

KILLED BY FIVE STORY FALL.

FAMILY DENY THAT SAMUEL SIEGBERT WAS A SUICIDE.

Had Been Under Doctor's Care—Left Broken Fall From Apartment on Central Park West—Found Dead in Vacant Lot Next House—No One Saw Him Fall or Leap.

Samuel Siegbert, a wealthy manufacturer of cotton goods, fell from a window in his apartment on the sixth floor of Arley Hall, an apartment house at 330 Central Park West, yesterday morning. He was instantly killed. No one saw him fall. The police reported the case as a suicide.

Mr. Siegbert was 43 years old. He had made a considerable fortune in Prairie du Chien in the cotton business before coming to this city. He went into business here as a partner in Louis Siegbert & Bros. at 121 Green Street. His wife and twelve-year-old daughter lived with him at Arley Hall.

For several months Mr. Siegbert has suffered from nephritis and has been under a physician's care. He had breakfast yesterday morning with his wife and daughter and then complained of feeling badly. He went into another room which one of his sons occupies.

The south side of Arley Hall looks out over a vacant lot. The Siegbert apartment was on that side. Shortly after 8 o'clock a servant in the vacant lot saw a man in a dark suit strike the ground in the vacant lot. He notified Manager Corcoran of the building. He summoned Dr. Jay W. Doucette, who lives on the ground floor, who found that Mr. Siegbert had been instantly killed. His skull had been fractured.

An iron picket fence runs along Arley Hall on both the north and south sides. In falling Mr. Siegbert's body struck a window on a lower floor, and then the fence. One of the pickets left a long gash across the left side of his head and face.

Though Mr. Siegbert was well known in the neighborhood he was not at first identified. His wife was called up on the telephone, but she said that she thought her husband had been taken to the hospital. "Are you sure?" persisted the telephone operator.

Mrs. Siegbert ran to the spare bedroom and found the window wide open. Then she hurried down stairs and identified the body as that of her husband.

The death was reported to the West 145th street station and Detective McManus was sent to investigate. Coroner Scholer gave permission over the telephone to remove the body to the police station and the body taken up to the Siegbert apartments.

In the afternoon Coroner's Physician O'Hanlon viewed the body and gave a statement from Louis Siegbert, the dead man's brother. He concluded from it that the death was accidental. Louis Siegbert said his brother died:

"Mr. Siegbert has been under a physician's care for some months and was to have sailed for Europe on Saturday next to take the Mediterranean trip. There was absolutely no business or other reason for suicide."

\$100,000 SWINDLE SHOWN UP. Postal Authorities Say Chicago Book Concern Had Hundreds of Victims.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—What is declared by the postal authorities to be a gigantic swindling scheme by the operation of an alleged religious publication house in connection with employment agencies throughout the Middle West was laid bare last afternoon by the arrest of Charles E. Phillips, manager of the Empire Book House.

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COACHMAN'S BODY NOT IN RUINS.

Crowd Watches Search of Murdered Woman's Burned Home.

ORANGE, N. J., Feb. 25.—Funeral services were held this afternoon at the residence of Martin B. Wallace, on Grove street, East Orange, over the remains of Mrs. Hannah B. Ross, the aged woman who was supposed to have been murdered in her home in Montclair on Thursday morning. The Rev. Ferdinand O. Blanchard, pastor of the Grove Street Congregational Church, East Orange, officiated, and only members of the family were present.

After the services Edward S. Black, a Newark lawyer, assembled the members of the family for a conference, at which he told them that at the request of the police officials of Montclair and Essex county it had been decided not to publish the will, but he briefly explained, so he said, the contents. According to the family, what Mr. Black told them was that the will, bequeathed to Frank W. Wallace, a nephew of Mrs. Ross, \$500, and the balance of cash at hand, about \$5,000, to Mrs. Edward Rouppe of Baltimore. Mrs. Rouppe, who was formerly a Miss Mary Beaumont, lived for many years with Mrs. Ross at her home in Baltimore and was a great favorite with the eccentric woman. The other provisions of the will, which was executed but a few days before the death of Mrs. Ross and was signed as a witness by the man who is said to have murdered her, were not made known to the family.

The gang of men who had been searching the ruins of Mrs. Ross's home for the body of the missing coachman for the past two days completed their task at noon without finding any traces of the remains.

The clearing of the cellar was watched by a number of spectators who had come from Montclair and Orange. Many slight-sockers took advantage of the fine weather and drove in sleighs or carriages to the ruins of the fire, while the trolley lines from all directions carried big crowds to High Street.

On Thursday night a stranger applied at the Seabright United States Life Saving station for lodging and was accommodated. He told Capt. Brighton conducting stories regarding himself. He said that he had been employed as a bartender at Lakewood and at Highlands, both of which stories are now believed to be false.

After his departure in the morning in the direction of Red Bank, his appearance coinciding with that of the man who was suspected of the murder of Mrs. Ross of Montclair, the life savers telephoned the Red Bank police to be on the lookout for him.

Apparently He Had Been Brutally Maltreated—Companion of Tramps.

PATERSON, N. J., Feb. 25.—The body of a young woman was found shortly after 7 o'clock this morning near the Lackawanna trestle which crosses the Morris Canal a few hundred feet south of Barclay street. Her shoes and stockings were gone. Her underwear was torn and her face was swollen. County Physician McBride said that although the girl's death was due to exposure there were many evidences that she had been brutally maltreated. There are several cuts on the hands made by contact with barb wire fences near by.

The head was also cut in the same manner and an investigation of the fences near the spot showed blood stains on the snow and ice for a distance of a hundred feet. The girl's teeth were broken and her mouth had been gagged with a stick.

At San Francisco.

OAKLAND, Feb. 25.—Dr. Leggo, the double Derby winner, was the head in the name race in the wonderful race of 132, equalling the coast record.

First Race—Four furlongs—Equalling. Reg. 100 (handicap) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

DR. KEANE A CHAMPION SKATER.

New York A. C. Man Wins Figure Title at St. Nicholas rink.

Dr. Arthur G. Keane of the New York A. C. won the national amateur figure skating championship of the United States yesterday at the St. Nicholas rink and conclusively showed that he has no peer at the present time in the country. The programme was composed of seven movements, including eight, loops, angles, arabic, tangles, spins, crossovers and other advanced figures.

DR. McCULLOUGH OF THE NEW YORK A. C. Wins Junior Fells Contest.

A contest in junior fells was held in the gymnasium of the New York A. C. last night and the prize was a pair of fells presented by the Rev. M. Hammond. It was an invitation affair and confined to members of the Amateur Fencers' League of America, and it attracted eleven entries, drawn chiefly from the New York A. C. and the Brooklyn A. C. After an interesting series of events Dr. McCullough of the New York A. C. was declared the winner. The entries were:

New York Turn Verein—A. Strauss, T. Donohue, V. Curti, A. Reith, Jr. and J. Stutz. Columbia University—C. L. Joly. Fencers' Club—A. St. Gaudens. New York A. C.—H. M. Ward, G. B. Bainbridge, Dr. McCullough, H. M. Ward, G. B. Bainbridge, Dr. McCullough, H. M. Ward, G. B. Bainbridge, Dr. McCullough.

Section 1—Rudin defeated Stutz and Ward and Stutz lost to Rudin, Bainbridge, Ward and Stutz.

Section 2—Donohue defeated Joly and Reith, and Joly defeated Reith, and Joly to Donohue. Reith lost to Donohue, Joly, McCullough, Curti and St. Gaudens.

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PHIL FINCH WINS THE STAKE.

BEATS RAPID WATER IN GOOD RACE AT NEW ORLEANS.

Right Royal 1 to 3 Suffers Defeat—Bain's Horn Trims Astoria and Traver—Close Finish in Long Race—Lively Betting on Events at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 25.—A total of twenty-four boats out at the Fair Grounds today, in a race that was doing business when the new track opened. The business was sufficient for them, the play being unusually heavy. The attendance seemed to be of a better than average class, despite the free race condition which prevailed here. The racing was very good, though the Eastern horses had to take a back seat. Right Royal on the strength of his Eastern reputation, reinforced by a good race in the fair ground, took the lead from the beginning. He carried the favorite's money, but Lucky Charms, breezed over him, Right Royal being the runner to the three-quarter mile, then seemed to falter, and Lucky Charms, led by a rush and was troubled in the finish.

Rapid Water was beaten in the stake event by Phil Finch, though he ran a magnificent race. He carried 123 pounds against 119 on the winner, Tombrick took Rapid Water to the front the way he has been ridden in all his races here, but he found Old Stone, lightly weighted and speedy, dogging him, and he was unable to keep his advantage. The first place was left up for the next three furlongs, when Old Stone stopped and Rapid Water took to show signs of fatigue. It was here that Tombrick made his move, and in the final furlong he drew away and won with a little left. Rapid Water, admirably served and his falling out, was beaten by the best fast closing sporter in a neck for the place.

Lucky Charms got caught in a jam just after the start in the opening race. He was unable to get away, and he was beaten by the day come in the mile and a half race, the favorite, Brooklyn, winning by a nose from second place, with a margin of one length and a neck in front of Lord Tenison.

A noble Russell, heavily played, won the first race in a moderate field, with a margin of one length over a long prior, won the second race. Right Royal, the last was easily the second choice, King B.

First Race—Nine furlongs—King B. 100 (handicap) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451,