ART MATTERS.

SALE OF THE WITTHAUS-VOORHIES COLLECTION.

There was a good attendance last night at the Leavitt Art Rooms when the second division of Mr. Voorhies' pictures were offered for sale. As on the opening night, the prices realized were very low, ranging from $2 upward. In many instances the prices were ridiculously low and very few of the paintings brought anything like the prices paid for them by Mr. Voorhies. It is true that a great many of the pictures could boast of but little merit, and increase of art knowledge among American picture buyers is rapidly rendering poor pictures unsalable. A huge canvas of the Dusseldorf school from the brush of Professor Koehler, representing "Germania," was sold for the small sum of $200. This is an allegorical composition of some merit, and at the time it was first painted attracted considerable attention. When the reaction of 1848-'9 set in this picture was ordered to be burned, but was saved from destruction by a petition from the Dusseldorf artists on condition that it should be taken out of Germany. Notwithstanding this historical interest it was with great difficulty that the sum of $200 was obtained for it. A copy of Horace Vernet's great picture, "The Battle Field of Sinnela," was sold for the paltry sum of $50 50. The sale of the water colors was not more successful. Simon's "Luncheon" sold for $100, and Fraula's "Turk at His Devotions" brought $107; two flower panels, by De Longpre, $70 each, and Richards' "Beach at Newport," $70. The remaining drawings went for sums running from $5 to $20. The most interesting and valuable part of the collection—the bronzes, marbles and bric-a-brac—belonging to the Witthaus estate, will be sold this afternoon at three o'clock.

SALE OF EDWARD MORAN'S COLLECTION.

The attendance last night at Association Hall, on the occasion of the sale of Edward Moran's collection of paintings, which has been on exhibition for the past week under the title of "Land and Sea," was not large, and the bidding was decidedly slow. This was the more remarkable in view of the great popularity of Mr. Moran's works and the excellent quality of the pictures in the collection. The prices realized were in most cases far below the regular market value of Moran's pictures and a good many real bargains were secured by purchasers. No doubt the threatening state of the weather did much to deter intending purchasers from venturing out, but apart from this there has been noticeable a very decided falling off in the prices obtained at picture sales during the past few months. Whether this is due to the universal fit of economy, which exerts a perceptible influence in all directions, or to mere weariness at the constant succession of art sales which has been a distinguishing feature of the present season, it is difficult to decide. The following are the prices realized:—

Stormy Day Off Holyhead, E. Moran	$100
On the Beach	100
Moonlight—Fishing Boats	50
Storm on the Hudson, Parton	55
Discharging Cargo—South Beach, S. I., E. Moran	150
Windy Day Off Battery, E. Moran	110
Children Among the Ferns, E. Moran	100
Sappho's Victory Over the English Yacht Livonia, E. Moran	150
Norman's Woe, E. Moran	190
Lake Como, T. Moran	100
The Moping Owl, J. Moran, Jr.	100
Gypsy Camp, E. Moran	120
Rain Storm on the Bay, E. Moran	210
Lifting Lobster Cribs, E. Moran	120
Landscape—Twilen, E. Moran	510
Open Sea, E. Moran	170
Little Emily, Moran and Story	320
Burning of the Philadelphia, E. Moran	390
Sunset at Sea, E. Moran	290
The Victorious Madeleine, E. Moran	825
The Bird's Nest, Fence Schneider, Paris	810
Music for the Million, George H. Story	215
The Hawk's Nest	225

DORÉ'S LATEST PICTURE.

Some of his detractors have reproached M. Gustave Doré with the fact that he "paints by the yard." The thrust is fair enough in warfare, and, by choosing his enormous canvases, there is no doubt the eminent French painter lays himself peculiarly open to it. The latest picture, "The Serpent in the Wilderness," covers an area of over 600 square feet, and it is at present placed in a position facing the "Christ Leaving the Prætorium." There is not the slightest doubt about the fact that the "Serpent in the Wilderness" is the handiwork of Gustave Doré. The individuality of the artist is stamped on every figure. The design of the picture is not an unusually fine one. The Hebrew prophet stands on an eminence pointing to the brazen serpent which coils itself around the cross. In the foreground are the people wrestling in the most horrible contortions with the reptiles, which have coiled themselves round their bodies. Nearer the token of deliverance are those who have been rescued from the plague. There is in this theme plenty of scope for the exercise of the artist's abundant fancy, and, as may be guessed, M. Gustave Doré has fully availed himself of his opportunities. Indeed, "The Serpent in the Wilderness" is more characteristic of him than are any others of the enormous pictures which have been turned out of the well known atelier in the Champs Elysées.

ART NOTES.

A number of distinguished English clergymen have issued a manifesto requesting the government to open the museums and picture galleries on Sunday afternoons for the benefit of the people. It is proposed to hold a clerical conference with a view to obtaining the general support of the English clergy for this liberal movement.

The *Athenæum* says:—

The Naples Exhibition of Fine Arts, recently inaugurated by the King of Italy, contains many and beautiful specimens of Italian art and ingenuity. Those parts of Italy which are most numerously represented are the upper and central provinces, 400 of the exhibitors, it is said, being of the Roman province alone; yet there are several Sicilians, and not a few, of course, from the South Italian provinces. Among the works most admired are, in pictures, those of Michetti, Tusquez (whose "Ava Maria" is exquisite), Lo Jacono, a Sicilian, who represents the Conca d'Oro in a sirocco; Pastni, who depicts the details of an Arab market, and Pagliano, who paints the "Inventario." In sculpture the works which attract most are the "Slave," by Ghietti; the "Sira" of Rondoni, a group representing the three brothers Cairoli, whose history is interwoven with that of the last Neapolitan revolution; the three "Abruzzesi Graces" of Barbella, the "Vestal" of Francesconi, and a number of others. The Minister of Public Instruction has assigned 50,000 lire on the part of the government to be expended in the purchase of the works exhibited, and private persons, even before the opening of the exhibition, had purchased liberally.

SWINDLING BUSINESS MEN.

Detective Reynolds, of the Eighth precinct, yesterday arrested Frederick Davis, of No. 4 Congress street, charged by Edsell, Eastman & Brigham, a down town firm, with swindling them out of $8. He had purchased from them a lot of goods valued at $800 for a country firm, which, on seeking to deliver the merchandise, they found did not exist, and he had received the $8 as commission for his part in the transaction.

HE CUTS HIS THROAT.

Frank Cowan, a planomaker, residing at No. 319 East Seventy-fourth street, was found last evening on Second avenue, between Seventy-fourth and Seventy-fifth streets, by an officer of the Nineteenth precinct with a large gash in his throat, which he had inflicted with a penknife. He was promptly removed to Bellevue Hospital. On his being questioned by the officer as to why he had attempted to take his life he refused to give the cause. It is believed that he essayed the rash act while laboring under a fit of temporary insanity. Some ten days ago, the neighbors state, his wife took to drinking and left him. Several days later she went to the house, and during the absence of her husband removed some of the furniture and sold it. When Cowan returned home he became melancholy. Shortly after having his wound attended to at the hospital he became delirious and had to be confined in a cell.

PHILPOT'S DEADLY DIRK.

Some days ago William McQuade, residing on First avenue near Eighteenth street, got into an altercation with a man named Philpot. Friends interfered and separated the men. Last night McQuade went into the liquor store of Bernard O'Reilley at the corner of Eighteenth street and First avenue to get a drink. While he was standing at the bar quietly chatting with several friends Philpot entered, and, walking up to him, drew some sharp pointed instrument from his pocket, and rushing at McQuade plunged the weapon into his head three times inflicting wounds which are dangerous if not fatal. His would be assassin then ran out of the saloon and succeeded in making good his escape. The wounded man was removed to the Eighteenth precinct station, and afterward to Bellevue Hospital.

SCHOOL TEACHER KILLED BY A PUPIL.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., May 17, 1877.

At Oregon, Holt county, Mo., Miss Kingsbury, a school teacher in a select school, having occasion to punish a pupil, a turbulent, unruly boy named William Payne, aged thirteen years, he resisted and struck her several blows with his fist in the breast, when she immediately turned to her seat and fell dead. Post-mortem examination revealed the fact that her lungs were diseased, and her heart so badly affected that death might have been caused at any time by over excitement. A Coroner's jury is now investigating the case.

A FORETASTE OF SUMMER.

HOW NEW YORK SWELTERED YESTERDAY—A WELCOME SHOWER.

When old Sol rose yesterday it did not take New Yorkers long to find it out. The man who, wrapped in an overcoat, had been complaining since May Day that there was a mistake in the season and that we were having March weather, was satisfied that summer has not been annihilated and that straw hats and linen coats have not passed into history. When the day was but a few hours old the mercury went dancing up among the seventies. The walls of buildings began to smoke and blister, the sidewalks became hot as oven bottoms, and, as there was not a breath of air stirring, the population began to wilt. While most denizens of New York were groaning and sweltering yesterday, the ice man laughed, the soda fountain man rubbed his hands gleefully; the laundry man, overcome by a vision of acres of limp shirt fronts and melting collars, hired an extra brigade of sad-iron wielders, and the saloon keeper hung out announcements of frigid drinks upon placards adorned with alluring pictures of glasses filled with effervescent beverages with luscious strawberries floating in the cool depths. The almond-eyed Celestial of recent importation marvelled at the sudden change in the climate, but he manfully turned the crank of his peanut roaster with one hand and shielded his face from the charcoal fire with the other, while he cast curious glances upon his more experienced Italian neighbor, who had already discarded his furnace and was setting up an ice cream stand. One could hardly believe as he looked upon the throng of business men walking down Broadway that they were the same persons he gazed on a few mornings previously at the same hour. Then they were faultlessly attired, were glossy, well starched linen, and looked cool and self-possessed as they walked proudly down with heads erect. Yesterday they were a sad-eyed, limp, perspiring, disconcerted and meek procession; each man looking as if a feather would answer the purpose of a weapon to knock him down.

A THUNDER SHOWER.

After the sun had passed the zenith a light curtain of clouds was drawn across the face of the Sun and somewhat tempered the fierceness of his rays. As the afternoon wore on the clouds gathered more thickly and there were other evidences of a coming shower. Despite this, however, the thermometer rose steadily to 85 degrees, and there remained until shortly before five o'clock, when a few scattered drops upon the seething flagging announced the coming rain and warned pedestrians to get under cover. Five minutes of this gentle dew-like fall served to lay the dust and give every one an opportunity to seek shelter, and then the gates were opened and for half an hour there descended a generous, cooling flood, clearing and purifying the air and causing grateful thanks to its Sender to arise from many a sick bed and from many a weary, parched toiler in sweltering workshop or suffocating factory. The temperature was reduced several degrees by the rain, and what would otherwise have probably been a scorching night was rendered cool and tolerable even in the crowded lanes of the metropolis.

SUNSTROKES.

During the day the following cases of sunstroke were reported:—

William Parkhurst was overcome by the heat yesterday afternoon at the corner of Sullivan and West Third streets. He was sent home.

Frederick Frieser, while ploughing a garden at Tottenville yesterday, was sunstruck, and taken home for medical attendance.

THERMOMETRICAL REPORT.

The following record will show the changes in the temperature for the past twenty-four hours, in comparison with the corresponding date of last year, as indicated by the thermometer at Hudnut's pharmacy, HERALD Building:—

	1876.	1877.		1876.	1877.
3 A. M.	48	68	3:30 P. M.	57	87
6 A. M.	49	67	6 P. M.	56	75
9 A. M.	58	74	9 P. M.	52	73
12 M.	59	82	12 P. M.	52	70

Average temperature yesterday 78½
Average temperature for corresponding date last year 53⅞

HURRICANE IN MISSOURI.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, May 17, 1877.

A special despatch to the *Commercial* says a hurricane passed over Fulton, Mo., last evening, demolishing ten dwellings and a portion of the Chicago and Alton Railroad depot. One man was killed and several injured.

HEAVY RAINS IN KANSAS.

ST. LOUIS, May 17, 1877.

Very heavy rains have prevailed in Kansas for several days past, and considerable damage has been done to various railroads in the way of landslides and washes. Yesterday the heaviest rain for twenty years fell at Leavenworth, flooding creeks and carrying away houses, doing damages to the extent of several thousand dollars.

TRAINS DELAYED BY HIGH WATER.

OMAHA, Neb., May 17, 1877.

Continued rains during the past week have flooded the country in the neighborhood of Silver Creek, Neb., to such an extent that for a quarter of a mile the track of the Union Pacific Railroad has been under water. Yesterday the filling was so soft that trains could not safely run, and yesterday's passenger trains East and West bound lay on each side of the break. The officers of the road say that trains will be able to cross the damaged portion in a few hours, as the water is subsiding.

WELCOME RAIN IN CANADA.

MONTREAL, May 17, 1877.

A heavy rain last night, the first in three weeks, has checked the bush fires. It extended eastward to Quebec.

MIDNIGHT WEATHER REPORT.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER,
WASHINGTON, May 18—1 A. M.

Indications.

For New England, slight change of pressure or temperature; winds variable, mostly from southeast to southwest, and partly cloudy and cloudy weather, with rain areas.

For the Middle Atlantic States, stationary or rising barometer, south to west winds, clear or partly cloudy weather, occasional light rains and nearly stationary temperature.

For the South Atlantic and Gulf States, stationary or lower pressure, stationary temperature, east to south winds, clear or partly cloudy weather and occasional rain areas.

For Tennessee and the Ohio Valley, stationary or rising barometer, slight change in temperature, clear or partly cloudy weather, and southeast to southwest winds.

For the Lower Missouri and Upper Mississippi valleys, rising, followed by falling barometer, winds variable, mostly from southeast to southwest, partly cloudy weather and occasional showers, and nearly stationary temperature in Missouri and Iowa.

For the lake region, rising barometer, partly cloudy weather, with showers, and warm southerly veering at west stations to colder north and west winds.

The Lower Missouri River will rise and the Lower Mississippi will remain nearly stationary.

Cautionary signals continue at Duluth, Marquette, Escanaba, Milwaukee, Chicago and Grand Haven.

UNITED METHODISTS.

BALTIMORE, Md., May 17, 1877.

The delegates of the Methodist and Methodist Protestant Conventions met in joint session this morning in the Starr Methodist Protestant Church, on Poppleton street, Rev. J. J. Smith, of New York, occupying the chair. After religious services, Rev. L. W. Bates, pastor of the Light Street Methodist Church, Baltimore, was elected permanent President, Rev. J. J. Smith, of New York, Vice President, and Revs. G. B. McElroy, of Michigan, and N. H. Wells, of North Carolina, Secretaries. The report of the Committee on Rules was adopted, and the hour of eleven o'clock to-morrow appointed as the time when the Convention will receive the greetings of the ecclesiastical bodies.

SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIANS.

NEW ORLEANS, May 17, 1877.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church South convened in the First Presbyterian Church to-day, with a representation from every State in the South. The Convention was opened with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Smith, of Virginia, after which the assembly joined in the singing of a psalm. Reading of portions of Scripture was followed by a sermon by Dr. Smith. In addition to the delegates many visitors were in attendance, including a large number of ladies.

In the afternoon the Assembly proceeded to elect a moderator. The roll call showed that James Eels, of Oakland, Cal., had 182 votes, and Edwin F. Hatfield, of New York, 157. Mr. Eels was declared elected.

CAUCASIAN DISSENSIONS.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17, 1877.

The Council of Thirteen of the Order of Caucasians having expelled from membership P. S. Dorney, chief organizer of the Order, he yesterday in return preferred criminal charges against the members of the Council before the Grand Jury of Sacramento county. He says he will expose the secrets of the Order, which has been engaged in illegal and criminal proceedings.

MURDERED ON HIS BIRTHDAY.

A YOUNG MAN STABBED AND KILLED IN A STREET FIGHT ON WASHINGTON SQUARE.

Lying on a stretcher in the yard outside the cells of the Fifteenth precinct last night was the body of a good looking German, Max Herman, who helped his father to keep the plumbing and gasfitting store at No. 99 Bleecker street. Max was quite dead at eleven o'clock, although he had left his father in good health and spirits about an hour and a half before. He was only a lad, aged eighteen, and bore an excellent character.

A DEADLY QUARREL.

Max Herman shut up the store for his father after nine o'clock, and, in company with two young friends, sat on a coal box at No. 271 Greene street, discussing the preliminary arrangements for some social club they were about to form. They had intended to saunter toward the square to talk the matter over; but while they were seated on the coal box three strangers came along singing and apparently drunk. Between them and the strangers there passed discourteous repartee, and one of the lads informed a HERALD reporter that blows were exchanged. Then there was further talk of fighting, and the stragers walked to West Third down it to Wooster street, along Wooster to Fourth, followed by Max Herman and his companions. Exactly who were aggressors or defendants could not be clearly ascertained from the witnesses who were the dead boy's friends. Each of the lads held as witnesses disowns any part in the affair. Their names are Rafael Boissett, Lewis Board, Emiel Geiger and Herman Sweizer. It was elicited from them that when the party reached the Washington square side of Fourth street the fight was renewed and culminated in the death of Max Herman. One of the three strangers struck him with a knife in the neck, inflicting two desperate wounds, one of which severed the arteries on the left side just above the collar bone. The crowd then scattered, leaving the poor lad to bleed to death.

ANOTHER VERSION OF THE OCCURRENCE.

There are two versions of the affair. The second brings the belligerents together accidentally in the Park and makes the boys the aggressors and their antagonists two Italians or Frenchmen and one Irishman. The termination of the affray both recitals agree on. Max Herman was struck with a knife, the blow severing the carotid artery, and fell beneath his assailant. His young companions fled, as did his murderer, leaving the wounded boy to get assistance as well as he could. Somebody must have helped him to Frederick's drug store, at the corner of Fourth and Wooster streets, whence he was taken to the Fifteenth precinct station house, where he died. His father was notified, and came to look upon the face of his son, who was slain on his eighteenth birthday. Detectives were sent out in every direction to look for the murderer.

STAY OF PROCEEDINGS GRANTED.

BALLSTON, N. Y., May 17, 1877.

A stay of proceedings of sixty days has been granted to Mann, in which to present a bill of exceptions to be argued in General Term in September. Mann was brought before Judge Bockus, at Saratoga this afternoon to give bail in the sum of $15,000 pending the writ of error.

SUPREME COURT CALENDAR.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., May 17, 1877.

The following is the General Term Supreme Court calendar for Friday, May 18, 1877:—

Non-enumerated—Nos. 20, 41, 42.
Preferred—No. 6.
Enumerated—Nos. 34, 41, 47, 51, 52, 54.

SHIPPING NEWS

OCEAN STEAMERS.

DATES OF DEPARTURE FROM NEW YORK FOR THE MONTHS OF MAY AND JUNE.

Steamer.	Sails.	Destination	Office.
City of Richmond	May 19	Liverpool	15 Broadway
Rhein	May 19	Bremen	2 Bowling Green
Anchoria	May 19	Glasgow	7 Bowling Green
England	May 19	Liverpool	69 Broadway
Canada	May 19	London	69 Broadway
Pereire	May 23	Havre	55 Broadway
Algeria	May 23	Liverpool	4 Bowling Green
Rotterdam	May 24	Rotterdam	50 Broadway
Permanente	May 24	Hamburg	61 Broadway
Celtic	May 26	Liverpool	37 Broadway
California	May 26	Glasgow	7 Bowling Green
Neckar	May 26	Bremen	2 Bowling Green
Wisconsin	May 29	Liverpool	29 Broadway
Bothnia	May 30	Liverpool	4 Bowling Green
St Laurent	May 31	Havre	55 Broadway
State of Indiana	May 31	Glasgow	72 Broadway
Gellert	May 31	Hamburg	61 Broadway
City of Berlin	June 2	Liverpool	15 Broadway
Main	June 2	Bremen	2 Bowling Green
Ethiopia	June 2	Glasgow	7 Bowling Green
Spain	June 2	Liverpool	69 Broadway
Abyssinia	June 6	Liverpool	4 Bowling Green
W A Scholten	June 7	Rotterdam	50 Broadway
State of Georgia	June 7	Glasgow	72 Broadway
Suevia	June 7	Hamburg	61 Broadway
City of Chester	June 9	Liverpool	15 Broadway
Adriatic	June 9	Liverpool	37 Broadway
Elysia	June 9	London	7 Bowling Green
Victoria	June 9	Glasgow	7 Bowling Green
Weser	June 9	Bremen	2 Bowling Green
Montana	June 12	Liverpool	29 Broadway
State of Penn'a	June 14	Glasgow	72 Broadway
Hammonia	June 16	Hamburg	61 Broadway
Britannic	June 16	Liverpool	37 Broadway
Wyoming	June 19	Liverpool	29 Broadway

☞NOTICE TO CAPTAINS OF VESSELS IN THE COASTING AND FOREIGN TRADE.—Captains or officers of vessels engaged in the coasting and foreign trade observing the displacement or removal of sea buoys are requested to communicate the fact to the HERALD, so that it may be brought publicly to the attention of the proper authorities. A letter addressed "To the editor of the HERALD, New York city," giving as accurately as possible the number and position of displaced buoys or the cause of their removal, will suffice in all cases observed along the Atlantic and Pacific coasts of the American Continent. When they are observed on the coast of European countries or in the Mediterranean it is requested that information be sent either by telegraph or letter to the London office of the NEW YORK HERALD, 46 Fleet street, London, or to the Paris office, 61 Avenue de l'Opera, Paris. Where the telegraph is used despatches may be addressed "Bennett, 46 Fleet street, London," or "Bennett, 61 Avenue de l'Opera, Paris." Where cases of displacement are observed in the waters of countries beyond the reach of the telegraph, as in Asia or Africa, captains may communicate with us upon reaching the first convenient port. This information will be cabled free of charge to the HERALD and published.

☞NOTICE TO CAPTAINS OF VESSELS ENTERING THE PORT OF NEW YORK AT NIGHT.—The NEW YORK HERALD has adopted a distinguishing Coston night signal for use on board the HERALD steam yacht, showing white burning the colors red, green, red, changing from one to the other in succession, and can be seen several miles distant. Captains of vessels, upon seeing this signal, will oblige us by preparing any marine news they may have for the Ship News Department of the HERALD.

☞Persons desirous of communicating with vessels arriving at New York can do so by addressing to such vessels care of HERALD news yacht, Pier No 1 East River, New York. Letters received from all parts of the world and promptly delivered. Duplicates are required.

ALMANAC FOR NEW YORK—THIS DAY

SUN AND MOON.			HIGH WATER.		
Sun rises	4 39		Gov. Island	morn	12 13
Sun sets	7 13		Sandy Hook	eve	11 28
Moon sets	morn	12 01	Hell Gate	morn	1 58

HERALD YACHT WEATHER OBSERVATIONS.

MAY 17, 1877.

At	Hour.	Bar. Inch.	Ther. Deg.	Wind.	State of Weather
Horseshoe	Noon	29.95	80	WSW*	Partly cloudy
Sandy Hook	4 PM	30.00	77	S*	Cloudy
Lighship	8 PM	30.10	65	SW*	Cloudy
Narrows	12 PM	30.10	64	SW*	Partly cloudy

*Gentle. †Moderate.

PORT OF NEW YORK, MAY 17, 1877.

ARRIVALS.

REPORTED BY THE HERALD STEAM YACHTS AND HERALD WHITESTONE TELEGRAPH LINE.

Steamer Huntsville, Weir, Ponce, Mayaguez and St Johns, PR, May 10, with sugar and molasses to J de Rivera & Co. Had fresh NE trades to lat 32, with fine weather, excepting a few hours' heavy squalls, with thunder and lightning; May 15, lat 34 57, lon 72 58, passed a vessel abandoned and dismasted, bowsprit and jibboom standing and on fire, had evidently been burning two or three days; name not visible.

Steamer City of San Antonio, Pennington, Galveston May 9, via Key West 12th, with mdse and passengers to C H Mallory & Co.

Steamer Old Dominion, Walker, Richmond, City Point and Norfolk, with mdse to the Old Dominion Steamship Co.

Steamer S C Knight, Masinas, Georgetown, DC, with mdse to J L Roome, Jr.

Steamer Mercedita, Chadsey, Philadelphia, in ballast to Gerhard & Brewer.

Ship Isaac Webb, Urquhart, Liverpool, April 6, with mdse to C H Marshall & Co. Was 9 days between lon 50 and 60, with strong westerly gales. April 16, lat 40 37, lon 29, supplied bark Serena (Br), with provisions, 137 days from Iquique for Queenstown. May 6, lat 39, lon 57 10, passed a sunken vessel, with bow out of water, apparently of 300 ton burden.

Ship Elizabeth (Ger), Halberstadt, London March 29, with mdse to S L Merchant & Co; vessel to H Koop & Co. Had heavy westerly gales in the English Channel; put into Torbay April 1 and sailed 8th; had light westerly winds to the Banks, thence strong northerly and westerly winds; was 9 days W of Nantucket; no date, lat 42 15, lon 57 40, passed a British bark, showing signal letters L F N F, from Pictou for St John's, NF; May 7, lat 41 53, lon 58 48, bark Ann (Nor), hence for Queenstown.

Bark Bremen (Ger), Leitke, Bremen March 24, via Delaware Breakwater May 16, in ballast, to Funch, Edye & Co.

Bark Lillie Baker, Boynton, Leghorn 68 days, with marble and raga to Fabbricotti Bros; vessel to Brett, Son & Co. Passed Gibraltar April 12; May 16, lat 37 39, lon 73 30, passed a vessel's lower mast, with some rigging attached, apparently but a short time in the water.

Bark Elisa Bates (Br), Vesey, Bermuda 6 days, with produce to Jones & Lough.

Brig Otto (Ger), Jackmann, Manila Jan 8, with sugar to Brown Bros & Co; vessel to Funch, Edye & Co. Passed Cape of Good Hope March 15, St Helena 27th, and crossed the Equator April 10, in lon 26; no date, &c, spoke bark Panama (Dutch), from Manila for Falmouth, 25 days out.

Brig Speed (Br), Larkin, Montevideo 60 days, with hides and wool to Brown, Bros & Co; vessel to Brett, Son & Co.

Brig Valkyrien (Nor), Jorgensen, Porto Cabello 32 days, with coffee to Dallet, Boulton & Co; vessel to Funch, Edye & Co. April 13, saw a bark and schooner ashore on Colorado Reef, the schooner having a flag flying; it coming on night and a heavy squall, could not approach near enough to get their names or render any assistance. The Valkyrien is anchored at Sandy Hook for orders.

Brig Maggie Cummings (Br), Davis, Port Spain 21 days, with sugar to Gaster & Co; vessel to Benham & Boyesen.

Brig Luz, Youlsen, Barbados 17 days, with molasses to order; vessel to G F Bailey.

Brig Robert Mowe, Dearborn, Barbados 18 days, with molasses to H Trowbridge's Sons.

Brig Gem of New Haven, Pierce, Mayaguez 11 days, with sugar and molasses to D Trowbridge & Co.

Brig Alnha (Br), Neville, Fernbia, PR, 15 days, with sugar to Landman & Kemp; vessel to Miller & Houghton.

Brig Redowa, Wallace, Caibarien 7 days, with sugar, &c, to order; vessel to Simpson & Shaw.

Schr Ruth Robinson (Portland), Rogers, Santos 52 days, with coffee to Meyer Bros; vessel to Bentley, Gildersleeve & Co. Crossed the Equator April 23, in lon 38 30 W.

Schr Eben Fisher, Reynolds, Matanzas via Delaware Breakwater 17 days, with molasses to S & W Welsh; vessel to Snow & Burgess.

Schr Ramon de Ajuria, Megee, Matanzas 9 days, with sugar to Blouin, Benjamin & Co; vessel to A Dayton.

Schr Chas E Sears, Turner, Cardenas April 9, via Wilmington, NC, with sugar to Jed Frye & Co. April 13, off Charleston, had a heavy SE gale, in which lost an entire suit of sails; put into Wilmington for repairs.

Schr Etna, Sawyer, Trinidad via Delaware Breakwater 17 days, with sugar to S W Welsh; vessel to Swan & Pot.

Schr Elma S Wright, Freeman, Guantanamo 10 days, with sugar J M Cobaltos & Co, vessel to A Dayton.

Schr Mary S Lunt (Br), Lee, Baracoa 10 days, with fruit to B & S Wenberg.

Schr Wanella, Penny, Charleston, SC, 8 days, with lumber to order; vessel to Evans, Ball & Co.

Schr J T Willets, Willets, Virginia.

Schr E H Kirk, Robinson, Virginia.

Schr Sarah Quinn, Lee, Virginia.

Schr Eugene Borda, Belley, Virginia.

Schr Paul & Thompson, Brown, Virginia for New Haven.

Schr J L Leach, Johnson, Georgetown, DC.

Schr Wm Palmer, Cole, Baltimore.

PASSED THROUGH BELL GATE.

BOUND SOUTH.

Steamer General Whitney, Hallett, Boston for New York.

Steamer City of New Bedford, Fish, New Bedford for New York.

Steamer Thetis, Young, Providence for New York.

Schr Catherine Royal (Br), Brett, Charlottetown, PEI, for New York.

Schr Anada J Russell, Chatfield, Portland for New York.

Schr Modesty, Nickerson, Plymouth for New York.

Schr Ada Ames, Adams, Providence for New York.

Schr D C Foster, Hoffins Stonington for New York.

Schr John Manlove, Hamilton, Providence for New York.

Schr Hattie Loon, Wright, Hartford for New York.

Schr General Sheridan, Portland, Ct, for New York.

Schr Hattie E Collins, Dickinson, Connecticut River for New York.

Schr James Phelps, Ward, Connecticut River for New York.

Schr Kondukeag, Stearns, New Haven for New York.

Schr Thistle, Gamble, New Haven for New York.

Schr D C Burdett, Rogers, New Haven for New York.

Schr Georgia, North, Norwalk for New York.

Schr Mary Alice, Hulse, Port Jefferson for New York.

Schr Orlando Smith, Ferris, Portchester for New York.

BOUND EAST.

Steamer Eleanora, Johnson, New York for Portland.

Steamer Neptune, Berry, New York for Boston.

Steamer Bolivar, Geer, New York for New London and Norwich.

Schr Chas Valentine (Br), Oistrum, New York for Sydney, CB.

Schr Lizzie Dakers (Br), Bell, New York for St John, NB.

Schr Thos Ellis, Kelly, New York for Dennisport.

Schr White Rock, Lafferty, New York for Norwalk.

Schr Katie Collins, Collins, New York for Providence.

Schr Panthea, Hill, New York for Norwalk.

Schr Cornelius, Lent, New York for Norwich.

Schr Onward, Gorham, New York for Nantucket.

Schr J H Tripp, Nickerson, New York for Chatham.

Schr Sarah A Falconer, Wilson, Hoboken for Providence.

Schr Restless, Burnham, Port Johnson for Fall River.

Schr Fireway, Knox, Port Johnson for Providence.

Schr Wave, Hubbard, Amboy for Somerset.

Schr Riverdale, Brown, Amboy for Yarmouth, NS.

Schr Geo D Perry, Chase, Philadelphia for New Bedford.

Schr J L Leach, Johnson, Georgetown for Norwalk.

BELOW.

Brig Olaf Kyrre (Nor), from Antwerp.

CLEARED.

Steamer Frisia (Ger), Meyer, Hamburg via Plymouth—Kunhardt & Co.

Steamer Bermuda (Br), Angrove, Hamilton (Bermuda)—A E Caterbridge.

Steamer Isaac Bell, Lawrence, Norfolk, City Point and Richmond—Old Dominion Steamship Co.

Steamer Agnes, Smith, Philadelphia—Borgert & Morgan.

Steamer Anthracite, Grimley, Philadelphia—Jas Hand.

Steamer Franconia, Bragg, Portland—J F Ames.

Steamer Neptune, Berry, Boston—H F Dimock.

Ship McDougall (Br), Davis, Bremen—J F Whitney & Co.

Ship America, Emerson, San Francisco—Sutton & Co.

Bark Scotia (Br), Babington, Liverpool—Williams & Guion.

Bark Orono (Nor), Bjonness, Bristol, E—Funch, Edye & Co.

Bark Dagmar (Nor), Hoave, Newport, E—C Tobias & Co.

Bark Suez (Ital), Cimani, Palma (Spain)—Funch, Edye & Co.

Bark Continental, Tupper, Calais, Me—R P Buck & Co.

Brig Arcanoelo (Ital), Cascace, Cadiz via Gibraltar—Funch, Edye & Co.

Brig Tubal Cain, Stone, Marseilles—James Henry.

Brig Swiftsure (Br), McLochan, St Thomas—Peniston & Co.

Schr Florence N Tower, Adams, Las Palmas (Canary Islands)—H W Loud & Co.

Schr Jordan L Mott, Dixon, Baracoa—B J Wenberg & Co.

Schr Cora Etta, Pendleton, Fernandina—Warren Ray.

Schr William McCobb, Ball, Boston—Chas Twing.

Schr Peacedale, Caswell, Newport, RI—A Dayton & Co.

Schr T W Spencer, Courser, New Haven—Cartwright & Doyle.

Schr Amelia B, Gormley, Derby, Ct—Rackett & Bro.

SAILED.

Steamers State of Nevada (Br), for Glasgow; Frisia (Ger), Hamburg; Bermuda (Br), Bermuda; Isaac Bell, Richmond, &c; Albemarle, Lewes, Del; ships Analanac, Anger; Nile (Br), Bremen; Humboldt (Ger), do; Marina (Ger), do; barks Athena (Nor), do; Snow Queen (Br), Antwerp; Vanguard, do; brigs Abbie C Titcomb, Passages and Cadiz; O C Clary, Barbados.

Also sailed, Russian frigates Svetlana, Bogatyr, and Ascold.

MARITIME MISCELLANY.

SHIP DUNSIRES (Br, new), for Liverpool, was run into while laying alongside her wharf at Quebec AM May 16, by steamer Lake Nepigon (Br), from Liverpool and had starboard bulwarks stove in; damage about $500.

BARK D A PRESTON, at St Pierre, Mart, April 27 from Boston, experienced heavy weather and lost one seaman overboard.

BARK UNICA (Mex), at Vera Cruz March 27 from New York, suffered damage to the vessel and cargo on the voyage. She would repair.

BRIG MAGGIE VAIL, Fields, from Richmond, Va, for Rio Janeiro, went to sea from Cape Henry about Dec 28, and as she has not been seen or heard of since, excepting that a broken name board with "Vail" painted on it in white letters on a black ground was passed Feb 24, in lat 32 N, lon 43 W, as before stated, it is supposed that she foundered at sea. Her cargo consisted of flour.

SCHR J H YOUNG, Barrett, from Pawtucket for New York, put into Newport yesterday, and reports that at 11 PM, 16th, near Point Judith, came in collision with schr Edwin (of Bridgeport), Francis, from Fall River for New York, and lost jibboom figurehead and all head gear. The Edwin had foresail split and rail broke in abreast of forerigging on port side, but proceeded.

SCHR ANNIE LEWIS, Aldrich, at Boston May 16 from Sagua, reports, May 3, lat 34 33, lon 75 17, took a gale from NW and blew away foresail, split mainsail, sprung mainmast and jibboom. She put into Sandy Hook 9th to repair.

SCHR SUSAN L TAYLOR (of Bangor), from Narragansett Pier for Bangor, struck on the east end of Cuttyhunk on Monday night, owing to the compass being out of order. She was sold at auction Tuesday, to S B Church, for $185. A gang of wreckers hove her off Tuesday night, by carrying out a kedge. [The S L Taylor arrived at New Bedford 16th.]

SCHR MOCKING BIRD (Br), Amsborough, at Arecibo, PR, loaded for Philadelphia, was ready for sea May 4, but the crew refused duty, and she was detained until the 14th, when the difficulty was adjusted and the vessel sailed for destination.

SCHR SARAH (Br), Balcam from Georgetown, PEI, for New York, put into Hartlepool May 14, leaky; will probably discharge and go on marine railway for repairs.

SCHR MARIETTA TILTON, from Hoboken for Boston, collided night of May 16 off Cross Rip with steamer Harrisburg, from Boston for Philadelphia, and sank in a few minutes. The Captain, his wife, mate, cook and two seamen were drowned; two of the crew were saved. Damage to Harrisburg not reported.

KEY WEST, May 17—The Court has postponed the sale of the schr Veto and ordered an appraisement of the vessel.

LAUNCHED—At Portland, Me, May 17, bark Grace Deering, of 750 tons register.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

NEWPORT R. I. May 16, 1877.

For many years it has been known to mariners that there was a huge rock in the inner harbor, somewhere about southeast of Goat Island Light, almost in the channel, but it could never be located, and the government, notwithstanding the numerous complaints have not paid any attention to the matter. The Old Colony Steamboat Company's agent, Mr John H Jordan, as the boats of that line frequently touched upon the rock, engaged John Waters & Co, wreckers, of this port, to look for it, and the company would bear all the expense. The wreckers, with the aid of a diver, found the rock, and which proved to be 12 feet in diameter and rising about five feet above the river bed, directly in the track of steamers and vessels passing in and out of the harbor. Alongside of it were found about 75 pounds of copper, which it had scraped from the bottoms of steamers and different spars, and which, when discovered, was partly imbedded upon the rock. After several attempts at blasting the greater part of the r