TIRED OF GOULD'S CONTROL.

1 AND 2 SECURITY HOLDERS WILL TRY TO LOOSEN HIS GRIP.

A Solid Rebellion Against Gould Management—The Missouri Pacific to Pay a 1 1-8 Per Cent. Dividend—That Stock Improves.

Within the last six months the securities of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad have suffered severely in the market, and reports have arisen that it was the intention of Mr. Jay Gould, who operates the road through a lease to the Missouri Pacific, to effect a scaling of the interest upon the bonded debt of the company. The steady decline in the price was considered so conclusive proof of Mr. Gould's intentions or of something wrong with the property that the Amsterdam capitalists and investors, who are very largely interested in the property, began to bestir themselves, and about two months ago formed a Protective Committee.

A meeting of the domestic holders of the company's securities was held yesterday afternoon at 10 Wall street to perfect an organization that shall cooperate with the Amsterdam committee in the interest of all security holders. Some idea of the necessity for action on the part of the security holders may be obtained from the fact that the consolidated mortgage 7 per cent. bonds of the company have declined within a year from 113 to 90, the general mortgage 6 per cent. bonds from about 105 to 60, and the general mortgage 5s from about 90 to 50. The latter part of the decline has been very rapid. The lowest figures were touched last week, when the report of the Missouri Pacific Railroad was made public. It showed that the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Company for the year ending Dec. 31, 1888, had, after paying its fixed charges, a deficit of $1,398,705, against a deficit of $635,091 the year before. The Missouri, Kansas and Texas system, which includes the International and Great Northern (its stock having been exchanged for M., K. and T. stock), showed for the year a deficit of $1,812,888, against a surplus the previous year of $611,456. It also showed that the operating expenses had jumped from 66¾ per cent. of the gross earnings in 1886 to 74⅞ in 1887.

These figures sent cold chills down the backs of the holders of Missouri, Kansas and Texas securities, especially as they logically assumed that the deficit of their company had been advanced by the Missouri Pacific, which up to the present time has been Mr. Jay Gould's pet corporation. The fact that the annual election for directors occurs on May 15, and knowledge that of late years Mr. Gould has had to shin around for proxies to keep his own Board of Directors in, gave direction to the security holders' efforts. They determined to carry the election, and see if they cannot do better for their property than Jay Gould has done.

The call for yesterday's meeting was signed by some of the largest and most influential houses in the street. Among them were L. Von Hoffman & Co., Work, Bishop & Co., I. & S. Wormser, Edward Sweet & Co., Weston & De Billier, Woerishoffer & Co., and Alley, Dowd & Co. The meeting was large, and was unusually business-like. Some idea of the magnitude of the interests involved may be obtained by the figures of the company's capitalization and mileage. They are $93,040,617 and 1,611 miles.

Contrary to precedent and expectation, there was none of the denunciation of Gould or of his methods that generally enlivens an assemblage that is called together to run counter to Mr. Gould. Among those present were ex-United States Assistant Treasurer C. J. Canda, now President of the Western National Bank; J. K. Dow, Budgett & Keppler, ex-President Government Governors of the Stock Exchange; Gen. Samuel Thomas, R. J. Kimball, H. M. Day of Day & Heaton, Isidor and Simon Wormser, F. F. Marbury, and others who are said to represent considerable holdings of the company's securities.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Jenkins Van Schaick, who nominated for Chairman Mr. William L. Bull, the senior partner of Edward Sweet & Co., and candidate on the regular ticket for President of the Stock Exchange. Mr. Bull took the chair in response to a unanimous vote, and Mr. J. de Neufville, who has been associated with Mr. Bull and others in trying to investigate the affairs of the company, was chosen Secretary. Mr. Bull told the meeting what had been done by the preliminary committee, of which he was a member. He said that very little information had been obtained, but that he was satisfied and came to the conclusion that the only way to find out the real condition of the property was to elect a Board of Directors who would represent the security holders, and no one else. He added that the committee had no intention beyond this, and he thought it would be impolitic and premature to go into any such issues as the breaking of the lease to the Missouri Pacific or the transfer of the property to some other interest. None of these things could be done, indeed, the expediency or desirability of doing any of them could not be determined until the stockholders had found out what their property consisted of and what its obligations were.

Some one wanted to know about the lease, and if it did not guarantee the interest upon the bonds. He was informed that there was no guarantee and no minimum rental; that the Missouri Pacific leased the road for its net earnings. Some one cried out, "And the Missouri Pacific keeps the books." This provoked a general laugh, which was the only exhibition of animation that occurred.

The business of the meeting was formally laid before it by Mr. Frederic Taylor in a series of resolutions, which, when finally and unanimously adopted, were as follows:

Resolved, That a committee of five, of whom the Chairman of this meeting shall be one, shall be appointed for the following purposes:

The said committee shall obtain proxies from the stockholders of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Company, and shall, at the annual meeting, to be held on May 15, 1888, cast the vote for directors, who shall take the control of the railroad out of the present management and constitute a Board of Directors which shall be solely representative of the stock and bond holders of this company.

That said committee be authorized to take such action as in its judgment shall be best calculated to protect the interests of Missouri, Kansas and Texas securities.

That the security holders be requested to register their names and addresses with the committee.

The Chairman announced that he should continue the present committee. The other members are William Bertens of L. Von Hoffman & Co., William A. Stone of Work, Bishop & Co., J. de Neufville, and R. V. Martinsen, representing the Amsterdam committee. A good many security holders registered their names at once. The place to do so is with the Secretary of the committee, Mr. J. de Neufville, in the Mills Building, 17 Broad street. The meeting adjourned subject to the call of the Chairman.

Shortly before this meeting was held the directors of the Missouri Pacific Railway Company met in the office of that company in the Western Union building to act upon the much-discussed question of a dividend for the current quarter. From the fact that the meeting was not called to order until 2:30 o'clock, and that the declaration of the dividend of 1¼ per cent. was announced in Wall street Sun at 3 o'clock, it is clear that the official discussion of the matter was concluded before the meeting was begun. It is generally understood that should there be any occasion for advances to the company when the dividend is paid on April 15 (and, of course, on account of the dividend), the Hon. Russell Sage and some of the directors other than Mr. Gould will make such advances. Wall street was partly convinced on Saturday and fully convinced yesterday that Mr. Gould had overcome George J. Gould's prejudices against paying a dividend, hence the stock was conspicuous yesterday for a decided improvement both in price and in the tone of the market for it.

The officers of Missouri Pacific who served last year were reelected, as were also those of the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Company.

Says She Was Kidnapped.

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 26.—Late last night a colored woman, half starved and with shaken nerves, knocked at the jail. She proved to be Mrs. Dudley, who was implicated in the attempt to swindle the United States Mutual and the Travelers' Accident Companies out of $10,000 insurance on the life of Mr. Dudley over a month ago, when the detectives came here to investigate the case. The woman disappeared, together with the Bond brothers, the chief conspirators in the case. Nothing has been heard of them since. The woman says that on the night of Feb. 27 two men kidnapped her, took her to a lonely building on the water front and locked her up in a dark room on the second floor of the building, where they kept her half starved for nearly a month. On Sunday a newspaper said the Bonds had been arrested in Florida. That night the janitor released her, telling her that, as the Bonds were captured, she need not be threatened to kill her if she ever told that she had been locked up. She said they were keeping her for a reward. After being released she found her way to jail and begged for shelter. She made a clean breast of the whole conspiracy.

Fullgraff Accused at St. Paul.

ST. PAUL, March 26.—A despatch sent from New York a few days ago said that Alderman Fullgraff, one of the New York boodle Aldermen, was in an insane asylum at St. Paul. He is not in an insane asylum, but has been in business in this city for several months. He is a clerk of the Minnesota Iron Company at a good salary. When asked today if he was the missing Fullgraff he flew into a passion and threatened the reporter with personal violence if anything was published about him. He finally admitted that he was the man, but said he was not trying to conceal himself, and if District Attorney Fellows wanted him he knew how to get him.

$30,000 GONE.

The Accusations Fletcher White Brings Against Bookkeeper Black.

ASBURY PARK, March 26.—James L. Black, for eight years a bookkeeper for Uriah White, a wealthy plumber, was arrested this morning on an accusation of forgery and embezzlement. A check bearing White's name was given to James A. Bradley, the founder of Asbury Park, by Black on Jan. 3 in exchange for Mr. Bradley's. When Black was arraigned before Justice Borden his employer swore that the signature to the check was a forgery. Upon this charge Black was committed to Freehold to await the Grand Jury's action. He has a wife and family here. Uriah White has for several weeks had an expert at work upon Black's accounts. The examination reveals that $3,600 of last year's cash receipts are unaccounted for. The stubs in the check book do not show amounts as large as the checks the bookkeeper issued. It is also said that forgeries of checks and notes amounting to $5,000 have been discovered. In these transactions, besides using his employer's name, Black is accused also of having forged the names of J. A. Githens, Samuel Kirkbride, Benjamin Albertson, Benjamin T. Brant, John Snyder, Bloomfield Campbell of this place, and J. C. Randolph of Newark.

Mr. White says that Black's forgeries and embezzlements he believes have extended over a period of seven years, and that they have aggregated about $30,000. Black concealed the deficits by altering the books from time to time to suit his needs. Hardly a stub in one book bears an amount equal to the check that tallied with it. Mr. White first discovered the crookedness of his clerk about a month ago, when he found where the books had been tampered with. This led to the investigation and discovery of wholesale falsification and forgeries. At that time Black, who occasionally drinks heavily, was on a spree. He failed to return to work again. The forgeries of other names besides Mr. White's are all for sums under $1,000.

White is worth about $80,000. Black broke down completely when he was arrested, but he refused to say anything. He is upward of 40 years old. He owned his own home until lately, and, notwithstanding an occasional spree, he was highly esteemed. He has a fine library. No one can account for his alleged wrong on other grounds than that of drunken extravagances, and it is believed that he gambled away much of the money. Recently he sold his house, and now it is supposed that he is nearly penniless. Much sympathy is expressed for his family. White trusted Black with all his business, and never before had he rigidly examined the books.

White is a man of great shrewdness, but of small education. Black practically had sole charge of the fortune that White amassed in driving wells along the Jersey shore. Black's operations have been similar, it is said, to those by which Frank Patterson, a few years ago, got money out of nearly every business man in this part of Monmouth county. Black was one of the first to discover Patterson's forgeries, and he has been among the foremost in condemning Patterson, and especially of late he has taken several occasions to attack him bitterly. When Black was arrested there were found upon his person a copy of the brief of Patterson's lawyers, giving all the points upon which they sought to save their client from prison. Patterson is now in jail at Freehold, and is acting as a runner for the Sheriff. It will be a part of his duty to receive the welcome Black when he arrives at the jail.

An Escaped Lunatic Caught.

BRIDGEPORT, March 26.—Miss Fannie Belden came to this city a few weeks ago and took board at the Atlantic House. She was young, fair looking, and had some money about her. It was discovered a week ago that Miss Belden had turns of insanity, and when most violent would lock herself in her room and rave alone. On Saturday she went to the Wilson House, where it was learned that she was a person of whom the Hartford police were in search. A message brought Policeman Wilson to-day, and for the fourth time he took her to the insane retreat at Middletown, from which institution she had escaped.

A Child's Fatal Fall from a Window.

An alley leads in from 146 Ridge street to the rear tenement, where forty or fifty families live. Joseph Schaefer, a shoemaker, and his family live on the top floor. His wife went to the butcher's in the front building yesterday, leaving the children at play. Bernard, a boy of 4 years, climbed up in the window to look out, and leaning out to call to his sister in the yard, five stories below, he lost his balance and fell, and was instantly killed.

Editor Singerly Accepts Mr. Hamlin's Challenge.

From the Philadelphia Press.

Mr. C. J. Hamlin, owner of the mare Belle Hamlin, having issued a challenge to match her against Harry Wilkes, Oliver K. and Prince Wilkes, Mr. George A. Singerly of this city has taken up the gauntlet on behalf of his chestnut gelding Prince Wilkes. Mr. Singerly has written as follows to Mr. Hamlin:

C. J. Hamlin, Esq., Buffalo, N. Y.

DEAR SIR: It will not be necessary for Mr. William E. Simmons to get contro. of Prince Wilkes. If you are so very anxious for a match race, and have doubts about getting one for your mare, I will accommodate you by matching my chestnut gelding Prince Wilkes against your brown mare Belle Hamlin, to trot mile heats, three in five, to harness, for from $1,000 to $5,000 a side, half forfeit, over Belmont course, Philadelphia, in month of August, 1888, the day to be mutually agreed upon. This offer to remain open until the 15th of May, 1888. As my horses are bred to go the route, I could not think of lowering their reputation by trotting them a mongrel race of mile heats, two in three. Truly yours,

GEORGE A. SINGERLY.

PHILADELPHIA, March 23, 1888.

Better Off than a Good Many Wives.

Mrs. Josephine Stahl of 748 Park avenue, Williamsburgh, when asked by Justice Kenna yesterday how many children she had, replied: "Five."

"Five!" the Justice repeated, looking upon John Stahl, the husband, a big, burly fellow who is employed in the Flushing avenue car stables. "Five! and this man has abandoned you!"

"By the way, how many of them are Stahls?" inquired Lawyer Kramer.

"One."

To other questions the woman said two of the children earned $14 a week, which they gave to her, and that the husband, who earned $12 a week, gave her of that amount $10.75. The Justice dismissed the complaint and discharged Stahl. By advice of his lawyer Stahl will give his wife hereafter only $8 a week.

Sudden Death of an Auburn Politician.

A well-dressed, middle-aged man entered J. O'Callahan's saloon, at Sixth avenue and Twenty-eighth street, early yesterday morning, told the barkeeper he was ill, and died a few minutes afterward, apparently of heart disease. From letters and papers in his pockets it was learned that he was George D. Lanehart of Lanehart & Garrett, retail dealers in coal in Auburn. He had been at the Sturtevant House for a week.

Lanehart was a son of a former Warden of Auburn prison, and was once an Alderman in Auburn. He has been influential in local Republican politics. In obedience to a despatch from Mr. Lanehart's father the body was sent to an undertaker's.

The Cable Broke the Steamship's Screw.

The Western Union Telegraph Company has a telegraph cable on the river bed from Cortlandt street to the White Star Steamship Company's pier at Jersey City. The steamship City of Richmond in moving into the company's pier at Jersey City recently moved the cable from its bed and drew it into the screw. The screw blades were broken. The steamship company yesterday filed a libel in the United States District Court for $2,500 damages against the Western Union.

Austin Corbin Borrows $5, and Returns It.

President Austin Corbin of the Long Island Railroad has returned to Mrs. Boyle of Rockville Centre $5 which he borrowed of her during the blizzard, when he was among the passengers of a train stalled at Jamaica, and discovered that he was out of money. His predicament became known, and Mrs. Boyle, who is the wife of the pastor of the Baptist Church at Rockville Centre, offered to lend him money enough to tide him over his difficulties. He accepted only $5.

Racing in England.

LONDON, March 26.—In the Champion Steeplechase at the Liverpool meeting on Saturday which was won by Mr. Yates's Johnny Longtail, the winner finished a length ahead of the second horse, Capt. Machell's Ringlet, while there was also a length between Ringlet and Capt. Foster's Chancellor, third.

Sporting Notes.

Patrick Fitzgerald, the first pedestrian to go 610 miles inside of 142 hours, is named among the entries for a race of 72 hours at Easton, Pa.

Tom Lees of Australia has challenged for the English middle weight championship, now claimed by Tom Wall. Bill Goode, Jack Hickey, and Mike Jeannett.

Richard Howell and W. A. Rowe have been matched for the international bicycle championship to ride three races of one, two, and ten miles for $500 a side on April 11 and 14 and May 12.

The prize fight between Jack Fegarty and John Joyce, which was to have taken place within one hundred miles of Pittsburgh yesterday, has been postponed until April 7 on account of the serious illness of Joyce's sister.

Henry R. Acheson of Boston, who claims to have run 100 yards in 9⅘ seconds, says that he sent an open challenge to English sprinters to run 100 to 300 yards for from £100 to £500 a side. Acheson will start for England in July.

Charles Carr, the Newcastle sculler, for whom a great career is predicted, has challenged Sylvie Goskin, the Boston oarsman, now in England, to row a match for £100 a side over the Tyne championship course. Carr has posted £25.

Patsy Cardiff of Minneapolis, the pugilist over whose head bulldozer broke his arm, is about to marry Miss Nellie Hall, a music teacher well known in social circles. Music hath power to soothe the savage, and that is why Patsy refuses to fight Killen.

Noremac and Vint beat Mile. Annalinde in the mixed bicycle and foot race in Philadelphia. The total score for the bicycle was 320 miles, and the joint scores of the pedestrians 328 miles. George Littlewood ran an exhibition race of five miles during the wind-up on Saturday evening, making the distance in 28 minutes 50 seconds.

PORK PACKERS AROUSED.

They Say Bartle's Sensational Testimony is False.

ST. LOUIS, March 26.—The pork packers of St. Louis have signed and presented the following to the members of the Merchants' Exchange, who are now in special session considering the subject:

"*Whereas*, It is reported in the public prints that William G. Bartle, a member of this Exchange, testified before a committee of Congress in reply to the question of the Chairman, 'Did you, while you were packing hogs in St. Louis with a large Southern trade, use cholera hogs and put them into the food products?' and answered 'I did, and so did every other packer;' and

"*Whereas*, It is also said that on cross-examination this William G. Bartle testified that he had cut hogs into hams, &c., knowing them to be diseased, just as every other packer did;

"Now, therefore, believing these statements to be false, and knowing that such charges, if not decidedly denied, will cause untold losses, not only to the pork packing but to the agricultural interests of the country, we respectfully ask your Board to investigate the matter, and if the reports in the papers are correct, expel not only William G. Bartle, but all others who have assisted in this fearful libel on the honor and integrity of a very large number of the members of this Exchange."

LOUISVILLE, March 26.—The pork packers of Louisville forwarded this morning to Congressman Caruth this protest against Bartle's evidence before the Committee on Agriculture, with the request that he present it to that committee:

"We unanimously declare the evidence given by William G. Bartle before your committee to be untrue so far as concerns us, the pork packers of Louisville. We do not kill diseased hogs, or hogs sick of cholera; we make only absolutely pure hogs' lard, free from all adulterations whatever, and all hogs unnaturally dead or accidentally killed or smothered in transit, and all hog entrails from animals are gathered at our packing houses, separately rendered into greases both white and yellow, and sold as such on their merits to other manufacturers. We feel justified in asserting that such testimony as Mr. Bartle's is invidious, and highly detrimental to one of America's leading interests, especially with reference to our trade among foreign nations, and that the testimony of a man who acknowledges himself to have slaughtered diseased animals for human food, if he did so knowingly, is unworthy of credit."

KANSAS CITY, March 26.—The pork packers here affirm that the manufacture of prime, steam, and other lards and all meats is conducted in the most scrupulous and cleanly manner by all Kansas City packers, and that all hogs sent to packing houses are twice inspected, while all meats and lard shipped are subjected to the same rigid duplicate inspection. These facts, they say, render the methods and practices testified to by Bartle absolutely impossible. Dold & Sons will at once proceed to have him indicted for perjury, and will to-morrow bring suit for $60,000 damages, based upon the possibility of their being damaged to the extent of at least ten per cent. on their business of the Kansas City establishment alone.

A CRUEL WORLD HOAX.

Lord Drummond's Widow Not Engaged to be Married to Harry Masters.

The *World* of yesterday morning published a sensational story to the effect that Lady Drummond, the widow of the late George Essex Montifex, Lord Drummond, who died last August, had found that a period of a little more than six months was sufficiently long to enable her to forget her husband and engage herself to another. Yesterday afternoon a SUN reporter called at 1 Willow street, Brooklyn, where Lady Drummond has lived with Mrs. De Wier, since the death of her husband. Having satisfied herself that her caller was not from the *World*, Mrs. De Wier led the way into the parlor, where she said:

"The report of Lady Drummond's movements and intentions printed in this morning's *World* was a tissue of falsehoods. In the first place the report spoke of my house as a boarding house, while the fact is I never took a boarder in my life. People who live in Willow street, Columbia Heights, Brooklyn, are not in the habit of taking boarders, and such a false statement calculated to bring unpleasantness to myself and family. I took Lady Drummond in, with her daughter, May, out of pure friendship, and she has lived with me since her husband's death. The *World* says Harry Masters is a frequent caller at my house, when never, to my knowledge, has he stepped inside my doors. Lady Drummond has not gone to Newark to meet Masters or any one else. She has worked steadily since August making ecclesiastical garments for Mr. Neal at the corner of Twelfth street and Broadway, Brooklyn, and she had for some time been intending to take a little vacation after Palm Sunday. She has gone with some friends to Orange, where May has been invited to attend a child's party. I do not know the address of the people she is visiting. No *World* reporter has called here at all, and so he could not possibly have obtained the information he alleges he received.

"Harry Masters, it is true, was a friend of Lord Drummond's, having boarded in the same house with him, but I never knew of his advancing a dollar toward Mrs. Drummond's support. The days Masters is an iron moulder, and that he lives in Newark. It is untrue. He is a silversmith and he lives in Hartford, Conn. Lady Drummond has no intention of marrying anybody, and she is not the woman to so readily forget the memory of her husband. In fact, the whole article is as untrue as it could possibly be."

Spring Opening in the Storm.

The spring opening at Simpson, Crawford & Simpson's, 307 Sixth avenue, was accomplished yesterday despite the storm, and all who braved the weather were rewarded by seeing a most beautiful display of goods. The efforts put forth have resulted in getting attractions for shoppers unsurpassed. The opportunity of visiting the establishment should not be missed.

A natural point of attraction is found in the imported costume department, where the latest Parisian styles are displayed. Never has there been such a variety in styles as at present, and Simpson, Crawford & Simpson have all that are worth having. A combination of Henrietta and striped silk, with passementerie trimmings, makes a simple but elegant street costume, and other silk costumes are equally handsome. The variety in evening dresses is almost endless. One very handsome gown is of figured moire silk and white dotted net. The front is of white dotted net trimmed with white moire ribbon. Imported direction cloaks and children's suits in all the latest colors make a fine display, as do the large stock of English reefers in all styles.

The special attention given to ladies' dressing sacques and wrappers make the display in this department a noteworthy one. A Princesse garment entirely of black lace over black silk is most effective. The "Le Vesta" wrapper of moire silk and Irish point lace with flowing angel sleeves attracts great attention.

In the millinery department a specialty is made of a close-fitting bonnet trimmed with an Alsatian bow on the crown. An entirely green poke bonnet with ribbon front will be much worn. In children's hats the largest and most varied assortment in the city will be found here. Flowers for trimmings and ostrich goods in all shades are offered at most reasonable prices.

The Amateur Championship at Billiards.

Amateur billiardists who attended the Racquet Club tournament last year thought that a most successful contest, but they now say that it will be eclipsed by the competition this year. O. Oddie, Jr., the young Brooklyn expert, who won the silver cup last year, has begun training for the coming match. He smoked his last cigarette for the present two days ago, the trophy in this tournament will cost $1,000. Any player who wins it three times, whether in successive years or not, will become its absolute owner. Until it is won three times by one man it will be held from year to year by the latest successful competitor.

Duffy Purged of Contempt.

Ex-Alderman Michael Duffy, who was ordered to show cause before Judge McGown in the City Court why he should not be punished for contempt in failing to appear before a referee in supplementary proceedings, came into Chambers yesterday and agreed to appear for examination on Wednesday. He was purged of the contempt.

News About Lucky Baldwin's Stable.

From the St. Louis Republican.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 22.—The California turfman, Lucky Baldwin, has decided to bring twenty-eight horses to take part in the approaching meeting here. A despatch to this effect was received from him yesterday morning. The stable will be headed by that redoubtable campaigner, Volante, and will contain Goldan, Miss Ford, Emperor of Norfolk, Los Angeles, and other cracks, and is expected to arrive here several weeks prior to the opening day. This is the first time that Baldwin has ever honored any association south of Louisville with his magnificent stable.

Court Calendars This Day.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.—Nos. 43, 53, 65, 141, 152, 155, 168, 191, 192, 222, 255, 266, 279, 298, 303, 324, 326, 327, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353. GENERAL TERM.—Recess continued. SPECIAL TERM—Part I.—Clear. Nos. 383, 405, 302, 414, 416, 467, 601, 612, 375. Part II.—Clear. Nos. 592, 570, 615, 621, 623, 620, 539, 589, 568, 45, 553, 618, 624, 542, 557, 213, 556, 576, 541, 563, 593, 472, 594, 551, 419. CIRCUIT—Part I.—Adjourned until Thursday. Part II.—Case undinished. —Nos. 568, 221, 1867, 1770, 1272, 1, 2239, 920, 1458, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958. Part III.—Case on. Drake art. Grant. Part IV.—Case unfinished. Nos. 1385, 1389, 1374, 1025, 980, 919, 336, 1833, 1575½, 1577, 980, 932, 1555, 1812, 1509.

SURROGATE'S COURT—Will of Cornelia M. Stewart, 10:30 A. M.; C. D. Varley, 11 A. M.; Jean McNeil, 2 P. M.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.—Clear. No. 232. Part I.—Clear. Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10. Clear. 712. Part III.—Clear. Nos. 1530, 913, 1044. Part IV.—Clear. Nos. 1089, 1748.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM.—Motions. Part I.—Case on, probably a day. Nos. 203, 595, 672, 635, 181, 690, 770, 269, 429, 684, 714, 193, 742, 751, 372, 788, 798, 781, 795, 530, 700, 555, 774.

CITY COURT—GENERAL TERM.—Adjourned until Thursday. Part II.—Nos. 4732, 3823, 4791, 4847, 4658, 3359, 3540, 3542, 3543, 3544, 3545, 3546, 3547, 3548, 3550, 3551. Parts I. and III.—Adjourned for the term.

Royal Baking Powder, Absolutely Pure. For twenty-five years the standard.—Adv.

AN ALLEGED DYNAMITER.

Consul-General Waller's Report on the Case of John Curtin Kent.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—The Secretary of State has received a report from United States Consul Waller, at London, in regard to a visit paid by him to John Curtin Kent, an alleged American citizen, now confined in prison upon conviction of conspiracy against the British Government. The prisoner made a statement to the Consul. He said he was born in Fermoy, County of Cork, Ireland, and that his father and mother are now there. He has two brothers in the United States, one in Williamsburgh, and the other in New York, and that he himself landed in New York May 23, 1873. He lived five years in Philadelphia, and five years in New York. In New York he lived at 301 Fifty-ninth street, and worked for Mr. Youngs as a machine fitter and for Ryan Brothers as an engineer.

Kent said he is a naturalized citizen of the United States, having declared his intention in Philadelphia, July 25, 1875, and taken out his second papers on Oct. 20, in the Superior Court in New York, in the name of John Kent. He was then 26 years of age. He left the United States on Feb. 6, 1883, and landed at Queenstown on Feb. 16, going direct to his home in Fermoy. He remained there until Feb. 22, and then went to Glasgow. On March 2 he went to Blackburn to see his sister, and stayed there a week, and then went back to Glasgow, where he remained until April 5. He admitted that he knew Dr. Thomas Gallagher, having called to see him in Williamsburgh in 1881 on account of sickness. Dr. Gallagher knew he was going to Ireland, and gave him a letter of introduction to Mr. Gilleather in Glasgow. He did not know that Gallagher was going to England, and was very much surprised to receive a letter from him dated London, April 2, 1883, in which he offered to help him if he was in trouble. Kent said he asked him for money to get back to the United States, and Gallagher sent him £5, and told him to come to London and he would give him more. Thereupon he went to London on April 5 and found out that Gallagher had been arrested on that day. He wrote a note to Gallagher saying he had arrived in London and would like to see him. The detectives got hold of it, and it was presented at his trial as evidence of his guilt. Kent also said:

"No dynamite was ever found on me, with me, or in any place in which I had lived. I never talked with anybody before leaving the United States about dynamite. I never belonged to any organization of dynamiters or Fenians."

Consul Waller says he investigated the case of Kent and found that, while the testimony against him was somewhat weak, he had had a fair trial.

O'Neill & Co.'s Spring Novelties.

The opening in spring novelties at the establishment of H. O'Neill & Co., Sixth avenue and Twentieth street, now offers great attractions to the shopping public. For variety, elegance in design, and material the equal of the goods offered would be difficult to find. Most attractive to the ladies, probably, is the elegant millinery parlor on the second floor, where all the new imported styles in bonnets and hats are most tastefully arranged. The firm have spared nothing to make this department thoroughly attractive. The furnishings of the parlor are in keeping with the beautiful display. A very pretty hat which will be much worn is a close-fitting bonnet with a crocheted straw crown, faced with double puffs of velvet. It is trimmed from the back with striped ribbon, gold, and ecru. The ornaments are small pins.

Another striking novelty is a little French poke Eugénie bonnet, with a gold and brown embroidered crown, and faced with terra cotta velvet and gold braid. Striped ribbon, lace, and a bunch of wheat add to the charming effect. A Gainsborough hat of blue thread lace and a Beefeater with a fancy straw brim in three shades are other novelties.

In imported wraps great variety prevails. Especially worthy of mention is a tight-fitting design in taille française, trimmed with cut jet pendants and Marquese lace. A specialty is made in newmarkets, and English walking jackets. No one should fail to inspect the spring costumes, all styles of which are displayed. A very beautiful walking suit is of gray Henrietta cloth, and shaded striped silk. The corsage is trimmed with velvet. A specialty is made of tea gowns, domestic and imported.

Notes worthy of note are the dress goods for street wear and the surah silks in all the new colors. All-wool Henriettas with silk finish will be much worn. It is needless to say that a large stock of these is carried.

Base Ball Notes.

Just now it does not look as though the base ball season would open on next Saturday or Sunday.

The Howard Club would like to hear from a good all-around player. Address Howard, 1 Baxter street.

The genial Barney Brogan has again secured the bar and restaurant privilege at the Polo grounds for next season.

O'Brien, Pinkney, McClellan, Peoples, Clark, and Smith are the only players of the Brooklyn Club who have not reported for duty.

A good infielder, an outfielder, and two pitchers are wanted to join a uniformed travelling team. J. J. O'Toole, 145 East Fifty-ninth street.

The Quickstep Base Ball Club would like to hear from all clubs with players under 15 years. Address as the club preferred. Mike Schaefer, captain, 319 West Sixty-seventh street.

A despatch from New Orleans says: "Ed Williamson will bar ly play here with the Chicago team. He was laid out at Hot Springs for his indisposition, and Duffy was substituted."

Geo. W. Skelly, proprietor of Atlantic Park, had a gang of men working on the park all day Sunday, and will keep them at work all the week putting the park and grand stand in shape for the opening game next Sunday. A few warm days will put the park in good condition for the Cuban Giants' opening day.

The Grand View Base Ball Club has reorganized under the management of David Stevenson. The team consists of these players: Creighton, catcher; Gilson, pitcher; Kirk, 1st b.; Glougher, 2d b.; Harney, s. s.; D. Stevenson, 3d b.; J. Stevenson, r. f.; Johnson, c. f.; Telbert, l. f. The club would like to play uniformed clubs. C. E. Gilson, Secretary, Nyack, N. Y.

The Young Americans Club has been organized for the coming season with these players: E. Johnson, c.; J. Hawley, p.; Harry Thompson, 1st b.; Herbert Collins, 2d b.; John Brantigan, 3d b.; William O'Hara, l. f.; Tom Sheenan, r. f.; T. Ellis, c. f. They would like to hear from all clubs consisting of players about 15 years old. William O'Brien of 49 Ross street, Brooklyn, is captain.

The second Winona Base Ball Club will reorganize Thursday April 15, and will play all clubs consisting of players between the ages of 15 and 18 years. Clubs wishing to arrange games can do so by sending notice to Frank Kelly, Jr., 138 Dean street, Brooklyn. The players are: H. S. Myers, c.; F. B. Snow, p.; W. Tait, 1st b.; W. Kersey, 2d b.; J. Murphy, s. s.; C. Barnard, 3d b.; W. Doctor, l. f.; A. Davis, c. f.; F. Kelly, r. f.

A despatch to the *Sporting News* on March 23 says: "Toad Ramsey of the Louisville Club, the great pitcher who has time and time again raised the mischief, is roaring mad this morning. And why should he not be? Long before the shades of night fell last evening he got drunk—not rampageously, villainously full but mildly drunk, and while in that semi-instructed condition he stubbed his toe against a lamp post. That is a crime here, and for thus breaking the law he was collared by the police and jammed into jail. He asked to be released on bond, but the police would not have it, and he was forced to pass the night in the cooler."

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Detroit Club Treasurer Edson submitted his report, the most encouraging part of which was the showing that little money was made on the Detroit-St. Louis world championship games. "One reason for this," Mr. Edson explained, "is that we had to pay $6,500 extra in salaries to cover those games. This year we will not have no difficulty on that point, as the players are all signed to serve until Nov. 1." The old officers and directors were unanimously reelected as follows: President, Charles H. Smith; Vice-President, George M. Vail; Treasurer, James E. Edson; Secretary, Robert H. Leadley; Directors, Chas. H. Smith, George M. Vail, James L. Edson, Fred K. Stearns, and William J. Gray.

In regard to President Spalding's trip next winter, the *Philadelphia Ledger* prints an interview with him, in which he says: "We shall probably remain in Melbourne a fortnight, at the end of which we will depart for Adelaide, going thence to Burabura, Geloug, Balarat, Sandhurst, Wagg, Grange, Bathburst, Sydney, Newcastle, and Brisbane, all of which populous thriving cities we shall then return to Melbourne and probably play a match game of cricket with a picked Australian eleven. We shall then leave for Tasmania, where we shall play in Launceston and Hobart Town. Then we sail for New Zealand and play at Auklaud, Thames Hokatika, Christ Church, Wellington, and Dunedin. Leaving New Zealand, we finally return to Melbourne, and before departing for Sydney to take our steamer for San Francisco, will probably play a return game of cricket with the picked eleven we played upon our previous stop there. Anson will have the management of both teams during the entire trip. We shall reach San Francisco on the return trip about March 1, and will play a game in each of the prominent cities on our return East to Chicago." Mr. Spalding does not expect to even clear expenses on the trip and undertakes the affair partly with a view to introducing base ball into a country where it is sure to become popular as the Australians have all of that love for outdoor sports and athletics which characterizes the English people, coupled with the push and enterprise of the Americans. They have many beautiful cities there; are, as a people, rich and prosperous; society is as refined and elegant as in the large cities of our own country, and the average Australian would walk five miles to see a sporting event of any kind. Under these circumstances Mr. Spalding believes that they will fall in love with base ball once they see it played as we play it here.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Exchange—Sales March 26.

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

4 U. S. 4½s. c	106½

CLOSING PRICES ON UNITED STATES BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 4½s. r	106¾	107	U. S. 6s, 1895	—	—
U. S. 4½s. c	108½	107	U. S. 6s, 1896	122½	—
U. S. 4s. r	124¾	125¼	U. S. 6s, 1897	125¼	—
U. S. 4s. c	125¾	125¾	U. S. 6s, 1898	127½	—
			U. S. 6s, 1899	130	—

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

1 Atch. & C. 1st	109¾		5 St. P. 1st, W. & M. 5s	101¼	
5 Balt. & O. 5s	105¼		1 St. L. Ark. & Tex. 1st	100¾	
5 Beliv. & Caron. 1st	110		1 U. C. R. R. 2d	77½	
5 Ch. & O. C. 4s, R. cif.	65¼		1 Tex. Pac., R. G. & C.	65	
5	65		2 Tex. Pac., L. &	43¼	
9 Ch. & O. C. 6s	63½		1 Tenn. C. I. & R. 6s,		
10 Ch. & O. S. W. mtg.	104		1 Bir. div.	82¼	
2 Ch. & O. cur.	18½		2 Un. Pac. 1st, '76	112¾	
9 C., B. & Q. deb. 5s	101½		1 Un. Pac. '96	114¼	
5 C., B. & Q. N. 5s	102½		3 Un. Pac. S. F.	114	
11 Can. So. 1st	105		2 Union Pac. C. T.	95	
2 Can. So. 2d	90		5 West Pac.	112	
2	90¼		8 West Sh. 4s	101¾	
2	89¾		10	101¾	
3 Kan. & T. st. 6s	84¼		10	101¾	
1	84¼		23 West S. 4s r	101	
21	64		15	101¾	
11 Long Dock 6s	117¾		8	101½	
1 Lou. & N. T.	107				

Total sales of railway bonds (par value), $695,000.

RAILROAD AND OTHER SHARES.

Sales.		Open-ing.	High-est.	Low-est.	Closing. Bid.	Closing. Asked.
36	Adams Express	141¾	141¾	141¾	140	143
123	American Ex.	107