WHEAT IS UP A CENT.

CHICAGO, April 11.—The trading in the speculative pits was not very animated. In wheat the big local operators were alternately buying and selling in a way to make it difficult to say upon which side they did the most. Wheat averaged firm, and was principally affected by the accumulating evidence that England and France required and were taking considerable quantities grown on the Atlantic slope. In some respects it was what the local operators call a Hutchinson market, the influential operator of that name both buying and selling in such quantities as to control the minor fluctuations. His purchases appeared to cause some alarm to Leopold Bloom, who started to buy some he had previously sold, and on the advance took 350,000 bu in one line from the veteran. The closing in wheat was at an advance of about 1c over yesterday's closing quotations. The government crop report was bearish, and early cables were easier. The opening price for May was about as it closed yesterday, and a good many selling orders were in the hands of brokers at the opening. Buyers, however, preponderated, and from around $1.03¾ and $1.03⅞ there was an almost immediate jump to $1.04. The advance was well maintained for the next two hours, with an occasional further gain of ⅛c. The news which came in during the time referred to was not of a disturbing character. The exports from both coasts for the week, as reported by Bradstreets, were 277,000 bushels more than those of the week preceding, and 850,000 bushels in excess of those of the corresponding week of last year. New York reported Liverpool houses selling wheat futures, and at the same time 10½ boatloads were worked there for export, besides 24 loads reported by William Dunn as having been worked at outside points to-day by him. A St. Louis dispatch advising 200,000 bushels loaded in barges there yesterday and to-day, and a further 100,000 bushels to go out next week, together with the strong market cabled from Paris, caused a sudden bulge in May to $1.04¾, and July, which started at $1.02½, and had been maintaining itself around $1.03¾, made a jump up to $1.03¾. The feeling was firm near the end, without much accession of activity. May, which sold as high as $1.04⅞, closed at $1.04⅝ bid, and July, which had touched $1.03⅜, closed at $1.03.

The weather was unfavorable to the grading of corn, and the demand for the day's receipts was such as to put cash corn to a premium of 1c over May delivery. Business was dull, and, notwithstanding the very strong feature just mentioned, the shorts did not show any particular alarm. The lowest price was made near the opening price. May started at 65c to 67¼c, sold as high as 67¾@67⅞c, and closed at 67½@67⅝c.

Parties who were short on July oats are becoming a little nervous in view of the lateness of the season. The sowing so far has been comparatively light, and, if the weather should continue unfavorable for the next ten days, there would be little chance of getting new oats on the market in time to fill contracts. The market was very tame, with prices confined within a narrow range.

The provision deal developed considerable firmness, and advances were secured in the face of a continued free movement of hogs. The confidence of the country in the future of the price of hog products is a pleasant contemplation for the packers and warehousemen, who are getting handsome carrying charges. The difference between May and July ribs at present represents a heavier rate for carrying than was paid during the monetary stringency of last year. May pork advanced 12½c, and July 7½c. Lard gained 2½@5c, and ribs 2½c.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

ARTICLES.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
No. 2 Wheat—				
April	1 03	1 04⅛	1 03	1 04
May	1 03¾	1 04⅞	1 03¾	1 04⅝
July	1 02½	1 03⅜	1 02½	1 03
No. 2 Corn—				
April	67¾	67¾	67	67½
May	67⅛	67¾	67	67½
July	64⅝	64⅝	64⅛	64½
No. 2 Oats—				
May	54¼	54⅝	54⅛	54½
June	53½	54	53½	54
July	51½	51¾	51⅜	51⅝
Mess Pork—				
May	12 50	12 62½	12 50	12 60
July	12 90	13 07½	12 90	13 00
September	13 35	13 55	13 35	13 45
Lard—				
May	6 72½	6 75	6 72½	6 75
July	7 02½	7 07½	7 00	7 05
September	7 32½	7 32½	7 30	7 30
Short Ribs—				
May	6 15	6 17½	6 15	6 15
July	6 47	6 55	6 47½	6 50
September	6 80	6 82½	6 77½	6 80

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Cash quotations were as follows: Flour—Firm and unchanged. Wheat—No. 2 spring, $1.04@1.04¾; No. 3 spring, 98c; No. 2 red, $1.04⅞@1.05¼. Corn—No. 2, 69c. Oats—No. 2, 55¾c; No. 2 white, 55¾@57c; No. 3 white, 54½@55¾c. Rye—No. 2, 86c. Barley—No. 2, nominal. No. 3, f. o. b., 72c@78c; No. 4, 70c@72c. Flaxseed—No. 1, $1.22. Timothy Seed—Prime, $1.27@1.26. Mess Pork—Per bbl, $12.50. Lard—Per 100 lbs, $6.62½@6.65. Short Ribs—Sides, loose, $6.40@6.4 1/2. Dry Salted Shoulders—Boxed, $5@5.10. Short Clear Sides—Boxed, $6.40@6.45. Whisky—Distillers' finished goods, per gal, $1.16. Sugars—Unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 84,000 bbls; wheat, 18,000 bu; corn, 86,000 bu; oats, 105,000 bu; rye, 2,000 bu; barley, 14,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 52,000 bbls; wheat, 14,000 bu; corn, 68,000 bu; oats, 107,000 bu; rye, 4,000 bu; barley, 9,000 bu. On the produce exchange today the butter market was steady and unchanged. Eggs, 12@13c.

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Milwaukee Produce.

MILWAUKEE, April 11.—Flour quiet. Wheat firm: No. 2 spring on track $1.02@1.04; No. 1 northern, $1.10. Corn firm: No. 3 on track, 68½c. Oats firm; No. 2 white on track, 56½@57c. Rye firm: No. 1 in store, 89c. Provisions quiet. Receipts—Flour, 8,300 bbls; wheat, 1,500 bu; barley, 9,800 bu. Shipments—Flour, 9,880 bbl; barley, 4,000 bu.

New York Produce.

NEW YORK, April 11.—Flour—Receipts, 34,105 pkgs; exports, 671 bbls, 25,062 sacks; firm, moderately active; sales, 20,150 bbls. Cornmeal steady, quiet; yellow Western, $3.30@3.65. Wheat—Receipts, 12,400 bu; exports, 24,763 bu; sales, 3,085,000 bu futures, 34,000 bu spot; spot market dull; No. 2 red, $1.16½@1.18 in elevator, $1.18⅜ afloat, $1.18⅝@1.20½ f. o. b.; No. 3 red, $1.12½@1.14; ungraded red, $1.03@1.18½; No. 1 northern, $1.21½; No. 1 hard, $1.22½. Options opened ⅛@⅜c lower on selling orders from the West, advanced ¼@⅝c on foreign buying, closing steady and unchanged to ⅛c up. No. 2 red May, $1.13⅝@$1.14, closing at $1.13⅝; June, $1.11⅝@1.11¾, closing at $1.11¾; July, $1.00¼@1.09⅜, closing at $1.09½; August closed at $1.05⅛; September, $1.08¾@1.04⅝, closing at $1.04⅝; December, $1.05¼@1.05⅝, closing at $1.05⅝; May, 1892, $1.08⅛@1.08⅝, closing at $1.08⅝. Rye quiet, steady. Barley firm, quiet; No. 2 Milwaukee, 84@86c; ungraded Western, 80@99c; Canada, 88@92. Barley malt dull; Canada, country-made, $1@1.05. Corn—Receipts, 25,350 bu; exports, 3,000 bu; sales, 236,000 bu futures, 43,000 bu spot; spot market firmer, quiet; No. 2, 77½@78c elevator, 79c afloat; ungraded mixed, 77@80cc; steamer mixed 77½@79c; options, ⅛@½c higher on cold weather west, trading dull, May, 73 11-16@73½c, closing 74¼c; July, 70½@70¾c, closing 70¾c, closing 70⅜c. Oats—Receipts, 59,000 bu; exports, 673 bu; sales, 45,000 bu futures; 82,000 bu spot; spots less active, weaker; options quiet, firmer May, blank, closing 50¾c; June, closing 50¼c; July, 58-8@58⅝c, closing 58⅜c; spot, No. 2 white, 60¾@60⅞c; mixed Western, 57@62c; white Western, 60@66c; No. 2 Chicago, 60¼c. Hay quiet firm; shipping 45c; good to choice, 58@75c. Hops firm, quiet; state common to choice, 24@31c; Pacific coast, 24@32c. Coffee—Options opened steady, five down to ten up; closed dull, unchanged to 5 points up; sales, 4,500 bags, including May, 17.15c; July, 16.75@16.80c; September, 15.95c; December, 14.65c; spot Rio quiet, steady; fair cargoes, 20c; No. 7, 18c. Sugar—Raw firm, quiet; refined firm, active. Molasses—Foreign firm; 50 test in hhds, 13½c; in tanks, 12½c. New Orleans active, firm; common to fancy, 25@85c. Rice—Fair demand, firm; domestic fair to extra, 5@6¾c; Japan, 6@6¼c. Petroleum quiet, steady; crude in barrels, parkers, $6.85; in bulk, $4.30; refined New York, $5.50@7.20; Philadelphia and Baltimore, $6.85@7.15; Philadelphia and Baltimore in bulk, $4.00@4.65. Cottonseed oil steady, quiet; crude off grade, 24@27c; yellow off grade, 31@32½c. Tallow firm, quiet; city ($2 for packages) 5 1-16c. Rosin scarce, firm; strained common to good, $1.65@1.70. Turpentine quiet, steady, 40½@41c. Eggs quiet, steady; Western 15c. Hides quiet, firm; wet salted, New Orleans selected, 47@75 lbs, 6@8c; Texas selected, 50@90 lbs, 6@8c. Pork firm, quiet; old mess, $12@12.50; new mess, $13.50@14; extra prime, $11.75@12.25. Cut meats firm, quiet; pickled bellies, 6¼c; shoulders, 5¼c; hams, 9½c; middles dull, firm; short clear, $6.90. Lard dull; opened weak, closed firm; Western steam, $6.90; options, sales, 500 tierces; May, $6.90, closing at $6.92@6.93; June, $7.07; July, $7.25, closing at $7.23; August, $7.37; September, $7.50. Butter—Fair demand, steady; Western dairy, 12@22c; creamery, 21@27c; factory do, 12@23c; Elgin, 27c. Cheese fairly active, firm; skims, 6½@10c; Ohio flats, 8½@11½c. Pig iron quiet; American, $16@17.

Liverpool Grain.

LIVERPOOL, April 11.—Wheat steady; holders offer spring wheat, California No. 1, 8s 6d per cental; Kansas winter, 8s 4d per cental. Corn firm, demand good; mixed Western, 6s 1¾d per cental.

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FINANCIAL.

New York.

NEW YORK, April 11.—Money on call easy, with no loans, closing offered at 3 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5@7. Sterling exchange quiet and steady at $4.86¼ for sixty day bills and $4.88½ for demand. The total sales of stocks to-day were 125,498 shares, including Atchison, 7,155; Lackawanna, 1,620; Erie, 2,950; Louisville & Nashville, 4,810; Missouri Pacific, 920; Northern Pacific, 3,598; St. Paul, 19,710; Union Pacific, 8,995; Western Union, 385. The stock market was nothing more than the closing up of an active week, and the trading was comparatively small, while a drooping tendency marked the general list, while the bears were once more active and aggressive against the few stocks which they found vulnerable after the material advances of the week. There was a marked lack of interest in the dealings on the part of the bulls, and for the time being the market seemed to have gone back to its former condition, but the operations of the bearish contingent gave it tone and character. The opening was steady and quiet, but the trading element was disposed to discount an unfavorable bank statement, relying on the heavy exports of gold and the estimated loss by the interior movement which should have been in the neighborhood of $700,000. The pressure to sell, however, was confined almost exclusively to the industrials and grangers, and Chicago Gas, Sugar, Burlington, Rock Island and Missouri Pacific in particular. The first two stocks were rattled off rapidly in the early dealings, Chicago Gas closing 1¾ and Sugar 1⅛ per cent, while Rock Island, with a loss of 1⅛, was the only other stock which declined more than 1 per cent. The bank statement was considered rather favorable with its insignificant loss in reserve, and with its issue was developed a desire to recoup the sales of the early dealings, which resulted in a partial recovery of the former losses. The general list presented no feature of interest throughout the entire session and the inactive stocks were comparatively neglected. The market finally closed quiet and firm at the recovery. The final changes show losses of fractional amounts in general, Chicago Gas being the only exception with a loss of 1 per cent. Railroad bonds were quite dull, the trading in all issues only reaching $471,000, out of which the Atchison incomes furnished $131,000. The market sympathized to a limited extent with the heaviness in stocks, but no material movement took place, and the final quotations show as a rule only slight differences from last previous sales. Government bonds have been dull and heavy. State bonds have been dull and steady.

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STOCKS—CLOSING PRICES.
NEW YORK, April 10.—

Adams Express	145	*Nor. & W. pfd	53
Alton & Terre H.	33	Northwestern	107⅜
do pfd	95	do pfd	134¼
Am. Express	118	N. Y. Central	103
B., C. R. & N.	20	N. Y., C. & St. L.	13½
Canad'n Pacific	79⅜	do pfd	67
Can. Southern	51	Ohio & Miss	17¾
Central Pacific	29¾	do pfd	85
Ches. & Ohio	18	Ontario & West'n	17⅜
do 1st pfd	53¼	Oregon Improv't	28
do 2d pfd	32¼	Oregon Nav	76
Chi. & Alton	124	North American	17¼
C., B. & Q.	85⅞	Pacific Mail	38
Del. & Hudson	134	P., D. & E.	30½
D., L. & W.	136½	Pittsburg	150½
D. & R. G.	17½	Pullman P. Car	193
East Tennessee	18	Reading	32¾
do 1st pfd	55	Rock Island	73⅜
do 2d pfd	16	St. L. & S. F. 1st pfd.	69¾
Erie	19⅝	St. Paul	59⅞
do pfd	52	do pfd	112
Fort Wayne	150	St. P., M. & M	108
Hocking Valley	24¾	St. P. & Omaha	25¾
Houston & Tex.	3½	do pfd	84
Illinois Central	98	Tenn. C. & I.	26¾
Kansas & Texas	12⅜	Texas Pacific	13⅞
Lake Erie & W.	14	Tol. & O. C. pfd	82
do pfd	57¾	Union Pacific	47½
Lake Shore	111½	U. S. Express	67½
Louisville & N.	77⅜	Wab., St. L. & P.	9¾
Louis. & N. A.	24	do pfd	18⅞
Memphis & C.	31	Wells-Fargo Ex.	140
Mich. Central	92½	Western Union	81½
M., L. S. & W.	73	Am. Cotton Oil	22¾
do pfd	109	Colorado Coal	36¾
Mpls. & St. Louis	4	Homestake	9
do pfd	9¼	Iron Silver	100
Mo. Pacific	70	Ontario	38½
Mobile & Ohio	42½	Quicksilver	6
Nash. & Chatt.	92	do pfd	38
N. J. Central	117¾	Sutro	6
Northern Pacific	26¾	Bulwer	40
do pfd	69½	R. & W. P. Ter.	17⅜

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BONDS—CLOSING PRICES.

U. S. reg	122	Mut. Union 6s	105
do 4s coup	122	N. J. C. int. ctfs.	111
do 4½s reg	101¾	N. Pacific 1sts	116¾
do 4½s coup	101¾	*do 2ds	111½
Pacific 6s of '95	112	N. W. consols	138½
La. stamped 4s	91½	do deb. 5s	107
Tenn. new set. 6s	102½	S. L. & I. M. G. 5s	85
do do 5s	101½	St. L. & S. F. G. M.	104
do do 3s	71⅝	St. Paul consols	124
Can. South'n 2ds	96⅜	St. P. C. & P. 1sts	117
Cen. Pac. 1sts	107	T. P. L. G. T. R.	88
D. & R. G. 1sts	119	T. P. R. G. T. R.	31⅜
do do 4s	83¼	Union Pac. 1sts	108⅜
Erie 2ds	100	West Shore	103
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Chicago Money.

CHICAGO, April 11.—Bank clearings were $13,415,000. Money was easy at 5½@6 per cent. New York exchange was steady at par. Sterling exchange was steady at $4.86 for 60-day bills, and $4.88½ for sight drafts.

MINING STOCKS.

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Alta	$1 00	Ophir	$6 12½
Bulwer	40	Potosi	4 00
Best & Belcher	6 87½	Savage	2 70
Bodie Con	1 20	Sierra Nevada	3 30
Chollar	2 75	Union Con	3 85
Con. Cal. & Va.	12 87½	Utah	1 15
Crown Point	2 35	Yellow Jacket	2 70
Gould & Curry	3 20	Commonwealth	55
Hale & Norcross	2 10	Belle Isle	60
Mexican	4 00	North B. Isle	85
Mono	60		

MINNEAPOLIS MARKETS.

Chamber of Commerce.

There was a little firming in the markets, followed by moderate fluctuations. Many in the scalping line bought puts Friday for a break yesterday that did not reach far enough down to be profitable. Cables were weak, so far as they applied to English markets, but French cables were stronger. New York was said to be selling in Chicago, but the latter had more firmness than was expected. Bradstreet's made the export clearances from both coasts 2,934,000 bu for the week, against 2,095,000 bu last year. The world's available supply of wheat was given at 99,866,000 bu, against 90,855,000 bu last year. The government report on European crops for April shows that in France the conditions are that yield of wheat will be from 25 to 30 per cent less than last year, in Holland and Belgium the condition of crops about the same as in France. Winter has worked serious damage, and in all parts fields have an unhealthy appearance. In Germany, the situation is the same as on the first of March, fair only. Austria-Hungary reports continue favorable. In Spain abundant rains have revived crops, nevertheless there is no expectation of average crop. Russia reports contradictory and meager but on the whole unfavorable to an average crop. Closing: No. 1 hard, April and on track, $1.06; No. 1 northern, April, $1.02¼; May, $1.02½@1.02⅝; July, $1.04⅝@1.04½.

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LIVE STOCK.

Union Stockyards.

Official receipts at South St. Paul: 229 hogs, 80 cattle, 1 calf, no sheep.

Hogs—Slow, but closing stronger. The offerings were common to medium, and brought $3.90 for 151 lbs average, and $4.65 for 205, 216 and 259 lbs average. Good demand in prospect for the first part of next week.

Cattle—Steady on good; others slow. Buyers of stockers and feeders holding off. Yards cleared at $2.25@3.50, except a load of yearlings at $3.50 per head.

Quotations—Good, fat, grain-fed steers, $4@5; good cows, $2.75@3.50; common to fair cows, $1@2.75; bulls, stags and oxen, $1.50@3.50; milch cows, $15@30; veal calves, $3@3.75; stockers, $2@2.70; feeders, $2.50@3.25; butcher steers, $2.75@4.

Sheep—Steady. Quotations—Muttons, $4@5.25; feeders, $4.75@4.50; stockers and common, $@4; mixed, $3.75@5; lambs, $4.50@5.

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Chicago.

CHICAGO, April 11.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,000; market at highest prices this week: steers, $4.85@6; stockers, $2.85@4.35; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.75@4.25. Hogs—Receipts, 15,000; market steady to lower; packers and shippers, $4@5.12½; skips and selected light, $1.75@5.20; prime packers and butcher weights, $5.15@5.35. Sheep—Receipts, 3,000; market firm; Westerns, $5.60@5.80; natives, $5@5.70; lambs, $5.50@4.55.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

Weekly Resume of the Money and Stock Markets of Europe.

LONDON, April 12.—Money was easy early in the week, but tightened on successive withdrawals of gold for Germany, amounting to £1,000,000, together with £200,000 going on Monday. The last Bank of England returns of diminished reserve, combined with the influx of bullion abroad, renders an early advance of the bank's rate exceedingly probable. Discount hardened during the week, and was quoted at 2½ for three months and 2 for short. On the stock exchange there was more activity, and there was a higher range of prices in every department. The stocks shown in the settlement just closed assisted in strengthening quotations, and good advices from other bourses and the decided symptoms of a revival in New York helped to give a sense of general buoyancy. Special causes continue to affect South American issues. Argentines, though they recovered from the scare over the decree suspending the payment of deposits in the national and provincial banks, still show an average drop for the week of 2½. Chilian securities show a decline of 2¼. English railway securities were strong, and show an average of 1¼. American railway securities are notably reviving. The New York bull movement gave an instant impetus here. Operators have been waiting, ready to respond to any symptoms of a steady boom, and dealings both with the public and speculators have been considerable during the last few days, every kind being taken. Variations of the week in prices of American railway securities include the following: Increase—Atchison & Louisville and Nashville, 3½ each; Lake Shore and Union Pacific shares, 2½ each; Wabash, 1¾; Central Pacific shares, 1½; Denver & Rio Grande preferred, 1¼; Erie preferred, Sault Ste. Marie & Southwestern, New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio first mortgage, and Mexican Central priority bonds, 1 each; Denver & Rio Grande common, New York, Ontario & Western, Northern Pacific and Ohio & Mississippi ordinary, ½ each; Erie, 1¼; Illinois Central, 1¾; St. Paul common, 5¾; Canadian railway securities were firm and in fair demand. Grand Trunk first preferences gained 3 on the second, 1½ on the third and third preferences 2. The securities of the Mexican railway were irregular, second closing ¾ lower for the week. The miscellaneous securities Guinness gained 3½ on the week, while Allsopps lost 1½, nitrates ½, Eastmans ¼ and Rio Tintos ⅛. There were issued during the week securities of the Servian Bacon-Curing company. The organization was formed to work the monopoly, secured for fifteen years, of the whole Servian exportation of cured hog products, and is preparing hog products on the American system. The direct United States Cable company announces a dividend of 3½ per cent.

PARIS, April 12.—On the bourse during the week business was quiet and prices were firm. Three per cent rentes show a week's rise of ten centimes. Bank of France shares rose 60 francs owing to the good report on the position of the bank and the increase of gold deposits. Rio Tinto lost 6¼ francs and Panama Canal 1½ francs. The new Russian loan at 3 per cent—450,000,000 francs—will be issued at the end of this month by the Rothschilds.

BERLIN, April 12.—Business on the boerse during the week was limited, yet there was a tendency to firmness. The final quotations include the following: Russian fours, 105.60; Deutsch bank, 155.75; Mexican sixes, 90.40; roubles, 241.25; Bochumer, 127; short exchange on London, 20.36; long exchange on London, 20.35¾; private discount, 2¾. As to the importation of coal from Wales and America, the steamship companies whose steamers are each now taking 15,000 tons aboard at New York, Baltimore and Philadelphia plead that coal in Westphalia and Silesia is held at exorbitant rates. The coal owners respond that this is due to the exactness of the miners. If it were not for the fact that manufacturers, railways and other concerns are accumulating stocks of coal in fear of a general strike, the coal owners would be forced to lower the rates.

FRANKFORT, April 12.—During the week past there was little doing on the boerse. Prices were weak, but closed firmer yesterday after the receipt of the Austrian emperor's speech on opening the reichsrath. The closing prices of yesterday include: Hungarian gold rentes, 92.30; Italian fives, 94.40; Russian fours, 99.60; Spanish fours, 76.30; short exchange on London, 20.35; private discount, 2⅞.

HAD HER IMPRISONED.

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CHICAGO, April 11.—A sensational suit for $25,000 damages for false imprisonment was begun in the superior court to-day by Miss Annie D. Munson, a well-known South side society girl, against George W. Little and his wife Jane, and their sons, George W. Little Jr. and Albert E. Little. Miss Munson is a daughter of Frank Munson, who is connected with the government printing office in Washington. In her bill she says she was engaged to be married to George W. Little, but that they became estranged. On the evening of March 3, she alleges, the Little brothers came to her place of residence, in the absence of her brother, and forcibly removed her to the Detention hospital, where they caused her to be incarcerated as insane, whereas, in fact, she was perfectly sane. The other side of the story is to the effect that the brothers believed her insane, and, finding her alone in the house, thought it best for her own safety that she be taken away and cared for.

They Are Starving.

HALIFAX, April 11.—A dispatch from King's Cove says that 200 families are in a condition of actual starvation.

THE LONDON THEATERS.

"Maid Marion" Scores a Success at the Prince of Wales.

LONDON, April 11.—The Easter season has proved to be one of great prosperity for the London theaters. They are nearly all playing to big business.

Tt the Gaiety theater and at the Opera Comique there has been a decidedly phenomenal success scored by Manager Edwards' burlesque companies in burlesques of "Carmen" and "Joan of Arc."

The fashionable event of the week, of course, was the opening of the opera season at Covent Garden, where Manager Augustus Harris is producing everything in the most lavish and brilliant style.

The visit of Emperor William of Germany to England will be made the occasion for a gorgeous opera night which, it is announced, will surpass in detail and display the famous operatic fete which, in the operatic world, signalized the visit of the Shah of Persia to London. The operatic festival, being prepared in honor of the young kaiser, will consist of excerpts from three of Wagner's most popular operas, with Jean Dereske and Albani in the leading roles.

The weekly newspapers of this city thoroughly endorse the encomiums passed upon Miss Eames, the American singer, who has been engaged, together with Maurel, by Mr. Harris, for the parts of Yazdehara and Buddha, respectively, in a scenic oratorio by Isidore Delara, and founded upon Sir Edwin Arnold's "Light of Asia." In addition to Miss Eames, a long list of American actresses is now appearing at the London theaters. This provokes jealous comment from a certain portion of the English press.

The concert hall is shortly to lose the presence of Miss Josephine Simon, who is to be married April 21 to Edward Hudson Bayley, a Gladstone Liberal. The Princess Christian will attend the farewell concert of Miss Simon April 15 under the patronage of Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone, the Marchioness of Tweeddale and Justice and Lady Jeune.

The annual performances of burlesque comedies given by the Brigade of Guards Burlesque company are as brilliant and ambitious as ever. The performances are crowded nightly with the leaders of London society eager to see the acting of the well-known "mashers" of the crack English regiments. The subject of the burlesque this year is "Robinson Crusoe."

"L'Enfant Prodigue" replaces Reginald De Koven's "Maid Marion" at the Prince of Wales theater Wednesday next. The Pall Mall Gazette, referring to the young American's work, says that "Maid Marion" has drawn excellent houses since the day of its production, and attributes the fact of its withdrawal to the enormous salary list of the opera, which prevents its financial success. As a matter of fact, Horace Sedger, the lessee and manager of the Prince of Wales theater, had arranged the dates for the production of "L'Enfant Prodigue" before the production of De Koven's opera, and he was not able to alter them. "Maid Marion" will be sent on a tour of the provinces soon.

Miss Emma Eames, the young American prima donna, appeared in the opera of "Lohengrin," which was produced by the Royal Italian Opera company in the Covent Garden theater to-night. Miss Eames scored a great success and fully confirmed the high opinions which had been formed in regard to her talents.

ASSAULTED LITTLE BOYS.

Warrant for the Arrest of a Distinguished Irishman.

BELFAST, April 11.—A warrant was recently issued in this city for the arrest of Edward de Cobain, member of parliament for East Belfast, on the charge of having repeatedly committed indecent assaults on boys. Mr. de Cobain succeeded in making his escape, however, and disappeared from the country, going, it is believed, to Spain. To-day another warrant for his arrest was granted, and efforts will be made to take him into custody as soon as possible. The accused man is a prominent member of the Orange institution, being deputy grand master for Ireland, and is the son of a Wesleyan minister. He is about fifty-one years of age, and has been a member of the house of commons since 1885.

Around the World.

LONDON, April 11.—The steamer Empress of Japan, of the Canadian Pacific Railway company's new line of steamships, which is to connect with that railroad and ply between Vancouver, B. C., and Japan, left Liverpool at 1 o'clock this afternoon on her trip around the world, which she will complete before going into regular service. Every cabin was taken. An opportunity will be afforded the passengers who sail from Liverpool to visit the ruins of Pompeii and Mount Vesuvius. The third and last ship of the same line, the Empress of China, will leave Liverpool on a similar voyage about June 15.

Assisting Emigrants.

ROME, April 11.—Herr Cahensly, a member of the Center party in the Prussian diet, arrived in this city to-day. His visit to Rome is for the purpose of presenting proposals to the Vatican to the effect that it assist German and other emigrants who intend to find a home in America. The matter will be referred to the Societas de Propaganda Fide, an organization charged with the management of the Roman Catholic missions. This society will examine into the matter and will issue a report thereon.

Two Members Dead.

LONDON, April 11.—The death of two members of parliament was announced to-day. One of them is Thomas Keay Taplinz, a Conservative, who represented South Leicestershire. He was head of the firm of Tapling & Co., wholesale carpet and Manchester warehousemen. The other deceased member is Col. Charles Joseph Theophilus Hambro, also a Conservative, who sat for South Dorset. He was a magistrate, and was prominent in Free Masonry.

Bound to Peace.

DUBLIN, April 11.—At the trial to-day of the Parnellites who were charged with having disturbed a McCarthyite meeting, three priests, who were among the large number of persons arrested at Carrick-on-Shannon yesterday for refusing to appear as crown witnesses, were compelled to go on the witness stand. Two of the prisoners affirmed their innocence, but pleaded guilty in order to free the priests, and were bound to keep the peace for one year. The other prisoner was discharged.

Sixty-Four Still Missing.

LONDON, April 11.—It was announced to-day that up to date there had been recovered the bodies of 451 of the passengers of the British steamer Utopia, which, on March 17, while on a voyage from Italian ports to New York with 700 Italian emigrants on board, ran into the bow of the British ironclad Rodney, lying at anchor in Gibraltar bay, and sank soon afterward. There are still sixty-four victims of the disaster to be accounted for.

Mexican Crisis Approaching.

CITY OF MEXICO, April 11.—A bill before congress calls for seven cabinet ministers, to be called foreign affairs, interior, justice and public instruction, formento, communication and public works, finance, public credit, and war and marine. There are many rumors of cabinet changes. It is believed the present secretaries of war and justice will be changed, giving the president right to make four new cabinet appointments.

This Is Momentous.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—While not altogether settled it is more than likely that the presidential party, to make a tour of the South and West will consist of the following-named persons: The president and Mrs. Harrison; Mrs. McKee, Mrs. Dimmick, Postmaster General Wanamaker, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Harrison, Private Secretary Halford, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Boyd, E. F. Tibbett, the president's stenographer and representatives of the press associations.

CARTER PROMISES WELL.

The Little Montanian the Friend of the Settler.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—Commissioner Carter, of the general land office, is making a special effort to materially expedite the work of the local land offices throughout the country. This is being done with a view to a speedy disposition of all cases within the jurisdiction of the land department which require only the action of the department to complete their final adjudication. Increased facilities are being given the local officers, and it is expected that by June 30 next, with possibly the exception of two offices, all such cases will have been sent to the general land office for final determination. A very large number of cases now on file come within the provisions of recent legislation by congress, and these will be decided with all possible haste consistent with accuracy. Commissioner Carter has already taken steps to abolish many unnecessary and irksome requirements which have hitherto been imposed upon settlers under the public land office, and he intends to still further revise the practice of his office in this direction in the hope of assisting rather than thwarting honest settlers in securing for themselves homes. While the letter and the spirit of the laws will be rigidly enforced, no unjust or needless hindrances will be permitted to deprive the settler of his full rights under the laws.

DEMOCRATIC CLUBS.

Several of Them to Be Organized by Congressman Wilson.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—Hon. W. L. Wilson, of West Virginia, will leave Washington Monday on a tour of the West for the purpose of organizing Democratic clubs. His trip will extend to Tacoma, Wash., and will occupy several months. According to the official announcement, he goes as the representative of the National Association of Democratic clubs, which has perfected a plan of organization which has met with the approval of members of the national and congressional committees. The plan is now being put in operation successfully, and long before the campaign opens there will be a Democratic club in every voting precinct in the United States. Besides the vice president selected for each state, there will be a correspondent and organizer appointed for each county, and the whole will be directed from Washington, with the advice and co-operation of the several state, national and congressional committees.

NIECE OF GEN. JACKSON.

She Strikes Ben For Transportation to Norfolk.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—An elderly lady, Mrs. Col. Davidson, called at the White house this morning and met the president. Mrs. Davidson claims to be a niece of Gen. Jackson, and remarked to Col. Dinsmore that she had not entered the White house before since she was a girl back in the thirties. She stated that she was in needy circumstances, and had traveled all the way from Oregon City from charity contributions. Her destination is Norfolk, her old home. The president shook her cordially by the hand, and gave instructions to have transportation provided for her to Norfolk. Her husband was an officer in the Mexican war, and Col. Dinsmore inquired if she drew a pension. She said she did not, and did not know how to apply for one. The kind-hearted colonel then escorted her to an attorney's office, and an application was speedily prepared. During the recent floods in Oregon Mrs. Davidson's only son was drowned, and her property, amounting to some thousands, was destroyed.

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