STOCK MARKET RECOVERS

Wall Street Quiet and Steady at Today's Opening.

Better Conditions in London, Including the American Quarter—Reports From China Have a Favorable Effect—Granger Shares Active—Sugar and Tobacco Lead the Industrials.

NEW YORK, June 20.—The Stock Market opened quiet and steady today, its tendency being furthered by the fact that the London market, including the American quarter, also enjoyed a material recovery.

The course of prices at London was due to reports which appeared to be credited, that the allied forces were in possession of Pekin.

Foreign houses continued to buy small amounts of various stocks in this market.

Brooklyn Rapid Transit was again weak in the early dealings on the unfavorable interpretation of yesterday's judicial decision, but the stock subsequently rallied with the general market. The granger shares were all active and higher and fair recoveries appeared in the Pacific stocks, Atchison, and Baltimore and Ohio.

The industrial quarter was generally steady with the dealings heaviest in Sugar Refining and the tobacco stocks.

The news from the Republican National Convention was scarcely a factor in the market and the advance in prices seemed to result chiefly from the covering of short contracts.

New York Stock Market.

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	Open	High.	Low.	2:15
Amer. Cot. Oil	30¾	30¾	30¼	30¾
American S. & W	31¼	31½	30⅞	31¼
American Sugar	115½	115⅞	113½	114
American Tobacco	88¼	88¾	86⅞	86⅞
Atchison	24⅞	24⅞	24⅝	24⅞
Atchison pfd	70⅝	71⅛	70⅛	70⅛
B. & O	74¾	75	74	74¾
B. & O. pfd	79¾	79¾	79	79⅝
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	63½	64⅝	62⅝	63
Chesapeake & Ohio	25¼	25¼	25¼	25¼
C., C., C. & St. L	57	57	56¾	56¾
Chicago, B. & Q	124¾	125⅛	124	124⅞
Chicago & Northwestern	157	157	157	157
Chicago Gas	98⅞	99	96¾	97⅝
C., M. & St. Paul	112¼	112½	111⅛	112
Chi., R. I. & Pacific	104⅞	105¼	104½	105
Chi. & Great Western	10⅝	10⅝	10¼	10¼
C. F. I	31	31	31	31
Continental Tobacco	23	23	22⅝	22⅞
Continental Tobacco pfd	77⅞	77⅞	76½	76½
Delaware & Hudson	111	111	111	111
Federal Steel	31¼	31¾	30¾	31¼
Federal Steel pfd	65	65	64	64
General Electric	128½	129	128½	128½
Illinois Central	111¾	111¾	111¾	111¾
Louisville & Nashville	75⅞	75⅞	74¾	74¾
Metropolitan Traction	140	140	146½	146½
Manhattan Elevated	86½	86¾	85	85⅛
Missouri Pacific	48⅝	49	48⅛	48½
M. & T. pfd	30¾	30¾	29½	29½
National Lead Co	19⅝	19⅞	19⅝	19⅞
New Jersey Central	121	122¼	121	122
New York Central	128½	128⅞	127¾	128
N. Y., O & Western	18⅞	18⅞	18¾	18¾
Northern Pacific	51⅛	51¾	51¼	51⅞
Northern Pacific pfd	72½	72½	72⅛	72⅛
Pacific Mail	28	28	27¾	27¾
Penn. Railroad	127½	127½	126½	127½
Reading 1st pfd	55¼	56	55¼	55⅞
Southern Pacific	51⅝	52⅛	51⅝	51⅞
Southern Railway	10⅞	11	10⅞	11
Southern Railway pfd	50¾	50¾	50¾	50⅝
Texas Pacific	14½	14⅞	14½	14½
Tenn. Coal & Iron	64	64¼	63½	64
Union Pacific	51	51⅛	50⅝	50⅞
Union Pacific pfd	72¼	72¼	72	72
U. S. Leather	8⅞	8⅞	8	8¼
U. S. Leather pfd	66⅞	66⅞	66¼	66⅞
U. S. Rubber	25¾	25¾	25¼	25¾
Wabash pfd	18	18	17¾	17¾
Western Union	79	79	79	79

Ex-div. 1¼ per cent.

There was some animation in the opening of the Stock Market this morning and prices advanced quickly. London was a buyer of American securities and on this side the disposition was to follow this lead. The news from China seemed better. Soon after the opening, however, there was a recession which made the outlook for the day exceedingly uncertain. In some quarters the weekly crop report was considered bearish on stocks and the opening on wheat was at an advance. This seemed to counteract the effect of the London buying to a large extent. On the whole, however, a continuance of the better tone shown yesterday was looked for this afternoon and tomorrow. The market is still professional in a marked degree and there is no reason to look for any pronounced movement in either direction for the present.

News of the morning, aside from the crop report and the Chinese situation, was not of much importance. Another million of gold has been engaged for shipment tomorrow. Despite the shipments already this week, the banks have gained from the Sub-Treasury since last Friday, but perhaps a relatively poor statement should be expected on Saturday nevertheless. The New York gas war is undoubtedly over. So is the Chicago war. The decision of the New York courts not to grant an injunction against the Brooklyn Rapid Transit to prevent it from charging 10 cents for the fare to Coney Island is considered not to do the company any good, as it was granted on technical grounds.

The traction securities, which were the "softest" on the list yesterday afternoon, again showed much weakness this morning. This group was not participated in the break in the general market to any great extent before this week, and there have been suggestions that they would be likely to go off before any important turn would come in the general market. The decision of the New York courts in the Brooklyn Rapid Transit case seems to have been taken as the pretext for attacking them. As has been said, the decision was technically in favor of the company, but whether or not the bears are right in the matter, they persist in expressing the opinion that in reality the opponents of the company have won their principle. The decision refuses an injunction against the company, but the judge, in his opinion, seems to suggest that the 10-cent fare to Coney Island is illegal. It is said, therefore, that another suit will be brought and probably wone.

There was in the Philadelphia gossip this morning much questioning if Roosevelt will be nominated as Vice President. This also is considered as inimical to the New York corporations, as he again becomes a factor in New York politics, and may be on hand as Governor this winter to force the franchise tax into operation. Brooklyn Rapid Transit sold off this morning to below 63, and the other securities were also tumbled in price.

Wheat opened up to 89 cents and above on the weekly crop report. This document is general in its comment and in reality says nothing as to the spring wheat outlook that has not been said before and in much stronger language. It was hailed by the bears, however, as confirming their talk of the ruin of the crop. The grangers which opened strong began to decline before 10:30 and went off from half a point to a point before 11 o'clock. Burlington went down to 124. The foolishness of this will be apparent when it is remembered that the Burlington hauls very little spring wheat and much corn. The report is very optimistic regarding the corn outlook.

The New York Gas war is settled, probably for good and all. The Consolidated has a practical control of the gas situation and of the electric light field as well, through its absorption of the New Amsterdam Company and its indirect control of the Standard. The advance of the price of gas to $1.05 means that the Consolidated will now begin to make money again at a rapid rate. A return to the old 8 per cent dividend rate is to be expected in the near future.

The two uncertain dividend questions now are those of Louisville and Nashville and Baltimore and Ohio, common. The best information is that there will be no dividend on Baltimore and Ohio, common, this year, and that the Louisville and Nashville dividend will not be increased. As to the Baltimore and Ohio situation, the comment is made that President J. J. Hill of the Great Northern, who is one of the principal factors in the Baltimore and Ohio, is undoubtedly against any dividend at this time. Mr. Hill is credited with having been the moving cause in the failure of the Northern Pacific to declare an extra dividend or an increased regular rate.

The Northern Pacific now officially announces that it has acquired the St. Paul and Duluth.

Pacific Mail has been stronger during the past two days.

Washington Stock Exchange.

Sales—Washington Safe Deposit, 22@72 1-2. Mergenthaler Linotype, 15@181 1-2;* 10@181 1-4;* 10@181 1-4* s. o. b.; 5@180 3-4;* 20@181.* American Graphophone, preferred, 6@12.

	Bid.	Asked.
GOVERNMENT BONDS.		
U. S. 4's, 1906, Q. J	114	114¼
U. S. 4's, 1907, Q. J	115	115½
U. S. 4's, R., 1925	134¾	135¼
U. S. 4's, C., 1925	134¾	135¼
U. S. 5's, C., 1904, Q. F	112¾	....
U. S. 3's, R., 1908, Q. F	108⅞	109⅝
U. S. 3's, R., 1908, R. C. F	108⅞	109⅝
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BONDS.		
6's, 1902, "30 year funding" gold	101	....
7's, 1901, "Water stock" currency	102	....
Funding currency 3.65's	121½	....
MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.		
Capital Traction R. R. 4's	106½	107½
Met. R. R. 5's, 1925	119	....
Met. R. R. Cert Indebtedness A	108	....
Met. R. R. Cert Inuebtedness B	108	....
Columbia R. R. 6's, 1914	120	....
Columbia R. R. 2d mort. 5's	110	....
City & Suburban R. R	105	....
Wash. Gas Co., ser. A. 6's, 1902-'27	*108	....
Wash. Gas Co., ser. B, 6's, 1904-'29	*108	....
U. S. Elec. Light, Deb. Imp., 1909	104	....
U. S. Elec. Light, Cert. Indebt	104	....
Ches. & Pot. Tel., 1896-1911	103	....
Ches. & Pot. Tel., Con. 5's	105	106
Am. Sec'y & Trust 5's, 1908	100	....
Wash. Market Co., 1st 6's, 1892-1911, $7,000 retired annually	....	....
Wash. Mkt. Co. Imp. 6's, 1912-'27	110	....
Wash. Mkt. Co. ext. 6's, 1914-'27	....	....
Masonic Hall Ass'n 5's, C, 1908	108	....
Amer. Graphophone Deb. 5's	....	....
Anacostia & Potomac 5's	....	....
NATIONAL BANK STOCKS.		
Bank of Washington	365	....
Metropolitan	625	....
Central	200	....
Farmers' & Mechanics'	210	....
Second	160	....
Citizens'	160	....
Columbia	163	....
Capital	150	160
West End	117⅛	....
Traders'	128	135
Lincoln	118	122¾
SAFE DEPOSIT AND TRUST COMPANIES.		
National Safe Deposit & Trust	130	135
Wash. Loan & Trust	151	156½
American Security & Trust	198	210
Wash. Safe Deposit	71	....
INSURANCE STOCKS.		
Firemen	38	....
Franklin	38	....
Metropolitan	80	....
Corcoran	63	....
Potomac	70	75½
Arlington	132	141
German American	200	....
National Union	10	13
Columbia	11½	13
Riggs	7	....
People's	6	6¾
Commercial	....	4¾
Colonial	....	....
TITLE INSURANCE STOCKS.		
Real Estate Title	80	85
Columbia Title	4⅜	5
Washington Title	3	4⅛
District Title	3⅝	....
RAILROAD STOCKS.		
Capital Traction	*102⅝	102⅞
Capital Traction Co. Scrip	106½	107
City & Suburban	....	40
Georgetown & Tennallytown	20	....
GAS AND ELECTRIC LIGHT STOCKS.		
Washington Gas	*52½	52¾
Georgetown Gas	....	....
TELEPHONE STOCKS.		
Chesapeake & Potomac	67	69¾
Pennsylvania	....	....
MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.		
Mergenthaler Linotype	*180¾	181
Lanston Monotype	12⅞	12⅞
American Graphophone	11⅞	11⅞
American Graphophone, pfd	12	13
Pneumatic Gun Carriage	.12	.16
Washington Market	12	....
Norfolk & Washington	....	175
Lincoln Hall	....	....

*Ex-dividend.

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

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	Open.	High.	Low.	2:15
WHEAT—				
July	79	81¾	78⅝	81⅜
August	80	82⅝	79¾	82¼
CORN—				
July	40	41⅛	39⅞-40	41⅛
August	40½	41½-⅝	40⅜	41½-⅝
OATS—				
July	23¼	24⅜	23¼	23½
August	23¼	24⅛	23⅜	24⅛
PORK—				
July	11.45	11.57	11.45	11.55
Sept	11.60	11.77	11.60	11.72
LARD—				
July	6.60	6.67	6.60	6.67
Sept	6.70	6.80	6.70	6.77
RIBS—				
July	6.65	6.72	6.65	6.72
Sept	6.72	6.80	6.70	6.80

New York Cotton Market.

	Open.	High.	Low.	2:15
July	8.56	8.80	8.56	8.80
August	8.32	8.70	8.31	8.70
Sept	7.90	8.15	7.89	8.15
October	7.70	7.14	7.70	8.01

Proposed Pork Company Deal.

RICHMOND, Va., June 20.—S. H. Skilton, for many years general manager of the North Packing Company, of Boston, is here to close a deal looking to the formation of a $2,000,000 pork packing concern composed of Boston and Richmond capitalists. The plan is to acquire the cold storage plant of the Pace Pork Packing Company, now nearly complete, and the Union Stock Yards, recently opened here, and to operate them together. Mr. Skilton has practically secured options and the matter will probably be closed today. W. S. Forbes, a wealthy provision dealer, who has been reorganizing the Pace Company, which recently became embarrassed, is to be one of the directors.

Farmer Killed With an Ax.

NORFOLK, Va., June 20.—Isaiah Etheredge, sixty-two years of age, a well-known citizen of Princess Anne County, died at the Protestant Hospital yesterday afternoon from injuries inflicted by Wesley Perry, a negro youth. While cutting wood on a farm near Virginia Beach yesterday morning Etheredge and Perry quarreled. Etheredge is said to have started for the negro with a knife. Perry grabbed his ax and as Etheredge approached chopped his right arm off just below the elbow and afterward split his left arm open. Perry, after going for a physician to attend Etheredge, surrendered to the authorities at Virginia Beach.

A LIFE AND DEATH FIGHT.

Mr. W. A. Hines, of Manchester, Iowa, writing of his almost miraculous escape from death, says: "Exposure after measles induced serious lung trouble, which ended in consumption. I had frequent hemorrhages and coughed night and day. All my doctors said I must soon die. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery, which wholly cured me. Hundreds have used it on my advice, and all say it never fails to cure throat, chest, and lung troubles." Regular size, 50 cents and $1. Trial bottles free at Henry Evans' drug store, 922 F Street.

A SAMPLE DEPOT PROJECT

How American Trade With Switzerland May Be Extended.

Consul General Dubois Thinks Manufactures From the United States Could Be Sold Extensively in the Alpine Republic if the Best Goods Should Be Placed on Exhibition.

James T. Dubois, Consul General of the United States at St. Gall, Switzerland, in a report to the State Department, encloses a letter that he had received from Dr. Jurnitschek, President of the Merchant Association, relating to the extension of American trade in the various cantonments. The letter is as follows:

"Dear Sir: At a meeting held by the Merchant Association, in Chur, Canton Graubunden, Switzerland, March 26, 1900, I was commissioned to investigate and report upon the question whether or not it would be advisable to establish in Chur (the capital city of the above-named Canton) a permanent exhibition of samples of all kinds of merchandise from various foreign countries.

"It is needless to dwell upon the great value of such an exhibition. I would, however, mention that in their report of the last few years, many of the American consuls have frequently and emphatically recommended the exhibition, in foreign countries, of wares and samples of American products, and it would seem very clear that a well-selected assortment displayed here would result in profitable exports to Switzerland and neighboring countries, because it would give a great number of interested people, who visit Chur, a chance to become familiar with American firms and their products.

"I will not go into details concerning this matter; I would, however, say that the main division of the exhibition would be reserved exclusively for wares and samples of various kinds, and that another division would be devoted to catalogues, illustrations of wares, price lists, etc., and one copy of each would also be placed in a reading room attached to the exhibition, for convenience examination by the visitors. Also, it would be our intention to constantly advertise the exhibition in the leading papers of Switzerland, Baden, Wuetemberg, Bavaria, and Austria.

"There can be no question as to the great development of the Canton of Graubunden from now on—the completion of new railroads, the probable cut through the mountain passes, the employment of the great water and mineral resources. The number of tourists passing through our town to mountain resorts is becoming greater every year, and for this reason alone it would seem that a permanent exhibition at Chur would be of great advantage to foreign exhibitors, especially to Americans.

"I write to ask if you would be willing to undertake the necessary steps in your country, which may lead your export merchants to take a favorable interest in this exhibition."

"In answer to the foregoing," Mr. Dubois writes, "I informed Dr. Jurnitschek that I believed a permanent exhibition of samples of manufactured articles and agricultural products of the United States would tend to develop American trade in Switzerland, but I was of the opinion that the main establishment should be in Zurich, with branches in other places in the republic, including Chur. Switzerland did a general trade last year amounting to $356,505,453, about $119 for every inhabitant of the republic, or, in the imports alone, about $78 per capita.

"The United States bought from Switzerland a little over $17,000,000 worth and sold to Switzerland about $14,000,000 worth of goods during 1899, and will probably increase these amounts very considerably this year. Among the American goods which found a market in Switzerland last year may be mentioned: Chemicals and drugs, one-third of which was turpentine ($250,000 worth), furniture and wood of different kinds ($300,000), leather and foot wear ($670,000), art and scientific work ($45,000), watches and watch material ($242,000), machines and agricultural implements ($500,000), metals of different kinds ($520,000), petroleum and mineral products ($1,400,000), foodstuffs ($7,680,000), raw cotton ($2,560,000), and horses ($110,000).

"It will be seen that the principal imports into Switzerland from the United States consisted of raw materials, for Swiss industries, and foodstuffs. These importations involve no special work on the part of our exporters. What we want now is to get our manufactured articles better appreciated. One way to accomplish this is the establishment of a large sample depot at Zurich, with branches in other towns in Switzerland; but such an undertaking must be intelligently conducted, or it will not prove satisfactory. The right articles must be exhibited and the right persons must be selected to make sales to the small dealers throughout the republic.

"It took the Swiss people a long time to be convinced, because the American shoe was refined in shape and apparently light of construction, that it would not go to pieces in a month's wear. Now that they have found that they wear quite as well as the best Swiss make, merchants are displaying American shoes in their windows decorated with tiny American flags. The same is true of many of our agricultural implements and hardware. Years were necessary to convince the Swiss farmer that our pitchforks would stand the strain of heavy work, because they are so delicate in appearance. Experience has taught them that quality and not quantity is essential for a good tool, and now on market day one often sees a collection of American pitchforks, iron rakes, hoes, shovels, etc., being sold by some smaller dealer.

"I mention these incidents to show that only by the actual seeing and using of certain manufactured articles can some prejudices be overcome. Catalogue descriptions will not sell our manufactures in Switzerland. Hundreds of things are produced by American industry that are needed in the little Republic, and would find a substantial welcome if the consumers could be made to see their merits. This can only be accomplished by patiently and tactfully presenting the advantages of these articles to the Swiss consumer. The United States is too far from Switzerland to send many commercial agents into the Alpine Republic. Last year, Germany sent nearly 4,000 agents into Switzerland and the United States only one. A central sample depot, intelligently managed, would take the place of the commercial representatives to a great extent, and the expense would be moderate in comparison. I would not, however, recommend the establishment of a sample depot unless the best goods and the best men be used to expand our trade."

A BOY'S BRUTAL CRIME.

Eight-Year-Old Virginian Kills a Neighbor's Infant Daughter.

RICHMOND, Va., June 20.—In Grayson county, Saturday, Arthur Waddill, aged eight, enticed Bettie Hampton, aged three, into the woods, beat her head into a jelly with a stone, and hid her body in a hole under a tree. After two days' searching for the child by the family and neighbors the boy confessed to having killed her and took the searchers to the spot, where they found her body carefully covered with chips and brush.

The boy was bound over some years ago to Captain Fulton, of Grayson, by the poorhouse officials, and ever since has shown great depravity and a disposition to do evil. He is now in jail, and gives as his reason for killing the little girl that her mother made him mad. He is entirely unconcerned, and does not seem to appreciate the enormity of his crime.

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PUBLIC WORK ORDERS.

The Commissioners Issue Directions for Various Improvements.

The District Commissioners today issued orders for public work as follows:

That 3,100 feet of 12-inch water main be laid in Sixth Street east from East Capitol Street to G Street south, at an estimated cost of $4,960.

That sewer be constructed along the east side of Twenty-ninth Street northwest, between O and P Streets, at an estimated cost of $922, chargeable to the appropriation for main and pipe sewers.

That the alleys in square 733 be paved with vitrified or asphalt block, under the assessment system, at an estimated cost of $5,315.

That new curb be set and brick sidewalk laid under the assessment system on the north side of Park Street northwest, in front of lots 1 and 2 of S. P. Brown's subdivision of Mount Pleasant, at an estimated cost of $196.

That the following work be done under the provisions of the assessment system, the same having been duly advertised:

Set curb and lay cement sidewalk—On the east side of Third Street or Harewood Avenue, Le Droit Park, from Florida Avenue north to T Street, abutting all lots in block 12, Le Droit Park, fronting on said Third Street (or Harewood Avenue) between the limits named, and also against lots 45, 64, and 65, block 12, Le Droit Park, which front on Florida Avenue, at an estimated cost of $1,920.

On the north side of Baltimore Street northwest, in front of block 3, Cliffbourne, and extending from the west curb of Nineteenth Street westerly to the west line of lot 11, block 3, Cliffbourne; also on the south side of Baltimore Street northwest, extending from the east line of lot 311, Mintwood subdivision, westerly to the east line of Twentieth Street, at an estimated cost of $3,918.

Reset curb and lay cement sidewalk—On the west side of Fourteenth Street northwest, from Columbia Road southward 155 feet, abutting lots 20, 21, and 22, block 39, Columbia College lands, north part; estimated cost, $281.

On the east side of Thirty-sixth Street, from O Street to P Street, abutting lots in square 1247, fronting on said street between the limits named; estimated cost, $446.

On the south side of G Street northwest, from Twenty-first Street to Twenty-second Street northwest, abutting the lots in square 103 fronting on G Street between the limits named; estimated cost, $700.

Lay cement sidewalks—On the east side of Brightwood Avenue, south side of Chesapeake Street, and west side of Illinois Avenue, extending from the south line of lot 13, block 3, Brightwood Park, to Chesapeake Street, and along the south side of Chesapeake Street to Illinois Avenue, and on the west side of Illinois Avenue to the south line of lot 17, block 3, Brightwood Park, abutting lots 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17, block 3, Brightwood Park; estimated cost, $494.

Pave alleys with vitrified brick or asphalt block—Alley in square east of square 1042, estimated cose $450; alley in north half of square 69, between Twenty-first and Twenty-second and O streets and Newport Place, estimated cost $1,800; east and west alley, in square 744, known as Francis Place southeast, to be paved with vitrified block and trap rock, estimated cost $2,380, to be assessed against lots 169, 168, 167, 46, 161, 160, 159, 158, 157, 156, 155, 102, 101, 153, 152, 151, 150, 149, 148, 147, 146, 145, 143, 142, 141, 140, 139, 138, 137, and 9, in said square.

Lay sewer in the west side of Fourteenth Street southeast, abutting lots 6, 7, and 8, of square 1039, estimated cost $406.

That the order of June 5, 1900, directing the improvement of New York Avenue northwest, is hereby amended by increasing the amount to be expended from $700 to $900.

TRUE IRISH BLOOD.

How a Play Was Spoiled and a Nickname Gained.

(From the New Orleans Picayune.)

"The most ludicrous mishap I ever witnessed on the stage," said an actor at a little supper party the other evening, "occurred one night years ago in a small town in northern Iowa. I was new in the business then, and had joined a weird barnstorming company headed by an old actor of the name of Fitzmorris. We had a blood-and-thunder repertoire a yard long, but our chief attraction was an Irish melodrama called 'Lion-Hearted Larry, or the Cotter's Oath.' It had the usual plot of canned Irish melodramas—the honest but financially embarrassed peasant, his beautiful daughter, the poor but gallant lover, otherwise Lion-Hearted Larry, and the villainous landlord, who insists on the daughter's hand or immediate eviction for the whole family.

"The great scene of the play was the rescue by Larry of the beautiful daughter from the castle of the villainous landlord, at the climax of which the heroic lover was fired upon by a file of British soldiers. At the report of the guns the white shirt which he wore was suddenly suffused with red. 'You are wounded!' the heroine cried. 'Yes,' replied Larry, 'but 'tis true Irish blood, ever ready to be shed for the cause of Erin!' This rather irrelevant remark, together with the gory shirt front, never failed to bring down the house. Needless to say, the character of Lion-Hearted Larry was assumed by Mr. Fitzmorris.

"The 'business' of the blood was managed very simply," continued the story-teller. "A small rubber bulb was filled with a solution of cochineal and fastened under Larry's arm. At the right moment he gave it a squeeze and a crimson torrent poured over the shirt, which had a piece of waterproof cloth at the back, the front being renewed at each performance." We were playing a week's stand at the little Iowa town I have already mentioned, and the day before 'Lion-Hearted Larry' was put on Fitzmorris gave the property man careful instructions in regard to preparing the material for the blood effect. Whether the 'prop' man had conceived some grudge against Fitz we never ascertained. He was a crabbed old Englishman, and perhaps he didn't like the tone of the play—anyhow, he went into the scene loft, where a lot of colors were kept mixed, and filled the rubber bulb with bright green liquid paint. That night several hitches occurred and everybody got nervous and excited. When the time came for the rescue scene Fitzmorris got into his costume as quick as he could, felt the bulb to see it was in its proper place, and a moment later was on the stage.

"There things went all right to the climax. The castle was entered, the orchestra played a few bars of tremolo music. Larry emerged with the beautiful colleen on his arm, and up jumped the ambuscaded soldiers. Bang! went the guns, and 'You are wounded!' shrieked the heroine. "Yes," shouted Larry, pressing the bulb, 'but 'tis true Irish blood——' He never got any further. His ample shirt front had suddenly turned emerald green, and the howl of laughter that went up from the audience nearly peeled the paper off the walls. Fitzmorris himself was so amazed at the phenomenon that he was unable to move, and stood there transfixed, his arms outspread and his mouth wide open. On that tableau the curtain fell. Then he came to himself, grabbed a club, and began a frantic search for the 'prop' man, but that individual had disappeared, and we saw him no more during our stay. The episode broke up the performance and ruined our business for the balance of the engagement. I'm told that Fitzmorris was afterward known as 'Green-blood Fitz' on the north Iowa and Wisconsin barnstorming circuit."

Where Vandals Refrain.

The two places in Washington where the vandal stands in awe are the Supreme Court room and the White House, the former being the more awesome. In all other public places may be found the dirty finger prints of the vandal. The Monument is chipped, statues are marred, fragments are cut from the furniture and hangings of the Senate and House of Representatives, and names have been scratched into the marble and on the bronze doors, but something holds the most ruthless in check when he comes to the Supreme Court. If the visitors to Washington want to write their names upon anything and feel perfectly secure of not being arrested for defacing property, they may find considerable room upon the labels of Heurich's Maerzen, Senate, and Lager beer bottles. For a few bottles phone six-thirty-four, Arlington Bottling Co.

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