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The recent merger of piano interests, by which William Knabe & Co., Chickering & Sons, and the American Piano Company...

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Publication Office: New York, June 9.—A consolidation of the piano manufacturing firms of William Knabe & Co., of Baltimore; Chickering & Sons, of Boston, and the Foster-Armstrong Company, of Rochester, N. Y., signed to-day,...

PIANO MAKERS FORM TRUST.

Big Concerns Will Combine with \$12,000,000 Capital Stock. New York, June 9.—The American Piano Company, the largest combination of piano manufacturers that has been undertaken in this country, will be incorporated in New Jersey to-morrow. The company will be a merger of William Knabe & Co., Chickering & Sons, and the Foster-Armstrong Company. It will have a capital of \$12,000,000.

Brand New Haines Bros., Foster & Co., and Other Pianos are Here at Half Price or Near It Because Knabe, Chickering and Foster-Armstrong Piano Companies United

and formed the New Combination, the American Piano Co., with \$12,000,000.00 capital, assuming control of the business of Wm. Knabe & Co., of Baltimore; Chickering & Sons, of Boston, Foster & Co., Armstrong Co., Haines Bros., Marshall & Wendell, the Brewster and the J. B. Cook & Co. Pianos.

Such a giant combination could not afford to be hampered with the numerous styles of cases formerly made by the above eight firms—so immediate action must be taken to rid our various warerooms of styles that will not be remade and recatalogued regardless of their value, no matter how great the loss.

Every Piano A Brand New One. NO SECOND-HAND, "USED" OR SAMPLE PIANOS

Prices Start at \$150 and None in the Sale Over \$275. Regular Prices Were \$300 to \$500

A DESCRIPTIVE PRICE LIST OF A FEW BARGAINS

- \$275 for Superb HAINES BROS. \$500 Upright. Largest size, three-pedal Upright Piano. Tone—full, rich, resonant and sympathetic. Touch—light, elastic and most responsive. Keys—finest genuine ivory; ebony sharps. Case—4 feet 10 inches tall; double mahogany veneered. An exquisite Piano for particular musical people. Well worth \$500. Sale price is \$275. A duplicate of this Piano is in the castle of Adelina Patti. \$200 for the FOSTER \$350 Upright Piano. Tone—clear, sweet, musical. Keys—finest genuine ivory and ebony. Strings—finest quality German music wire. Case—4 feet 8 inches tall; fine design in mahogany. Sale price is \$200. \$240 for Magnificent FOSTER \$400 Upright Piano. Deep round tone. Largest size—4 feet 10 inches tall. Full bell-metal plate. Touch—responsive to the slightest pressure. Keys—ivory and ebony. Case—of rich plain design; mahogany. Well worth \$400. Sale price is \$240. \$225 for the Large ARMSTRONG \$375 Upright Piano. Excellence in tone and touch. Case—of different design, richly ornamented. Fine mahogany veneer. A beautiful musical instrument in every particular. There never have been any duplicates of this instrument offered to the public. It was an entirely new style just ready when the business changed. Sale price is \$225. \$250 for the MARSHALL & WENDELL \$400 Upright Piano. Case—Chippendale in style. A beautiful instrument. Tone—wonderfully even and powerful. Action—double repeating; three rows of brass flanges. Tuning pins—best quality, genuine nickel tuning pins. Finest ivory keys, hammers of genuine German felt. German steel treble strings; copper-wound brass strings. A Piano to satisfy the most refined tastes. Built to sell for \$400. Sale price is \$250. \$190 for the BREWSTER \$350 Cabinet Grand Upright. Tone of great volume. Largest size sounding-board. Double-repeating action. Full bell-metal frame. Cases are double mahogany veneered. Manufactured to sell at \$350. Sale price is \$190. \$395 for the \$650 PLAYER-PIANO. Two instruments combined as one. Player-pianos are the greatest musical educators we have. The player-mechanism does not interfere with the touch for hand playing in the slightest; but if you do not possess the ability to perform on the piano, it is a great satisfaction to be able to play hundreds of beautiful pieces of music. We furnish the music rolls, and the player-piano places the genius of music at your command. You can accompany singers with a player-piano; you can play church music, dance music, march music and enjoy all the latest operas. We only have a few of these \$650 Player-pianos to sell at \$395. \$180 for J. B. COOK \$325 Upright Piano. Case—mahogany. Semi-Colonial in design. A very attractive instrument. Sale price is \$180.

This Sale is remarkable because never in this country has such a sale been possible and therefore the values are unequalled. Not a Second-hand or "used" or sample Piano in the Sale, all brand new, every one superior in tone and workmanship and fully guaranteed by the American Piano Company.

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GETS HORSES FROM WIFE.

Batonyi Wins Suit for Possession of Animals. Newport, R. I., July 15.—Aurel Batonyi has won in the action brought against him by Mrs. Batonyi, according to a decision handed down in the Superior Court to-day. The case involved the ownership of several horses. They were in the possession of Mrs. Batonyi about two months ago, but Mr. Batonyi replevined them from the farm of his wife in Middletown. Two days later Mrs. Batonyi replevined the animals and sent them to New York, away from further action. The case is understood to be the first cross replevin ever brought in Rhode Island.

CANAL BOATS IN RIVALRY.

Many Make Run from Cumberland to Georgetown in Three Days. Special to The Washington Herald. Cumberland, Md., July 15.—The trip to Georgetown is now being made by many boatmen on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal in a fraction over three days. A few years ago there were but few night boats on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, but since the opening of this season it appears that all the canal-boat captains have the fever for keeping going from the time they leave Cumberland with a load until they arrive at their destination. Although many of the boats are short-handed, still there is great rivalry among them, and many of them average, when they tie up late at night, as high as forty-five miles a day.

LIKES CAPITOL PLANS.

Japanese Official Praises Government Buildings in Washington. New York, July 15.—K. Hayashida, secretary-general of the House of Commons of Japan, called to-day on the Adriatic for London. He has been studying the architecture of government buildings in Washington to get ideas for the new \$3,000,000 capitol to be built in Tokyo. Mr. Hayashida will spend some time in London, Paris, and Rome before returning to his native land. He was much impressed with the Capitol at Washington.

SAYS HE'LL DIE SMILING.

Nerve of Man Shot by Mother-in-law Marvel of Physicians. New York, July 15.—"I'll not make any ante-mortem statement; first, because I'm not going to die." That's what Dr. James W. Simpson, who was shot by his mother-in-law in Northport, Long Island, said to a special deputy district attorney of Suffolk County when asked to tell of the shooting. Dr. Simpson's nerve is to-day the marvel of Roosevelt Hospital. "Let all my friends come in," he says. "If I should die, I'll die smiling." So good is the dentist's general condition that surgeons will not attempt to extract the bullet lodged in his vitals by the widow of Bartley T. Horner, for whose murder Simpson was acquitted. Mrs. Horner, in Northport, to-day waived examination, and was held by the grand jury to await the result of Simpson's injuries. It is not believed the wounded man will ever appear against her.

NEGROES DEDICATE TEMPLE.

Colored Odd Fellows Celebrate in Philadelphia. Philadelphia, July 15.—With ritualistic services, a parade, and commemorative exercises, the new temple of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows of America, colored, located at the northwest corner of Twelfth and Spruce streets, was dedicated to-day. The national grand lodge officer and delegations from New York, New Jersey, Delaware, and the District of Columbia participated in the services and parade. The exercises were conducted under the direction of the grand master of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows of America, W. L. Houston, of Washington, D. C., assisted by other officials. At the Bethel Church the exercises were conducted with Grand Master W. L. Houston presiding. The church services opened with music by an orchestra. The dedicatory prayer was offered by the Rev. William J. Howard, of Washington, D. C. The choir of the Bethel A. M. E. Church rendered a musical selection, and the opening address was delivered by former Grand Master W. M. T. Forester, of Richmond, Va., who had as his subject "The principles of Odd Fellowship." "Our order" was the subject of the address.

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SHOTS DOWN MINISTER.

New Jersey Man Seeks Revenge by Killing Rev. Mr. Trickett. New Brunswick, N. J., July 15.—In revenge for having been sent to prison for ten days, Archie Herron, of Metuchen, this afternoon, it is alleged, shot and almost instantly killed Rev. F. V. D. Trickett, a retired Methodist minister, who has recently been borough recorder. Armed men surrounded the home of Herron, in which the man wanted was said to be hiding. The police said that he could not escape them. According to the police, Herron as a disorderly character of Metuchen, and as such he was frequently brought before the recorder. Enmity toward the minister-judge is supposed to have resulted from the numerous penalties and lectures imposed.

COUNTY POLL EXPERIMENT.

Voters Asked to Nominate Their Preferences for Candidates. Willimantic, Conn., July 15.—Tolland County and all Connecticut are watching with interest the progress of the direct primaries postal experiment in Mansfield, in which a system whereby the choice of the people may be more clearly shown in placing candidates in nomination is being worked out. To-day the men in charge of the preliminary postal primary began sending out circulars asking the voters to indicate the names of five men they would want to represent them, with the name of his party, the first name to indicate the first choice, etc. They also are asked to indicate in the same way their choice for State senator. These blanks are to be returned by Saturday, July 25, and that afternoon they will be opened publicly and the count made. Although this will not be official this year, it will give the voters an excellent idea who the people want. In a town the size of Mansfield the caucus would almost have to follow the dictates of the people thus expressed.

WORRY DRIVES HIM TO DEATH.

Herbert Cutler, Kansas City Society Man, Commits Suicide. Kansas City, Mo., July 15.—Herbert D. Cutler, head of one of the best-known families in Kansas City and a social leader, killed himself by shooting in his office this afternoon. Mental trouble, induced by worry over financial reverses, is assigned as the cause.

COURT HELD IN SICK WARD.

Trial of Prince Eulenberg Conducted Behind Prison Bars. Berlin, July 15.—Owing to the weakened condition of Prince Philip Eulenberg, Kaiser Wilhelm's former favorite, who is on trial for acts of moral perversity, to-day's session of the Criminal Court was held in the sick ward of the prison. The condition of the prince is such that his attorneys again asked for a continuance of the case, which was denied. Every day makes the case against the former court attaché more serious, and there is now little doubt that he will be found guilty. Despite the utmost secrecy that surrounds the trial, details of the revolting evidence are gradually reaching the public, and there is general condemnation for the "corrupter of young men," as the prince is now called. The secret trial of the prince is roundly condemned on all sides. The excuse that is done to keep the unsavory details from corrupting the public is not well received.

PUBLISHES NEW PAPER.

Frank A. Munsey Invades Philadelphia with Evening Times. Philadelphia, July 15.—The Evening Times, the new Munsey publication, made its initial appearance this afternoon. In his salutatory Mr. Munsey says: "The Evening Times will be independent in politics and independent in everything else. It starts without the aid of politicians, of cliques, or of corporations. It has no affiliations with such interests, nor has it any other affiliations or obligations of any kind whatsoever. "Under such conditions we are free to make, and ought to make, a newspaper that will stand for your best interests, and for the best interests of Philadelphia and the country at large."

HEADLESS BODY FOUND.

Murder Mystery Being Unraveled by New York Police. New York, July 15.—The headless body of a man was found late this afternoon in a swamp near the Lutheran Cemetery at Newton, Queens County, and the head was later discovered a few feet away. The police declare the case a murder and a squad of Central office detectives were detailed to work on the case. The clothing worn by the dead man was of good material. His shoes and stockings were missing.

Ocean Steamships.

New York, July 15.—Arrived out of Liverpool, Teutonic at Cherbourg. Sailed from foreign ports: Oceanic, from Southampton; Campania, from Liverpool.

Advertisement for W. B. MOSES & SONS, featuring Awnings, Slip Covers, and Fly Screens. Making reduction of from 15 to 25 per cent in order to close out the season's stock of materials and keep the workmen busy. W. B. MOSES & SONS, F Street, Cor. 11th.