THE COURTS.

The Six Million Dollar Suit Against the Broadway Bank.

A CONTEMPT OF COURT CASE

Responsibility of Contractors on the Fourth Avenue Improvement.

C. S. Sprague, one of the men arrested on Wednesday for having in their possession forged checks on Colgate & Co., was arraigned yesterday before Commissioner Osborn for having in his possession a counterfeit internal revenue stamp, which was attached to one of the checks. He was committed in default of $10,000 to await the examination to-day.

Judge Shipman, of the United States Circuit Court, has denied the petition of Messrs. De Fontaine, Leach and Demity for an injunction to restrain W. B. Freleigh, of the Bowery Theatre, from using the title of the play "Around the World in Eighty Days."

THE SUIT FOR CITY DEPOSITS.

The particulars of the suit brought by the city against the Broadway National Bank to recover some $6,000,000 claimed to be due the city from deposits of city funds in the bank while it was one of the depositaries of the city and county funds, have already been given at length in the HERALD. It is one of that class of suits, however, that is not only a long time in reaching a trial, but has to go through the ordeal of conflicting preliminary motions. It is claimed by the city that the amount sued for was paid out on fraudulent warrants and improper vouchers. A motion was made on behalf of the bank for a bill of particulars, that is to say, a specification of each and every alleged fraudulent warrant and each and every improper voucher upon which it is claimed money was illegally paid. Judge Lawrence, of the Supreme Court, after hearing an elaborate argument on the matter, gave a lengthy opinion, granting the motion, an abstract of which opinion was published at the time. The case came up before him again yesterday on the settlement of the order, in compliance with his decision. Another long argument ensued between Mr. Carter, who appeared for the city, and Judge Emott, on behalf of the bank. At the close of the argument Judge Lawrence took the proposed orders for settlement.

A SECOND MARTYR HUSS.

Ernest Huss, claiming to be a member of the German Society of the International Society of North America, brought a suit in the Marine Court against Conrad Carl, editor of the *Arbeiter Zeitung*, for the recovery of the press and other printing materials. He obtained a judgment by default, and on execution got possession of the property, which he removed to Hoboken for the purpose, as alleged, of placing them beyond the jurisdiction of the Court. A motion was made in the Marine Court to vacate the judgment and to compel Huss to return the property. The motion was granted and an order made directing Huss to return the property to No. 175 Chrystie street, the place from where he took it. Huss refused to comply with this order, and thereupon Judge McAdam directed his commitment for contempt of Court. A writ of habeas corpus was obtained in Supreme Court, with a view to his release from jail. This motion was heard before Judge Barrett in Supreme Court, Chambers, and the motion denied. A second writ of habeas corpus was obtained and Huss was again brought before Judge Barrett. A lengthy argument ensued, Mr. Henry Wheele, on behalf of Huss, contending that the Marine Court had no jurisdiction in the case and ex-Judge Bittenhoeffer, on behalf of the Internationals, contending that the Marine Court did have jurisdiction and that the punishment for contempt was both legal and deserved. The Court took the papers, reserving its decision.

HARLEM TUNNEL CONTRACTORS.

Before Judge Joachimsen.

A number of suits by property owners along the line of the Fourth avenue improvement against contractors for depreciating their property by placing obstructions upon it are pending in the courts. Among this class of suits is one brought in the Marine Court, before Judge Joachimsen, by a property owner named Moynaghan against Blake and others, contractors on a portion of the viaduct. The plaintiff claims that the contractors deposited stone and other débris on his lots, broke down the fences, removed sand from them and otherwise depreciated their value fully $1,000, to recover which he sues. The defence admitted that the fences were somewhat broken, that they were necessarily compelled to deposit some materials on the lots, but denied that they removed the sand from the property. The Court charged that if the land was occupied by the contractors without the consent of the owner, or if his fences were broken plaintiff was entitled to recover; but any acts necessarily done by reason of the building of the viaduct, it being work authorized by the Legislature, could not be recovered for. The jury gave the plaintiff a verdict for $20.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

By Judge Barrett.

In the matter of Parrier.—Application denied.

Wilkinson vs. Prentise; Adams vs. Gill.—Motions denied.

Hale vs. Lyon.—The plaintiff is entitled to a receiver upon this examination.

In the matter of the New York Bridge Company.—Prayer of petition granted.

Wyke vs. Stillwell.—Motion granted. Referee appointed.

Devereaux vs. Devereaux.—Report of referee confirmed, and decree of divorce granted.

In the matter of suit.—Application granted.

Knapp vs. Alden.—Motion granted, with $10 costs.

In the matter of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen, &c., relative to the opening of Lexington avenue.—Report of referee confirmed and order granted.

Wright vs. Donnellon.—Motion granted.

Whitestone vs. Heyman.—Writ may be sufficient, though it is somewhat doubtful; but the other surety is neither a householder nor freeholder. Undertaking rejected.

Bronlawski vs. Bronlawski.—Report of referee confirmed and decree of divorce granted.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

By Judge Van Brunt.

Bostwick vs. Frankfield.—Findings settled.

Searing vs. Farat.—Findings signed and reference ordered.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

By Judge Freedman.

Hegeman vs. Cantren.—The undertaking should be for the sum of $2,000.

Capen vs. Malby.—Motion denied with $10 costs.

Knapp vs. Bergham.—Motion denied with $10 costs to abide the event.

Hirsch vs. Newman, Jr. et al.—Motion granted with $10 costs.

Spittler vs. Goetz et al.—Order settled.

Panics vs. Kamp; Assodiron vs. Assodiron.—See memorandum for counsel.

Barnard et al. vs. the Mayor &c.—The answer should be handed in.

Philips vs. Rhoenstein.—The referee's report is addressed to the Supreme Court and not to this court.

By Judge Speir.

Marsh vs. Masterton.—Case settled and ordered on file.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Recorder Hackett.

TRIALS, ACQUITTALS, CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCES.

Lewis Fischer, a German butcher, who was charged with cutting a little boy named William Greenthal in the ear with a knife on the 25th of February, was promptly acquitted, he having satisfied the jury that the slight injury inflicted was accidental.

Jane Marshall, who was charged with acting in complicity with Dennis Spinin in stealing a tray of rings worth $125, from the store of Isadore Lewkowitz, at No. 304½ Grand street, on the 10th of the month, was found not guilty.

Isaac Loeb, who was charged with stealing twelve pieces of cloth and eight dozen of towels, valued at $135, the property of Andrew McGrath, pleaded guilty to petit larceny. He was remanded for sentence.

Joseph Weill, a young German boy, was convicted of forgery in the fourth degree. On the 6th of April he presented an order to Frances Didier, purporting to have been signed by Jacques Hass, upon which he obtained two boxes of cigars, worth $5. He was sent to the Penitentiary for one year.

The jury in the case of Hiram Kraft rendered a verdict of guilty. The prisoner was remanded for sentence.

WASHINGTON PLACE POLICE COURT.

Before Judge Kassmire.

ASSAULT UPON A BARTENDER.

John Stewart, having already drank to excess, entered a gin mill at No. 88 Ninth avenue and demanded more liquor. James O'Reilly, the bartender, refused to give him any more, and an altercation arose. O'Reilly endeavored to eject Stewart, and in return was stabbed in the shoulder. Stewart was taken into custody and held in $1,000 bail to answer.

ROBBING A SERVANT GIRL.

Mary Gleason, residing at No. 355 West Nineteenth street, intrusted her trunks to Joseph Rinckler and Alexander Brendt for the purpose of having them conveyed to No. 521 West Twenty-seventh street. On the way they broke open her trunk and stole $67 in gold coin and jewelry in addition, amounting altogether in value to about $107. Rinckler and Brendt were held in $1,000 bail for trial.

COURT CALENDARS—THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—Held by Judge Barrett.—Nos. 1, 56, 61, 63, 81, 87, 110, 120, 129, 132, 139, 140, 142, 151, 152, 157, 175. Call No. 175 up to and including 225.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM—Held by Judge Van Brunt.—Issues of law and fact—Nos. 21, 264, 131, 354, 377, 378, 294, 256, 368, 369, 379, 347, 384, 385, 388, 390, 397, 398, 327, 404, 405, 407, 412, 414, 415, 78, 416, 417, 418, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—Part 1—Held by Judge Lawrence.—Short causes—Nos. 2305, 1879, 1639, 1408, 1996, 591, 2215, 2634, 1322, 2097, 1407, 2499, 2321, 2363, 2504, 2291, 2575, 2763, 2349, 2309, 2311, 2501, 2546, 1365¼, 1367¼, 2679, 2681, 2781, 2040, 2353, 941, 2715. Part 2—Held by Judge Donohue.—Short causes—Nos. 2498, 1840, 1584, 1368, 1476, 1776, 586, 2344, 2746, 1770, 2662, 1406, 590, 2034, 2812, 1528, 2768, 1856, 2664, 2550, 2732, 2680, 2658, 2728, 2756, 2722, 2752, 2594, 2668. Part 3—Held by Judge Van Vorst.—Case on—Barry vs. Mutual Life Insurance Company.

SUPERIOR COURT—GENERAL TERM.—Adjourned *sine die*.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—Part 1—Held by Judge Sedgwick.—Short causes—Nos. 1755, 1865, 1785, 1862, 1632, 1708, 1930, 1650, 1779.

COMMON PLEAS—EQUITY TERM—Held by Judge J. F. Daly.—Nos. 34, 35, 51, 52, 10, 43.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM—Part 1—Held by Chief Justice Daly.—One hour causes—Nos. 2568, 2587, 2285, 2390, 2485, 2353, 2541, 2347, 2573, 2457. Part 2—Held by Chief Justice Daly.—One hour causes—Nos. 1999, 2254, 2008, 2422, 2304, 2373, 2467, 2450, 2419, 2279, 2272, 1957, 2542, 1454.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM—Part 1.—Adjourned for the term. Part 2—Held by Judge Gross.—Nos. 10, 2038, 2170, 2109, 2272, 2247, 2178, 2063, 589, 2249, 2250, 2251, 2253, 2254, 2255. Part 3—Held by Judge Shea.—Nos. 2346, 2767, 3008, 3287, 513, 3465, 3327, 3571, 3301, 3338, 3339, 3451, 3015, 2017, 3597.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS—Held by Recorder Hackett.—The People vs. Charles D. Brown, grand larceny; Same vs. James Dock, grand larceny; same vs. James F. Callaghan, grand larceny; same vs. Horace Lent, grand larceny; Same vs. Alfred Bridgeman and Porter Moreau, grand larceny; Same vs. Charles L. gue, grand larceny; Same vs. Allen Lucy, grand larceny; Same vs. George Meiggs, grand larceny; Same vs. Charles D. Taylor, grand larceny; Same vs. Cornelia Dunbar, petit larceny.

COURT OF APPEALS.

ALBANY, April 22, 1875.

No. 182. John F. Hobart, appellant, vs. Chester Hobart, respondent.—Argument resumed and concluded.

No. 46. Charles Starbird, respondent, vs. Samuel H. Barrows et al., appellants.

No. 212. Thomas Jones, respondent, vs. Samuel L. M. Barlow et al., appellants.—Submitted.

No. 197. Charles E. Bigsby, appellant, vs. James Warden, respondent.

No. 184. Calvin L. Hathaway, Supervisor, &c., appellant, vs. The Town of Cincinnatus, respondent.

A NEW CALENDAR.

Ordered, that the Clerk make a new calendar for the 24th day of May next, to which day this Court will take a recess by adjournment from the 30th inst., and that he place on such calendar all causes on the present calendar which shall not have been heard or otherwise disposed of; also, such pending appeals as shall be regularly noticed for argument, and in which notes of issue and proof of notice of argument shall be filed with the Clerk on or before the 10th day of May.

E. O. FERRIN, Clerk of Court of Appeals.

Adjourned.

CALENDAR.

The following is the day calendar for April 23:—Nos. 199, 201, 208, 114, 196, 216, 217 and 218.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

WASHINGTON, April 22, 1875.

No. 211. (Assigned.) George C. Roberts, appellant, vs. William F. Ryer; and

No. 237. (Assigned.) George C. Roberts, appellant, vs. Joseph Buck, Jr.—The arguments of the causes was continued by Mr. C. Austin Browne, of counsel for the appellees, and concluded by Mr. T. A. Kuckis, for the appellants.

No. 229. The New York Harbor Protection Company, appellant, vs. the American schooner Clara.

No. 230. The steamtug Clara Clarista, &c., appellant, vs. Augustus M. Cox et al.—These causes were argued by Mr. C. Van Santvoord, of counsel for appellants, and by Mr. E. H. Owen, for the appellees.

No. 231. The steamer Rio Grande, appellant, vs. William Otis, et al.—This cause was argued by Mr. P. Phillips, of counsel for the appellees, and submitted on printed arguments by Mr. David C. Labatt for the appellant.

No. 232. Charles S. Wood, appellant, vs. John F. Bailey, assignee, &c.—This cause was argued by Mr. P. Phillips, of counsel for the appellee, and submitted on printed arguments by Mr. Thomas H. Price for the appellant.

Adjourned.

It is expected that in the Supreme Court to-morrow will be argued the case of the United States vs. Farragut, involving the question of the right of the officers and men of Admiral Farragut's fleet, in the capture of New Orleans, to prize and military salvage in respect to captured vessels, which had been taken from loyal owners by the Confederates and were restored to such owners after capture.

It is the general impression of those likely to be informed that the case known as the Grant parish case, involving the constitutionality of the Enforcement act of May 31, 1870, will not be decided at this term, but the same authority asserts that a large majority of the Court, if not all, are of opinion that the act is unconstitutional. All the cases which have been argued at the present term except this, it is thought, will be decided before adjournment. One of these is what has been called the capitation tax case, from Maryland, arising under a statute of the State, passed in 1852, which secures to the State one-fifth of the gross amount received from passenger travel on the Washington branch of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company. Before the counsel of the company advised that this tax was unconstitutional the company had paid into the State treasury, on account of the tax, more than $3,000,000, and had paid in dividends to the State, as a stockholder in the branch road and as a stockholder in the main road, $5,000,000.

POLICEMEN ON TRIAL.

THE CALIBRE OF THE POLICE FORCE OF NEW YORK.

The Board of Police Commissioners had a busy day at headquarters yesterday trying policemen on complaints by citizens.

A captain who only a few weeks ago was before the Board charged with levying blackmail upon a poor degraded woman in his precinct was again placed on trial yesterday to answer the affidavit of Thomas Wild, which set forth that on the 5th of the present month Captain Alexander S. Williams, of the Fourth precinct, called at his place of business, a respectable liquor saloon, and made use of threats and language too vile to be written, the exact words of the threats being "Hereafter one man standing here (meaning in front of Wild's store) is a mob, and the first man caught standing here will be brought to the station house."

Counsellor Oliver appeared for the complainant and Captain Williams conducted his own defence. Three or four policemen were called, whose testimony substantially established that two men had become engaged in an altercation in Wild's liquor saloon, No. 107 Cherry street, on the day in question, and one of them reported the fact at the Oak street station house, requesting the arrest of his assailant, who, in the meantime, had left the saloon and gone elsewhere. The captain denied using profane language, and tried to prove that the place kept by Wild was a resort for criminals, and to that end summoned to the stand a number of his patrolmen, but their testimony did not produce the desired result.

The defence in rebuttal as to the character of the place called several citizens, among whom were lawyers and men of standing, who united in pronouncing the place a very respectable one. The decision was reserved.

The next case was that of Patrolman Thomas Coughlin, of the Twenty-seventh precinct, who was charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, the specification setting forth that on the 5th inst. he insulted a young lady in her own doorway by using indecent language. Counsellor Spencer, who appeared for the defendant, tried to prove that the policeman merely asked her with reference to some stories she had been circulating about him, but Fire-chief Matsell adroitly interposed by saying the policeman had no right to do even that. The young lady wept on the witness stand weptfreely as she related the circumstances. Her mother, father and a number of friends were present, and had employed able counsel to conduct the prosecution. The decision was reserved.

A clubbing case next occupied the attention of the commissioners. From the testimony it appears that on the night of the 4th inst. Officer Patrick J. Fitch, of the Fourth precinct, came upon a number of young men who were singing college songs as they walked along, some of the party being under the influence of liquor, and after commanding them to desist fell upon one of the young men, named Gallagher, and pounded him over the head with his club, inflicting a severe scalp wound. The Board reserved decision.

Another case wherein a property holder of the Twenty-third ward, J. Alonzo Carr, charged Patrolman Francis McDonough, of the twenty-third precinct, with illegally arresting and detaining him five hours, was next tried. Decision in this case was also reserved.

Three or four other cases of minor importance were then disposed of, the whole constituting a heavy day's work and conveying the moral lesson that "the finest police force in the world is not so fine after all."

HORSE NOTES.

Intelligence has been received in this city that Messrs. A. B. Lewis & Co.'s famous bay mare Vandalite, four years old, by Vandal, dam Vesper Light, has broken down at Spring Station, Ky. If this be true the mare will be unable to appear in her many important engagements during the coming racing season, which must prove a serious loss to her owners. Turfmen at the North remember her vividly, and many looked forward to the time when she would again be among them, as she had proved herself speedy, unflinchingly game and able to carry weight. Vandalite was entered in all the great cup events to come off during the year. First of these was the Louisville Cup, the expected sensational race of the inaugural meeting of the Louisville Jockey Club. Next was the Baltimore Cup, a new stake of the Maryland Jockey Club; the Westchester Cup, at Jerome Park; the Monmouth Cup, at Long Branch, and the Saratoga Cup, at Saratoga Springs. As a two-year-old Vandalite ran ten times, winning once—a mile dash for colts and fillies of her age, over the Ten Broeck Course, Savannah, and in many of the other contests was well up and taking a place in most of them. In her three-year-old form she commenced the campaign at Savannah, over the same course as witnessed her maiden victory, running second to T. G. Bacon & Co.'s Flower Girl. Then she journeyed to Charleston, where she scored her first victory of the year, dash of one mile, beating Hitchcock's Lutetia H. and a stable companion. From this place to New York she campaigned with varying success, appearing at Jerome Park in the Withers Stake, in which she ran second to Donahue's Dublin. On the fifth day of the same meeting she won a purse of $600, for those of her age, dash of one mile and a quarter, when her owners took her to Long Branch, where she beat Fellowcraft, Stockwood and Bonnybrook, two mile heats, in 3:49, 3:37. At Saratoga, last day of the first meeting, the eleventh renewal of the Sequel Stakes fell to her lot, with 114 lbs. up, beating that famous lot, Grinstead, Reform, Culpepper, Countess, Madge and Mattie W. On the third day of the fall meeting, at Jerome Park, the eighth renewal of the annual sweepstakes for three-year-olds was cleverly captured by her, in which she beat Rutherford, Bannerette and Planter. After this she was taken to Baltimore. Here she achieved her greatest triumph, winning the great Dixie Stakes, worth $13,800. In this race, with 107 lbs. up, twenty or more of dead weight, she made the two miles in the remarkable time of 3:35¼, beating fourteen others—the best colts and fillies of the year—including Madge and Ballankeel. At the same meeting—two days later—she won the Breckinridge Stakes, two miles, with 107 lbs. up, electrifying the crowd by passing under the string in 3:36, beating Brigand second and The Hoaxer third. This was her last race of the year, and, if the report from Spring Station is true, it may be her last for all time. In Louisville, as everybody knew, she could run fast and carry high weights, she was looked upon as the winner of the cup. In Baltimore they had not forgotten her victory of last year in the Dixie Stakes, and many imagined that if she could reach Pimlico in good fix the cup there might also fall into the hands of her owners. In the Westchester Cup she has to carry a penalty of 10 lbs. (whole weight 116 lbs.), and with this load the odds against her are but 8 to 1, with but three or four above her, at reduced rates. For the Monmouth Cup she was expected to meet, for the first time, Scar's Acrostal, the result of which race turfmen knew would never fade from their memories. Mares in the spring, it is well known, are uncertain as to condition, fit one day and off the next, and none can be sure of the manner in which they will go through the grand preparation and appear on the track; but if Vandalite is permanently injured it must be one to her twenty-odd races of last year. Many such victories as she then achieved have been dearly bought, there being scores of the greatest horses ever trained now in various sections of the country ruined forever by taxing their energies too severely while young. American trainers and owners make two and three-year-olds do more work than foreign trainers expect from aged horses. Of this truth every turfman is well aware, and the sooner there is a falling off in the terrible tasks two-year-olds are required to perform and a fair show given to the three-year-olds the better it will be for all concerned.

P. S.—Since the intelligence reached the HERALD of Vandalite's misfortune Mr. Ball, one of her owners, has arrived in New York. He denies that the mare is broken down, the cause of the rumor being that in her morning exercise recently she pulled up lame, and, swelling setting in, she has been let up in her training for a while. Mr. Ball does not anticipate any serious results from the trouble, hoping that the mare will recover as speedily as she did from her last year's lameness, which came upon her under the same circumstances.

Death seldom makes such havoc among valuable thoroughbred stock as it did on Saturday last, when Kentucky, that famous son of Lexington and Magnolia, was added to the roll. The loss is not only a heavy one to his owner, Mr. Belmont, but the turf of America receives a serious blow in his sudden taking off. This noted horse was bred by Mr. John M. Clay, on the Ashland estate, Kentucky, in 1861, and his first appearance in public was in his two-year-old form, winning a purse at Paterson, N. J., October 6, 1863, beating Eagle and Minnie Miner. This stirring début caused his sale to J. F. Purdy for $6,000, who soon after transferred him to Mr. W. R. Travers, and through him to the racing firm of Messrs. Hunter & Travers, then the owners of the Annieswoods stable, one quarter of the sum paid being furnished by Mr. Belmont. Soon after the latter gentleman purchased the other three-fourths, when Kentucky became his sole property. Immediately after this time he was conducted to the farm where he died, being placed at the head of the stallions there. On the whole, Kentucky was rather a disappointment as a sire, although he could claim Silk Stockings, Medora, Count d'Orsay, Beatrice, Countess, Duplin and others. This is somewhat remarkable, seeing that in blood and build there was as little fault to be found as with his performances. Kentucky's career as a racehorse terminated at Jerome Park, October 17, 1867, when he was matched against time for $5,000 a side, half forfeit, to beat, with 120 pounds up, his sire's time, running four miles—Lexington's 7:19¾ at New Orleans, April 2, 1855. He failed in the presence of an immense crowd, the miles being run as follows:—1:48, 1:48, 1:53, 2:02¾, making for the distance 7:31¾. Charley Littlefield was the rider. Of the reasons which led to this failure the HERALD, October 18, 1867, says:—

One of the reasons, no doubt, was that he had received too much indulgence since his retirement from the turf and that his training was inadequate to the fulfilment of so great a performance as he was expected to complete. This too great indulgence, perhaps, had a tendency to develop the constitutional trait of some of the descendants of Sir Archy, through Boston, the grandsire of Kentucky, to sulkiness and to bolting, while making what should be some of their finest efforts on the turf. But another and probably equally powerful cause can be found in the fact that Kentucky was started and ran at a pace for two miles that he was unable to hold, and which consequently told with serious effect in the latter part of the race, bringing to the surface that particular tendency to sulkiness which has been so often exhibited by that family of race horses.

Kentucky in his racing career won seventeen times, walked over twice and lost but once prior to his time match, being beaten in the Derby at Paterson, 1864, running fourth to Norfolk, Hyperary and Eagle, who passed under the string in the order given. The amount of his winnings were $42,950, together with the Inauguration Cup at Jerome Park, September 28, 1866, four mile heats. Kentucky was a rich bay, with one white fore foot, and standing a little under sixteen hands. His head was very fine, his eye intelligent, his shoulders superb and his quarters tremendous—a grand one indeed, this son of Magnolia. The grave of Kentucky, at Babylon, will be a much sought place in the future. No one will ever stand beside it without recalling the stirring scenes of a brilliant career. May the summer winds waft gently and the winter's snow fall lightly on the spot!

The spring meeting of the Galveston Jockey Club—the one of the more prominent Southern turf events—will commence on the 27th inst., continuing the 28th, 29th, 30th and May 1. Late advices from that section (15th inst.) give assurance that the meeting will prove very successful. Four stables of Texas-raised horses were training there at that date, and Cottrill's, Williamson's, Stone's and other strings that took part in the New Orleans races, were expected in a few days. The track was in excellent order and the weather delightful. Good judges in that section were of the opinion that the Texas thoroughbreds ("native stock") would make good their claims to a fair share of the winnings both at Galveston and elsewhere this season, their owners contemplating attending some of the Northern meetings.

Mr. C. F. Palmer, of this city, has purchased of parties in Lexington, Ky., the promising chestnut colt Piedmont. He is engaged in a four-year-old stake at Albany the coming fall.

Aureola, by War Dance, dam Dixie, by Sovereign, who has accredited to her the best averaged two heats at two miles (Lexington, Ky., September 18, 1872), foaled a fine bay filly—her second—on the 16th inst. by imported Harlington. The filly has been named Autopsy, and has combined in her the blood of Lexington and imported Glencoe through her grandsire, War Dance; that of imported Sovereign through Dixie, and that of Voltigeur and Touchstone through her sire, Harlington.

Captain Leander Clark, of Newburg, N. Y., has sold his stallion, Hurricane, to a Baltimore gentleman. Price not stated, but it is believed to be way up in the thousands.

Occident, owned by ex-Governor Stanford, of California, arrived at Chicago, *en route* to Philadelphia, on the 17th inst., in charge of Budd Doble. It was the intention of the latter to give the horse a rest of several days before resuming his journey.

The Relentless colt, struck out of the Withers and Belmont Stakes on Wednesday morning, had been backed very freely on the Jockey Club betting books. His stable companions, Tomahawk and Attila, also scratched at the same time—the former from the Withers and Belmont and the latter from all his engagements—had not received the same support.

The rumor in turf circles during the present week that Mr. L. A. Hitchcock's valuable chestnut horse, Limestone, 5 years old, by War Dance, dam Transylvania, broke down during the recent meeting at New Orleans is in part erroneous. In the hurdle race, fifth day, with 150 pounds up, he hit himself and was beaten under the string one length by Tom Leathers, in 3:44½—the fastest time on record for this character of race. Immediately after Limestone was let up in his training, but such hopes are entertained of his speedy recovery that Mr. Hitchcock, who arrived in this city yesterday, will not scratch him from his engagements in the Westchester and Saratoga cups. This gentleman's horses have been sent to Louisville, where some of them will take part in the inauguration racing meeting to be held there next month.

Late advices from Nashville report that "the flyers at the race course are taking strong work every morning, and goodly numbers of people bent on getting 'points' are lookers on daily. There are over fifty horses in training, and among this number are several first class animals. About fifty other horses will arrive in the next ten days, making over a hundred altogether. General Harding's string of eight are expected at the course to-day (20th inst.), while Swigert and Cadwallader will be in from Kentucky some time before Sunday, the combined lot in both stables footing up thirteen or fourteen. Several of the stables which participated in the New Orleans meeting are now on their way here and will probably arrive by Saturday or Sunday. The track never was in better condition and the surrounding have an air of neatness and elegance. George Darden, the efficient secretary, spends most of his time at the course getting things in 'apple-pie order.' The erection of a judges' stand, to be placed immediately in front of the grand stand (on the outside of the track), has been commenced. Four new stables have been completed and other necessary improvements are in progress."

JOCKEY CLUB BETTING BOOKS.

The New Orleans races have had the result of greatly increasing the interest centred in the horses engaged to take part in the early events to be decided at Jerome Park. It is the natural sequence of the first spirited reunion of the season, and from this time on, if balmier airs will only mingle now and then with the inhospitable atmosphere so long familiar to us, the more enthusiastic supporters of the turf will speculate upon the several contests spread out on the liberal programmes. The increased business at the Subscription Room is having its influence upon the bookmakers, and as orders flow in and the amounts placed on the highly fancied cracks engaged in the several stakes approach the limit allowed the odds are being reduced. Only yesterday several important changes were made on promised performers in the Withers and Belmont Stakes, which, it is presumed, may cause some discussion and, perhaps, not a little argument among those who have displayed considerable reticence in placing their money, as to the "injustice of the changes." But, as the bookmaker tersely remarks, "Can't help it, gentlemen; winter may linger in the lap of spring, but we'll have racing after all, and the friends of certain horses are 'raiding' on us, so that reductions must take place."

First on the list among the changes noted in the Withers is Messrs. Rice and Merrill's bay colt Volcano, by Vandal, dam Iodine, by Sovereign, the odds against him being cut down from 15, to 10 to 1. Then William Cottrill's chestnut filly Ascension, by Australian, dam Lily Ward, by Lexington, is reduced from 20, to 12 to 1, because of her easy victory on Saturday last at New Orleans in the Fortuna Stakes; Gyro, Jo Ceras, Meco and Invoice are also marked from 12, to 10 to 1, and Warwick from 15, to 12 to 1. In the Belmont Stakes Colonel McDaniell's chestnut colt Willie Burke, by Baywood, dam Katinka, by Australian, is marked from 8, to 5 to 1, and is now on an equal footing with McGrath's Chesapeake and Laurence & G. Lorillard's Hyder Ali, long at the head of the list. Next of importance among those reduced is that of Mr. John O'Donnell's chestnut colt Milner, by Leamington, dam by Lexington, which has been cut from 12, to 10 to 1, and Mr. Jos. Donahue's bay colt Gyro from 25, to 20 to 1. Subjoined are the closing quotations last evening on all the prominent events at Jerome Park, together with the Travers' Stakes and Saratoga Cup, to be run at Saratoga:—

WITHERS STAKES—ONE MILE.

	Taken.		Taken.
Aristides	4 to 1	Meco	10 to 1
Chesapeake	5 to 1	Invoice	10 to 1
King Bolt	8 to 1	Warwick	12 to 1
Rhadamanthus	8 to 1	Ascension	12 to 1
Ascot	8 to 1	Lord Zetland	15 to 1
Sangara	9 to 1	Examiner	20 to 1
Volcano	10 to 1	Probability	25 to 1
D'Artagnan	10 to 1	Helen Ward	30 to 1
Gyro	10 to 1	New York	30 to 1
Jo Cerus	10 to 1	Douglas	35 to 1

BELMONT STAKES—ONE AND A HALF MILES.

Willie Burke	5 to 1	Ozark	12 to 1
Chesapeake	5 to 1	Jo Cerus	12 to 1
Hyder Ali	5 to 1	Rhadamanthus	12 to 1
Aristides	6 to 1	Meco	15 to 1
King Bolt	8 to 1	Lord Clive	15 to 1
St. Martin	8 to 1	Tom Ochiltree	15 to 1
Baywinster	8 to 1	Orphan Boy	15 to 1
Sangara	8 to 1	Gyro	20 to 1
Milner	10 to 1	Alton	25 to 1
Ascot	10 to 1	Young Bonnie	30 to 1

WESTCHESTER CUP—TWO AND A QUARTER MILES.

	Age.	Weight. Lbs.	
Ballankeel	4	108	5 to 1
Shylock	6	121	6 to 1
Reform	4	108	7 to 1
Madge	4	108	8 to 1
Vandalite	4	115	8 to 1
Saxon	4	118	8 to 1
Grinstead	4	108	10 to 1
Culpepper	4	108	10 to 1
Kadi	6	116	12 to 1
Botany Bay	4	108	15 to 1
Satire	5	111	15 to 1
Fadladeen	5	118	15 to 1
Pervader	4	108	15 to 1
Limestone	5	114	20 to 1
Emma	4	105	25 to 1
Dead Head	4	105	30 to 1

TRAVERS' STAKES, SARATOGA—ONE MILE AND THREE-QUARTERS.

Chesapeake	7 to 1	Relentless Colt	15 to 1
Hyder Ali	7 to 1	Jo Cerus	15 to 1
Willie Burke	8 to 1	Baywinster	15 to 1
King Bolt	8 to 1	D'Artagnan	15 to 1
Aristides	8 to 1	New York	20 to 1
Sangara	10 to 1	Lord Zetland	20 to 1
Ascot	10 to 1	Milner	20 to 1
Caroline	10 to 1	Warwick	20 to 1
St. Martin	12 to 1	Hobbrook	25 to 1
Heatherbell Colt	12 to 1	Douglas	30 to 1

SARATOGA CUP, SARATOGA—TWO MILES AND A QUARTER.

Acrobat	5 to 1	Reform	10 to 1
Springbok	6 to 1	Lizzie Lucas	10 to 1
Ballankeel	6 to 1	Rutherford	10 to 1
Olympa	7 to 1	Aaron Pennington	15 to 1
Vandalite	7 to 1	Tubman	20 to 1
Preakness	8 to 1	Osage	20 to 1
Shylock	9 to 1		
Madge	10 to 1		

YACHTING.

PROSPECTS OF A RACE BETWEEN THE SCHOONERS TIDAL WAVE AND MADELEINE.

The following challenge from ex-Commodore William Voorhis, of the schooner Tidal Wave, now in Southern waters, to Commodore Dickerson, Brooklyn Yacht Club, as owner of the schooner Madeleine, was received at the HERALD office yesterday morning, under date "Nyack, April 21, 1875":—

Commodore J. S. DICKERSON, owner yacht Madeleine:—

I hereby challenge you to sail the Madeleine against the Tidal Wave in a race twenty miles to windward and return from Andy Hook twenty days after my arrival at New York city, which will be about the 1st of May. Yours most respectfully, WILLIAM VOORHIS, Yacht Tidal Wave.

THE NATIONAL GAME.

The first game of the regular championship series between the Athletics and Philadelphias was played yesterday at Philadelphia and resulted as follows:—

Clubs.	1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th.	8th.	9th.	
Athletic	0	0	1	2	3	0	0	0	1	6
Philadelphia	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	3

Umpire—Mr. William McClean.

NOTES AND GOSSIP.

The score of the game in Philadelphia day before yesterday between the Centennials and Philadelphias was 7 to 5 instead of 7 to 4 as reported.

To-morrow the Atlantics and Hartfords play at Hartford, the Athletics and Centennials at Philadelphia and the Bostons and Washingtons at Washington. Pools on all of these will be sold at Johnson's corner of Broadway and Twenty-eighth street.

THE JERSEY BALLOT FRAUDS.

THE CABAL AFRAID OF THE SUPREME COURT AND THEY DISPERSE.

The conspirators who had been routed from the court room at Jersey City, on Wednesday, by an injunction from Judge Knapp, met again yesterday, but they were afraid to proceed, and a motion to adjourn was put and carried before the meeting was brought to order. In the meantime, Mr. Guthrie, appeared before the Circuit Court and argued in favor of a modification of the order. Mr. Aubert and Mr. Lippincott argued in opposition to the application, setting forth that the action of the conspirators in attempting to disfranchise an entire ward in Hoboken had no parallel even in the worst days of Tammany corruption. Judge Knapp took the papers and reserved his decision. In the meantime papers have been filed for presentation to the Grand Jury against several of the conspirators, and there is a probability that there is a large batch of indictments in prospect. Should the conspirators attempt to transact any further business they will be immediately arrested for contempt. In the meantime County Clerk Brann retains custody of the election returns, and will not swear into office any person not legally declared elected.

ARREST OF AN ALLEGED INCENDIARY.

On the 10th of the present month Superintendent Walling received a telegram from the Chief of the Police of Pittsburg, Pa., requesting the arrest of a man named J. J. Smith, who was on the train bound for New York and who had with him a trunk on which his name was marked, the man being accused of arson. Detectives were accordingly despatched to the depot of the Pennsylvania Central Railroad, but neither the man nor his trunk arrived, and the matter was allowed to drop.

The day before yesterday a gentleman called on Superintendent Walling and stated that his name was Henry Griffen, and that he had just received a letter from Pittsburg of a mysterious and unintelligible nature, it referring evidently to some crime, probably that of arson, as a fire was frequently alluded to in it. He wished to turn it over to the police. Detectives Shelly and Titus, of the Central Office, were thereupon entrusted with the matter, and yesterday they arrested a man who called at the Post Office for a letter addressed to Henry Griffen. When taken before the Superintendent the prisoner gave his name as Henry J. Goldwin, of No. 213 East 105th street, and it subsequently transpired that he was the identical person sought for by the Pittsburg authorities, who were communicated with, and responded that an officer had been sent to convey the prisoner to that city.

EUROPEAN STEAMSHIPS.

THE STATE LINE.
NEW YORK TO GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, BELFAST AND LONDONDERRY.
Sailing from Pier 36 North River, as follows:—
STATE OF INDIANA.....Wednesday, April 21
STATE OF GEORGIA.....Wednesday, May