

"UNCLE RUFUS."

What He Thinks of the Speculation Craze and the Crops.

New York Graphic, June 15. "Anything new to-day, Mr. Hatch?" asked a Graphic reporter, as Uncle Rufus finished looking over the tape in his new Broadway office this morning.

"Nothing particularly startling just now," replied the veteran financier, "except that everybody is crazy. Insanity prevails from the bishop to the bootblack. Men, women and children are speculating in Wall street. The masses are going to lose, as they did in 1873. The last card has been played on the bull side, and that has been played by Windom. Look at the stock list. The new securities placed on the New York stock exchange within the last eighteen months amount to nearly \$2,000,000,000 or more than the national debt. Within eighteen months more we will have ten through trunk lines to the west, and only business enough for four. The sooner the stock exchange and the banks realize this the better it will be for them and their customers. I am fearing that many of our young brokers who are carrying these photographs, chromos, lithograph pictures, undiscovered railroads, and gift enterprises will suddenly go out of business if a halt is not called in time."

"This certainly looks startling," suggested the reporter. "Well, it's about the truth," rejoined Uncle Rufus. "Look at the crop outlook for instance. I don't think that we can harvest more than two-thirds or three-quarters of the crop of 1880 and 1879. The agricultural bureau at Washington has put winter wheat, on January 1st last, at 76 per cent, and spring wheat at 87 per cent, with a large decrease of average. We must have continued good harvest weather to give us a 75 per cent yield. All the information I get from the west leads me to believe it will be below 75 per cent. So far as the price of wheat is concerned, the news from Continental Europe is universally favorable; in some sections they will raise better crops than they have had in twenty years. England always buys, and will, in all probability, want her usual quantity. With poor crops here and a good harvest on the other side, it looks bad for us. It should be borne in mind that we have had extraordinary good crops in this country for three years past, while Europe for the same period has suffered with short crops. "As to the corn crop."

"It cannot be contradicted that our corn crop last year was 50,000,000 bushels short as compared to the crop in 1879. The winter of 1880 and 1881 commenced the first of November. It was what is known as a blizzard—the coldest and most severe winter that has ever been experienced in this country. One result was an unusual large consumption of corn on the farm and its immediate vicinity for feeding purposes. Then, again, large quantities were used for fuel, and in consequence it is fair to presume that from 25 to 35 per cent more corn was consumed in this way of the crop of 1880 than during any recent previous year. This does not include the hundred of thousands of acres of corn that were not gathered and rotted on the ground. The receipts of corn in Chicago from Jan. 1, 1880, to June 14, 1880, were 34,511,218 bushels, and the receipts from Jan. 1, 1881, to June 14, 1881, were 18,113,139 bushels. This shows a decrease of 16,398,088 bushels. The price of corn in Chicago now is three-quarters of a cent per pound, and the price of wheat is about two cents per bushel, so I looked for a large advance in corn even with good prospects until the next corn harvest. If anything should happen to the corn crop in the way of early frost, any farmer says he will have frost every month this year, you will sell corn at \$1 a bushel in New York before November next. The official report of the Agricultural Commissioner of Illinois estimates the wheat crop of that state at about half of what it was last year, and that was up to June 1. We have had since June 1 two weeks of the severest storms, tornadoes, and hurricanes throughout the great producing section ever known, which may have the effect to reduce the estimate. Taken all in all, it looks as if we were going to have short crops this year, which with a prosperous outlook across the water, makes it look bad."

TWO ROAD AGENTS. Their Remarkable Career Terminating as Federal Prisoners in the New York Penitentiary. William Mays and Henry Overholtz were brought to Auburn prison yesterday morning to serve life sentences. These men were road agents, and were sent to Auburn as United States convicts. The officers in charge left Boise City, Idaho, on the 3d of October, Utah, 250 miles away from the nearest railroad station. Before their departure from Ogden it was discovered that Mays had sawed his shackles in two different places. Everything passed along smoothly until Boone, Iowa, a place of about 3,000 inhabitants on the Chicago and Northwest road was reached. While the train was moving out of the depot Mays, who in some manner had picked the lock of his handcuffs, jumped out of the car window and put out the woods. The train was stopped, and a party started in pursuit. The country was scoured, and fifteen hours after the escape Mays was found secreted in a forest. Mays, like a stag at bay, turned upon his pursuers. In one hand he held an ugly-looking dirk knife, and in the other a quantity of cayenne pepper. He threatened to kill any one who approached, but when a score of revolution were leveled at his head he yielded. Mays had removed his shackles. He said he picked the lock to his handcuffs with a piece of wire. When the party returned with Mays they were obliged to force their way through a crowd of about 2,000 people, who had assembled in front of the village blacksmith's to witness the operation of ridding the boys to Mays's ankles. No further trouble was experienced on the trip. Mays and Overholtz were convicted about two years ago of robbing a stage and mail coach between Boise City and Kiltou,

and were sentenced to imprisonment for life in the Boise City Penitentiary. About one year ago Mays and Overholtz with five others escaped. A guard named White was disarmed, and taking his revolver, the party took to the hills. One of the fugitives was shot on the start. The other managed to elude pursuit for a month, but was finally recaptured. During this time they were for several days without food, and were frequently within a few feet of their pursuers. Mays afterwards bragged that he could at any time have killed his pursuers. Upon their return to the territorial prison they were each shackled to a ball weighing sixty pounds, which they carried up to the time of their transfer. It became evident that the Boise City penitentiary would not hold Mays and Overholtz, and an order was secured from the attorney general authorizing their removal from Auburn. Mays is a very tall man and is rather fine-looking. Overholtz, his companion, is a mild-mannered, smooth-faced young man about 22 years of age. Mays, in telling about the crime for which he and Overholtz were sent to prison, said: "We stopped the Fargo express, and got the treasure-box, but did not meddle with the mail, and did not get a nickel, and that is what makes me feel bad. We stopped the express in November, 1879, and in December were surrounded by soldiers and captured in Oregon, 300 miles away. We were convicted in January, 1880, and placed in the government prison at Boise City. The guards abused me, and I put up a job with Overholtz. He was in the outer cell, and a few others, to escape. We were working outside the prison. I held the guard and Overholtz took away his pistols. We had a fight, of course, and one of the prisoners was killed and we wounded two of the guards that tried to capture us. We escaped to the mountains, and finding a shanty with some tools we managed to cut off our fetters. In a month the soldiers recaptured us and put on the heavy shackles and a ball and chain weighing forty-five pounds."

A NEW CHARLEY ROSS.

A Connecticut Ship Master Tells a Strange Story—Hydrophobia On Board Ship.

Newrich (Conn.) Bulletin, June 18. News has been received of the safe arrival of Captain Nelson Huntley at Buenos Ayres after a passage of sixty-four days. The following will be of interest to a good many, and we will let the captain relate it in his own graphic style: "We had one boy on the passage out, who was taken with hydrophobia, and of all the temptuous ones that ever I experienced at sea that beat them all. For two days there was not a thing done on board the vessel except the steering, all hands being required to take care of him, and sometimes the united strength of four or five able men was insufficient to hold him, and we were obliged to lash him fore and aft. When the spasms were on him he was more powerful than a full-grown hurricane. He would howl like Uncle Jerry Bush's hound, only a thousand times more savagely; would bark, snarl, yell, froth at the mouth, and bite everything before him. The concentrated agony of a hundred ordinary death-beds would not equal the sum of that boy's suffering. We thought he was dying a dozen different times, and during a sane interval between the spasms he thought he was himself, and called for me, saying he had something to tell me, and now comes the furthest part of the yarn, for I cannot conceive of any one burdening his soul with such an outrageous lie at a time when he supposed himself to be drawing his last breath. He said he was Charlie Ross; said he remembered at the time he was taken away of crossing a ferry with a lady, and as the chain was let down and she was leaving the boat, thinking he was behind her, two young fellows that he knew by the name of George and Harry Stephenson, he thinks they were, by the name of George and Harry Stephenson, snatched him away in a crowd, and he remembered being taken on board a steamer and into a state room, where there was a man waiting for them. They played an accordion, showed him pictures, and gave him cake to eat, after which he fell asleep. They were some time on board the steamer and he remembered their landing at Hampton on the Panobcock. From there he was taken in a market wagon covered with blankets to a farm house in the country, where they remained through the night. The next day he was carried hidden in a load of hay to Frankfort and to the house of a man by the name of Butterfield, who kept a hay and grocery store. Here he said he was kept for some years, shut in a dark room at first, and never allowed to go out except for a ride sometimes of an evening with the hired man. I will say this much in favor of the boy's yarn that he has weak eyes, and although he is intelligent looking, and has nothing of the appearance of one born of ignorant parents, he can neither read nor write. He says books and papers were kept from him. He says his hair was long and curly, and they cut it off and rubbed something on his head every day to keep it from curling. Butterfield was very cruel to him and gave him the name of Pinkham, by which he has since been known. He finally ran away, and has since taken care of himself. Now, whether he knew himself to be lying, or was doing it unconsciously, I cannot tell. For money years, shut in a perfectly rational at the time, and was lying, as we supposed, at the point of death, and was so weak that he would only gasp out one or two sentences at a time. If there was any truth in it, and the boy was correct as to dates, there is one way that I think he might be identified by his parents. He said he was not certain as to names, but thinks it was George Stephenson—at least the name was George; that was setting out some flowers, being a sharp knife, and he engaged him by catching hold of the flowers so that George struck him, first with the knife on the wrist, and then struck at his breast, and as he put up his hand to ward off the blow the knife cut his hand between two of the fingers and struck his breast, and there was the source on his wrist and hand and his breast, and anyone that ever knew him could recognize him by them. He got well I have asked him about it, and he says he knows he is the original Charlie Ross, but he could tell me nothing more about it. I suppose he is lying, but I wish that his parents might know of it. He is so blessedly honest looking that I have given him as a conundrum which I cannot make out."

AN OHIO BNOCH ARDEN.

After Five Years Absence a Husband Turns Up and Visits His Remarried Wife.

Cleveland Leader. The prevention of a suicide yesterday morning, by some workmen engaged in a ship-yard along the old river bed, developed a story that resembles that of Enoch Arden, only in this case the fastest Enoch did not display the self-sacrificing disposition of the hero in the famous fiction, but acted much like a selfish, self-willed mortal, devoid of the gentleness that speaks the man. Something more than five years ago a young lady married a sailor named James Dyer, and lived with him some time. In 1876, or about there, Dyer embarked for a cruise in one of the Harvest Home, but soon afterwards the ad news came that the vessel was wrecked and many lives lost. Mrs. Dyer waited in vain for any tidings of her husband's safety, and she came to the belief that he had been drowned. Gradually the comforter, Time, healed the wound, and another sailor came seeking her hand, and promising to make her future life as happy as he knew how. His name is given as Wallace Andrews, and from all accounts he is a man among men, worthy to take unto himself a woman and cherish her as his helpmeet. The widow looked with favor upon Andrew's suit, and after a short courtship they were married. The two lived very happily together, no reason ever being given the former Mrs. Dyer to make the regret that she again changed her name. Andrews is also a sailor and is present on a trip. A few days ago a man came to the house where Mrs. Andrews is living and told her he was her husband and had come back to claim a husband's share in her affections. There was no doubt whatever about the matter, the newcomer proving himself clearly to be the long missing Dyer. He said he had long escaped a watery grave and had wandered about the country ever since, but, growing tired, desired to return to his wife and home seized him, and he had come. The poor woman was thunderstricken at the sight of her former lord and master, and told him he must go away. Whether the two had lived happily or otherwise before, the woman did not say, but it is fair to say that his long and willful absence was not indicative of over-powering affection. She wished him to go away and not disturb and break up her domestic happiness. She could never again be his wife, and she would rather he would leave. This he refused to do and attempted to argue the point with her. By threats and intimidation she says he remained with her several days in the relation of husband. Growing disgusted and tired with the annoyance, she packed up her things and had them shipped to Chicago, intending to follow them. Dyer learned of this, and she says, he followed the goods and had them shipped to Milwaukee in his own name. Then he came to her again and told her what he had done, saying she must go away with him to where the goods were shipped. She refused to do this and was angry for what he had done. As a result of state of mind, and being sick of life, she proceeded early yesterday morning, about 7:30 o'clock, to the river bed near the water works and deliberately jumped in, fully intending to find relief from her complication of difficulties in a watery grave. Some workmen in the ship yard near by baulked her in this, however, and she was taken out and conveyed to the residence of Mrs. Atkins, No. 38 Herman street, where she was revived, being almost drowned. A few minutes more would have finished her earthly career. When sufficiently recovered to talk, Officer Ruckman, of the Fourth precinct, talked to her, and to him she related the story as given above. She will probably recover, though, if her latest experience is any indication of the future, and her question with her friends whether success would not have been preferable.

A Happy Ending.

Mr. Theodore Stanton, son of the Hon. Henry B. Stanton, of New York, was married May 19, at the American legation in Paris, to Mlle. Marie Marguerite de Berry, of Paris. This union was preceded by a romantic courtship. In 1878, when in Paris seeing the Exposition, the happy honeymoon had long been engaged to the Journal des Debats, that a certain young lady had just taken a degree at the Sorbonne. Curious to investigate this example of French education, he addressed to the young lady a letter asking information on the subject. This gave rise to a correspondence, which continued for a few years, Mr. Stanton returning to America after the interchanges of the first letter without having made the acquaintance of his fair correspondent. In the autumn of 1880 he visited Paris again, and the young lady, fell in love, not with her, but with Mlle. de Berry, her friend from infancy, and her constant companion. Now it happened that these two girls had long before agreed to be married on the same day, and it also happened that Mr. Stanton's correspondence had long been engaged to the brother of his intended. So the double wedding was the result, and Mr. Stanton's old correspondent became his sister-in-law.

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PROPOSALS FOR SPRINKLING STREETS. Sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned until the 25th day of June 1881, at 12 o'clock noon for the sprinkling of Farnham street from 9th to 16th street, north, and south of each cross street to alley between 9th and 16th streets, and Douglas street between 12th and 16th street.

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NOTICE. To Builders and Contractors: Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Trustees of School District No. 1, of Council Bluffs, Nebraska, until 2 o'clock a. m. of the 25th day of June, A. D. 1881, for erecting a school house in the town of West Point, in said School District, during the present year, the name to be built and the material used in the construction thereof, to be in accordance with the plans and specifications thereon, on file with the Director of the Board of Trustees of said School District, and which plans and specifications may be seen at the furniture store of J. M. Stanton, Harriet, Henn and Mary Shillock, architects, in the city of Omaha, Neb.

NOTICE. J. M. Stanton (full name unknown) Harriet Henn and Mary Shillock, non-resident defendants will take notice that Milton Hendrix, of the county of Douglas, in the State of Nebraska, did on the 7th day of May, 1881, file his petition in the District Court of the State of Nebraska, within and for the said county of Douglas, against the said J. M. Stanton, Harriet Henn and Mary Shillock, impleaded with George Milla, Maggie McCormick, Josiah S. McCormick, Matthew T. Patrick and John N. Hendrix, defendants, setting forth that by virtue of a deed issued by the treasurer of said county, he has an absolute title to the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section nine, (9) township fifteen (15), range thirteen (13) e., in said Douglas county; that you and each of said defendants claim to have some interest in said land, and praying that he may be adjudged to have an indefeasible title to said premises; but that if his title should be held invalid, he may be decreed to have a lien on said land, that it may be sold to satisfy the same, and that you and each of you be forever debarred from setting up or asserting any right or claim therein. And the said J. M. Stanton, Harriet, Henn and Mary Shillock are hereby notified that they are required to appear and answer said petition on or before the first day of August, 1881.

NOTICE. By CLARKSON & HUNT, its attorneys. Dated Omaha, June 23, 1881. w14td

GEORGE H. PARSELL, M. D. Rooms in Jacobs' Block, up stairs, corner Cal and Fifteenth streets. Residence, 42 Sherman avenue. May be consulted at residence from 7 to 9 p. m., except on Wednesdays. SPECIALTY—Ophthalmic and Diseases of Women. Office hours, 9 to 11 a. m. and 2 to 4 p. m.; Sun days 10 to 7 o. m.

NOTICE. Gilbert Weston will take notice that on the 30th day of April, A. D. 1881, the County Judge of Douglas County, Nebraska, issued an order of foreclosure in an action pending before him, wherein Arthur A. Parker is plaintiff, and Gilbert Weston, defendant; that said Gilbert Weston has been attached under said order. Said cause was continued to the 8th day of July, 1881, at 2 o'clock a. m. Plaintiff, ARTHUR A. PARKER. City Clerk.

PROPOSALS. For Grading, Curbing and Gutting Harney and Tenth Streets. Sealed bids will be received by the undersigned until July 12, 1881, at 12 o'clock noon, for the grading, curbing and gutting Harney and Tenth streets to wit: Harney street from Eighth to Fifteenth; Tenth street from Farnham street to Pierce street. Plans and specifications of which can be seen at the office of the city engineer. Said bids shall specify the price per cubic yard for such grading; also shall specify the price in detail for such curbing and gutting and shall be accompanied by the name of proposed surety under the usual conditions. Said bids to be opened at a regular meeting of the city council, July 12th, 1881. The city council reserve the right to reject any and all bids. Envelopes containing proposals shall be marked, "Proposals for grading, curbing and gutting Harney and Tenth streets," and delivered to the undersigned not later than the above specified time. J. J. L. C. JEWETT, City Clerk.

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