TRYING TO SELL COLONELS

Dreyfuss and Pulliam of Louisville Out Skirmishing for a Buyer.

RECEIVE OFFER FROM HART OF CHICAGO

Louisville Men Leave for Pittsburg to Open Negotiations—Chicago Offer Was Not Satisfactory—Figures Kept Secret.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—President Barney Dreyfuss and Secretary Harry Pulliam of the Louisville Base Ball club today called on President Hart of the Chicago team and made an offer to sell the Louisville club to Chicago. President Hart refused to pay the sum asked, but made the visitors an offer. The meeting was secret and neither side was willing to say what were the figures named by either.

At 3 o'clock the Louisville men left for Pittsburg, where the negotiations will be resumed for some sort of a deal between Louisville and Pittsburg, which may result in the consolidation of the strong players in a team that will represent Pittsburg.

Concerning his offer President Hart said: "I need only say the sum I offered for the Louisville players was equal to the Louisville club's entire share of receipts at its home grounds last season. I offered also to make exchanges of players as well as a cash bonus. I am not much afraid of anyone making a bid in excess of my own, but my belief is that Dreyfuss expects to effect some sort of a deal with the Pittsburg club. If he does not do so, we may yet conclude a deal with him."

President Dreyfuss said:

"We are investigating to see what is the best thing that can be done. If we get a figure for our players that we regard as satisfactory we will sell and retire from the league. If we do not we will continue in the field. We have a young, hustling team that is sure to make a good showing in the race this year. But for the fact that it is so near the time for the expiration of the ten-year agreement we would not think of selling out, but as the circuit will be reorganized year after next anyhow we naturally feel that we must look ahead. We have considered disposing of our players because we have several star men that are sure to bring a big sum in the market. While Baltimore has some good players, we have more good men and naturally believe that we will get a good price if we feel it is to our interest to retire from the game."

President Hart will start for New York tomorrow.

RESULTS ON RUNNING TRACKS

Summaries of Events Pulled Off on the Leading Races Courses in the Country.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 7.—Five favorites were beaten in today's racing and the sixteen books had much the best of the day's business. The value of the improvements made to the track was again demonstrated in the first race, in which Sir Christopher clipped a quarter of a second off the track record for six furlongs. This makes the second record broken thus far, Pacemaker having made the one and one-eighth miles in 1:54 yesterday. The foul in the last race was palpable and occurred within a few lengths of the wire, Trebor forcing Kisme into the fence. Trebor was promptly disqualified and the race given to Kisme. The weather was clear and cool and the track fast. Results:

First race, six furlongs: Sir Christopher won, Merry Day second, Wiggins third. Time: 1:13.

Second race, one mile, selling: Sir Fitzhugh won, Ben Chance second, Russell R third. Time: 1:42.

Third race, one and one-quarter miles, selling: Lobengula won, Walkenshaw second, Admetus third. Time: 1:45.

Fourth race, one mile, handicap: Florizar won, Andes second, Virgie O third. Time: 1:41.

Fifth race, one mile, selling: Trebor finished first but was disqualified, Kisme won, Jimp second, Junaetta third. Time: 1:41¼.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—Weather clear and track fast. Results:

First race, six furlongs, selling: Hindoo Princess won, Heartless second, Red Cherry third. Time: 1:15.

Second race, five-eighths of a mile, selling: St. Cuthbert won, Valencienne second, Espirando third. Time: 1:00¼.

Third race, one and one-sixteenth miles, selling: Lothian won, Espionage second, Dare II third. Time: 1:49¾.

Fourth race, seven furlongs, purse: Flamora won, King Carnival second, Mianjou third. Time: 1:27½.

Fifth race, three-quarters of a mile, purse: Geyser won, Loving Cup second, Dr Nembula third. Time: 1:13.

Sixth race, one mile, handicap: Hohenzollern won, Merry Boy second, Napamax third. Time: 1:41½.

MILLER AND WALLER IN LEAD

Nearly Two Hundred Miles Ahead of Record Made When Continuous Riding Was the Rule.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—The leaders in the six-day bicycle race at Madison Square Garden tonight are nearly 200 miles ahead of the record made when individual scores and almost continuous riding were the rule. The fairest comparison which would be made between the old style riding as individuals and the new style of two riders alternating is that of the Miller-Waller combination made this week, as compared with the results obtained by Miller a year ago.

The Miller-Waller combination was 178 miles ahead of the record at 11 o'clock tonight. Miller held the old record himself, with 1,520 miles to his credit, under the old style of riding almost continuously. McEachern has developed a severe attack of tonsilitis and his physicians are watching him carefully. Aside from this he is riding strong and his team is regarded as a dangerous one to the leaders.

The score at 11 o'clock: Miller-Waller, 1,845; Maya-McEachern, 1,844.9; Gimm-Pierce, 1,844.9; Fischer-Chevalier, 1,844.5; Stevens-Turville, 1,844.3; Babcock-Stinson, 1,844.2; Schineer-Forster, 1,840.8. Individual scores: Walthour, 946.7; Aronson, 904; Pasataire, 598.2.

BOARD STANDS BY JUDGES.

Appeals Dismissed by American Trotting Association Appellate Board.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—The Board of Appeals of the American Trotting association before adjourning today gave out another list of decisions. Among them were:

Chestnut gelding Atmore, appeal from judges in 2:40 pace at Wapello, Ia., August 16, 1899; appeal dismissed and money ordered paid in accordance with decision of judges.

Chestnut mare Charlotte, appeal from decision of judges in 2:19 pace at Henry, Ill., August 12, 1899; appeal dismissed.

Fred Martin, Northfield, Minn., application for release from suspension denied.

P. Deverey, Faribault, Minn., and bay mare Minnehaha; application for release from suspension at Lake Geneva Driving club. Application denied.

In the case of the American Trotting association against J. A. Pierce, Auburn, and the bay horse Tim Spellinger, demand for identification, the evidence showed that Tim Spellinger was identical with the horse Tar Tartar, which had previously been expelled for fraudulent performances. Ordered that Pierce and the horse Tim Spellinger be expelled and the winnings of the horse at Springport and Flint, Mich., in August, 1899, be redistributed.

Bob Allen to Manage the Reds.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 7.—R. G. Allen today signed a contract with John T. Brush, owner of the Cincinnati base ball club, to manage that team for next season. Mr. Allen lives at Paulding, O., where he is connected with his brother in the banking business. He was shortstop for Philadelphia prior to 1897, when he went to Boston and assisted that club in winning the pennant that year. He has managed the Indianapolis team for the last two seasons.

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REVIEW TROTTING RACE APPEALS.

National Association Board Disposes of a Number of Western Cases.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—The Board of Review of the National Trotting association was in executive session today. Major P. P. Johnston of Lexington, president of the board, presided. Only four defendants appeared before the board in person, the great mass of material under consideration being in the form of affidavits for and against.

The following decisions were rendered:

J. D. Fox, Westgate, Ia., J. H. Wilson, Westgate, Ia., and the br. g. Commodore Dewey. Identification deemed sufficient.

Ordered, that the winnings at Audubon, Ia., September 6 and at Britt, Ia., September 13, 1899, be paid.

Ordered, that record of blk. h. Berry in the second heat of the 2:19 trotting class at Oskaloosa, Ia., September 28, 1899, be established as 2:27¼.

George Kavinnee, Princeton, Mo., and ro. h. Eben Dowell; application for release from suspension. Fine reduced to $25.

Asbery Singleton, Richland, Ia., against Mahaska County Fair association, Oskaloosa, Ia.; appeal from decision of judges at Oskaloosa, Ia., September 28, 1899. Appeal dismissed.

Asbery Singleton, Richland, Ia., against Mercer County Agricultural society, Aledo, Ill.; application for an order on the member at Aledo, Ill., to pay applicant first money in the race in which his horse was the only starter. Denied.

The board adjourned to meet on the first Tuesday in May, 1900.

NEBRASKANS BUY PURE BRED COWS

Kansas City Sale of Herefords Closes with Prices High.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 7.—The public sale of pure bred Hereford cattle from the herds of John Sparks, Reno, Nev.; James A. Funkhouser, Plattsburg, Mo., and Kirk R. Armour, Kansas City, closed today. 101 head having been sold for $34,095, an average per head of $344.50. This is the highest average for any recent cattle sale. The following are today's sales of over $500:

Queen Bess, cow, J. A. Funkhouser to R. A. Templeton, Tekamah, Neb., $525.

Saint Martha, cow, K. B. Armour to H. G. Clark, Craig, Neb., $515.

Roseclrop, imported cow, K. B. Armour to J. A. Funkhouser, $700.

Fairfaxon, bull, K. B. Armour to H. M. Satzler, Burlingame, Kan., $620.

Quarantine Lady, cow, K. B. Armour to W. S. and J. B. Icard, Henrietta, Tex., $555.

Montezuma, bull, K. B. Armour to J. L. Neill, St. Johns, Kan., $500.

Ellen, cow, J. A. Funkhouser to H. B. Watts & Son, Fayette, Mo., $500.

Shadeland Bean, bull, J. A. Funkhouser to Henry Ackley, Wellsville, Kan., $500.

Bernstein Wins Another Victory.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Joe Bernstein of New York, who so easily defeated Dave Wallace of England last week at the Broadway Athletic club, defeated Tony Moran at the Hercules Athletic club in Brooklyn tonight. Moran put up a good fight, although twice he looked like a "quitter." The bout lasted the limit of twenty-five rounds.

SOUTH OMAHA NEWS.

A large amount of routine business was transacted by the city council at an adjourned meeting held Thursday night. The official bond of Patrick J. King, accompanied by a certificate of election to the office of police judge, was filed and accepted. Judge King's bondsmen are George Parks and John Russell. D. J. Farrell, who was recently given the contract for laying wooden sidewalks until June 30, 1900, submitted his bond, which was approved. The sureties on this bond are William Ward and John Condon. George Dare's bond for the laying of the Q street sewer was approved, as was also the bond of Dan Hannon for the grading of the alley between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets and L and M.

John J. O'Rourke filed a claim for $500 damages on account of injuries sustained by driving into a washout in the road near the South Omaha brewery on the night of November 24. O'Rourke asserts that his rig and himself fell a distance of twenty-five feet.

Harry Wilson wants the city to pay him $1,500 for injuries received by reason of a defective sidewalk near Twentieth and M streets. Wilson alleges permanent injuries, but is willing to settle for the sum mentioned.

Petitions for arc street lights at Twenty-fifth and K streets, Thirteenth and O streets and Twenty-ninth and R streets were read and referred to the lighting committee. Property owners on the east side of Twenty-second street between O and Q petitioned for a sidewalk.

November reports of the various heads of departments were read and placed on file. An ordinance providing for the issuing of bonds to pay for the grading in district 41 was introduced and referred to the judiciary committee.

In a communication Mayor Ensor called the attention of the council to the filthy condition of Railroad avenue from O to Q streets. It is asserted that dirt to the depth of six inches covers the pavement on this street. The dangerous condition of Thirty-third street north of L street was mentioned. The packers use this street a great deal and desire to have it placed in a passable condition. The communication was referred to the street and alley committee. Attention was called by property owners to the holes and washouts in Missouri avenue and the request was made that repairs be commenced at once.

Two bids for the grading of Twenty-second street from N to O were submitted, the bidders being Dan Hannon and Cash Bros.

The contract was awarded to Cash Bros at a bid of 7 cents a cubic yard.

Two Policemen Suspended.

Police Officers Hydock and Stevens were suspended from duty last evening, pending the investigation of the loss of a package containing money. A night or two ago a man named Scott was arrested for being drunk and breaking a window at Redmond's saloon. When searched at the jail Scott had $18 in money and a purse with a combination lock. Jailer Hydock was unable to open the purse and as Scott declined to do so the pocketbook was placed in Scott's envelope along with other valuables taken from him. After being released from custody Scott made the statement that the combination lock purse had been opened and $80 in money abstracted. Assertions of this kind have made before and in order to clear up the mystery surrounding this purse the mayor decided to suspend both the day and night jailer until the matter is settled. In similar cases which have been brought to the attention of the public no action in the courts has ever been taken by those who made claims of having been robbed while incarcerated. Referring to this matter the mayor said last night:

"I am tired of having complaints of this kind and I propose to put a stop to them. These two officers have been indefinitely suspended and I will not reinstate them until they have proved their innocence. I talked with Scott and his attorney today and Scott admitted that he refused to open the purse in order that his money might be counted. This matter is going to be fully investigated, as I propose getting at the facts."

Continuing, his honor said that he was seriously considering the advisability of having the jailers placed under surety bonds in order to relieve him of responsibility in case such things occur in the future.

Gathering Evidence Against Garner.

Matt Garner is still locked in the steel cell at police headquarters awaiting the filing of a complaint by the county attorney. It is likely that Garner will be charged with highway robbery. During the day Frank Thompson, Twenty-fourth and K streets, called at the station and took a look at the prisoner. Thompson identified Garner as the man who was at his place Thanksgiving night in company with Cummings. It will be remembered that after the shooting of Cummings Garner ran to Thompson's saloon and requested that the police be notified that a fight was in progress up the street a short distance. Garner then disappeared. When questioned by the police Garner declined to talk, but it is understood that plenty of evidence against him has been secured by the officers working on the case. A young woman has been found who was closely associated with both Garner and Cummings and she is reported to have stated that several crimes were committed by the pair. The money obtained by stealing was generally spent for liquor.

Last evening Mayor Ensor had an interview with Garner and Garner admitted that he was with Cummings when the latter was shot. Garner, however, denied that Trumble was tackled for the purpose of robbery. He insists that Cummings thought Trumble was a man with whom he had had some trouble and jumped on him for the purpose of beating him. Garner said he got out of the way as soon after the shooting as possible because he had been in trouble before and did not want to be arrested or held as a witness.

Fineran Bound Over.

Timothy Fineran was tried in police court yesterday for holding up and robbing Gus Stevens on the morning of December 2. After the testimony was all in Judge Babcock bound Fineran over to the district court in the sum of $1,500. The taking of testimony occupied the entire time of the court yesterday. Assistant County Attorney Grossman, assisted by Attorney W. C. Lambert, conducted the examination of witnesses for the state while Patrick & Cohn looked after Fineran's interests. Stevens went on the stand and gave a detailed description of the holdup. He said that about 6 o'clock of the morning in question he was starting down the viaduct steps at Swift's when three men jumped on him and threw him down. While two of the men held his arms Fineran went through his pockets, taking his watch and money.

Stevens' testimony was very explicit and was not shaken to any extent by the cross-examination, Fineran's defense was an alibi but the judge seemed to prefer Stevens' statement to that of Fineran's friends and consequently bound the defendant over for further examination.

Enormous Shipment of Soap.

Saturday morning the Cudahy Packing company will start a record-breaking shipment of soap to Salt Lake City. The train will be made up of forty-five cars and will be gaily decorated. The shipment will be made over the Burlington road and W. B. Cheek, local live-stock agent for the Burlington, will accompany the train, which will make only daylight runs. This shipment will weigh 1,500,000 pounds and is worth $60,000. Twenty thousand cases are required to contain the 2,000,000 bars of soap.

Work at Brickyard Being Pushed.

About fifteen cars of material for the new brickyard at L and Boyd streets have arrived from Louisville and are being unloaded. A sidetrack from the Stock Yards Belt line has been laid to the brick company's property which greatly expedites the work of handling the machinery. Work has commenced on the steam dryer and the kilns, and with good weather it is hoped that the plant will be ready for the manufacture of brick shortly after January 1.

Railroads Repair Damage.

A day or two ago a loaded Burlington freight car was accidentally switched in such a manner that it crashed into the west end of the L street viaduct and damaged the structure to the amount of $50. Yesterday City Engineer Beal was notified that the Burlington people would proceed at once to repair the damage.

Magic City Gossip.

Mrs. A. A. Nixon is visiting relatives in Kansas.

C. C. Howe, Twenty-fourth and M streets, is quite sick.

A meeting of the Eastern Star will be held Saturday night.

Since January 1, 2,060,000 hogs have been received at the yards here.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Pinnell entertained the Home Circle club last night.

Joseph Vosacek, 369 South Twenty-third street, announces the birth of a son.

Some boys stole a number of pigeons from Paul Beuml, Twenty-fourth and J streets, Wednesday night.

W. E. Skinner, general agent of the Union Stock Yards company, Chicago, was a caller at the Exchange yesterday.

A meeting will be held this afternoon at the residence of Mrs. C. L. Talbot for the purpose of reorganizing the Library board.

The Kansas State Board of Agriculture estimates the yield of corn in the Sunflower state this year at 225,183,432 bushels.

It is understood that some extra trains will be added to the Sherman avenue line in order to accommodate the increasing travel.

All members of the First Christian church are requested to be present at the service Sunday, December 10, as matters of interest are to be considered.

The King's Daughters of the Presbyterian church will give a tea and fancy work sale at the home of Mrs. J. E. Crothers, Fifteenth and M streets, this afternoon.

CALLS GOD FOR PROTECTION

Prof. Dwyer, During Heated Religious Discussion at Butte, Drops Dead in Singular Manner.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 7.—Prof. Malachy Dwyer, an old resident of Butte, formerly of Ogdensburg, N. Y., during a heated religious discussion with J. S. Charlebois, the divine healer, attempted to strike the latter and Charlebois called on God to protect him and Dwyer dropped dead. The men were in the public library at the time.

Charlebois is from Helena and is editor of the Living Truth. During the discussion with Dwyer he made the statement that he had read the figures "666" marked on the forehead of the pope and Dwyer said they had an anti-Christ significance and called Charlebois a liar and made a rush for him with upraised hand to strike him. Charlebois says he stood up and called on God to protect him and before Dwyer could strike he dropped dead. Dwyer was 64 years old. The coroner's inquest this evening developed the fact that death was due to heart failure, produced by excitement.

Governor Grants Requisition.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 7.—Governor Murphy today granted requisition papers for the extradition of Dud Upshaw, wanted in Tom Green county, Texas, for the murder of J. N. Power, committed in September, 1885. Upshaw was arrested at Globe two weeks ago.

Missouri and Missourians.

Jefferson City is shipping acorns and walnuts to Germany.

Brunswick marketed 10,000 bushels of onions this season at 50 cents a bushel.

One hundred tons of cannel coal from the mine at Centreicwn, Cole county, have been exported to London.

The coal output of Missouri this year will be 4,000,000 tons and yet coal dealers are howling about a shortage.

Many persons are coming into the northern counties from Iowa and neighboring states inquiring for good farm lands.

A Jackson county man is living in a house that was built in 1835. He had it provided with a new roof last week and thinks it is good for sixty-five years more.

Mrs. Mary McLaughlin was sentenced to two years in state's prison at Springfield a few days ago. She is the first woman ever sent to the penitentiary from Greene county.

John A. Bailey, the London showman, who was in business with P. T. Barnum for a number of years, has made an offer to Ella Ewing, the Missouri giantess, to join his show in Europe.

Postmaster F. R. Miller is circulating a petition asking the government to establish from the Maysville postoffice a rural mail delivery route. The farmers of the Third district are well pleased in consequence.

Webb City voted to grant a franchise for twenty years to a local company to operate an electric light plant, but defeated a proposition to enter into a contract for ten years with the same company to light its streets.

HOW HE SOLD HOLCOMB OUT

Hitchcock's Deal for Delivering His Editorial Space to His Opponent.

PRICE IS SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS A DAY

Contract and Sworn Affidavit Detailing the Facts Are on Record in the District Court in Omaha.

The active campaign being waged to force Governor Poynter to appoint G. M. Hitchcock to the vacancy created by the death of Senator Hayward makes interesting reading matter of the files in a case brought in the heat of the campaign of 1894 under the title of Morrill against World Publishing Company and G. M. Hitchcock. The principal document is an affidavit subscribed and sworn to by L. D. Fowler, as follows:

Affidavit Tells the Story.

"State of Nebraska, County of Douglas, ss: L. D. Fowler being duly sworn says that he lives in Omaha and is acquainted with G. M. Hitchcock; affiant is cashier of the German Savings bank. On the 24th day of October, 1894, the republican state central committee put the sum of $750 in the said bank to be paid to the World Publishing company in installments as provided in the contract entered into before said committee and defendant; that said bank has paid the defendant under said contract the following sums: On October 25, $75; on October 26, $75; on October 27, $75; said payments were made to the cashier of the defendant company, who called upon him at the bank on each of said days for said sums; affiant says that said bank is still ready to pay such sums of money as calls for under said contract.

"Affiant says that on Friday, October 26, G. M. Hitchcock called upon him and told affiant that he (Hitchcock) was getting into great trouble over having entered into said contract and thereupon exhibited to affiant what purported to be telegrams from one William J. Bryan and other telegrams from other parties in the state of Nebraska. Said telegrams asked Hitchcock to suppress the publication of the matters furnished by the plaintiffs under said contract. Hitchcock then said: 'You folks will let me out of this all right, won't you?' To which affiant replied: 'No, indeed; we could not consider any proposition of this kind.'

"Later, the same day, affiant called upon said Hitchcock and at the latter's office the conversation concerning said contract was resumed. The affiant asked Hitchcock whether the latter was going to allow the pressure that was being brought to interfere with the carrying out of said contract, to which Hitchcock replied: 'No; when I entered into the contract I expected to have a considerable amount of criticism to meet and I am prepared to stand it.'"

The affidavit goes on to tell how Hitchcock was then threatening to break the contract and sets this up as a basis for the appeal for an injunction to prevent him from doing so.

Terms of the Contract.

The contract referred to is set out in the petition as follows:

This agreement is made between the World Publishing company and the Republican State Central committee of Nebraska as follows: The World-Herald agrees to sell to the Republican State Central committee two columns of space in the Daily and Sunday World-Herald, beginning October 25 and ending November 5, 1894, inclusive, for the sum of $750, the same to be deposited with the German Savings bank and to be paid to the World Publishing company as follows: Seventy-five each day upon the following named dates: October 25, 26, 27, 29, 30, 31, November 1, 2, 3 and 5. This advertising not to be taken until the German Savings bank shall certify that the money has been deposited subject to order paid to the World Publishing company as above set forth. The World Publishing company agrees that the two column space shall be located upon the editorial page, at least as often as four times each week and as much oftener as the exigencies of advertising shall permit. The Republican State Central committee agrees that the matter shall not be libelous and shall be confined to state politics.

Signed this 24th day of October, 1894.

World Publishing Company by G. M. Hitchcock, president.

Republican State Central Committee, by Chas. H. Morrill, chairman.

P. S. The space to be labeled as follows: "A chance to hear the other side. This space has been engaged by the Republican State Central committee. No new contract shall be entered into to deprive you of space on editorial page.

G. M. HITCHCOCK, President.

On this showing the court granted the prayer of the petition and Hitchcock's World-Herald continued to print on its editorial page through the remainder of the campaign the vilest abuse of Silas A. Holcomb and the populist party, on whose ticket he was then running for governor.

Endorsement of Hitchcock.

The Douglas county democracy held an unusually large and enthusiastic meeting at their club rooms last evening. The principal matter before the club was the resolutions adopted by the club endorsing Gilbert M. Hitchcock for United States senator. A committee of three, consisting of John E. Reagan, Joseph A. Connor and Louis Boehme, was appointed to present the resolutions to Governor Poynter next Monday, when he will be in Omaha.

SIDEWALK GOSSIP.

Miss Nancy Black—But ain't Jimmie McGinnis dead in luv wid hisself?

Miss Martha White—Yes, an' he ain't got no rivals, neither.

LANDSLIDE IN THE KLONDIKE.

Buzzsaw Bill—Where's your claim?

Alkali Ike—There it goes down the hill now.

IT WILL BE YEARS BUILDING.

Cathedral that When Completed Will Be the Largest in This Country.

Up on Morningside Heights, in New York, on the crest of a ridge commanding a view of buildings uncompromisingly modern, there is in process of construction a cathedral of the medieval time, reports the New York Herald. The great Cathedral of St. John the Divine, the largest ecclesiastical edifice in the United States, is now beyond the stage of foundations and of stone dressing. The cathedral churches of the Protestant Episcopal church, the Trinity cathedrals, the Christ church cathedrals, scattered all over the country, are chapels compared to the majestic pile which men are rearing on the heights which command the region of the Harlem.

The crypt of the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine is as large as many houses of worship accounted to be by no means small.

Many have looked admiringly at the tall arch which stands out against the sky line up there on Morningside. They have taken the measure of its great height and commented upon the magnitude of the work which is going on under the lee of St. Luke's hospital. The arch, the keystone of which was recently fitted in place, stands 140 feet high and has a span of eighty-six feet. It is insignificant compared with the cathedral which is being built. It is only a bit of interior construction, the beginning of the spire which will tower for 440 feet. The giant arch now seen is less than one-third the height the topmost finial will reach when this great temple of the Christian religion is completed.

By standing on top of the arch the best view may be obtained of the work which is going on within the inclosure which bounds the grounds of the cathedral. The photographer is able to make manifest the possibilities of the work.

The plans contemplate a building 520 feet long and 296 feet across at the widest point. The cathedral will be a cruciform church. The trustees expect to finish the choir and transepts in 1903, but it is probable that they will not make that much progress. The choir, which alone will cost $600,000, may be finished next year. The trustees do not expect, however, to carry the task on rapidly, for the diocese of New York, rich and influential as it is, cannot spare enough of ready money to prosecute the work of cathedral-building as though it were an ordinary structure.

Two decades from now workmen may be putting finishing touches here and there upon the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine. The ornamentation may be carried on through many years. It may be that the walls and the seven towers of the structure will be in place ten years from now, although it is extremely difficult to determine the amount of time required to complete such a work.

It is recorded that the wise man, taking thought on the building of a house, first counted the cost. It is impossible to estimate the amount of money required for such an edifice as this, as the prices for labor and materials are variable quantities. The cost of the cathedral will be $10,000,000, according to conservative estimates.

While the house is being built the spiritual life which is to abide in the splendid pile is developing. Services are carried on every week in the crypt, buried deep in the buttresses of stone. The primitive church worshipped in catacombs and finally reared stately temples. The life of the cathedral on Morningside Heights is developing the same way. Within a few years hundreds will be telling of the days when the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine was just begun and the faithful worshipped amid the piers of the giant arch.

This crypt, although it is covered with a wooden roof, is a place of worship which appeals to the aesthetic sense. It has six stained glass windows and the walls are hung with tapestries which were made for Pope Urban VII. It contains the Tiffany chapel, a veritable work of art.

ENGINE 1129'S SUICIDE.

Pumped Air in a Runaway Down a Mountain Until She Blew Up.

Mr. Henry Alquist, a prominent railroad man, relates in the Memphis Scimitar the story of a curious wreck, the facts in which he will vouch for.

"It is such a remarkable thing," says Mr. Alquist, "that I fear many will be inclined to brand it as 'pipe.' I have been railroading now for over twenty years and never in all my varied experience have I seen such a unique and complete wreck as the one I speak of—that of engine 1129 of the Rio Grande Western. Railroad men will tell you that locomotives seldom explode nowadays, but 1129 did, and in a very peculiar way.

"At the time this wreck occurred I was holding down the job of train dispatcher at Soldier Summit, Utah, and a tough old job it was. Never been there, I suppose? Well, Soldier Summit is a station on the top of one of the Wasatch divides, a bleak and lonely place where the Rio Grande Western has a roundhouse and a coal chute located. At the summit are long snow sheds covering the tracks. These sheds protect the line from the heavy snows which fall continually there in the winter. And it is only due to this method that a train ever gets over the mountain. On both sides of the mountain the line winds down in a succession of winding curves to lessen the grade. Running off from the railway are switches, which, diverging from the grade, run up into the hills and gradually come to a dead level. These switchbacks, as they are called, are so constructed that they can be thrown from any point on the grade. And if a train breaks in two while ascending the steep grade, the track can be switched on to one of these spurs, where it finally stops after it has run up the spur as far as the momentum attained in its descent will take it.

"All heavy trains have an extra locomotive before the grade is tackled. These are called helper engines and are kept in roundhouses at each side of the mountain with steam up.

"One night I got word from Clear Creek, a town in the Western valley, that the 9:20 freight would be thirty minutes late on account of having to pull out a crippled engine, 1129. It had burnt out its flues and had to be hauled to Grand Junction for repairs.

"That night about 10 o'clock, after I had passed down the Salt Lake express, I heard the freight coughing up the long grade from Clear Creek. There was a snow storm raging and the wind howled around the station like fury. When the overdue 9:20 pulled into the shelter of the big snow sheds on the windswept summit the first thing I asked was, 'Where's the dead engine?'

"'Behind the doghouse,' shouted the 'con,' but as I held my lamp above my head I failed to see it. I was just about to call his attention to it when, during a lull in the storm, we plainly heard the familiar rattle of the rails as the runaway engine flew at lightning speed down the mountain. No. 1129 had broken loose and was tearing down the grade to destruction.

"I jumped and pulled the lever which opened the spur switches. This I knew would prevent a smashup, as the engine would run up on the switch-back and come to a stop. But I was too late. Almost at the same instant I threw the lever a terrific explosion was heard from far down the mountain. The runaway had exploded."

"I thought you said a moment ago, Mr. Alquist," interrupted the Scimitar man, "that the locomotive was a 'dead one.' If it had no fire under its boiler how could it explode?"

"That was the only thing I couldn't understand myself," the railroad man replied. "I could easily see how the dead engine could break loose on that grade and I could understand not hearing its descent during such a howling blizzard, but the explosion floored me. The only theory which in any way solved the mystery was that the old kettle was blown up by compressed air. You see, when the engine broke loose from the freight and started down the mountain the pistons in the cylinders began to act as air compressors. During the rough trip up its throttle probably jarred open and, as the speed increased with every revolution of its drivers, its boiler soon filled with compressed air. It was not long before those flying pistons had worked up a pressure of nearly 500 pounds to the square inch, which came in faster than it could escape by the safety valve, and before the old machine reached Clear Creek its boiler let go."

SHASTA HAS A DANCING EGG.

California County Furnishes a Curiosity in the Insect Line.

Shasta county, California, is the land of wonders. They have a volcano out there that the natives brag about from infancy to the grave. They have copper mines that beat all creation and the inhabitants have even been known to boast of the size and ferocity of their fleas.

The latest is the dancing egg. It is laid by some as yet undetermined insect on the leaves of oak trees. Masses of these eggs cling to the underside of the leaf and as they advance toward maturity they drop to the ground and dance about like electrical automata. By holding an oak twig containing any number of eggs to one's ear a crackling sound may be heard like the spitting of electric sparks. The shell contains a tiny grub, working for release.

The curiosity is attracting a great deal of local attention. In many towns collections of the eggs are on exhibition. When laid on a table these eggs bound about and spring into the air, sometimes to a height of sixteen inches. They are particularly active in the early morning.

The theory is advanced that this embryonic parasite's presence in such abundance is probably due to the absence of its natural enemy, the commoner insect life, which long ago fell a victim to sulphur smoke and arsenical fumes. The latest insect novelty takes rank with the sulphur bug, which is at home in the redhot roister piles. This, at least, is the story told by the veracious inhabitants of Shasta county.

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The Isle of the Winds is essentially a story of adventure. Its hero, Phillip Stanfield, the younger, is kidnapped by his father, Phillip the elder, and carried from Scotland to the pirates' isle. Phillip the elder, a pirate captain, has murdered his father, Sir James Stanefield, and deserted his wife for Janet Mark, the shameless wife of Saul Mark, a gypsy sailor who is Stansfield's evil genius. Janet as accomplice in the murder of Sir James is sold into slavery into American plantations. Phillip Stansfield the elder also carries off his deserted wife and Janet's daughter, little Anna Mark. Both children have been adopted by Humphrey Spurway, a rich English cloth-merchant, living on the Stansfield estate. He loves young Phillip's mother, but has no hope of marrying her. Notwithstanding, he goes in search of the captives as soon as he discovers their fate.

After months on the pirates' isle they manage to escape from it by help of Ebora, a negro, and his mother, an Obeah woman. They find refuge in Porto Rico and there discover the sometime Janet Mark transformed into a great lady, wife of the Spanish governor general. She befriends them after a fashion, but cannot save Phillip from being taken back to the pirate isle. His father and Saul Mark, routed by other pirates, come to Porto Rico and persuade the governor general to send back an expedition to secure Morgan's treasure. The famous buccaneer has left it in boxes, stuck fast in a lake of burning pitch. No man could bring it out of the pitch and live, hence the plan to make young Phillip the bringer. It is frustrated by the discovery that the lake has become a volcano. Then the expedition plans to attack the pirate stronghold and loot it. Ebora, sent to spy, encourages the commander and leads him, full of confidence, to a night assault. The pirates offer no resistance; they cannot, since they are all hanging on trees; but English ships and English sailors rout the expedition utterly. Humphrey Spurway is with the warships in a vessel of his own. Then follow briefly the sack of San Juan, the death of Phillip Stansfield the elder and Saul Mark, the rescue of little Anna and young Phillip's mother, the voyage home, the recovery of the estates, and the general knitting of loose ends. From first to last the action is breathless and told with all the author's fire and force.

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