DIPLOMAS TO THE GRADUATES

COMMENCEMENT DAY AT YALE AND HARVARD UNIVERSITIES.

Secretary Taft Tells the Yale Boys How Their Cablegram Cheered Him When Ill in Manila—Honorary Degrees Given to Eminent Men at Both Places.

NEW HAVEN, June 29.—At Yale's annual commencement to-day 625 diplomas were presented and many honorary degrees given.

Judge Henry E. Howland, '54, of New York, it was announced this afternoon at the Alumni dinner, was elected member of the Yale Corporation, defeating James L. Houghtaling, '76, of Chicago. Judge Howland's vote was 2,617 and Mr. Houghtaling's 2,043. It was a contest in which the Eastern alumni won over the Western men.

At the alumni dinner there were 1,500 present. President Hadley presided. Among the speakers were former President Dwight, Judge Howland, former Governor of Connecticut George P. McLean, President King of Oberlin, Secretary of War Taft, Chief Justice Arellano of the Philippine Islands and Pardeide Tavera, senior Filipino member of the Philippine Commission.

Secretary Taft said it was a great pleasure for him to be at Yale once more to see the new and the old things, the new mace and the new dining hall. He said that his appointment as Governor-General of the Philippines carried with it no sacrifice, except the loss of attending the Yale bicentennial.

"During the bicentennial celebration things were not going well in the Philippines," he said, "and I was sick in bed, and everything looked gloomy. When 7 o'clock came in the evening, the saddest hour of the day, if it is sad at all, a cablegram was handed to me which read: 'Bill, the boys are with you, '78.'

"The light that came into that room and the feeling that came over me I can never express."

Chief Justice Arellano told the Yale men, through an interpreter, that in honoring him the university had honored 2,000,000 people whose gratitude he was asked to express.

For the first time in the history of Yale commencement processions a mace was carried to-day. Prof. John C. Schwab was the bearer. It was of solid silver, and was presented to the university by Prof. Samuel S. Sanford of the music department.

The commencement exercises were held in Woolsey Hall. Those who received honorary degrees were:

Doctors of Laws—Don Cayetano Arellano, Chief Justice of the Philippine Islands; William Stewart Halsted, Professor of Surgery in Johns Hopkins University; Robert Weeks DeForest, first Tenement House Commissioner of the city of New York; Charles Richard Van Hise, President of the University of Wisconsin; George Chandler Holt, United States District Court Judge of New York.

Doctors of Divinity—Henry Churchill King, president of Oberlin College; Stewart Means, rector of St. John's Church, New Haven.

Doctor of Music—Frank Heine Damrosch, supervisor of music in the New York public schools.

Masters of Arts—William Dameron Guthrie of New York, Parde de Travera, senior Filipino member of the Philippines Commission; William Henry Goodyear, curator of fine arts in the museum of the Brooklyn Institute; Gen. Samuel Edwin Merwin of New Haven; Artemas Jean Haynes, pastor, North Church, New Haven; Edgar Gardner Murphy, executive secretary of the Southern Education Board; George Payne McLean, Governor of Connecticut from 1901 to 1903.

The John Addison Porter prize of $250 was awarded to Matthew Willis Wood of New York, a student of the senior class in the law school. The Cobden medal was awarded to Alfred Lyon Spencer of Deep River, Conn. The George W. Egleston prize in American history was awarded to Hubert Bruce Fuller, Yale, '01.

HARVARD'S COMMENCEMENT.

Degrees to the Number of 1,169 Awarded—Honors to Well Known Men.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., June 29.—This was Harvard's 268th commencement day, and hundreds of graduates were back in Cambridge for the event. It rained heavily, but the weather had no effect on the programme.

The morning exercises were held in Sanders's Theatre, where the degrees were given out and the commencement addresses were delivered. At 10 o'clock the corporation and the board of overseers went from University Hall to meet the recipients of degrees and the invited guests. As usual the Commonwealth was represented, as were the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex and the cities of Boston and Cambridge.

The commencement procession, with men marching in gowns representing every possible academic degree, wended its way beneath umbrellas to the theatre, where 1,169 degrees were awarded. Last year Harvard conferred a total of 1,137.

After the morning exercises the classes held their annual reunions in the yard. At 1 o'clock the Harvard Alumni Association met in Harvard Hall and the Lawrence Scientific Association in University Hall, to elect officers for the coming year.

At 2 o'clock the procession once more formed, this time to go to Memorial Hall, where the annual dinner of the alumni was held. This meeting was a rousing demonstration for President Eliot, who has completed his thirty-fifth year as head of Harvard University. These degrees were conferred:

Masters of Arts—Archer Milton Huntington, noted in the field of Spanish literature; George Howard Earle of Philadelphia, William Watts Taylor, manager of the Rookwood Pottery; and Arthur Gilman, first executive of the Harvard Annex Associate of Radcliffe College.

Doctors of Divinity—William Herbert Perry Faunce, president of Brown University; Endicott Peabody, graduate of the English Cambridge, head master of a school for boys; Theodore Thornton Munger of New Haven.

Doctors of Laws—Dr. William Osler, Johns Hopkins University; James Barr Ames, Crawford Howell Toy and Henry Cabot Lodge.

AMHERST'S COMMENCEMENT.

Gov. Garvan Praises Roosevelt's Selection of Cortelyou to Run the Campaign.

AMHERST, Mass., June 29.—William H. Moody, Secretary of the Navy, and Gov. Lucius F. I. Garvan of Rhode Island, were the principal speakers to-day at the Amherst College alumni dinner. Gov. Garvan, who is a member of the class of '62, said that young college men who aspire to political leadership would find, as a rule, that the political leaders, whether college graduates or not, are unscrupulous in their methods. But the selection by President Roosevelt of Mr. Cortelyou, rather than a political wire puller, to manage his campaign, he said, gives rise to the hope that at least one of the great parties is able to turn over a new leaf.

"Another thing that I want to say to you," he said, "is that a good school for attaining political leadership of the right kind is devotion to a single idea, riding a hobby. It's good exercise for the young man out of college to ride a political hobby. But don't ride any question unless it is true, timely and important. Don't adopt anti-vaccination, because its not true. Don't take up socialism because, even if it is true, it's untimely. Leave prohibition alone because if it's true, it is not important. (Great laughter.)

"Perhaps one of the best hobbies for a young man is the establishment of real representative government in this country. We have national and State legislatures which represent nobody but some monopolistic power. Our system of election is so antiquated that it is a disgrace to our nation. When you find your hobby, ride it far, fast and furiously."

Secretary Moody who will begin his duties as Attorney-General on Friday, said that he wanted to talk about the work he had just laid down. The sort of naval defence that this country needs, he said, is not that offered by torpedo boats and submarines, but that of the great battleships that can go out upon the sea and defend their country.

"We want a naval power," he continued, "not like that of former times when splendid duels were fought upon the sea, but a naval power that can make the seas untenable for an enemy and safe for a friend. Japan by her navy made her territory safe forty-eight hours after the war had begun."

Before the dinner, the degree of LL. D. had been conferred upon Secretary Moody at the commencement exercises in College Hall. The same degree also was conferred upon Prof. James H. Tufts, '84, of Chicago University; Herbert L. Bridgman, '66, and D. Willis James. Arthur C. James, '89, has been elected trustee in place of his father, resigned. The election of another trustee, John W. Simpson, '71, of New York city, also was announced.

In announcing the bequests for the last year, President Harris told the alumni that the donor of the recently established Henry Ward Beecher memorial lectureship in history and the social sciences is Frank L. Babbott, '78, vice-president of the New York Board of Education. Prof. J. B. Clark, '72, of Columbia University, will fill the chair next year.

Prof. Carl C. Thomas Called to Cornell.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 29.—Prof. Carl C. Thomas, instructor in marine engineering at the University of California, has accepted a call to Cornell University to the assistant professorship in marine engineering at Sibley College. He will succeed Prof. William F. Durand, principal of the graduate school in marine engineering at Sibley College, who has been called to Stanford University.

NEW LEADER IN TAILORS' STRIKE.

Charles F. Reichers Chosen by the Cutters—Both Sides Resolve to Fight It Out.

The striking clothing cutters made Charles F. Reichers, ex-president of the United Garment Workers, who led the clothing strikes of 1898 when 40,000 garment workers were out, leader of the present strike yesterday. Reichers is also regarded as the leader of the tailors' strike. He began yesterday morning to get non-union men to quit.

At noon 300 non-union tailors, "inside workers," in the factory of Alfred Benjamin & Co., held a meeting, passed resolutions and quit work in a body. The resolutions were to the effect that as the manufacturers by organizing as an association and deciding to stand by the open shop, had formed a union of employers, the tailors had a right to demand recognition of their union.

Reichers appointed several committees yesterday and made a statement to the effect that the strike will be confined to this city. New York, he declared, was the only city which insisted on posting the open shop declaration in the windows. In other cities the manufacturers withdrew the notices.

"It has now gone beyond the displaying of the open shop notice," he said. "The fight is for the closed shop, and, sink or swim, it will be fought to the end."

The New York Clothing Trade Association held a meeting in the Lafayette-Brevoort Hotel and passed a resolution pledging its members to stand by the open shop. Each member is under a bond which he will forfeit if he breaks away from the association. The firm of Alsburg, Moritz & Co., which the unions say has resigned from the association, was represented at the meeting.

Samuel Fleischman, secretary of the association, said later that this firm had sent in its resignation a month ago when there was no sign of a strike. The association had three months to act on the resignation, and the firm, at the meeting, had pledged itself to remain in the association while the strike lasted.

About 600 cutters, the secretary announced, had been secured in place of the 1,900 who had struck.

CLOTH SPONGERS GETTING READY TO STRIKE.

The Cloth Spongers' Union is now preparing to make a demand for recognition of the union. It has called a meeting for early next week to declare the demand which will be enforced, if necessary, by a strike. Cloth sponging as a separate trade is comparatively new. Several years ago each clothing firm had its own examiners and spongers. Now there are shops to which cloth is sent to be examined and sponged. The sponging is to shrink the cloth ready to make up. The union was recently formed.

MORE MEN OUT OF WORK.

Weather and Strikes Made Men Idle in the First Quarter of 1904.

ALBANY, June 29.—The quarterly report of the State Labor Commissioner says:

The outdoor trades—building and engineering work—suffered from the extreme severity of the winter, and there was some depression in the iron and steel and wood working industries. The proportion of unionists idle during the first three months of 1904 was 14.6 per cent. as contrasted with 5.5 per cent. in the corresponding period of 1903—the best year of the past decade. Of the 55,710 workers who did not work at all in January, February or March, 34,365 belonged to the building trades and 10,631 to the transport trades—chiefly lake navigation. Nearly all of this idleness was due to weather conditions, as projected building operations compared favorably with those of previous years.

At the end of March no fewer than 25,723 union workers were idle on account of disputes, and the total number idle for all causes was 103,996, or 27.2 per cent. of the number reporting, as compared with 12.1 per cent. a year ago.

In discussing the question of wages the bulletin says:

No noteworthy reductions in wages in this State have been made and wage rates now stand at the highest point of the decade. Earnings per day have been higher this year than heretofore in substantially every industry covered by the statistics of organized wage workers. In the building industry the average per diem earnings rose from $3.33 in the first three months of 1903 to $3.41 in 1904, although the proportion of unskilled workers had increased in the interval. In transportation per diem earnings increased from $2.33 in 1903 to $2.36 in 1904.

For the entire body of male members of trade unions reporting the duration of employment the average earnings for the quarter were $175, as contrasted with $186 a year ago. Women, however, were not affected by the stoppage of building operations or trade disputes and averaged $124 in the first quarter of 1904, as compared with $116 a year ago.

SIDES WITH THE MINERS.

Umpire Wright Says Operators Must Collect Assessments for Check Weighmen.

SCRANTON, Pa., June 29.—Carroll D. Wright, umpire of the conciliation board, in a letter received here to-day by President Nichols of District No. 1, sustains the contentions of the United Mine Workers that the operators should withhold from the pay of all the men the amount of wages due to the check weighmen and the check docking bosses.

The letter is in response to an inquiry sent by Mr. Nichols, the issue having been raised by the coal department of the Ontario and Western Railroad Company here.

Mr. Wright says that the fifth award of the anthracite strike commission makes it mandatory upon the part of the companies to employ a check weighman or check docking boss where a majority of the employees demand it; the wages of the same are to be deducted proportionately from not only among those who make the request, but from all who are employed at the collieries. The operators have a right to insist on an assignment by each miner, Mr. Wright says, and to establish a rule that a refusal to make an assignment be considered cause for a discharge.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Congressman James S. Sherman and William L. Ward, who were expected to speak at the railfreedom meeting to be held to-night by the Republican Club in Cooper Union, have sent word that they will be unable to be present. Addresses will be made by Congressman Charles B. Landis of Indiana and Senator John M. Thurston of Nebraska. Charles H. Treat and M. Linn Bruce will also speak.

CHARGES AGAINST DOGS' HOME

AFFAIRS AT BIDE-A-WEE ARE UNDER INVESTIGATION.

Bergh Society's Agent Reports Males and Females Herded Together, Food Insufficient and Mange and Distemper Prevalent—Reforms Are Promised.

An anonymous letter complaining of the state of affairs in the Bide-a-Wee Home for dogs and cats, in Chrisfield street, near Central avenue, Yonkers, was received by President John B. Haines of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals about a week ago, and he immediately ordered an investigation. Agent Garn Jost of the society, who lives at 29 Victor street, Yonkers, submitted a report yesterday.

Jost, in his report, says that on Friday, June 24, he went to the Bide-a-Wee Home. He found A. Wildermuth in charge and obtained permission to make an inspection. There were four kennels. In one there were eight dogs which were in good health. Jost was told the dogs were boarders. The second kennel contained seven dogs, the third eight and the fourth fifteen. In these three kennels males and females were mixed together, and some of the animals in each were suffering from distemper and the mange.

While Jost was at the fourth kennel the dogs began to fight. "A little black dog," Jost says, "was almost killed. There were a number of dogs involved in the fight, and among them a fox terrier puppy that was badly diseased of the mange and a black mongrel pup. They did not appear as if they had proper attention. The kennel between the house and the barn was exposed all day to the hottest rays of the sun.

"I was informed by A. Wildermuth, the manager, that the dogs were picked up in the streets of New York and that some were sent there by people who did not want them. Dr. Miller, a veterinary surgeon of New York, who is the doctor for the home, receives them, and then they are sent to the Bide-a-Wee Home, whether they are healthy or sick."

Wildermuth told Jost that while the dogs are at the home he doctored them. "I am not a doctor," Jost quoted Wildermuth as saying, "but I understand their treatment. No doctors have been here for four or five months. They send all kinds of diseased dogs to the home for me to care for. One dog died of distemper three weeks ago. About that time there was a fight in the kennels and three of the dogs were killed. They are fed on bread and meat, and in my opinion they are not properly cared for. Seventy-five pounds of meat are supposed to be sent here every week, but some weeks they do not send so much, and when there is not enough I have to let them go without."

"I then told Wildermuth," Jost's report continues, "that he must send word at once to Mrs. Kippe, vice-president of the home, that an agent of the S. P. C. A. had made an investigation of the home and that he had found that the dogs were not properly cared for, and that the males and females should be kept separate.

"On Saturday, June 25, Mrs. H. Kippe and some of the directors of the home were there, and with them Dr. Smith, a veterinary surgeon who is with Dr. Miller. The doctor examined the dogs, and Mrs. Kippe told me that had she known the condition of the dogs and the manner in which they were fed she would have attended to the matter at once. They said that they were going to take the sick dogs to New York for treatment and to separate the females from the males.

"On the afternoon of June 28 I again went to the Bide-a-Wee Home. I found the dogs in the same condition, except that they had plenty of food, and I was informed that the home was to be removed to Scarsdale road, Yonkers.

"On June 29 I went there with Dr. J. S. Lamkin, a veterinary surgeon, and found the dogs still in precisely the same condition. They didn't look as if they had had any medical treatment for five days. Dr. Lamkin says that two or three of the dogs could not be cured. I was informed that Mrs. Kippe and Dr. Miller were there at 6 P. M. last night."

Jost said over the telephone last night that he understood that the home is supported by contributions from Helen Gould and several other wealthy patrons. He said that he inspected the place about a year ago, when it was started, and found everything in a healthful condition. One of the "boarder" dogs, he said, was the property of Mrs. Jett, a former superintendent of the home, who resigned. He said that he expected to visit the place in company with Judge William P. Kellog this morning.

W. W. GILE & CO. BANKRUPT.

Assets of Consolidated Exchange House Estimated at $2,500.

A petition in bankruptcy has been filed against W. W. Gile and Charles F. Nugent, who compose W. W. Gile & Co., stock brokers of 41 Wall street, by James, Schell & Elkus, attorneys for the following creditors: Louis Caragal, $120; Mrs. Kate Callahan, $180, and W. J. Goodwin, $500, all for money deposited with the firm. Nugent was formerly employed in a well known stock brokerage house, afterward was of Rockfellow, Nugent & Co., and became a partner with Mr. Gile in February, 1904. Mr. Gile is a Harvard graduate who married the daughter of a wealthy merchant of Worcester, Mass. He is a member of the Consolidated Exchange. The firm had branch offices at 51 West Twenty-eighth street and at Newark and Philadelphia.

J. N. Rosenberg of James, Schell & Elkus said yesterday that the liabilities are not very large. Judge Adams of the United States District Court appointed Addison S. Pratt receiver of the assets, which are estimated at $2,500 in office furniture and securities.

PRESS SPECULATIVE BUILDERS.

The Union Bricklayers Are Getting 80 Cents an Hour Wages Out of Them.

A meeting of the arbitration board of the bricklayers' unions will be held at the end of this week to arrange for resuming the broken negotiations with the Mason Builders' Association. In the meantime, wages are at all sorts of rates. In one suburb of Brooklyn, though the regular union wages are still 65 cents an hour, speculative builders have been forced to pay 75 and 80 cents an hour, because such houses as they build are in demand. In other parts of the city speculative builders who must finish their work soon have had to pay more than the union rate. The Mason Builders' Association, it was stated last night, will not under any circumstances make an agreement for wages of more than 65 cents an hour, and members of the association employ 70 per cent. of the men.

Lehigh Valley Firemen Get Concessions.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., June 28.—Fireman on the line of the Lehigh Valley Railroad received word from New York to-day that the company has granted them several concessions as a result of a conference. The concessions will not be made public until the local lodges have approved them. An authority says, however, that it is an amicable adjustment of the grievances.

Explaining the Resurrection of the Phœnix.

It was learned yesterday that the recent activity in Phœnix Gold Mining stock on the Stock Exchange was based upon a plan which is under way for the consolidation of the company with the Mount Shasta Gold Mines Corporation. The plan, it was said, provides for raising a considerable amount of working capital and a readjustment of capitalization for the purpose of having the stock traded in on the basis of dollars instead of cents. The par value of the new stock is expected to be $10 a share. The Phœnix company has $750,000 of preferred and $750,000 of common stock.

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JEROME DISMISSES M'LELLAN,

WHO SHOT M'COY IN A FAMOUS POOLROOM RAID,

And Who Was One of the Jerome Bodyguard in the Election of 1901—Other Conspicuous County Detectives May Soon Be Retired From Public View.

Robert S. McLellan, one of District Attorney Jerome's county detectives, was dismissed yesterday, the dismissal to take effect to-morrow. It would not surprise persons in the Criminal Courts Building if other sleuths who have been conspicuous as county detectives, but who are now subpœna servers, follow McLellan.

McLellan was suspended last Friday. On the day before that Edward A. Whitney, the tipster, who was the principal witness in the Glennon trial, disappeared. McLellan had the job of serving subpœnas on witnesses for this trial, and Whitney had been under subpœna the first few days of the trial and was in court each day.

Prosecutor Clarke asked McLellan if Whitney had been served for Friday. McLellan said he had, and Mr. Clarke told him to take the stand for the purpose of swearing that an important witness, who was under subpœna, had failed to appear.

Thereupon Judge Newburger said that the proper thing to do was to put in an affidavit that Whitney had been served. When it came to making the affidavit McLellan had to admit that Whitney had not been served. His excuse was that Whitney had left court before it adjourned on the day previous. When Whitney could not be found, and the District Attorney's office had no more evidence to present against Glennon, Judge Newburger ordered the jury to acquit Devery's former wardman.

McLellan was a bodyguard for Mr. Jerome when he made his campaign for District Attorney. Prior to that he had been a Parkhurst agent. As a county detective he got much evidence against gambling houses, and he figured in a sensational shooting in one of the "axe" raids on poolrooms. The poolroom was in East Forty-second street and McLellan, who was one of the raiders, shot Thomas McCoy in the head. McCoy was taken to Bellevue Hospital, where for a long time it was thought he would die. The bullet was never removed from his head, although he left the hospital. It was said yesterday that he never fully recovered from the wound.

When District Attorney Jerome was asked about the dismissal of McLellan yesterday, he said:

"It was for the good of the service." Then he added: "His dismissal will improve the discipline of that department."

Mr. Jerome's chief clerk, John A. Henneberry, is a strict disciplinarian, and when he assumed control of the detectives it was predicted that the display of revolvers and billies in the hands of men from Mr. Jerome's office would soon ceases.

Wheat Crop Looks Well Along the St. Paul.

The good condition of the wheat crop along the line of the St. Paul was set forth yesterday in a despatch received in Wall Street which quoted Murray Nelson, who is travelling over the St. Paul as President Earling's guest, as follows:

"The wheat crop between Minneapolis and Aberdeen is looking better than I ever saw it at this season of the year. If no accident happens between now and July 15 the prosperity already promised by the wheat crop will make you forget that this is a Presidential year. I hope that present prices can be maintained for the harvest."

Dog Shot After Hullabaloo in the Park.

A dog ran into Central Park at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at Sixty-eighth street and ran down the West Drive snapping at several children. The usual commotion followed. Policeman Bach chased the beast for 200 yards, firing at it, and got it opposite Sixtieth street.

Ex-Senator J. L. Mitchell Dead.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., June 29.—Ex-Senator John L. Mitchell died at his home here this evening after a lingering illness. He is survived by his wife, two sons and five daughters. He was elected to Congress in 1890 and was reelected in 1892. The next year he was elected to the United States Senate, succeeding Philetus Sawyer.

OBITUARY.

Capt. Henry Chappell Aspinwall, a former officer of the Twelfth Regiment, N. G. N. Y., well known as a smokeless powder expert, died on Tuesday in the Post Graduate Hospital. He was born in Epsom, Surrey, in 1855, and came to this country when a young man. He joined the Twenty-second Regiment in 1879 and subsequently went to the Twelfth, which he left with the rank of Captain in 1893. He devoted himself to the improvement of explosives for military purposes, and at his death was superintendent of the smokeless powder department of the Dupont Powder Company. Capt. Aspinwall was a member of the American Chemical Society, the Society of Chemical Industry and the Chemists' and the Army and Navy clubs. He was also vice-president of the New York section of the Verein deutscher Chemiker. The funeral will be held on Friday from his late home in Haskell, N. J.

Mrs. Amalia Serges, the famous German tragedienne, died after an illness of several months, at the Edwin Forrest Home, near Holmesburg, Pa., yesterday. Mrs. Serges suffered from a complication of diseases, her illness being aggravated by her age. She was born in Germany 84 years ago, and began her stage career in Vienna under her maiden name of Amelia Claus when she was 14 year old. Within a few years she played the rôles of *Lady Macbeth*, *Ophelia*, and *Marie Stuart*. She made her first appearance in this country in New York, in February, 1852, and repeated her European success. Three years later she came to Philadelphia, where she met her husband, who was an actor and a reporter. After that she made her home there.

Dan Emmett, familiarly known as "Uncle" in theatrical circles and widely known throughout the United States as the composer of the celebrated song "Dixie," died in Mount Vernon, Ia., on Monday. He had been ill for more than a year. His death is thought to have been due to heart disease, brought on by his extreme age. He had recently celebrated his eighty-sixth birthday.

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More Enthusiasm Than for a Dozen Years Over To-day's Boat Races—Both Crimson and Blue in Fine Condition—Cambridge Freshmen Favorites.

NEW LONDON, Conn., June 29.—Harvard and Yale colors are conspicuous on every hand to-night, and there is apparently more enthusiasm over the boat races than has been shown for a dozen years.

Yale's 'varsity eight is still the favorite, and wagers are being placed as high as 10 to 8 in her favor. The four-oared contest is a trifle in Harvard's favor, but the New Haven quartette has enough confidence in its ability to accept even money.

Harvard's freshmen are favorites by a wide margin, and every one at Red Top looks for a sure victory in this struggle. The Yale freshies are not daunted by rumors of defeat, however, and also have the courage to back themselves. Why the Crimson freshmen are looked upon as winners is probably due to the fast time rows they have reeled off in practice. Nevertheless, they have been repeatedly beaten from two to four boat lengths in the two mile brushes with the 'varsity eight, while Yale's class crew has invariably held the seniors down to about a boat's length while rowing the same distance.

Harvard's eight has shown irregularity in the speed for four miles, the last half being rowed, generally, slower than the first half. This has been demonstrated by the brushes with the second crew and the freshmen. On one occasion in particular the second crew paced the 'varsity down stream for two miles, holding the big crew well for a mile and a half, when they dropped astern. The freshmen were waiting at the two-mile flag and paced the 'varsity to the finish, beating the latter nearly five boat lengths.

Coach Adams, John Kennedy and Bob Cook were aboard the Yale launch this evening when the three crews were rehearsed in starting at the pistol shot.

"Every one of the oarsmen is in fine condition," said the Yale coach to-night, "and all anxiously awaiting the races to-morrow. I hope the weather will be pleasant," he added, "as a postponement would be very disappointing."

Coach Colson was in the launch John Harvard this afternoon giving the 'varsity oarsmen final instructions and testing them in starting at the signal. When asked what Harvard's chances were for winning to-morrow, Colson was noncommittal.

"We are down here to win," he remarked in his usual smiling manner, "and that is about all I can say. Yale has a very fast crew, I must admit. All the crews are in excellent health and will undoubtedly row to the very best of their ability."

Coach Smith, who has had the Harvard freshmen in charge nearly all the time since their arrival from Cambridge, was putting them through the starting manœuvres this evening.

About fifty yachts already have taken positions along the course above the railroad bridge, and scores of pleasure craft are at anchor in the upper and lower harbor.

Harvard's launch steamed up to Yale's quarters this afternoon and took Coach Adams and Capt. Cross back to Red Top, where Coach Colson and Capt. Dillingham were met for a toss of positions on the course to-morrow. Harvard was in unusual luck and won the toss for the three races. The choice results in her 'varsity and four-oared crews rowing on the west and the freshmen on the east side. The four-oared contest will start 75 feet west of the flags off the naval station, so that both crews may have a straightaway course to the finish up the river.

Cornelius Vanderbilt's steam yacht Mirage will be official boat at the races to-morrow.

George St. John Sheffield and Gen. W. W. Skiddy returned to Broadview this afternoon, after a trip to Norwich, and reported they had purchased Broadview, the site of Yale's training quarters.

The purchase was made for Yale's boating association, and has been under consideration since the death of Christopher Brown, who leased Broadview to Yale for the last twenty-six years, with only a slight interruption. Columbia's crews were quartered at Broadview a quarter of a century ago, and the homestead is looked on by old college oarsmen with ties of affection.

Plans have been prepared for a new and larger building than the one which is now used by the 'varsity crews, and it is probable work will begin on the new structure in October and be completed before the oarsmen arrive again next June. The plans which were exhibited to-day did not include the shelterings of the freshman crew, and this question will be settled later.

Court Calendars This Day.

Appellate Division—Supreme Court—Recess.

Supreme Court—Special Term—Part 1.—Motion calendar called at 10:30 A. M. Part II.—Ex parte matters. Part III.—Motions. 3448. Clements-Dunn case on. No day calendar. Parts IV. and V.—Adjourned for the term. Part VI.—Case unfinished. Elevated Railroad cases. Trial Term—Parts II., III., IV., V., VI., VIII., X. and XII.—Adjourned for the term. Part IX.—11808. Rafferty-Meyer. 18084. Hewling-Lind cases on. No day calendar. Part XI.—3924. Hogan-Strauss case on. No day calendar. Part XIII.—No day calendar.

Surrogate's Court—Chambers—2008—Will of Ambrose Burbank at 10:30 A. M. For probate—Wills of Elizabeth Blume, Peter McCullough, Naphtali A. Millhauser, Emil Nichelberg, Cornelie Infruk, Barbara Loehr, William Stell at 10:30 A. M. Thomas V. Robinson-Moses Weil at 2:30 P. M. Trial Term—No day calendar.

City Court—Special Term—Court opens at 10 A. M. Motions. Trial Term—Parts I., II., III., IV. and V.—Adjourned for the term.

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WHIST PLAYERS ON EDGE.

Champion Miss Bessie Allen in the Associate Members Trophy.

The third day of the American Whist League Congress at the Hotel Majestic yesterday was productive of some excellent whist, for as the tourney wears on the players become more on edge. As on the previous days, the ballroom, banquet room and rose room were crowded, and there the players sat noiseless and motionless, yet keenly alert to all the finer points of the game.

As early as 10 o'clock in the morning the first session was launched for the associate members trophy. This is a pair contest and carries with it the championship of 1904-05, and is open only to associate members with partners selected from clubs belonging to the league or auxiliary associations. Play was conducted under the Howell pair system, and the scores were reckoned by the multiple, or equivalent, system.

Ten pairs sat down to play and the scores tricks plus were highly interesting. Miss Bessie Allen of Milwaukee, last year's champion, had A. P. Burnham of New York as a partner, and when the score was reckoned, they led the others, their figures being plus 5 1-5. Mrs. Gertrude R. O'Brien of Detroit and James H. Smith of Rochester were paired and their score was plus 2. Mrs. B. B. Garland and Mrs. A. A. Smith made a plus 1 1-5. The scores of the other pairs were: Mrs. R. A. Waterhouse and F. P. Whitney, plus 1 1-5; Mrs. W. H. Barney and W. H. Barney, 1 1-5; Mrs. W. H. Cannon and F. C. Twaile, 0; Mrs. E. Dale and J. W. Dusenbury, owe 1 3-5; Mrs. C. F. Schmidt and G. S. Snow, owe 1 4-5; Mrs. G. W. Vail and G. W. Vail, owe 1 4-5; Mrs. R. J. Russell and E. Merton, owe 5 3-5.

The first round of the Fourteenth Congress trophy was also disposed of. This prize was donated by J. Eberhard Faber, who is now on his honeymoon in Europe. The trophy is a solid silver cup. The conditions stipulate that teams of four shall be eligible, and each team was compelled to play a match of twenty-four deals with each of the other teams. Seven teams took their tables for the contest. They were the Wisconsin Whist Association, Northwestern Whist Association, Atlantic Whist Association, New York State Whist Association, New Jersey Whist Association, New England Whist Association and Chicago Whist Association. The result of the play was: Wisconsin defeated New Jersey by 19 tricks; Northwestern defeated New England by 8 tricks; Atlantic defeated Chicago by 4 tricks and New York drew a bye.

The third preliminary round of the Hamilton trophy took place in the afternoon, and the score of the matches won and lost was as follows:

Clubs.	*Won.*	*Lost.*
Mercantile Library, Boston	7½	3½
Cleveland Whist, Cleveland	7½	3½
Ravenwood, Chicago	6½	4½
Horlick, Racine, Wis	6½	4½
Brooklyn Whist, Brooklyn	6	5
Scranton Bicycle, Scranton	5½	5½
Knickerbocker Whist, New York	5	6
New Haven Whist, New Haven	5	6
Hamilton Whist, Chicago	4½	6½
Baltimore Whist, Baltimore	4½	6½
Minneapolis Whist, Minneapolis	4	7
American Whist, Boston	3½	7½

Qualifying teams—Mercantile Library, Cleveland Whist, Ravenswood Whist and Horlick. High trick scores, Mercantile Library, 17 plus.

The Progressive Pairs session was notable for some excellent whist, and resulted as follows:

Section A—North and South, C. T. Whittier and C. J. Gliddon, plus 11, 9—13; East and West, C. S. Waterhouse and H. H. Ward, plus 9, 4—13.

Section B—North and South, Mrs. B. F. Moulton and Mrs. G. A. Brooke tied with Mrs. W. H. Newman and Mrs. W. Woodward, with plus 9, 10—13; East and West, Miss M. W. J. Lane and N. W. Lane, plus 10, 8—13.

Section C—North and South, Mrs. C. L. Taylor and C. T. Snow, plus 5, 10—12; East and West, Mrs. F. Waterbury and Mrs. B. C. Barroll, Jr., tied with Mrs. Irena Toll and A. B. Burnham with 10, 2—17.

Business Troubles.

Ernest W. Rosenstein, importer and commission merchant in grocers' specialties at 105 and 107 Hudson street, made an assignment yesterday to Arnold C. Weil.

A creditors' petition in bankruptcy has been filed against Henry M. Goble and Henry M. Goble, 2d, a nephew (H. M. Goble & Co.), wholesale dealers in demijohns, bottles, glassware, &c., at 51 Vesey street.

A creditors' petition in bankruptcy has been filed against Max and Benjamin Shenkow (Shenkow & Co.), manufacturers of boys' clothing at 11 Lispenard street.

Joseph Ferro, liquor dealer, of 314 East 104th street, has filed a petition in bankruptcy with liabilities $1,394 to three creditors and no available assets.

A creditors' petition in bankruptcy has been filed against the Leslie Syndicate, manufacturers of electrotypes, at 103 Fulton street.

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