

A STANDARD MOVE

To Gobble Up Certificates Alleged Secret of the Break.

AT LEAST BRADFORD SPECULATORS

And Some Others View the Slump in Oil That Way.

THE RECOVERY MADE YESTERDAY

Was Remarkable in Some Respects, The Standard Advanced the Price and the Speculative Market Again Took a Leap, but for the First Time Credit Balances Commanded a Premium over the Speculative Price.

BRADFORD, Pa., April 18.—As far as speculation in oil is concerned, Bradford was not in the hunt to any extent to-day. Information was received from Oil City to the effect that all outstanding oil trades must be closed, as no more orders would be accepted on any kind of margins and that business would not be transacted in the Oil City exchange until there was some money in sight.

It began to dawn on the people in Bradford to-day that yesterday's slump was a move manipulated by the Standard to gobble up what few certificates are in circulation, and it is said that no less than 500 of them were dumped on the market during the week.

There are 750 of them outstanding and as soon as the remainder have been sold, speculation in oil will be a thing of the past. The field operations continue brisk and will probably remain so as long as the pipe line prices remain above the \$2 mark.

Refined oil has advanced to 1 1/2 cents per gallon in this city by retail.

PITTSBURGH, April 18.—There was a crowd of eager and excited people in the lobby of the stock and oil exchange when the gong sounded this morning.

The disastrous break in oil from \$2.62 to \$2.17 at the close yesterday had so staggered brokers that they were prepared for anything to-day. But the surprise was an agreeable one to holders of certificates, for the opening quotation was \$2.25 and this was immediately followed by a sale at \$2.40, an advance of 23 points over yesterday's closing.

From this it sold down to \$2.37 1/2 and at 10:30 was quoted at \$2.41 bid.

The Standard again raised its price but only 10 cents. It now stands at \$2.60 and for the first time since the boom struck the market the exchange price was below the Standard's.

From 10:30 until noon the market was quite active and it had nearly recovered from the big break of yesterday. The highest point reached this forenoon was \$2.57 and the lowest \$2.35.

At noon oil was quoted at \$2.55 bid.

The market was steady and active all afternoon, but took a slight slump near the close. The highest point reached during the day was \$2.67 and the lowest \$2.35.

It closed at \$2.41 bid.

Speculators were getting over their scare of yesterday and were gaining confidence. The activity in the oil market is having a stimulating effect on local securities, Philadelphia Gas, Westinghouse and other local stocks went up this morning.

ground, and an increase of over \$50,000 a day in its receipts from the crude produced, to say nothing of the enhanced value of the refined product, the Standard Oil Company appears to be doing pretty well."

The Northwestern Ohio Field. TOLEDO, Ohio, April 18.—The number of rigs that are being erected in the Northwestern Ohio field is something enormous, and if the price of the crude product holds up anywhere near what it is now the oil trade will make this by far the greatest year in the history of the Trenton limestone field.

On Saturday last the shipments of Lima crude by the Buckeye Pipe Line Company amounted to 84,172 barrels. The runs were 113,523 barrels.

The largest and most important well completed in the Trenton rock district during the past few days is the property of Tait & McDonald, located on the Twibell farm, near Montpelier. It started at better than 300 barrels a day.

AT OIL CITY. OIL CITY, Pa., April 18.—Oil opened at \$2.45; highest \$2.57; lowest \$2.35; closed at \$2.43. Sales 130,000 barrels; clearances 630,000 barrels.

A FLURRY IN WHEAT. Wild Scramble on the Chicago Board of Trade—The Bears Get a Bad Fright.

CHICAGO, April 18.—There was a scramble in the wheat pit on the board of trade to-day. The forces at work gave the market an explosive character. At the best price, made in the excited market this morning, May wheat was up about four cents in three days. Last night the price closed after a sharp bulge at 57 1/2c selling. First sales to-day were all the way from 57 1/2c to 58c, the bulls standing on their heads with delight and the bears were half frightened out of their skins.

The little shorts took their punishment the first half hour around 58c.

At this point holders sold a great lot of wheat in grabbing for profits. Elevator people sold wheat heavily. Roan, who carried his short line early in the week, sold a fresh short line. The trade watched Ed Partridge closely. They count his short line in the millions. That plucky plunger pinched his cigar tighter than ever and stood his ground. Brokers said he covered a lot of wheat for May, but sold double as much for July trying to stop the advance.

The market lifted during a flurry at mid-day from 57 1/2c to 58 1/2c in about two minutes. Export clearances of wheat and flour reported from the seaboard were very large, at 570,000 bushels. The milling demand all over the country has suddenly become very urgent. Foreign markets were all higher and cables said this was on American advices.

A MINERS RIOT Growing Out of the Introduction of Machinery at Coal Creek.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., April 18.—A riot occurred at Coal Creek mines to-day in which shots were exchanged resulting in the killing of Hendricks, a Tennessee miner, and the fatal wounding of Charles Morgan, an Ohioan, from Cleveland.

The trouble originated from the introduction of electrical labor-saving machinery in mining from Ohio, which was obtained at a cost of \$50,000. A superintendent was brought from Ohio, with the machinery. He brought with him fifteen Ohio miners, all of whom were given good places. The natives called the Ohioans "foreigners" and demanded their removal. The superintendent refused.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS. The Canadian parliament opened yesterday.

The Pennsylvania legislature will adjourn May 23.

An association of Episcopalian laymen has been formed at St. Louis to oppose ritualism.

Forest fires near Egg Harbor, N. J., have destroyed \$14,000 worth of property and are still burning.

The old ash, door and blind trust has been revived at Chicago by thirty firms representing \$20,000,000 capital.

Mrs. Bettie Wamak, one hundred and four years old, died at Vicksburg, Miss. She was born near Charleston, S. C., in 1791.

The town of Tayti, on one of the Philippine islands, has been destroyed by fire. Two thousand houses were consumed. One life was lost.

Dr. W. L. Bullard, of Columbus, Ga., has been expelled from the Georgia state medical society for advertising in a newspaper. Dr. Bullard is a noted specialist.

The strikers of the Linwood, Mass., mill returned to work after having been out three weeks. The return to the old schedule of wages demanded by the strikers was granted.

The weavers in the Westerly (R. I.) Woolen Company's mills will return to work on Monday next, Congressman Warren Arnold, the proprietor, having agreed to an increase of wages and steady work.

President McBride says that the starting of the mines on the Wheeling division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at the sixty-cent rate, probably means the miners' strike in Pennsylvania is broken.

The British government has offered Umra Khan, of Jandol, the invader of Chitral, an honorable asylum for himself and family and a reasonable number of his followers, in return for his unconditional surrender.

There was another violent earthquake shock at Lubach yesterday. It is now found that the recent subterranean disturbances have damaged 99 per cent of the houses at Lubach and traffic and business there has been suspended.

STATE REPUBLICAN LEAGUE.

The State Committee Selects the Delegation to the National Convention at Cleveland—Outlook for Republicanism is Bright.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligence. PARKERSBURG, W. VA., April 18.—The executive committee of the Republican League of the State of West Virginia met at the Blennerhassett hotel this afternoon. There were present President C. D. Ellicott, of Sutton; Secretary J. W. Stuck, of West Union; Vice President C. P. Dorr, of Addison; executive committee members M. H. Willis, West Union, W. T. Barnside, Buckhannon, J. G. St. Clair, Parkersburg, and the following gentlemen holding proxies: Edward Manning, Moundsville; C. P. Dorr, Addison; John Carr, Keyser; John Slack, Charleston; Warren Miller, Jackson, and A. B. White, Parkersburg.

The principal business was to elect twenty-six delegates to the National Republican League convention to be held in Cleveland, O., July 19, 20, 21. The appointment of the delegates gave eight at large and four from each congressional district and the president and secretary ex-officio. The following delegates were elected, the first two named from each district being delegates at large.

First district—J. K. Hall, of the Intelligence, Wheeling; Charles Godd, Clarkburg; M. H. Willis, West Union; S. W. Matthews, Moundsville; S. G. Smith, Wheeling; O. W. Hardman, Middlebourne. Alternates—Thomas O'Brien, Wheeling; George C. Cole, Weston; Daniel W. Boughner, Clarkburg; T. W. Manning, Moundsville; J. E. Curtis, Wellsburg; J. H. Strickler, Middlebourne.

Second district—C. A. Woodward, Keyser; W. S. Meredith, Fairmont; W. G. Conley, Parsons; L. M. Lafollette, Grant; W. E. Glascock, Morgantown; Arnold C. Schorr, Maysville. Alternates, W. E. Heskitt, Piedmont; L. B. Bako, Beverly; W. H. Weutz, Phillipi; Neil J. Fortney, Kingwood; T. B. Adams, Keyser; S. H. Gramm, Granton.

Third district—A. H. Winchester, Buckhannon; J. E. Dana, Charleston; J. H. Gause, Fayetteville; E. E. Hood, Charleston; C. P. Dorr, Addison; Ash M. Prince, Bluefield. Alternates—U. G. Young, Buckhannon; John Slack, Charleston; M. V. Calloway, Hinton; Tom Horan, Nicholas C. H.; Col. Carder, Logan C. H.; C. H. Payne, Montgomery.

Fourth district—R. H. Freer, Ritchie C. H.; A. B. White, Parkersburg; G. B. Gibbens, Parkersburg; John D. Thompson, Raymond City; Elliott Northcott, Huntington; George Poffenbarger, Point Pleasant. Alternates—Homer Woods, Ritchie C. H.; Charles McKnight, Charleston; Frank Doillite, Huntington; Clark W. May, Hamlin; H. W. Deem, Jackson; T. A. Brown, Elizabeth.

For alternates to President Elliott and Secretary Stuck, George M. Bowers, of Martinsburg, and C. T. Caldwell, of Parkersburg, were selected.

A resolution was adopted that in the event that a vacancy in the delegation from any congressional district should arise and no alternate from that district be present, the delegation select alternates from those present as such, though from another district.

The president and secretary will issue the proper credentials and notify the delegates as to railroad rates, etc. All present reported the outlook good for Republicanism in West Virginia.

PARDONS RECOMMENDED

By the Pennsylvania Board—Several Petitions Refused.

HARRISBURG, April 18.—Decisions in a number of important cases were announced by the board of pardons tonight, after a session which lasted almost continuously for two days. Another meeting will be held next week, in order to clear the calendar before the retirement of the present secretary of internal affairs, who gives way to General Latta on the first Tuesday in May.

Pardons were recommended for Joseph Buecher, of Philadelphia, murderer; John Bradford, of Allegheny, voluntary manslaughter; Harry E. Schultz, of Berks, aggravated assault and battery, and Samuel Walker, of Allegheny, voluntary manslaughter.

Pardons were refused to Thomas H. Boore, Barks, aggravated assault and battery, and Daniel Weidig, Allegheny, sentenced to be hanged, May 7, for murder. The cases of Fred McDonald, Crawford, murder in the first degree; David Altman, Allegheny, false pretenses; Charles Clarke, Allegheny, rape, and Hugh F. Dempsey, the Pittsburgh labor leader, conspiracy to poison, were held under advisement.

YOUNG WOMEN CHRISTIANS.

The International Association Convenes at Pittsburgh.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 18.—The fifth annual international convention of the Y. W. C. A. opened in this city to-day with over 200 delegates present. Mrs. J. V. Farwell, of Chicago, the president, could not come on account of ill-health and Ruth F. Morse, of New York, called the convention to order. The following officers of the year were then elected: Mrs. Grace Whitney Evans, Detroit, president.

Mrs. L. W. M. Messer, Chicago, and Miss Mary B. Stewart, Detroit, vice president; Flora Shank, Indiana, and Carlotta Coddling, Wilkesbarre, secretaries.

The reports showed a membership of 29,459 with an increase of 39 associations during the year. The expenditures were \$10,110 for last year and \$10,000 is asked for this year with an addition of \$25,000 to carry on the international work.

International Y. M. C. A. New York, April 18.—The thirty-first international convention of the Y. M. C. A. will be held in Springfield, Mass., May 8-12, and the twenty-fifth annual conference of general secretaries will take place in Hartford, May 13-16.

A Draw Fight. St. JOSEPH, Mo., April 18.—C. H. Carver and Harry Ward, two young men of this city, who have been paying attentions to the same young lady, fought with bare knuckles last night under London prize ring rules to determine which should give way to the other. They fought in a grove near this city, and after an hour's fighting were compelled to desist from sheer exhaustion. Both principals were badly bruised.

CAMPO'S CAMPAIGN

Begun by an Offer of Pardon to all the Insurgents

WHO WILL LAY DOWN THEIR ARMS

And Surrender, the Leaders Only Being Excepted.

THE CUBAN REBELS IN A BAD WAY

And Resort to Barbarous Methods of Warfare—Torturing Helpless Residents of the Country Districts—Numerous Instances of Cruelty—An Attack on the Town of Palma Soriana Repelled—War Will be Waged Vigorously—News of Manfrita's Death Confirmed—Incendiary Tactics Again Pursued by the Insurrectionists—Latest from Cuba.

HAVANA, April 18.—Captain General Martinez De Campos has issued, from Santiago De Cuba, a proclamation offering pardon to all insurgents, with the exception of the leaders, who will lay down their arms and surrender. He has made preparations to immediately pursue the members of the bands who refuse to come in under the proclamation, and the warfare against them will be waged vigorously.

It is stated here that some of the insurgent bands have taken to torturing helpless residents of the country districts, who have incurred their displeasure. At Blanquizar, near Manzanillo, a grocer named Miguel Lauredo was surprised at night by Maceo's band. He was cruelly tortured and horribly mutilated, after which he was tied to a tree, where he was left for the buzzards to eat. Manuel Iglesia, a grocer of Bueyco, Manuel Reitor and an old man named Vicana, who fought against the rebels in the last revolution, have been murdered by roving insurgents.

The town of Palma Soriana, province of Santiago de Cuba, was attacked by insurgents, who were repelled and pursued by a body of troops. The rebels found refuge in the mountains. The troops discovered the place where their camp had been located and found a dead rebel in it. A number of weapons were captured.

Evidence confirming the reports of the death of the rebel Chief Manfrita, was found. Three of the government troops were wounded in consequence of not carrying out the orders that had been given them.

Considerable excitement has been caused by the fact that the rebels are again resorting to the incendiary tactics that caused such enormous losses to the planters during the last insurrection. The Central plantation, Dos Amigos (Two Friends), the property of Senor Nicolas Castillo, situated on the coast near Manzanillo has been burned by the rebels. Two million arrobas of sugar cane were destroyed. The advices do not show whether the machinery of the plantation was destroyed. These central factories contain very expensive machinery, crushers, centrifugals, etc., and should the rebels burn many of them, the loss would be enormous.

It is stated on good authority that the troops commanded by Colonel Santolida have cooped up a band of insurgents in the mountains in the province of Santiago De Cuba, and that their capture is only a question of a short time.

The rebels are making a very stout defense, and a very hot fire is being exchanged.

The Cubans endeavored to capture Guantanamo, early Tuesday morning, the 16th inst. The Cuban force was 750 men, while the Spaniards numbered 4,500. The Spanish threw themselves into the battle on the Cubans, in view, killing fourteen. The ambushed forces put up a continuous volley into the Spaniards. After a long stand with heavy losses, the Spaniards made a cautious retreat from the battle.

INCOME TAX.

Believed That the Total Amount Will Reach Fifteen Millions.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 18.—It was authoritatively stated at the treasury department to-day that the reports of the collectors so far received show that the amount of income tax receipts no doubt will reach the estimate made before the decision of the supreme court was rendered. This is interpreted to mean about \$15,000,000. No information as to the number or amount of returns already reported will be given out. Much to the surprise and annoyance of the officials, information reached the department from several cities that income tax returns were still being offered and asking for instructions. Several returns were offered to the collector for this city and he was instructed to receive them subject to whatever action might be decided upon later.

INCOME TAX IN TWO STATES.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 18.—Collector of internal revenue for Georgia, Paul Trammell, has telegraphed the internal revenue commissioner at Washington that the total amount to be derived from the income tax in Georgia will be about \$35,000.

BOSTON, Mass., April 18.—Internal Revenue Collector Edward J. Donovan has wired the treasury department at Washington, estimating the income tax from the district of Massachusetts at \$1,250,000.

American Architects Get Left.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 18.—Consul General Penfield, at Cairo, has informed the state department that in the competition of designs for the new Egyptian museum none of the prizes were awarded to American architects. All five prizes offered, aggregating \$5,000, were awarded to Paris architects.

New National Bank.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 18.—The comptroller of the currency has authorized the Second National Bank of St. Clairsville, Ohio, to begin business with a capital of \$50,000.

The application for authority to organize the East Pittsburg National Bank, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., was to-day approved.

A SENSATIONAL CASE.

Mrs. Flora Adams Darling, the Noted Writer, Charges a Noted Physician and His Wife With Poisoning Her Son Edward.

New York, April 18.—Mrs. Flora Adams Darling, a writer of war letters and one of the founders of the Daughters of the Revolution, is seeking the indictment of Dr. Francis Xavier Spranger and his wife, who was formerly her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Edward Irving Darling, by the grand jury of New York county. Mrs. Darling's son, Edward Irving Darling, died on February 13, 1894, at Mt. Clemens, Mich., from what she claims to have been slow poison.

Edward Irving Darling was a musical composer and poet. The son met Beatrice Gay Kingle while in Washington with his mother in 1885. He fell in love with the girl, and they were married on September 15 of that year. A short time after their marriage he met with an accident in falling out of a window, and breaking several bones of his body. Dr. Spranger, then a recent graduate from a western college, was called in to attend him. For many weeks the young man lay in plaster casts, and it is alleged now that during this time the doctor fell in love with his patient's wife.

On July 4, 1892, the younger Mrs. Darling received word of the death of her father in Washington. This left her an estate valued at more than \$1,000,000 consisting of real estate in Washington and government bonds. Mr. and Mrs. Darling went to Washington to attend the funeral and stopped at the Ebbitt House, in that city. While there, the young man became violently ill after drinking a glass of milk. Dr. Harrison, a physician of the city, attributed his illness to impure milk. Mrs. Darling, the mother, now claims that the milk contained poison.

After the funeral of Mr. Kingle, Mr. and Mrs. Darling returned to Detroit and from that time it is said the husband became an invalid.

On June 20, 1893, Darling invited his mother to Mt. Clemens. While there he was attended by Dr. Richard Lochner, who said that the young man had been under the influence of violent drugs, which had destroyed the tissue of the body, and that his death was only a question of a short time.

The patient died on February 13, 1894, and previous to his death he made a statement that his wife and Dr. Spranger had systematically poisoned him and that he would die from the effects of the drugs given him.

The body was cremated without a post mortem examination at the request of the patient, who maintained that he did not want his body to fall into the hands of his wife.

The motive according to the dead man's mother has now been established through the public marriage of Dr. Spranger to Mrs. Darling at Baltimore in March of this year.

As soon as the marriage was announced, John Quincy Adams, a brother of the dead man, residing in this city took the case before District Attorney Fellows. He submitted proof, as he claims, that poison was administered to the son by his wife while they were stopping in this city in the early part of 1893. District Attorney Fellows assigned the case to Assistant District Attorney George G. Battelle, who is making a thorough examination of all the circumstances attending the death of young Darling.

Several different medicines alleged to have contained poison are now in the hands of Mr. Battelle and are being analyzed by chemists.

ELLA FORSYTHE.

Thought to be One of Our Ant's Victims May Yet be Alive.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—The story has been published here that Ella Forsythe, who disappeared April 5, and whose name has been mentioned in connection with the Emanuel church murder as another possible victim, has been located in San Jose, and another story has been published that she has been located in Southern California. In both cases she is said to have eloped, but the statements do not appear to be authenticated and her husband does not believe them at all, and still thinks his wife was drowned.

IN FAVOR OF PORTER.

His Case Against Boren and Mack in the United States Court.

The case of John Porter, the New Cumberland brick manufacturer, against Mack and Boren, which has been on trial in the United States court here throughout the week, came to an end yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, when the jury brought in a verdict of \$10,000 damages for Porter. Caldwell & Caldwell, attorneys for Mack and Boren, made a motion for a new trial, which was taken under advisement by Judge Jackson. He will render his decision on this question probably very soon. It is said an appeal will be taken to the United States supreme court if Judge Jackson's decision is adverse to Mack and Boren. In the morning yesterday the arguments were closed. The jury had the matter under consideration for forty-five minutes and for a time several held out for no damages.

Assessment Over the River.

The Belmont county assessors are assessing farm products this year at about the following prices:

Horses—4 years old and upward, \$40; 3 years, \$30; 2 years, \$20; 1 year, \$10. These are for sound, ordinary farm animals.

Cattle—Fat cattle, 4c per pound; stock cattle, 3c; milch cows, \$20 and upward; work cattle, 3 years old and up, \$75 and upward.

Sheep—Fat, 3 to 4c per pound; stock, \$1.50 per head; wool, 12c per pound.

Hogs—Fat, 4c per pound; stock, 5c per pound.

A FIRE THIS MORNING.

Two Double Houses in the Second Ward Burned.

ORIGIN OF THE FLAMES UNKNOWN.

A Very Stubborn Blaze, though the Financial Loss will not be very Large—The Department Does Good Work—A Bright Blaze Attracts a Very Large Crowd.

About half past 1 o'clock this morning an alarm of fire was rung in from Ninth and Main streets, and the department responded with its customary promptness. The blaze was found to be in a row of frame houses on Alley C just below Ninth street. The origin of the flames is not known, but it is supposed to be due to a defective flue.

There was one large double frame house and a smaller house, also frame burned, and the fire seemed to start in the latter. The houses were occupied by Life Githens, a foreigner whose name was given as Ostroskey by his landlady, and two families named Hill and Capps. The owner, Mrs. John Diehl, said she did not know what the loss would be or whether she had any insurance. Mr. George J. Matheson attended to the property for her.

The blaze was one of the brightest seen in Wheeling for a year, and created much excitement. The work of the department in checking the flames as it did was much complimented.

In an adjoining house, also owned by Mrs. Diehl, but facing Market street, lives Mrs. Asley, the mother-in-law of Eugene Birch, who was killed by the fall of the buildings on Main street. Mrs. Birch was in her mother's house, and when the fire broke out she fainted away, and through the whole excitement she was hysterical.

The loss will not exceed \$500. The work of the department was somewhat hampered by the steepness of the hill from Market street and the lack of good approaches to the place. An unusually large crowd of spectators gathered in spite of the late hour.

ANNUAL LIQUOR LICENSES.

The Council Committee goes over Them. No Protests yet.

Last night the council committee on petitions and remonstrances met to examine the annual applications for saloon licenses. There were on the list four applications for wholesale license, ten for ordinaries and 110 for coffee houses, a total of 124, which does not indicate that many have dropped out.

There were no protests presented, and the question arose whether the list should be printed in the papers. This has been customary, for the information of the public, but the committee could not find the legal authority for doing so, and directed the clerk to look it up. Most of the applications are merely for renewals.

PROF. RICCI'S PUPILS

Give a Concert Which is Enjoyed by a Large and Cultured Audience.

A good audience, made up of the most fashionable and cultured musical people of the city, was present last evening at the Old Fellows' hall to enjoy the first musical recital given under the auspices of Prof. Riccardo Ricci. The programme was one of artistic excellence, every number being heartily enjoyed, a number of the participants being compelled to respond. The programme was as follows:

Quartette—"Come, Fill Me a Flagon"—Lialle
Messrs. Lloyd, Bell, Hughes and O'Neill
Song—"Call Me Back"—Denza
Miss Sue Caldwell
Song—"Still is the Night"—Mozart
Abr. Ariotta—Nette e Giorno—Mozart
Mr. Ricci
Piano Solo—Imperoy—Leschetizky
Mrs. Riccardo Ricci
Song—"Mignon" (by request)—Thomas
Miss Grace Updegraff
Song—"I'm a Hoosier"—Mendelssohn
Mr. Ricci
Song—"Hindoo Song"—Bensbera
Mr. Lizzie B. Woodworth
Duet—"The Moon Has Raised Her Lamp"—(Benefited)
Messrs. Lloyd and Hughes
Mandolin Solo—"La Joyeuse"—Clara Ross
By the Composer
Ballad—"Once Again"—Sullivan
Mr. Lloyd
Song—"Night in June"—Goring Thomas
Miss Grace Updegraff
Song—"An Announcer's Song" (Robin Hood).
De Koven
Song—"O to Philadelphia"—Haynes
Mr. Ricci
Quartette—"Sunshine"—Schilling
Messrs. Lloyd, Bell, Hughes and O'Neill.

Mr. Ricci was in splendid voice and won warm applause. Interest naturally centered in Mrs. Ricci's piano solos, one of which was of her own composition. She made a decidedly good impression. Miss Caldwell and Miss Updegraff also increased the good impression they had made before, and the entire programme was creditably rendered and highly enjoyed.

Baptist Church Entertainment.

At the First Baptist church last evening a very enjoyable social and entertainment was given. A large audience was present and showed their appreciation by the applause which followed the rendition of each number on the programme, which was as follows:

Recitation—"Sunshine"—Miss Emma Miller
Violin Solo—"Minster Henry Weiler"
Solo—"The Rose Tree"—Miss Laura Leonard
Trio—"Mr. C. F. Reed, Misses Pearl and Izzie Reed"
Piano Solo—"Miss Jessie Thomas"
Solo—"Miss Mable Jacobs"
Recitation—"Miss Lydia Carroll"
Piano Solo—"Mr. C. F. Donaldson"
Solo—"Harry C. Sweany"
Violin Solo—"Master Henry Weiler"
Solo—"Miss Loretta NeGrattan"

After the concert was rendered refreshments were served in the lecture room of the church. Quite a handsome sum was realized.

A Friendly Visit.

Berlin, April 18.—A dispatch received here from Tokio says that the Mikado has expressed the desire to pay a personal visit to the emperor of China at Peking in order to discuss with the latter the question of an offensive and defensive alliance, into which it is proposed to invite Siam to enter.

Weather Forecast for To-day. For West Virginia, fair; slight northerly winds. For Western Pennsylvania, fair warmer in northern portion; variable winds. For Ohio, fair warmer in northern portion; variable winds.

THE TEMPERATURE YESTERDAY. As furnished by C. SCHNEPP, draught, corner Market and Fourteenth streets.
7 a. m. 39 3 p. m. 67
8 a. m. 35 4 p. m. 63
9 a. m. 32 5 p. m. 61
10 a. m. 30 6 p. m. 57
11 a. m. 28 7 p. m. 51
12 m. 26 8 p. m. 47
1 p. m. 25 9 p. m. 43
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3 p. m. 23 11 p. m. 35
4 p. m. 22 12 m. 31
5 p. m. 21 1 a. m. 27
6 p. m. 20 2 a. m. 23
7 p. m. 19 3 a. m. 19
8 p. m. 18 4 a. m. 15
9 p. m. 17 5 a. m. 11
10 p. m. 16 6 a. m. 7
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