

GOULD'S HOBBY.

His Gigantic Railroad Trust a Certainty.

A Gould-Vanderbilt-Standard Oil Combination.

The Control of the Northern Pacific Wrested From Villard.

All the Transcontinental Roads in the Combine, and All But Two East of Chicago.

Associated Press Dispatches.

CHICAGO, Nov. 21.—The Tribune says: "There can no longer be any doubt that the control of the Northern Pacific Railroad has been wrested from Henry Villard and those associated with him. All reports agree that a combination consisting of the Vanderbilts, Jay Gould, Drexel, Morgan & Co., and John and William Rockefeller, of the Standard Oil company, have secured control of the road. It is believed the Standard Oil has fastened on the Baltimore and Ohio, and will soon get control of that company. The Baltimore and Ohio joins the Northern Pacific at Whiting, where the Standard Oil company's works are located, and the two roads jointly will form an uninterrupted through line from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast. As there is but little doubt that the Gould-Vanderbilt-Standard Oil combination has also secured a controlling interest in the Pacific Mail Steamship company, the Union Pacific, the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe and the Southern Pacific, the fact is demonstrated that the giant combination means to compel all the transcontinental routes, with the exception of the Canadian Pacific, to submit to its dictation. It is now quite certain that before many weeks this powerful combination of capitalists will control every independent road west of Chicago, and all the roads east of Chicago, except the Pennsylvania and Lackawanna, but these corporations will be powerless against the combine. The final consummation of Jay Gould's great hobby, the formation of a gigantic railroad trust to take charge of the traffic affairs of all the roads in the country, will probably follow.

A Monster Alliance.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—It was stated this afternoon that an alliance has been formed between the interests represented by George C. Magoun, of Kidder, Peabody & Co., Jay Gould, C. P. Huntington and the Standard Oil party, by which all the railroads owned or controlled by them individually or jointly, will be operated together practically under Gould's direction. The alliance includes the Southern Pacific, Union Pacific, Missouri Pacific, Northern Pacific, Atchison, Topeka, Kansas and Texas, Texas Pacific and many other roads. It is also said that Gould is trying to force the holders of Rock Island either to sell their stock around the present price, or join hands with the other roads in the alliance. The Burlington and Chicago and Alton will act with the allied roads, whatever steps may hereafter be taken, but there are fears that the Vanderbilts may be angry at the loss of their traffic control on the Union Pacific, and may refuse to join. If the Vanderbilts and the roads controlled by J. Pierpont Morgan can be brought in, a meeting of bankers and presidents of all the railroads in the country will be called, a new association formed and an immediate material advance in all railroad rates at once be ordered.

Dewey Feigns Ignorance.

Channey Dewey, president of the New York Central, was seen tonight and asked what the Vanderbilts would do about the alliance. "Well, as I don't know anything about this alliance, I could not say without looking into it. Come around again and I may tell you."

Gould and the Atchison.

Gould was asked, this morning, in reference to the report that he had got control of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad. He said the report was erroneous, although he admitted that he owned a considerable portion of the Atchison stock. He said the Missouri Pacific and Atchison had entered into an agreement with reference to the future business policy of the two roads. They had agreed that neither should build any competing roads into the territory of the other without the full understanding and sanction of the other. With reference to the rates on the transcontinental lines, Gould expressed confidence that the agreement between the presidents would be renewed and strictly maintained, within a short time. Under the new situation nearly all the roads favor the restoration of rates. It only remains for the bankers to call the presidents together.

Union Pacific Reorganization.

It was authoritatively learned today that a meeting of the principal stockholders of the Union Pacific for the reorganization of the board of directors will be held next week. It is understood that Charles Francis Adams will retire and be succeeded by Sidney Dillon. The new board of directors will include Russell Sage, Jay Gould, Alexander E. Orr and Henry R. Hyde. The new board intends to appoint some young, active railroadman as vice-president and general manager, whose headquarters will be in Omaha. The person to be so treated is not yet determined upon, but an endeavor will be made to secure a young man of abundant railway experience and the highest capability. The Vanderbilt people admit that Gould has got control of the Union Pacific. One of the parties named as director, said: "The board will soon be reorganized. John D. Rockefeller, working with Gould, brought the change about." He refused to speak about the future policy of the road in regard to the northwest agreement.

Dillon to Succeed Adams.

To a reporter Gould this afternoon said: "I know nothing as to whether Ames has placed his resignation in the hands of Adams. Adams and Ames visited me yesterday. The latter expressed a strong desire to be relieved from the office of president. He suggested that he resign and that a meeting of stockholders for action upon his resignation be called for next week. I presume if it is true that he has tendered his resignation, a meeting will be held. It is likely also that vacancies in the management will be filled. Dillon has been mentioned as

successor of Adams. Should Dillon be chosen, there will be elected along with him a vice-president, who should also act as general manager, with headquarters at Omaha."

Gould added that such a move would make the relation of his interests and the Union Pacific closer.

Adams Refuses to Talk.

BOSTON, Nov. 21.—President Adams and Director Ames decline to say anything about the report of the proposed transfer of the Union Pacific to the interest of Jay Gould. President Adams said: "You can say I decline to be interviewed."

The Villard Freeze Out.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—The statement that the Rockefeller interests and their associates, generally known as the Standard Oil party, had increased their holdings of Northern Pacific preferred by 100,000 shares, caused much discussion in regard to Villard's interest in the property. The exact amount of this is difficult to estimate. None of the Rockefellers could be seen about the reported purchase.

President Oakes said: "I confidently believe the Rockefellers and their associates have lately added largely to their holdings of stocks and bonds of the Northern Pacific company."

He stated positively that there was no truth in the report that Villard would retire or be forced out of the company. Other parties identified with both interests say the 127,000 shares of preferred stock held by the North American company, were hypothecated to secure loans sold by creditors, and then bought in by the Rockefellers. The officers of the North American admit that some of its securities were sold, but decline to state how many, or what they consisted of. There is a possibility that the Rockefellers may become hostile to Villard, on account of the recent developments in the market. At the regular monthly meeting of the Northern Pacific yesterday, nothing was decided.

President Oakes further said the changes in Pacific Mail will not interfere with harmony in transcontinental matters. It is not true, he said, that the Northern Pacific has bought the Oregon Improvement company. They don't want it.

Transcontinental Association.

CHICAGO, Nov. 21.—The Transcontinental association completed its labors today, and adjourned to meet in San Francisco January 15th. A resolution was adopted instructing the Southern Pacific and Texas Pacific to arrange for an equitable division of eastbound coast business.

WALL STREET.

An Improved Tone in Dealings and Prices Move Up.

WALL STREET, Nov. 21.—There was a comparatively quiet opening in stocks; first prices were higher—advances generally $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ per share. Sugar refineries was up $\frac{1}{2}$. The only marked feature in the early trading was a renewal of the weakness in Rock Island. It opened up $\frac{1}{2}$ at 64 $\frac{1}{2}$, but quickly retired to 61 $\frac{1}{2}$, on large dealings. The general list yielded small fractions. When the downward movement in Rock Island ended, there were material gains scored all along the line. Northern Pacific, preferred, at 62, was $\frac{1}{4}$ higher; Rock Island rallied to 63 $\frac{1}{2}$. At 11 the market was firm and active at the best prices reached.

Under some buying by London the market continued strong, and was made more so by the announcement that the Southern Pacific, Santa Fe, Union Pacific and others of the transcontinental roads had signed an agreement to firmly maintain rates, pay no rebates, and refuse to exchange traffic with roads east of the Missouri river, found manipulating rates.

Fullman advanced 9, and was the most conspicuous feature of the forenoon. However, there were activity and advance in Northern Pacific preferred, which was up 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 63, before 11:30. After this came Union Pacific and Western Union. Sugar refineries on very light trading rose from 52 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 55 $\frac{1}{2}$. There was less animation later, and the upward movement halted somewhat, but at noon the market was active and strong at about the highest prices of the morning.

Shortly before noon the pressure upon Rock Island was removed, and it made a sharp advance, leading the entire list, giving the whole affair the appearance of manipulation upon which to cover shorts in the general lists.

Stocks again reacted at noon, but the concessions from the best prices of the forenoon, in all cases, were for fractions, and the upward movement was resumed with increased force, with the result of placing everything on a materially higher plane. All the active stocks showed marked strength. Lake Shore rose 2; Rock Island, $\frac{1}{2}$; Missouri Pacific, $\frac{1}{2}$. The usual reaction occurred toward 2 p. m., but there was no weakness. At 2:15 the market was still active and strong at about the highest prices of the day.

Stocks continued active after 2:15. Further gains were recorded, although there was no marked movement. Prices again receded slightly toward the close, but sugar declined 1. The market closed active and strong at about the highest prices of the day.

The final changes were invariably in the direction of higher figures, the most important being sugar refineries' 4 $\frac{1}{2}$; Jersey Central, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$; Northern Pacific preferred, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$; C. C. C. and St. L., 3 $\frac{1}{4}$; Missouri Pacific, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$; Union Pacific, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$; Burlington and Quincy and Rock Island, each, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$; Northwestern, 2 per cent.

EMBARRASSED BANKS.

Barker Bros. & Co.'s Failure Not So Bad as It Might Be.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 21.—Barker Bros. & Co.'s banking-house was open this morning, although no business was done. No statement of the firm's condition has yet been made. The investment company, of which Wharton Barker is one of the directors, is perfectly solvent, it is asserted.

Wharton Barker has resigned his position as president of the Finance company of Pennsylvania. Vice-President Tower has been elected in his place. It is asserted by all concerned that the company is certainly solvent, and in addition, a syndicate has been formed for the purpose of advancing it any amount of money necessary to meet its outstanding liabilities.

Runs on Savings Banks.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—The run on the Citizens' Savings bank continued today in full force. The directors met this morning and decided not to take advantage of the ninety days' notice rule, but to pay depositors as far as possible.

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 21.—The run on the Howard Savings bank continued today, but was not as heavy as yesterday.

The Savings Firm Reorganized.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—It is officially announced that arrangements for continuing the business of the Barings have been concluded. A limited company

has been formed with a subscribed capital exceeding £1,000,000. Thomas Baring, M. P., becomes chairman of the company, and devotes the whole of his fortune to the firm's credit.

Foreign Money Marts.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—At 12:30 p. m. stocks were quiet and steady, with fractional advances in American securities. Stocks closed strong; consols much higher.

BUENOS AYRES, Nov. 21.—At the close gold was 203 premium.

MONEY STRINGENCY.

The Commercial Community Deprived of Its Accustomed Facilities.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—The board of directors of the Fourth National bank have adopted resolutions setting forth the facts of the present financial stringency, and stating that during the present month that bank has had \$3,285,000 of commercial paper fall due, all of which has been promptly met at maturity, showing the merchants to be in a prosperous condition; that the stringency in the money market has almost stopped the purchase of commercial bills, and deprived the mercantile community of its accustomed facilities, and authorizing the officers of the bank to buy freely first-class commercial paper and take out, if necessary, a liberal amount of clearing-house certificates for that purpose.

A Bank Robbed.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—The Twenty-sixth Ward bank of Brooklyn was robbed yesterday of \$5000 by a pair of clever thieves, who succeeded in diverting the cashier's attention.

Exhibition Bathers.

The number of exhibition bathers who hang their clothes on a hickory limb, but don't go near the water, is daily on the increase, and during a walk along the beach at Atlantic City one can readily pick out hundreds of young girls and even mature dames arrayed in the most attractive and costly bathing robes who don't even wet their dainty feet in the surf, but prefer to gaily trip in groups along the strand or gracefully recline on the warm sands.

They, as a rule, wear collars and cuffs, jaunty little caps, neat slippers, and are invariably tight laced. They are as careful of details in donning this beach costume as if they were dressing for a ball, and certainly appear far more captivating. These fair and frolicsome visitors are known as exhibition bathers, but they don't bathe.

A new fad among this particular class is to go carriage riding in their brief attire, and it is a familiar sight on the avenues daily to see a bevy of pretty girls clad in handsome surt costumes urging along a weary beach steed, and evidently enjoying the diversion.—Cor. Philadelphia Times.

Names That Overcame a Hotel Clerk.

Among the many thousands of proper names annually written, more or less legibly—usually less—upon the register of a hotel like the Grand Pacific, pretty much every known combination of letters is found. Hotel clerks become hardened, and greet Mr. Buck and Mr. Cluck and Mr. Druck with equal affability. But Paul Gores, of the Grand Pacific, ran up against a combination the other day that laid him out.

The two Japanese produce and stock exchange commissioners who are stopping there walked up to the desk and asked if any one had called on them during their brief absence. They had registered before Gores came on duty and he did not know them.

"Let's see; what's the name?" he asked briskly.

"Oh, go way," said one.

"Oh, no," remarked the other.

Gores was dazed until he discovered that the gentlemen's names were Ogowa and Ono.—Chicago Tribune.

Electric Cars in Brooklyn.

One of the features of Brooklyn life among people to whom the expenditure of small sums is a matter of jealous interest is a trip on the new electric car which has been put on a road that runs to Fort Hamilton. There is an odd mixture of heavy browed scientific men and picnic parties on the car during the morning runs. The scientific men talk electricity until the air is blue, and the excursionists eat peanuts and wonder what makes the car go. Not infrequently crowds of heavy financiers from New York are to be found swooping up and down on the car, observing its work with beetled brows. One of the engineers, in speaking of it the other day, said that he had been questioned so much about electricity that he had come to the conclusion that very few people knew anything about it.—New York Sun.

Some firms in America spend annually great sums on pictures outside cigarette packets. One firm paid out \$400,000 to the lithographers last year for artistic work. Another spent \$450,000, while other firms reported payments of \$375,000, \$350,000 and \$300,000 for the same purpose.

The newspapers are now trying to find the man who spent the most days in rebel prisons during the late war. So far as heard from yet Mr. E. W. Ware, of Bangor, is ahead, he having suffered 600 days in Charleston, Columbia, Charlotte, Raleigh, Goldsboro and Greensboro prisons.

One of the largest forests in the world stands on ice. It is situated between Ural and the Ochotsk sea. A well was recently dug in this region, when it was found that at a depth of 116 meters the ground was still frozen.

Mary Queen of Scots' marriage contract with Francis II of France is to be sold by auction shortly in London. It is a quaint old manuscript of nine folio pages.

How to Succeed.

This is the great problem of life which few satisfactorily solve. Some fail because of poor health, others want of luck, but the majority from deficient grit—want of nerve. They are nervous, irresolute, changeable, or get blue and "take the spirits down to keep the spirits up," thus wasting money, time, opportunity and nerve force. There is nothing like the Restorative Nerve, discovered by the great specialist, Dr. Miles, to cure all nervous diseases, as headache, the blues, nervous prostration, sleeplessness, neuralgia, St. Vitus' dance, fits, and hysteria. Trial bottles and fine book of testimonials free at R. W. Ellis & Co.

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COURT NOTES.

Little Legal Incidents Which Were Noted Yesterday.

United States Commissioner Van Dyke yesterday continued the examination of John W. Weeks, who is accused by J. Harry Conlan of having fraudulently voted in precinct 33 on the 4th of November, in which precinct he was not lawfully entitled to cast his ballot.

Robert F. Male, a native of England, was yesterday admitted to citizenship by Judge Wade in department three. In department two Judge Clark naturalized P. Reynier, a native of France. Judge Cheney also naturalized Emile Goyard of France.

In department four the case of the county against L. B. Cohn went over until Monday.

In department two a jury gave Bing High, a vegetable peddler, a verdict for \$150, against George B. Woodbury and H. B. Fox. The defendants illegally arrested Bing on the 3d of May in the Verdugo cañon, handcuffed and chained him and carried him off to Burbank, and thence to the county jail, from which he was not released until the 5th.

In department one, Juan Jose Reyes is on trial on the charge of having stolen cattle from the Laguna ranch. The case will be concluded today.

Joseph Doll, charged with assault to commit murder, pleaded not guilty, and his case was transferred to department six.

Informations were filed by the district attorney, charging Wong Wang and Ah Ung with gaming. They will be arraigned on Monday.

W. H. Hay, accused of the larceny of \$550 from a dago, pleaded not guilty, yesterday, after a motion to set aside the information had been denied, and a demurrer overruled. The case was transferred to department six.

The order forfeiting Charles Lawson's bond was vacated by Judge Cheney yesterday, and his sureties exonerated. Lawson is in jail.

AT AUCTION.

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Rhoades & Reed will sell, at their saleyard, No. 243 South Main street, on Saturday, November 22d, at 10 a. m. sharp, two fine three-year-old colts, fine bred, by Almont Jr., half-brothers; one fine mare, six years old, and well broke; one large horse, carriage and harness; also a number of good horses, cows, buggies, surrey wagons, lumber wagons, harness, etc.

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