirmation thereof, then and there to these presents set their hands.

MARY C. JOHNSON.

She first heard of her husband's alleged adultery with Mrs. Annis on May 18 of this year.

Mrs. Caroline Ladd, a sister of Mrs. Johnson, testified that in the months of August and September, 1881, she was with her sister on the island of Nantucket.

George Westlake, a telegraph operator, and who resides in Livingston county, said he was at the Conesus Camp Meeting in the fall of 1881, at which time he was employed as a waiter at the Long Point House. There were two groves between the Long Point House and the temperance ground, which were united by a road about a mile and a half long. The grounds could also be reached by a boat. He saw Eli Johnson at the Long Point House during the camp meeting in company with Mrs. Annis at Temperance Beach, between 10 and 11 o'clock at night after the close of the meeting. They were walking arm in arm under the trees. He saw them walking together about the same hour on another occasion and under similar circumstances. He understood that Mrs. Annis was a divorced woman. He also saw them leave Temperance Beach in a rowboat. As it was dark he could not say in what direction they were going. He knew Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Annis to come into the house as late as 12 o'clock and 1 o'clock in the morning. When Mr. Johnson was sick, Mrs. Annis carried meals to his room. This duty generally devolved on the waiters. Mr. Johnson did not have any physician in attendance. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Annis frequently sat on the piazza together. The witness also saw them drink lemonade together in the barroom. Mrs. Annis mixed the lemonade for Mr. Johnson.

On his cross-examination Mr. Westlake said F. N. Buy first spoke to him about coming to Brooklyn to testify in this case. He could not say positively that Mrs. Annis carried meals to Mr. Johnson's room; some one told him that Mrs. Annis had done so.

John Williams of Genesee testified that in 1881, while he was working at the Long Point Hotel, he saw Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Annis a number of times together in the grove, in the hall, and on the stoop. It was between 11 and 12 o'clock at night that they were together in the grove. They came to the house by different routes.

William M. Baker of Genesee said he was a visitor at the lake camp meeting in 1881. He once had a conversation with Mr. Johnson on the stoop of the hotel. Mr. Johnson asked him to have a glass of lemonade. When they were standing together Mrs. Annis came up and Mr. Johnson said: "You must excuse me; here comes my wife." Mrs. Annis had an overcoat over her arm and addressed Mr. Johnson as such. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Annis then walked off together toward Temperance Beach. When Mr. Johnson left with Mrs. Annis the witness asked the bartender if that woman was Mr. Johnson's wife, and he said, "Only for a short time at a time." He had known Mrs. Annis for fifteen years, but he never heard anything about the alleged intimacy between Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Annis except as implied by the remark of the bartender.

George Keyes testified that he saw a man they called Johnson at the Conesus camp meeting in 1881. Mrs. Annis and Mr. Johnson were on the upper deck of the lake steamer at the time. The witness went to the camp meeting to have some fun with the girls. He was married, but had no family, so far as he knew of. At the request of Mr. Johnson he made a purchase for him at a drug store.

Charles A. Graham attended the camp meeting three or four times. He noticed Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Annis together, and they appeared to be very loving. They were walking around the borders of the lake after the meeting. On another evening he saw Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Annis on a seat between two oaks near the Long Point Hotel. They seemed to be kissing and hugging. On another occasion he saw them on the grass together. This was at the close of the camp meeting service.

The case will be continued to-day.

ON TRIAL FOR FORGERY.

Third Appearance in Court of Stephen Raymond, Late of Sing Sing Prison.

Stephen Raymond, said to be one of the cleverest bond forgers known to the police, was put on trial yesterday in the General Sessions, charged with forgery in the first degree in altering the number of a coupon belonging to a sinking fund bond of the Union Pacific Railway Company, that was stolen when the Northampton Bank was robbed in 1876. It was Raymond's third appearance at the bar. Raymond is an elderly, bearded man, with a well-to-do appearance.

The evidence for the prosecution showed that twelve of the coupons were presented at the office of the Union Pacific Railway Company in September, 1882, and a check was drawn to the order of George Clark. In March twelve more coupons were cashed. On Sept. 1 Raymond presented twelve coupons, and a check for $680 was given in payment. Detective Sieven followed Raymond to the Bank of Commerce. Raymond saw Sieven crossing toward the bank, and he tore up the check and tried to swallow some of the pieces. The detective asked him what he was chewing, and when he said tobacco, seized him by the throat and forced him to spit out the half-chewed lumps of the check. Other pieces found at the window made up the greater part of the check.

President Sidney Dillon of the Union Pacific Railway identified bond 1,503, which had been cancelled, with all its coupons, and deposited in the company's sinking fund. One of the coupons presented by Raymond he testified purported to be clipped from bond 1,503, but the genuine coupon, payable on Sept. 1, was still attached to bond 1,503.

Cashier Clerk Littell testified that the number of the coupon purporting to have been detached from bond 1,503 had been altered. He identified Raymond as the person who presented the coupons for payment.

In his own behalf, Raymond testified coolly and blandly that a man whom he knew as George Clark, and who said that he lived in Newark, met him in a saloon in Eighth avenue, near Thirteenth street, in the latter part of September, 1882, and told him that he had a number of coupons cut from stolen bonds that he wished to have cashed. He said that the bonds were stolen years before and had been forgotten, and that no difficulty would be experienced in cashing the coupons. He offered Raymond $20 to cash the coupons. This he (Raymond) did. He cashed other coupons last spring, and undertook to cash others on Oct. 1. He would not have undertaken to cash the coupons if he had known that the numbers were changed for $50,000.

"Did you know that the bonds had been stolen?"

"Yes, sir," replied Raymond.

"And you had no scruples against negotiating the coupons, despite that knowledge?"

"No, your Honor. I was in need of money. I was without a penny. My wife was sick, and I was willing to take the chances."

Under cross-examination Raymond testified that after his release from Sing Sing in 1880 he took to book peddling. The trial was not ended.

BEATING THE RECORDS.

Ira Wood's Imported Reel—Salmon, Bass, and Single-handed Casting.

"This reel overruns, and that's ugly all the time," said Ira Wood, yesterday, when he opened the last day's trials in the Anglers' Tournament. The contest was salmon casting, amateur class, rods not to exceed eighteen feet.

Ira was casting with a Scotch reel brought over by his brother Reuben. The line swished through the air, and the reel sounded like an old coffee mill when in motion.

"American tackle will be good enough for me after this," said Ira, when he found that the best cast he could make was 98 feet, which, added to 20 points for delicacy and 16 for accuracy, gave him a score of 134.

Young Edward Eggert was Mr. Wood's only competitor. He used the same reel that bothered Ira. His line dragged in the water, and he failed to make free casts. His best distance was 82 feet, which, with 16 points for delicacy and 5 for accuracy, gave him a total of 103.

The next contest was salmon casting by experts, distance only to count, open to all. Mr. Hiram W. Hawes was expected to take first prize, as he made a cast 120 feet while training in the morning. Mr. R. C. Leonard won, and broke the record by successive casts of 119, 121, 122, and 124. Mr. Leonard's work, like Mr. Hawes's, was clear cut, the line being kept well out of the water and the fly landed straight as the flight of an arrow. Mr. Hawes took second prize. His best casts were 107, 112, and 115 feet. Mr. G. W. Prichard came third, his last cast being 85 and 95 feet. Thomas J. Conroy won fourth prize with 94 feet 6 inches; M. Culham fifth, with 93 feet, and James Ramsbottom sixth, with 90 feet.

Then came a contest of heavy bass casting, rods not to exceed 9 feet, with sinkers weighing 2½ ounces. Each competitor was allowed five casts. Casts made outside of lines 25 feet apart not to count.

Mr. John A. Roosevelt took the first prize. Every one of his casts came inside the lines. Applause greeted him when his sinker landed the first time 165 feet away. He followed with 156, 152, 153, and 161, making an average of 157 2-5.

Mr. E. Von Hofe threw the lead outside in his first two casts, and then scored 110, 85, and 75, averaging 54.

Mr. William Murray landed his lead outside four times in succession, two of his casts startling birds from the trees about 200 feet from the platform. His one throw of 146 feet gave him an average of 29 1-5. These were the only entries.

Four entered in the trials for light bass casting, with 1½ ounce sinkers. H. W. Hawes scored 107, 102, 93, 97, and 105; average 100 4-5. W. Murray scored 90, 91, 115, 115, and 88; average, 100 2-5. E. Von Hofe cast 92, 68, 40, 62, and 75; average, 66 4-5. T. J. Conroy brought up the rear with 100, 88, 0, 47, and 78; average, 62 3-5.

The tournament closed with single-handed fly casting by experts, rods not to exceed 11½ feet, distance only to count, open to all. The spectators were treated to some very skillful casting during this contest. R. C. Leonard took first prize by casting 87 feet; H. W. Hawes second, 85; G. T. Varney third, 81; G. W. Prichard fourth, 78; H. C. Thorne fifth, 73; Thomas Prichard, 70, and T. J. Conroy, 63. There were just prizes enough to go around.

The records in all classes were beaten during the tournament.

MISS WOODFORD BEATS EOLE.

A Riderless Horse Coming in Four Lengths Ahead in a Steeplechase.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—There was an immense crowd at the races to-day to see the great handicap for the District of Columbia Stakes, for which Iroquois, Eole, Miss Woodford, and Drake Carter entered. At the last moment Iroquois was scratched, but was paraded before the grand stand and saluted with tremendous applause. Miss Woodford took the lead early and kept it until the close. Eole never came within four lengths of her and at the finish dropped twenty yards behind Drake Carter. The stakes are worth $9,000 to the winner and $600 to second horse.

For the steeplechase there were three entries—Jim McGowan, Ranger, and Abraham. McGowan, the favorite, refused the first wall and balked. Abraham galloped over the steeplechase course, Ranger pressing him close until the last wall was reached, when Ranger missed his footing and sent the jockey over his head. The horse did not stop, but rushed on, following Abraham. It soon became evident that he was not simply following, but running to win. The excitement became intense, and cheers, yells, and clapping of hands resounded. Men waved their hats and women their parasols and waved handkerchiefs as the two horses came flying down the homestretch, neck and neck, the riderless horse running as steady as a machine, and gaining at every step. When, at last, Ranger shot past the grand stand four lengths ahead of Abraham, the people went wild. The women thought he had won, and there was a perfect storm of applause. He was caught and ridden from the place where he dropped his rider to get second place.

Racing at Brighton Beach.

At Brighton Beach yesterday the sixth race was declared off on account of darkness. For the first race, three-quarters of a mile, Poet sold at $35; Gray Bonnet, $16; Treasurer, $8. Ruby gelding, $7; field, $20. Bessie Peyton won, Gray Bonnet second, Poet third. Time, 1:18¾. Mutuals paid $31.35.

For the second race, three-quarters of a mile, Garfield sold at $100; Frank E., $45; Incontasta and Joe, $25 each; field, $55. Garfield won, Frank E. second, Mike's Pride third. Time, 1:18¼. Mutuals paid $10.95.

For the third race, seven-eighths of a mile, Quebec sold at $60; Metropolis, $55; Bob Hinton, $45; Dizzy Blonde, $40; field, $60. Clarence won, Dizzy Blonde second, Metropolis third. Time, 1:32¾. Mutuals paid $52.25 for first and $24 for second place for $5.

For the fourth race, one mile and a half, Barney Aaron sold at $100; Eric, $85; Sedan, $55; Brunswick, $15; Irish King, $30; field, $55. The old sport of Longfellow, Irish King, with a splendid burst, won by a length, Nersdale second, Barney Aaron third. Time, 2:38¾. Mutuals paid $35.10 for first and $45.60 for second for $5.

For the fifth race, one mile, Joe Murray sold at $180; Little Fred, $90; Bonnie Orion, $145; Nellie Peyton, $75; field, $55. Fred Kirk won, Lexton second, Laura Lane third. Time, 1:44. Mutuals paid $136.30 for first and $35.35 for place for $5.

Two Men Each Kill 19 Out of 20 Pigeons.

At the reception of the Westminster Kennel Club, at Babylon, L. I., yesterday, teams of four men from the Long Branch, Orange, Staten Island, and Westminster Kennel Clubs contested for the Club Cup. Each man shot at twenty birds, at thirty yards' rise. For the Long Branch Club, Gilbert killed 8 and missed 12; Ray killed 9 and missed 11; Murphy killed 15, missed 5; total, 32. For the Staten Island Club, Boughton killed 15, missed 5; Thomas killed 14, missed 6; Lee killed 15, missed 5; total, 44. For the Westminster Club, Alsop killed 15, missed 5; Alsop killed 14, missed 6; total for the club, 29. For the Orange Club, H. L. Folsom killed 12, missed 8; Kellogg killed 15, missed 5; Parker killed 10, missed 10; Francis killed 15, missed 5; total for the club, 52. Killed, 28 missed. For the Westminster Kennel Club, Pending killed 12, missed 8; Leach killed 17, missed 3; Coleman killed 19, missed 1; Steffen killed 14, missed 6; total for the club, 62 killed, 18 missed. For the Riverton Club of Philadelphia, for champions, Edwards killed 13, missed 7; Leonard killed 13, missed 7, and Howard killed 15 and missed 5. The fourth man being absent, the team withdrew from the contest. The first prize, the Club Cup, was awarded to the Westminster Kennel Club, and the second to the Staten Island Club.

The National Game.

The eleventh game between the New York and Metropolitan nines played at the Polo grounds yesterday, resulted in the easy success of the Metropolitans, their opponents playing carelessly throughout. The score was:

New York	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	—5
Metropolitan	3	3	0	0	3	0	0	1	—10

Runs earned—New York, 0; Mets, 2.

At St. Louis yesterday—Providence, 19; St. Louis, 3. At Cincinnati—Cincinnati, 3; Cleveland, 3. At Pittsburgh—Buffalo, 8; Allegheny, 3.

The salary list of the Allegheny Club for the past season amounted to $16,341. The total expenses of the club were $39,000. The receipts were about $28,000.

Hopkins, first baseman of the Yale Club, has been made captain of the nine.

Fifteen-Mile Bicycle Race.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—The fifteen-mile bicycle race at Athletic Park to-day between Keen of England and Higham and Prince of this city for a purse of $500 was won by Keen after a hard struggle in 49 minutes 7½ seconds; Prince second in 49 minutes 7¾ seconds, and Higham only ¼ of a second behind Prince. The latter broke two spokes of his machine on the ninth mile when leading, and two more on the tenth mile, the accident handicapping him. He also claimed a "foul" on the ground that Keen had crowded him out of his place, but the claim was not allowed.

A Prize Fight Interrupted.

OTTAWA, Ont., Oct. 17.—A prize fight took place here to-day between John Evans and D. McCallum on the site of the new departmental building for $100 a side. After fighting twenty rounds the police interfered and captured the combatants. They were subsequently fined $20 each and costs in the police court.

Cylinder Wins the Craven Plate.

LONDON, Oct. 17.—At Four Oaks Park, to-day, the race for the Craven Plate was won by Cylinder, with Mount Pleasant second, and Lord Rossmore's (formerly Mr. Lorillard's) five-year-old bay gelding Passaic third. There were seven starters.

The Boston Forger.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—The *Chronicle* of today says that Halpert (Bewley), the Boston forger, drew drafts amounting to $8,000 through Daniel Meyer of this city on Rosenheim & Co. of Berlin two days previous to his arrest, and forwarded them, expecting soon to follow and cash them.

Pierced by Bunko Men.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Oct. 17.—Perritt M. Sanford, 81 years of age, well known in this city, in New Haven and in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, was fleeced out of $1,000 by bunco men here yesterday afternoon. The sharpers immediately left the city, and there is no clue to their whereabouts.

Illness of Erastus Brooks.

ITHACA, Oct. 17.—Erastus Brooks, who is here attending the trustee meeting of Cornell University, is prostrated with pleurisy.

Base Ball, Polo Grounds, To-day.

Grand match between the great rivals for the City Championship, New York vs. Metropolitan. Game called 3 P. M. Admission 25c.—*Adv.*

Decline of Man.

Nervous weakness, dyspepsia, impotence, sexual debility cured by "Wells's Health Renewer." $1.—*Adv.*

Gentlemen who are accustomed to pay the usual Broadway prices for Derby hats should examine Keep's new styles of Derby hats at $2.50 and $2.75 each; quality unexcelled. Keep's shirts and gents' furnishing goods, Broadway and Bleecker st. Branch stores, 119 Fulton st. and 1,103 Broadway.—*Adv.*

A BIG DAY FOR THE BEARS.

STOCKS YET FALLING, AND NORTHERN PACIFIC LEADS THE WAY.

Rumors that Villard will Retire—Heavy Losses by Big Speculators—Gould Looking Out for His Own—Sage Hopeful.

The wholesale liquidation in the stock market that began on Monday continued yesterday, and was apparently more extensive than on any one day since Garfield was shot. According to the official records, nearly 700,000 shares of stock changed hands during the day. A very large proportion of the sales were long stock. As on Monday and Tuesday, the reactions yesterday were slight and exceedingly unsubstantial. The bears met no resistance from any quarter, and their relentless hammering of prices brought out a continual supply of stocks that were pressed for sale at almost any price. During the last three days probably more accounts have been closed and a greater amount of stocks sacrificed than during any other three days in the history of the Stock Exchange.

The enormous offerings of both the bulls and bears yesterday, and the steady and rapid depreciation of values resulting therefrom, kept the market in a condition of semi-panic most of the day. Purchases to cover short sales temporarily checked the downward tendency of prices about the middle of the day, and again just at the close, when a sudden jump of two per cent. in the price of Jersey Central, a closely clipped stock, alarmed a brigade of the bear army and unsettled the confidence of the entire force.

As has been the case for many weeks, the stocks of the Northern Pacific system led the retreat. Oregon and Transcontinental tumbled 1½ per cent. to 34¾; Northern Pacific preferred 6 per cent. to 56, the common over 2 per cent. to 29¾, and the great so-called gilt-edged stock of the system, Oregon Railway and Navigation, 11½ per cent. from 108½ to 96. There were partial recoveries from these lowest prices, leaving the net loss for the day from 1 to 6 per cent. The sudden recovery of Oregon Railway and Navigation from 96 to 102 was a feature of the day, and indicated a disposition on the part of some one to protect that stock. Except in this instance there was no evidence of supporting orders in the market. The Gould, the Vanderbilt, the Granger, the coal stocks, with the exception of Jersey Central, and in fact the entire list was left to the unfender mercies of the bears.

During the morning the report was diligently promulgated that Messrs. Gould, Vanderbilt, Sage, and Field had been in consultation with the view of arranging for a concerted support of the market. There was nothing in the course of operations to lend color to the report, except a supplemental rumor that the conference had broken up in a row.

Mr. Gould and Mr. Sage had no hesitation in saying that no such conference had taken place. Mr. Gould said that he was busy looking after his time, money, and energies to his own stocks, and nobody else's; he knew what they were worth, and was satisfied with them. On this latter point a reminiscence of Mr. Gould's seems appropriate.

When he was comparatively unknown in Wall street a customer of the firm through which he was dealing, who had been informed that the quiet little man he had seen in the office and whose name he did not know, was a very successful operator, ventured to introduce himself to Mr. Gould one day, and asked that gentleman's advice about a few hundred shares of stock he had bought. Mr. Gould replied that he was trading exclusively in Rensselaer and Saratoga stock, and he felt safe in doing so because he controlled the property and knew what it was worth. He advised the other man that if he wanted to know about the particular stock he had invested in he had better buy up a controlling interest in the company.

Relative to the alleged conference, Mr. Sage said that prices would turn without any such effort as was indicated in the report. He expressed the opinion that the worst had been seen, and that to-day would witness better prices.

The most noteworthy feature of the decline is that the principal losers by it are the great and wealthy men of the street. They may not have pocketed their losses, but they have them on paper, and feel just as sore over them as if they had sold out their stocks. The slaughter of the last three days has not been of the innocent "lambs," but of the professional speculators, who have tried to stem the downward current for two years past. A score and more of names are mentioned in the street of men who have, according to all accounts, lost from $500,000 to several millions of dollars since the glory of the Northern Pacific system began to wane. While immense losses have been incurred in other stocks all through the list, the big money has been dropped on the stocks of the Northern Pacific system. No man ever entered Wall street who obtained such blind confidence as Mr. Villard, or who commanded so much money or so extensive and wealthy a following. His position to-day, so far as Wall street is concerned, is less enviable than any that Mr. Gould ever held in its esteem, or than Mr. Vanderbilt now occupies. The rumors that he is about to retire from the Presidency of the Northern Pacific Company were revived yesterday, and insisted upon, in spite of numerous official denials. The fact is generally known that the bulk of the amount of the preferred stock of the company are dissatisfied with Mr. Villard's management, and there is also reason to believe that some of the bankers who have become identified with the company's finances are also regretting their venture. The subject was discussed at the directors' meeting yesterday, though color was given to the report that he was about to retire because he left the meeting before it adjourned. The story is that he left somewhat precipitously after receiving a note informing him that Oregon Railway and Navigation was selling at 98. He is said to have grabbed his hat and jumped out of the room. The stock, however, dropped two per cent. further before the jackscrews were got to work.

The short interest, fears of too much company on the bear side, and indications that Jersey Central is practically cornered; Manitoba, in which a large street interest is said to exist, very closely held, and Northern Pacific in remarkably strong hands, demands for secure proxies for the bond issue, may result in checking for the moment at least the general depreciation of values.

The Serious Trouble in which an Unpaid Debt Involved Two Firemen.

Mrs. A. B. Lusak, a widow living at 108 West Thirteenth street, called upon the Fire Commissioners a few days ago to assist her in collecting $80, which she said Assistant Engineer John L. Davis of Engine Company 20 owed her. While describing how he became indebted to her she called him a receiver of stolen goods. She said that Davis gave her eleven lynx skins, which he said had been stolen in March. She sold the skins to C. C. Shayne of 1-3 Prince street for $25. Davis, when summoned before the Commissioners, said the charge was true. He wrote out his resignation at once rather than stand trial. He said that he had received the skins from Freeman Walford, who had stolen them from a fur store at 101 Mercer street after a fire there in 18-2.

Walford denied every thing that Davis had alleged, but sufficient evidence was adduced to cause the Commissioners to announce his trial for to-day.

Stabbed for an Undivulged Reason.

John Crawford of 139 Steuben street, Jersey City, was found at 2 o'clock yesterday morning lying in Railroad avenue and Henderson street. Blood was flowing profusely from several wounds in his face and body. At the nearest police station Crawford said he had been attacked by two men, one of whom had stabbed him. He said he recognized his assailants, but he refused to divulge their names. His wounds were dressed, and he was taken home. Policeman Hopkins learned that the men who had attacked him were Patrick Reehill of 24 Railroad avenue and Joseph Perkins, whose residence was not discovered.

Reehill was arrested first. He admitted that he had done the stabbing, but declared that he had only acted in self-defense. Perkins was found last evening concealed in a hayloft in Greene street. He was suffering from five deep cuts on the face and two in the chest, which he said had been inflicted by Crawford without any provocation. He and Reehill accidentally met Crawford, and that the latter drew a knife and made for them. He and his friend had defended themselves, and after Crawford fell they had taken away. Crawford denied the stories told by Perkins and Reehill.

The Rev. Charles Mink Pleads Guilty.

The Rev. Charles Mink, a German Lutheran minister of Pittsburgh, was arraigned yesterday in the Court of General Sessions in Jersey City for grand larceny. A few days ago he arrived in Hoboken on his way to Europe, and stayed at Weber's Hotel on River street, pending the departure of a steamer. He became intoxicated one day, and while in that condition he entered Mrs. Weber's apartments and stole a gold watch and chain. When the indictment was read to him he was asked what plea he wished to enter.

"I plead guilty," he answered.

He was taken back to jail to await sentence.

Dying at a Wake.

Michael Heron died on Saturday in his mother's rooms at 154 West Eighteenth street. Mrs. Mary Rice, 36 years old, of 246 West Sixteenth street, attended the wake on Monday night. At daylight on Tuesday morning she was still sitting by the coffin. She was seized by hysterical crying and sobbing and pressing her hand on her heart. This continued until 8 o'clock, when she suddenly said to the floor. It was thought she had fainted from exhaustion. She was carried into a bedroom and laid on the bed. Shortly afterward, when Mrs. Heron went in to see her, she was dead.

Henry Prouse Cooper's Property.

An application on behalf of Henry Prouse Cooper, that he be restored to the possession of his property, which was to have been argued in Supreme Court Chambers yesterday, was postponed until to-day. It appears by the papers in the case that Mr. Cooper has arranged with his creditors, and that the petition is supported by Mrs. Cooper and all others interested.

Young, middle-aged or old men, suffering from nervous debility or kindred affections, should address, with two stamps, for large treatise World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.—*Adv.*

Cleanse your hair and remove scales and tenderness with Dr. Benson's Skin Cure. $1. Druggists.—*Adv.*

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Exchange—Sales Oct. 17.

UNITED STATES AND STATE BONDS (IN $1,000s).

10 U. S. 4s, c	121½	10 La. con., s. m. c	68½
5 U. S. 4s, r	121½	16 R. C. 6s, Brown	
20 U. S. 3s, r	100⅝	cn	105@106
10 U. S. 4½s, r	114⅞	20 Ala., class A	81⅛@82

RAILROAD AND OTHER BONDS (IN $1,000s).

58 Atl. & Pac. inc	22@23	3 Mor. & E. 1st	138
5 Atch. A. C. 1st	91@90	7 Met. El. 2d	80⅝@80
2 Buff. & Ph. 1st	99	6 Mob. & O. 1st	106
4 B., C. R. & N.	101	4 Mil. & L. S. 1st	101½
10 Ches. & O. s. f.	108⅝	27 Mut. Un. Tel.	82⅝
16 Ches. & O. s. b.	95	30 Nor. P. 1st	112⅞@⅝
40 Ches. & O. cur.	80@85	1 N. J. Cent. inc.	70
124 C., R. & Q. deb. 5s	89⅞⅛	20 N. Y. Cent. 6s '87	106⅛
2 C., R. & Q. 4s, lad	88	2 N. Y. El. 1st	117
1 C., C. & I. 1st	122	42 N. Y., Ch. & St. L.	
5 Can. So. 2d	85⅛	1st	90⅞@⅞
5 Cen. Pac. g	112	2 N. W. con	133
7 Col. Coal 1st	72	10 Omaha con	108@107⅞
4 Den. & R. G. W. 1st	67	27 Or. R. & N.	107⅞
30 Erie con. 2d	93⅝⅛	15 Oregon S. L.	95@94⅞
28 E. Tenn. inc	23@20	15 Peo., D. & E. inc.	38@37
10 Harlem 1st	130	5 Pa. 4s	98
2 Ho. & Tex. Cent.		6 Ro., W. & O. ex 5s	64⅞⅛
1st, M. L.	108⅞	10 Rich. & D. 1st	93
6 Ho. & Tex. Cent. 1st		80 Rich. & D. deb	56
W. & N. W. D.	109⅛	10 Rich. & A. 2d inc.	65
10 Ind. & Bline	34	3 St. L., J. & C.	115⅞
1 Iron Mt. C. & F.	106½	4 St. P. & S. C. 1st	113⅞
1 Iron Mt. 2d	70	5 St. L. & S. F. gen	109⅞
6 Int. & G. N. 1st	108	4 St. P. 1st, S. F. d.	108⅞
2 Kans. & T. cn	108⅞	114 Tx. Pac. R. G. d	71@70
8 Kans. & T. 1st	79@78	48 Tex. & Pac. 1st	52@51⅞
10 K. C. & Nor. Om. d	106	5 Tol., P. & Wn. 1st	104⅞
5 L. & W. R. con. ss	103⅞	2 Un. Pac. 1st (s.)	113⅞
19 Louis. & N. con	98⅞	$35 W. 8s	
2 Mor. & E. con	122	5s	70⅞@72⅞@73⅞

RAILROAD AND OTHER SHARES.

Railroads, &c.		3300 Mem. & Ch.	40@39
1500 Am. T. & C.	63⅝@62	120 Mut. Un. T.	17
100 Am. Ex.	128	1300 Nor. L. & W. pf	40@38⅞
500 Bankers' A		400 Nash. & Ch.	92⅞
Mer. Tel.	134⅞@133⅞	16307 N. Y. Cent.	114⅞@112⅞
700 C., C., C. & I.	56⅞@55⅞	19980 Nor. Pac.	29⅞@29
300 C. & I. C.	24@23	21250 Nor. Pac. pf	59⅞@56
3710 Can. south.	49⅞@47	23400 N. P. w. n.	117⅞@115⅞
13200 Cent. N. J.	82@79	1865 N. P. w. n. pf.	130@131
7200 Cent. Pac.	32⅞@31⅞	885 N. Y., Chic. & St. L.	
100 Ch. & Alt.	131	1st	81⅞@78
4115 Ch., B. & Q.	122@121⅞	150 N. Y., Chic. & St. L. 2d	73⅞
215 Ches. & O.	23⅞@23	2800 Omaha	34⅞@30
400 Ches. & O. 2d pref	15⅞@15	6700 Om. pf	93⅞@90
11315 Chic. Pac.	53⅞@49	1800 Ohio & Miss.	27⅞@25⅞
135 Chic., St. L. & Pitts.	11	7365 O., R. & N.	108⅞@106
325 Chic., St. L. & Pitts. pf.	34⅞@33	1440 Ont. & W.	20⅞@19⅞
2310 Del. & H. C.	103@102⅞	1950 Ohio Cent.	3⅞@3⅞
12830 D., L. & W.	138⅞@137⅞	100 Ohio South.	8
9920 Den. & R. G.	21⅞@20⅞	71410 Or. & T.	39⅞@38
25300 Erie com.	28⅞@27⅞	10 Oregon Im.	75
1150 Erie pref.	75@72	1150 Pen., D. & R.	18@12⅞
2600 E. T., Va. & Ga.	5⅞@4⅞	1800 Pac. Mail	37⅞@35⅞
600 E. Tenn., Va. & Ga. pf	11⅞@11⅞	500 Pull. C. Co.	84
200 Evans. & T. H.	50	300 Rich. & O.	55⅞@55
1600 Ind., Bl. & W.	20⅞@19	1920 Ro. & Pitts.	15⅞@14⅞
900 Ill. Cen.	129@128⅞	11500 Reading	49⅞@48
6225 Kan. & T.	21⅞@20⅞	3580 Rock Isl.	118⅞@117⅞
1900 L. E. & W.	34⅞@33⅞	800 Rich. & W. P.	27⅞@24⅞
41275 Lake Sh.	97⅞@94	100 St. L., I. M. & S.	29⅞
2860 Lou. & N.	46⅞@44⅞	61300 St. Paul	95⅞@95
100 L. S. & A. ch.	107	323 St. Paul pf	115⅞@115
3580 Long Isl.	62⅞@60	2400 St. P., M. & M.	105
100 La. & Mo.	10	7250 Tex. & Pac.	20⅞@19⅞
100 Mich. S. & A. pref.	127	3360 Un. Pac.	80⅞@80⅞
13965 Mo. Pac.	93⅞@90⅞	3620 Wes. & Pac.	10⅞@9⅞
300 Man. R.	93⅞	5240 Wab. & Pac.	30⅞@28⅞
12750 Mich. Cen.	78⅞@77	24035 West. Un. Tel.	78⅞@78
300 Mob. & O.	10	20 Metropolitan	165
100 Mor. & Es.	121⅞	*Coal Companies*	
200 Man. Sh.	105	720 Colorado	17⅞@16⅞
400 Mil. & S. P. L. com.	18⅞@18	Total sales, 692,575.	

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 17.

CLOSING PRICES.

	Bid.	*Asked.*		*Bid.*	*Asked.*
U. S. 4½s, c	114⅞	114⅞	M. & St. P.	97⅞	98
U. S. 4s, c	121⅞	121⅞	M. & St. P. pf.	115	116
U. S. 4s, r	121⅞	121⅞	Mo., K. & Tex.	20⅞	20⅞
U. S. 6s, c	121⅞	121⅞	Mobile & Ohio	9⅞	11
U. S. 6s, r	140		N. Cent.	81⅞	82
Colorado Coal	105⅞	18	N. J. Cent.	81⅞	82
Canada South.	47⅞	48	N. Y. C. & Hud.	113	113⅞
C. & A.	130	135	N. Y. Pacific.	24⅞	27⅞
C., C. C. & I.	56	56⅞	Nor. Pac. pf.	56⅞	56⅞
Chic., R. I. & P.	120⅞	121	Northwest.	110⅞	110⅞
Cent. Pacific.	61⅞	61⅞	Northwest pf.	135	135