THE MARKETS.

Prices Generally Advanced Yesterday on Encouraging Advices from London.

Reports of Storms and Frosts in the West and Their Effect on the Grain Market.

GOSSIP OF THE STREET.

Special Dispatch.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Russell Sage said last night he believed the market would be a great deal higher presently, and he was buying. The short interest, he said, had become greater than before this year, and the speculation was running along now in about the same groove as last year at this time, after which there was a handsome advance. The best traders genrally looked for another rally to-day, but some thought there would not be much gain before June 1. The most of the stocks sold yesterday were mainly for the short account, and the buying was principally for long account. Gould's brokers were large general purchasers, and a good many shorts bursted on their deliveries. The slight flurry at the close was caused by Woerishoeffer, who attacked the Vanderbilts, especially Canada Southern and Michigan Central, but Lake Shore was well sustained.

It is understood that pig iron will be reduced $2 per ton on Wednesday. Mr. Gould said to a reporter last evening that before the end of the year many people will make up their minds that stocks are cheap and buy them, so heavily that they will make the bears lose in a fortnight all they have made in months.

President Hill, of the Manitobia road, just home, says he don't believe the Illinois Central has cut freight rates, and if it has so small a cut as five cents per hundred is unimportant. The West Shore begins running to Newburgh on June 4. The Lackawanna competition for the emigrant traffic has ceased, the Grand Trunk declining to carry out the agreement owing to the protest of other lines. It is understood the Lackawanna will go into the trunk line pool.

The Mills people say if the shorts in Erie should attempt to cover up the stock would advance 10 to 15 points.

H. I. Nicholas was the most prominent buyer of Lake Shore to-day. The other buyers were Oliphant, Schmitt and Vyse. Work and Strong bought Oregon Transcontinental, and Webb sold; Mead & Co. bought Northern Pacific Common; content sold most Denver, and the buyers were Prince and Whitely and the German houses.

Later London cables report a very much better feeling prevailing, and the market is strong. Sterling is nominal. Governments strong, on light offerings, but there are orders only for small lots.

George Alley bought Michigan Central, Berdan bought 2,000 shares of New York Central, and Sternberger & Field sold 1,000 shares of New York Central. Flemming, G. S. Scott, and the room traders generally sold Lackawanna. In Union Pacific Van Embergh and Atterburh sold largely, and Worden bought most of the stock. Van Hoffman & Co. are very large buyers of the market here to-day.

Private telegrams report frost as far south as Mississippi last night. Lindblorn of Chicago telegraphs that the frost in Iowa and Illinois last night ruined vegetation.

A Philadelphia telegram says the Lehigh Navigation company to-day declared 2½ per cent. cash dividend.

Application has been made to the supreme court to-day to vacate Judge Donohue's injunction in Mr. Hutchins's case.

The Western Union earnings for the second week in May increased $9,000.

The stock exchange has voted in favor of adjourning Thursday, but it is not believed the governing committee will acquiesce.

Lackawanna has been sold this afternoon partly on a rumor of Sam Sloan's resignation, but he denied the story and says he is a great bull on the future.

It is reported in the board that William R. Travers to-day covered up all his shorts in the Vanderbilt stocks.

Robert Bruce has dispatches from many points in Iowa, Illinois, and other western states, reporting heavy frosts and much damage to vegetation. He is very confident that wheat is a good purchase in consequence.

REVIEW.

Under more favorable London advices stocks generally improved ¼ to ¾ per cent. this morning, and there was a gain of ½ per cent. on Western Union, Texas Pacific, Omaha, and other stocks. There was a partial reaction toward noon, but the buying was better than the selling. Van Hoffman & Co. bought liberally for London account.

Scranton and Willard bought considerable Northwestern, and the sellers were Bogert, Wharten, and Eldridge. In Oregon Transcontinental Work and Strong bought and W. S. Webb sold.

Government bonds are strong on light offerings. Sterling was advanced to 485 and 489½; stocks loaned at 2 to 3; money was offered at 3. On the second call stocks were quiet and a fraction easier. Jersey Central was firm, and the largest buyers to-day were Bird, Coombs, Martin & Runyon. Horton, and Newcomb. The sellers were Thorn, Newton H. and J. Clark, and Van Emburgh. H. S. Wilson offered a considerable amount of Jersey on seller 60 options. The dealings in St. Paul had no special significance, the dealings being almost entirely among traders.

London dispatches reported that the next semi-monthly settlement is expected to pass without alarm.

Northwest common declined to 128⅜ this afternoon. The lowest price this season and the general list was heavy and dull. At 2:30 the market hardened and trading was very active. The market closed firm at the fractional advance toward closing.

LONDON, 12:30—The market is very much oversold: Erie, 2's, ½ lower; Erie, ½ higher; New York Central, ½ lower; Wabash preferred, 1-16 higher; Reading, ½ lower; Lake Shore, ½ lower; St. Paul, ½ lower; Louisville and Nashville, ⅛ lower, and Illinois, ⅛ higher.

STOCKS.

The following are the opening, highest, lowest, and closing prices of the principal stocks for the day, as corrected by special wire reports received by Bateman & Co., bankers, No. 1411 F street northwest:

Name of stock.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Delaware and Hudson	109	109¾	109¼	109
Western Union	81¼	81¾	80¾	81⅜
Central Pacific	71⅜	71⅜	71¼	71¼
New York Central	120⅛	121	120⅞	120⅞
Erie	34⅞	34⅞	34⅜	34⅜
Michigan Central	91⅜	92⅛	91⅜	92⅛
Lake Shore	108⅛	108⅜	107⅞	108⅛
Louisville and Nashville	47⅝	48⅜	47⅝	48⅜
Chicago and Northwestern	129⅝	129⅞	128⅞	129¼
Union Pacific	91⅞	92⅛	91⅞	92⅛
Central of New Jersey	76¾	77⅛	76⅝	77⅛
Chicago, Milwaukee and St. P.	101⅛	101⅜	100⅞	101⅜
Wabash, St. L. and Pacific	25¾	26⅛	25⅛	25⅞
Wabash, St. L. and Pacific pref.	41⅞	42⅛	41⅛	41⅞
Missouri Pacific	101⅛	101⅞	101⅛	101⅞
Denver and Rio Grande	46¾	47	46	46⅜
Delaware, Lack. and Western	122⅛	123¼	122	122⅞
Philadelphia and Reading	52⅛	52⅞	52	52⅞
Northern Pacific	48⅞	48⅞	48⅛	48⅜
Northern Pacific preferred	85⅛	85⅞	85	85⅞
Chicago, St. P., M. and O.	44⅛	44⅞	44	44⅞
Chicago St. P., M. and O. pref.	102⅞	103⅛	102⅛	102⅞
Canada Southern	63⅛	64⅛	63⅛	63⅞
Texas Pacific	35	35⅞	34⅞	35⅛
Kansas and Texas	27⅞	28⅛	27⅞	28⅛
Chicago, Burlington and Q.	121⅞	121⅞	120⅞	121⅞
Illinois Central	141⅞	142⅛	141⅞	142⅛
Oregon Transcontinental	81	.....	.....	81⅛
Rochester and Pittsburg	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛
Ontario and Western	.....	25⅞	24⅞	25⅛
Richmond Terminal	35	35⅛	35	35⅛
Richmond and Danville	60	.....	.....	64
East Tennessee	.....	.....	.....	8⅞
East Tennessee pref.	18⅞	18⅞	18	18⅛
Ohio Central	10⅛	10⅞	10⅛	.....
Lake Erie and Western	.....	20⅞	20	20⅞
Pullman Car company	.....	20⅞	20⅛	20⅛
Hannibal and St. Jo	.....	.....	.....	42
Hannibal and St. Jo pref.	94⅞	.....	.....	94
Canada Pacific	60⅛	60⅛	60⅛	60⅛
West Shore	79⅞	.....	.....	.....
Memphis and Charleston	.....	.....	.....	40
Pacific Mail	41⅛	.....	.....	41⅛
Rock Island	122⅛	122⅛	121⅛	121⅞

COTTON MARKET.

The following were the opening and closing prices:

	Opening.	Closing.
May	10.99	11.01
June	10.96	10.97
July	10.91	10.93
August	10.85	10.85
September	10.39	10.40
October	10.27	10.28
November	10.16	10.18
December	10.15	10.19
January	10.26	10.27

GOVERNMENT BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.
United States 6s, 1881	102⅝	.....
United States 4½s, 1891, registered	112⅛	112¾
United States 4½s, 1891, coupon	113¼	113¾
United States 4s, 1907, registered	119¼	119¾
United States 4s, 1907, coupon	119¼	119¾
United States 3s	100⅛	100⅝

WASHINGTON STOCK EXCHANGE.

District of Columbia.		
Permanent improvement 6s, 1891, coin	.....	117
Permanent improvement 7s, 1891, cur'y	120	.....
Market stock 7s, 1892, currency	120	.....
Water stock 7s, 1901, currency	129	135
Water stock 7s, 1903, currency	129	.....
Fifty-year funded 3.65, 1924, currency	109⅝	110
Twenty-year funded 6s, 1892, coin	.....	117¼
Thirty-year funded 6s, 1902, coin	.....	121
Fire Insurance and Gas-Light Companies.		
Washington City Gas-Light ....par 20	26	26½
Georgetown Gas-Light	25	30
National Union Insurance	50	18¼ 20¼
Columbia Insurance	5	8¾ 9¾
German American Insurance Co	120	.....
Potomac Insurance Company	.....	47
Railroad stocks.		
Washington & Georgetown—stock	50	150 .....
Washington & Georgetown—bonds		110 .....
Metropolitan	50	 78
Columbia	50	 32
North Capitol and O street	50	32 .....
Anacostia	25	6 .....
Free list.		
Board of public works		94 .....
Masonic Hall bonds		100 .....
National Theater bonds		90 .....
Washington Market Co.—stock	50	10¼ 11¼
Washington Market Co. bonds		100¼ 110¾
Inland and Sea-coast Co.—bonds		65 75
Ivanhoe Mining Co.—stock	25	.12 .18
Wash'n Brick Mach. Co.—stock	100	75 .....
Bank of Washington	20	40 .....
Bank of Washington	10	20 .....
National Metropolitan bank	100	135 .....
National Bank of the Republic	100	147 .....
Citizens' National bank	100	75 .....
Central National bank	100	121 .....
Great Falls Ice company	100	 75
National Capital Telephone	100	110 .....
Land warrants, war of 1812 ....per acre		1.20 .....
Land warrants, other wars ....per acre		1.15 .....
Soldiers' additionals		..... 16.00
Sioux half-breed scrip		..... 23.00
Pennsylvania Telephone Co.		57½ 62

BALTIMORE STOCK MARKET.

BALTIMORE, May 22.—Virginia 6s, consolidated, 38; new 10-40s, 34 bid to-day.

BALTIMORE PRODUCE MARKET.

BALTIMORE, May 22.—Cotton quiet; middling, 10¾c. Flour quiet and steady; Howard street and western superfine, $3 25@4 00; do. extra, $4 25@5 00; do. family, $5 12@6 25; city mills superfine, $3 25@4 00; do. extra, $4 25@5 50; do. Rio brands, $6 00@6 25; Patapsco family, $6 75; do. superlative patent, $7 50. Wheat—Southern steady and firm; western firmer and quiet; southern red, $1 17@1 19; do. amber, $1 20@1 23; No. 1 Maryland, $1 22½@1 23; No. 2 western winter red, spot and May, $1 19½@1 19¾; June, $1 20⅛@1 20½; July, $1 21⅛@1 21⅝; August, $1 21¾@1 22. Corn—Southern firm; western dull and firm; southern white and yellow, 62@66c; western mixed, spot, 65⅛@65¼c; May, 65⅛@65⅜c; June, 65⅛@65¼c; July, 66⅛@67c. Oats firm and steady; southern, 52@55c; western white, 53@55c; do. mixed, 49@52c; Pennsylvania, 52@55c. Rye steady at 72@75c. Hay quiet; prime to choice Pennsylvania and Maryland, $14 00@16 00. Provisions quiet; mess pork, $21 00; bulk meats, shoulders and clear rib sides, packed, 9@11½c; bacon, shoulders, 10c; clear rib sides, 11½c; hams, 14¾@15½c; lard, refined, 12½c. Butter dull and easy; western packed, 12@20c; creamery, 20@25c. Eggs firm at 18c. Petroleum dull; refined, 7⅛@7½c. Coffee dull; Rio cargoes, ordinary to fair, 8⅞@9¼c. Sugar quiet; A soft, 8⅝c. Copper, refined quiet at 14¾@15c. Whisky steady at $1 16½@1 17. Freights to Liverpool per steamer firm; cotton, 5-32d.; flour, 1s. 3d.; grain, 3d. asked. Receipts—Flour, 2,256 barrels; wheat, 47,000 bushels; corn, 82,000 bushels; oats, 8,000 bushels; rye, 500 bushels. Shipments—Wheat, 9,000 bushels. Sales—Wheat, 225,000 bushels; corn, 90,000 bushels.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

CHICAGO, May 22.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Regular wheat unsettled, but generally higher; $1 09⅛@1 09⅞ May; $1 10⅜ June; No. 2 Chicago spring, $1 09⅛; No. 3 do., 93c; No. 2 red winter, $1 12½. Corn quiet and a shade easier; 56@56⅛c cash; 56½c May; 56⅛@56⅜c June. Oats quiet but steady; 41½c cash; 42c May; 42¼c June. Pork moderately active and higher; opened strong and higher; closed at inside prices; sales at $19 35@19 40 cash and May; $19 37½@19 40 June; $19 57½@19 60 July. Lard generally unchanged, but some sales rather higher; sales $11 75@11 77½ cash and May; $11 80@11 82½ June; $11 90@11 92½ July. Bulk meats in fair demand; shoulders, $8 00; short rib, $10 55; short clear, $10 90. Whisky steady and unchanged.

PITTSBURG OIL MARKET.

PITTSBURG, May 22.—Oil dull but strong; very little trading at the exchanges. The market opened at $1.04¾, declined to $1.04⅛, advanced to 104¾, and closed at noon at $1.04¼.

THE COURTS.

Continuation of the Habeas Corpus Case —Other Judicial Transactions.

A TRUSTEE ORDERED INTO CUSTODY.

Judge James yesterday directed the marshal to take Guy H. Thompson into custody, and hold him until he pays $86.72 into the registry of the court. The writ was issued on petition of Catherine Cocker and Maggie Ryan, who are principals in a suit now pending in the equity court. The petition set forth that Thompson was appointed trustee in the case, and had failed to pay over certain money as the court directed; that Thompson has removed to Pennsylvania, but was in the city now; that Thompson and J. T. Wiley, his bondsman, are insolvent, and that they believe Thompson intends to defraud them out of the money. The writ was placed in the marshal's hands about 1:30 o'clock, but, as proceedings were had in open court, it appears that Thompson got wind of them, as, upon inquiry, it was learned that he had taken the train for Baltimore about the time the marshal started to look for him. The attorneys for the petitioners, Messrs. Brown & Dean, think he will hardly return.

BRYANT'S HABEAS CORPUS.

In the court in general term yesterday afternoon the habeas corpus case of the man Bryant, who claims to be illegally incarcerated in the insane asylum, which was continued from Monday, was resumed. Gen. Eppa Hunton, counsel for Supt. Godding, began his argument, and when the court adjourned at 3 o'clock he had not concluded. He will resume to-day.

SUIT FOR DAMAGES.

Mr. John W. Thompson was at the city hall yesterday to find out when the suit of Hallet Kilbourn against him for damages was to be called. The trial has not as yet been set.

ACCEPTING A GRAND JUROR.

Judge Wylie yesterday accepted Mr. Andrew J. Hoskinson as a talesmen to fill the vacancy on the grand jury.

DIVORCE GRANTED.

Andrew J. Ensor was granted a decree of divorce yesterday by Judge James from Julia Ensor. The plaintiff sued on the grounds of desertion.

THE RECORD.

Court in General Term—Chief Justice Cartter, Justices Hagner and Cox.—Moses vs. Spalds; argued and submitted. Adjourned until to-day. Assignment 37½, 41, 57, 62, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75 and 76.

Circuit Court—Judge MacArthur.—Emery Coal Co. vs. Haskins, et al., verdict for plaintiff for $664.09. O'Day vs. Vansant; damages for plaintiff for 1 cent. Adjourned until to-day. Assignment, 81 to 99.

Equity Court—Judge James.—Pomer vs. Pomer; auditor's report confirmed. Washington and Mexican Mining company vs. Carrington; testimony ordered taken in fifty days. Lazenby vs. Lazenby; surrender of insurance policy ordered. Yeabower vs. Kengla; decree of June 7, 1882, modified. Byrne vs. Byrne; rule on defendant returnable May 28 granted. Shoemaker vs. Shoemaker; J. J. Johnson appointed guardian ad litem. Cocker vs. Ryan; writ of ne exeat against Guy H. Thompson ordered. In re W. H. Zepp, lunatic; investment of fund authorized. Marks vs. Main; leave to amend bill granted. Shoemaker vs. Shoemaker; sale ordered; C. H. Cragin, trustee, to sell. Ensor vs. Ensor; divorce a vin mat. granted. Jackson vs. Davis, administrator; testimony in this city and in Memphis, Tenn., ordered taken. Bayly vs. Bayly; decree of May 27, 1871, vacated as to lot 6, square 57. Adjourned until to-day.

Transfers of Real Estate.

The following transfers of real estate were filed for record yesterday:

Lot 29 of square 517, being 32¼ feet on the north side of H, at the intersection of Fifth street northwest, Bernard Bevens, surviving trustee, to Philip May, Francis Pratt, and John Ruppert, trustees; dated May 16; consideration, nominal.

Lots 29 and 31 of Fitch and others', subdivision of square 193, being 68 feet on the east side of Sixteenth, at the intersection of R street northwest; Wm. E. Chandler and Wm. A. Gordon to Wm. H. Barnard; dated April 14; consideration, nominal.

Lots 30 and 31 of above, Wm. H. Barnard and wife to Sarah E. Wilson; dated April 28; consideration, $6,875.

Northern 18 feet 8 inches of square 116, being on the south side of N, between Nineteenth and Twentieth streets northwest, Joseph R. Edson and James D. Clary to Emily H. Reed; dated May 21; consideration, nominal.

Lot 10, of Hopkins' subdivision of square 110, being 23 feet on the east side of Twentieth, between R and S streets northwest, Eugene Carusi and John P. O'Neill to William Barry; dated May 22; consideration, nominal.

Lot 12, of block 40, of the subdivision of the north ground of the Columbian university, Mary D. Biddle, trustee, to Sallie Peyton Ayres; dated May 7; consideration, $906.25.

Part of a tract of land called Petsworth, county of Washington, George W. Cochran, trustee, to Sidney Wills, of Southampton, England; dated May 22; consideration, $2,055.

Parts of lots A and B, of Coltman's subdivision of lot 2, and parts of lots of original lot 1, of square 371, being 28 feet on the north side of K street, near the intersection of Ninth and Massachusetts avenue northwest, David Frowble and wife, of Westminster, Md., to Margaret S. Gardner; dated May 16; consideration, $4,200.

Parts of original lots 4 and 5, of square 562, with improvements, being 20 feet on the north side of H, between Second and Third streets northwest, Samuel Fowler and wife to Johanna Connors; dated May 22; consideration, $1,000.

WHIMSICAL NOMENCLATURE.

The Funny Names of American Postoffices.

Globe-Democrat.

There are more than forty-three thousand postoffices in the United States, and the whimsicalities of the American people are nowhere more strongly illustrated than in their selection of names therefor. The southern and western states especially furnish many ridiculous instances of absurd mental freaks in this regard. The following names, taken from the "United States Official Postal Guide" for January, 1881, display at least a remarkable variety of taste:

In Alabama we find Blowhorn, Bucksnort, Gi, Gnatville, Hubbub, Quid Nunc, Rawhide, and Shinbone. In Arizona, Bumblebee, Snow Low, Tip Top, and Tombstone. In Arkansas, Oil Trough, Sub Rosa, and Tomahawk. In California, Bogas, Uncle Sam, Yankee Jim's, and Zem Zem. Colorado boasts of Greenhorn, O. Z., You Bet, and Troublesome. Baby Mine and Tenderfoot are in Dakota. Florida rejoices in Padlock, Scrub and Sopechoppy. Georgia has in her borders Alligators, Cheap, Clinchem, Crackling, Crane Eater, Dark Corner, Dirt Town, Doboy, Hot House, Iceberg, Persimmon, Pistol, Rook Pile and Ty Ty. Illinois turns out with Fish Hook, Half Day, Pre-emption, School and Zif. Indiana adorns the list with Bean Blossom, Bigfoot, Buckskin, Dice Nogo, Polk Patch, Pucker, Brash, Soonover, and Zulu. Odd, Unique, What Cheer, Yankee and Zero are in Iowa. Kansas furnishes Free Will, Haphazard, Og, Rattlesnake, Terrapin, and Zenith. Kentucky produces Eighty-eight, Seventy-six, Backbone, Marrowbone, Devlis-heel, Headquarters, Humpty, Jamboree, Nobob, Pig, Scrabble, Scufflctown, Sickaway, and Tiptop. Louisiana contributes Happy Jack and Jump. Pattagumpus is in Maine. T. B. and Gunpowder in Maryland. In Tennessee are A. B. C., Dabbs, Forty-eight, U. Bet, Zed, Zero, Skull Bone, and Calf-Killer. In Texas, Blowout, Gunsight, J. Bob, Jehoy, Jimtown, Nameless, Straddle, and Vox Populi. Pennsylvania donates Nine Points, Seven Points, Six Points, Seventy-six, Sabbath Rest, Scalp Level, and Shick-shinny. Nine Times and Ninety-six are in South Carolina; Seventy-six in Missouri, and Fourteen is in West Virginia. Dubbs, Rara Avis, and O. K. are in Mississippi; and Dakota and Michigan each have a Stump. Washington territory prides herself on Muck, Kumptaw, and Shookemchuch; Virginia on Chuckatuck, Non Intervention, Pen Hook, Skinquarter, Tan Yard, and Wolf Trap. Antiquity is in Ohio, Shoo Fly is in Iowa, also in North Carolina; Sleepy Eye is in Kentucky. None Such is in Michigan, Nix in Alabama, Last in North Carolina, and Last Chance in Iowa.

Tennessee blushingly produces Sweet Lips to be promptly saluted by a Buss from Manitou county, Mich. Fillmore county, Minn., boasts of its Clear Grit, while Bay county, Mich., shows a White Feather. Blue Eye, Clapper, Grease, Protem, Tribulation and Zig are in Missouri. Fair Chance is in Pennsylvania. Fair dealing is in Kentucky, but she finally pleads guilty to Trickum, and so does Georgia. New York and Indiana each have a Big Indian, while Nevada has nothing better than a Sheephead. North Carolina has a Day Book, a Hanging Dog, a Meat Camp, Old Hundred, Sandy Mush, Shoe Heel, Short Off, Tally Ho, and What Not. Ohio comes to the Rescue with Aid (also Gratis), and while her politics is republican, Democracy is the name of one of her postoffices in Knox county. Monday, Roundhead and Zuck also embellish Ohio's list. With the inordinate desire that characterizes Ohio to monopolize things, she points with pride to a postoffice named Sodom, which stands alone in its glory as the only one of that name in the forty-three thousand in the United States. Pee Pee and Wetmore are also in Ohio, and so are Round Bottom and Spanker. A Crusty Old Bachelor is in Missouri and a Blushing Maiden in North Carolina. Bachelor's Hall is in Virginia, and we find Widows in Alabama. South Carolina furnishes a bachelor's retreat in Ocopee county, but she equalizes things by establishing a Lady's Island in Beaufort county. Mamma is in Cumberland county, Tenn., close to Daddy's Creek, in the same county, while Bub is in Missouri, Sis is in Pennsylvania, her Gent in Texas, and a Horrid Boy in Campbell county, Tenn. Ohio has an entire Congress, of course, but the Speaker is in Michigan. Pennsylvania is well provided with rulers, having a President and the King of Prussia, to checkmate which Ohio and Mississippi each retain a Veto.

SHEBOYGAN, WIS.—Dr. S. B. Myers says: "I recommend Brown's Iron Bitters for general debility, loss of appetite, and want of strength."

A Story About Charles Wyndham.

Paris American Register's London Chat.

One day, before Charles Wyndham went to the United States, he was caught in a heavy shower in Portland place; he had no umbrella, and every cab that passed was engaged. He had a dinner appointment with a group of friends at the Grand hotel, and the hour had passed. What was to be done? The rain still came down with a tropic rush, and the wind blew a gale. He looked at his watch and saw he was quite half an hour behind time. At that moment a gentleman with a large umbrella passed leisurely by. A sudden inspiration seized Wyndham. He rushed out from his shelter, ensconced himself under the umbrella, shook the gentleman heartily by the hand, exclaiming in his genial way. "I'm glad to see you. I want to tell you about Miss Montmorency, of the Gaiety, who eternally talks of you." Without giving the stranger time to express his surprise, Wyndham rattled away with gossip and anecdote until he had gradually led his unknown companion to the door of the Grand hotel. Then he looked him full in the face, with an expression of well-acted astonishment, "I really beg your parden, my dear sir, I must have made a mistake. I took you for Shirley Brooks, of the *Sporting Times*. I'm wrong, am I not?" "You are, laconically replied the man with the ample Sangster. "For goodness sake," continued Wyndham; "don't repeat my conversation about La Montmorency. She's as beautiful as an angel, with the temper of a fury. She'd never forgive me. I must trust to your discretion as a man of the world. Goodby"—and Wyndham bolted into the hotel and told the adventure with embellishments to his waiting friends amid explosions of laughter. At last one remarked: "What's the matter with your scarf, it seems ruffled?" Wyndham placed his hand to his breast, glanced in the mirror, and found that his valuable pearl-and-diamond pin had vanished. Tableau! The man with the umbrella was a pickpocket. There was another explosion of laughter, but this time Wyndham did not join.

Mongolian Pity for Animals.

Among the Mongols.

Nowhere will you find less cruelty than in Mongolia. Not only do their cattle and flocks receive expressions of sympathy in suffering and such alleviation of pain as their owner knows how to give, but even the meanest creatures, insects and reptiles included, are treated with consideration. One of the best proofs of the habitual kindness of the Mongol is the tameness of the birds on the plateau. Crows perch themselves on the top of loaded camels and deliberately steal Chinamen's rusks and Mongol's mutton before the very eyes of the vociferating owners; hawks swoop down in the market place at Urga, and snatch eatables from the hands of the unwary, who simply accuse the thief of patricide and pass on; and swallows, year after year, build their nests and raise their young inside the very tents of the Mongols. A Mongolian's pity seems to flow out freely toward the suffering of all creatures, even the meanest and most vexatious. My bald headed camel driver was nearly driven to distraction one evening by a cloud of mosquitoes, which kept hovering over and alighting on his shining pate. During the night there came a touch of frost, and when we arose in the morning not an insent was on the wing. Looking at them as they clung benumbed to the sides of the tent he remarked, "The mosquitoes are frozen!" and then added in a tone of sincere sympathy, the Mongol phrase expressive of pity, "Hoarhe, hoarhe!" There was no sarcasm or hypocrisy about it.

NEVER put off until to-morrow that which should be done to-day. In other words, spend two minutes to-day and procure a membership in the United States Mutual Accident Association, 320 and 322 Broadway, New York, that you will not regret to-morrow. Send for circular and application blank.

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