EXPLAINS BARRETT'S VIEW

Postal Agent Says Accused Lawyer Acted After Leaving Department.

FIRST CALLED TURF FIRMS FRAUDULENT

Severs Connection with Government and Then Acts for Get-Rich Concerns Advancing Reasons for Allowing Them Privileges.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—It is announced that Mr. James N. Tynor, assistant agent for the Postoffice department, will be required in the near future to tender his resignation. The announcement is however, accompanied with the statement that this action has no bearing on the complaint filed with the president by T. C. Campbell of Cincinnati, an attorney representing several of the turf concerns whose affairs recently have been aired in the courts. Mr. Tynor is incapacitated by illness from performing the duties of his office, and it is said his resignation will be requested solely on that account. Mr. Tynor is 77 years of age, and suffered a stroke of paralysis last July, and in December had a relapse.

He denounces as absurd and ridiculous the charges that there was wrongdoing in connection with decisions by his office respecting the right of turf investment companies to use the mails. The matter, he said, was taken up in the report of an inspector and disposed of as hundreds of other cases are. No evidence was submitted with the inspector's reports, showing that the firms were either lotteries or frauds, and under the law the department had no right to interfere.

Tyner Makes Admissions.

Mr. Tyner admitted yesterday that Harrison J. Barrett, his nephew by marriage and formerly his assistant in the law division in the Postoffice department, against whom charges had been filed, had replied as an attorney for one of the turf investment concerns, but said it was after Barrett had severed his connection with the department. Barrett had rendered legal services to a number of the "Bond Investment companies" as to the legality of which he had written an official opinion while still in the Postoffice department. This service also was rendered after Barrett had left the department.

The opinion prepared by Barrett declared that the bond concerns as organized were in violation of law and not entitled to mail privileges, but to the opinion was attached an appendix stating that by certain changes in their bylaws and in the wording of their literature they could be admitted to the use of the mails.

The appendix, Mr. Tynor said, was not written by Barrett, but by Postmaster General Smith.

The department had official knowledge of more than 500 of these concerns, and the capital involved was estimated at $50,000,000. It was the opinion of Mr. Smith and other officials of the department that the business should not be crushed out if it could be made legal, and such an eminent lawyer as John G. Carlisle had appeared before the department on behalf of the concerns.

Changes Venetian Consul.

President Roosevelt, it is understood, has decided to name a successor to Henry A. Johnson of the District of Columbia, who since 1886 has been United States consul at Venice, Italy. At the time the officers of the cruiser Chicago went ashore last summer and became involved with the Italian authorities Mr. Johnson was criticized in some quarters for his action in the matter, but it is not known whether this has anything to do with his supersession.

DAY CONTINUES TO IMPROVE

Doctors Hold Consultation, Afterwards Issuing Reassuring Bulletin as to Judge's Condition.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The condition of Mr. Justice Day continues encouraging. Dr. B. L. Hardin, the attending physician, had Dr. William Osler, the specialist from Johns Hopkins university, come over today for another consultation with him, and after it was concluded they issued the following bulletin:

Justice Day's condition is good. There has been no extension of pneumonia. All symptoms are favorable.

SAYS MRS. FAIR DIED LAST

New Witness Claims to Have Seen Millionaires Die in France.

NEW YORK, March 15.—A new witness in the Fair will case has turned up. His name is Lucien Mas, and he arrived today from Havre on the French liner La Lorraine. He will swear that Mrs. Charles L. Fair died after her husband.

Mas claims that he saw the accident, as he was near the spot at the time with his bicycle and he says he heard Mrs. Fair groan after her husband was dead. He went to the United States consulate with his story, but an investigation failed to reveal any person who saw Mas anywhere in the vicinity of the accident either before or afterward. A number of persons, however, were found who said Mas did not own a bicycle and could not even ride one.

He says he came here because the lawyers who are trying to prove that Mrs. Fair was the first to die were endeavoring to keep him in France.

OIL ALONE SAVES STEAMER

Nineteen-Day Hurricane Almost Carries British Ship to Ocean Grave.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 15.—The British steamer Ulunda arrived from Liverpool today. The steamer was in a hurricane for nineteen days, during nine of which it covered only 300 miles. It was driven back sixty-eight miles one day and seventy-four miles another.

Mountainous seas swept the deck from stem to stern, smashing boats, bridges and steering gear. The carpenter was crushed to death in the after house and the coxswain had his arms broken. Several others of the crew were also badly hurt. Constant use of oil kept the steamer from being engulfed by the seas.

Riot Rather Than Pay Taxes.

MADRID, March 15.—Serious rioting has occurred at Coimbra, Portugal, owing to the refusal of the inhabitants to pay their taxes. Conflicts between the police and mobs have resulted in three persons being killed and many other injured. The military has been called out to restore order.

DUEL ON MISSOURI STREET

Farmer and Marshal Exchange Revolver Shots, Both Receiving Wounds.

GLASGOW, Mo., March 15.—Matt Sartit, a young farmer, and City Marshal C. B. Morgan fought a duel with revolvers in the street here today and both were wounded. Morgan seriously

YOUNG IS A GOOD SALESMAN

Sells a Quantity of Furniture, but There is Trouble Over Title.

H. C. Young, alias Frank Culver, also using the name of Wilson, who was arrested in Sioux City Saturday on information from the Omaha department, was brought to this city last night by Detective Donahoe. He was booked as a suspicious character last night, but will probably be tried for obtaining money under false pretenses. Young is said to have sold the furniture in a house at 708 South Eighteenth street, of which he was not the owner. The house, which has been used as a rooming establishment, has been the cause of considerable litigation. Young, it is said, knew the conditions surrounding the property and by way of turning it to his own advantage inserted an advertisement in the papers offering the furniture for sale. He used the name Wilson and asked purchasers to call at the Thurston hotel, where he was lodging. His advertisement was answered by a not too worldly wise woman, who needed some furniture and scented a bargain. Young took her to the house, it is said, and showing her the goods, took her into a room which was occupied by an old woman who was deaf. Sitting there he gave the intending purchaser his idea of a just purchase price and threw in a few anecdotes as to where and when he acquired the various articles. The woman who could not hear, smiled politely at all this and of course did not deny any of his statements. The purchaser was pleased and, so she later informed Chief Donahue, paid $150, with the balance to come with the possession of the furniture. The day following the deal she visited the house to examine her property, and was told its true ownership by another roomer. Young disappeared after the deal, but was located in Sioux City.

SANTA FE READY TO EXTEND

Buys Small Roads as Preparation for Construction of Coast Line.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 15.—Paul Morton, vice president of the Santa Fe, who arrived from Santa Barbara yesterday, speaking of the recent purchase by the Santa Fe of the Eureka & Eel River road and its extensions in Humboldt county, said:

The company has bought those roads with a view of using them as a nucleus for a coast line at some future date. It is not true, however, that the Santa Fe has purchased the California Northwestern road. There will be a time, and it is not far off, when the Santa Fe will find it necessary to extend its lines to the north to meet the requirements of business. There is a grand lot of timber in that particular section of California, and there is a great demand for the material at the eastern end of our road. Consequently we have good reasons for availing ourselves of the supply and meeting the demand.

Mr. Morton admitted that a syndicate had made the purchase for the company and has been acquiring large timber tracts on the coast side of California. Among those in the syndicate are Mr. Cheney, one of the directors of the road, and several close friends of the Santa Fe company.

Asked if there were any prospects of the Santa Fe entering Sacramento and San Jose in the near future Mr. Morton answered:

Well, I cannot say as to the near future, but I am satisfied that we will eventually connect with those cities. At present, however, we are using all our money for new rolling stock. Business demands it.

ALTON MEN READY TO QUIT

Give Company Till Tuesday to Raise Wages, with Strike as Ultimatum.

CHICAGO, March 15.—"By a referendum vote the trainmen of the Chicago & Alton have decided to strike unless their demands for an increase in wages is agreed to."

This was the information given out today by an official of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen after a conference between the adjustment committee of the Alton and W. T. Newman, third vice president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, and A. D. Garretson, first vice chief of the Order of Railway Conductors.

The vote will be counted at St. Louis next Tuesday and unless a settlement has been reached in the meantime it is said the strike will be declared at once.

The demands of the Alton men, presented several months ago, are the same as those of the trainmen employed by the Wabash.

Mr. Newman and Mr. Garretson left tonight for St. Paul, where tomorrow they will meet the adjustment committees of the Great Western, the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern railroads. They will return to St. Louis on Tuesday.

GOULD LINES TO EXTEND

Rio Grande Issues Orders for Surveys for New Tracks to Los Angeles.

SALT LAKE CITY, March 15.—Engineers in the employ of the Gould lines, it is said on good authority today, will shortly start from Maryville, the terminus of the Rio Grande Western, to survey a line west from that point.

While no official information is given as to the destination, it is said here there can be but one outcome, a line to Los Angeles.

The Rio Grande already has a preliminary survey from Maryville to Los Angeles and San Diego.

The Santa Fe has been doing some building in this direction and the two lines would meet if continued.

ROBBERS RAID RESTAURANT

Shoot Two Pueblo Guests and Flee in Fright Without Securing Booty.

PUEBLO, Colo., March 15.—A daring attempt at robbery with a tragic end occurred in one of the most fashionable restaurants in this city early this evening.

Two masked robbers first entered the back door of Loestaus' cafe, advancing half the length of the long room, and then, retreating again presently, they returned by the front door.

One went to the cashier's desk, while the other attempted to rob the guests at the tables. He pointed a revolver at Dr. J. F. Turner and commanded him to throw up his hands. The doctor hesitated, and the robber fired full in his face, killing him instantly. The desperado shot another guest, C. B. Bishop, in the left side, and then without securing any booty the robbers fled.

Bishop, who was taken to a hospital, is in a critical condition. He came recently from Sugar City, where his brother lives. Dr. Turner, who was about 30 years of age, came here from Iowa two years ago. He was a graduate of Princeton.

Loses His Watch.

E. Evans of Springfield, Neb., a student in Boyle's Business college, had considerable trouble and lost a watch by staying two nights in Sam Ravitz's lodging house, at Twelfth and Dodge streets. It seems, according to the statement of the proprietor, that he had hired a man as a clerk who had drifted into town a week ago, paying him $4 a week. Yesterday afternoon this man disappeared. When Ravitz came to take charge of the house personally he found Evans asleep in a room and tried to turn him out because he was not entered in the book. Evans refused to leave, saying that he had paid his 30 cents to the clerk and left with him his $10 watch for safekeeping. The two repaired to the police station for advice in the matter and Ravitz finally consented to replace the timepiece.

MINERS FIGHT OVER BEER

Knives, Revolvers, Picks and Razors Fly in Melee Ending in Two Deaths.

LATROBE, Pa., March 15.—From a resort in the foothills of Chestnut Ridge, in the vicinity of Baggaley, comes the story of a Saturday night's jollification, terminating in a free-for-all fight, in which two were killed and several others badly injured.

Late last night a terrified Italian, his clothing torn and stained with blood from several cuts about his head and body, came to Latrobe and begged the police for protection.

This man told of a drinking bout ending in a fight, in which revolvers, knives, razors, miner's picks and clubs were freely used. He said that two had been shot dead, and the crowd was dragging their bodies into the woods; several others had sustained serious injuries by being cut and stabbed.

The dispute originated over the distribution of beer. The miners, as is customary on payday, had secured several wagon loads of beer to aid in a celebration of the day.

FEAR TROUBLE WITH MEXICO

Californians Talk of International Dispute Arising from Railroad Labor.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 15.—Diplomats of Mexico and the United States may be called upon to use their offices in adjusting questions of international importance that have arisen in Los Angeles and that have been taken before the Mexican government for settlement.

One of these is the killing of Francisco Lopez, a Mexican, by Policeman Sherman Baker; the other, the alleged injustice suffered by several hundred Mexican persons employed in railroad construction in this city and throughout southern California.

G. N. Andrade, Mexican consul at Los Angeles, is now at the City of Mexico, and while his errand is said to be of a private nature he will lay the cases mentioned before his government.

TROLLEY MEN SEEK RAISE

Demand Three Dollars for Nine Hours' Work of San Francisco Company.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 15.—The street car men's union today indorsed a recommendation of its executive committee that a demand be made on the United railways on Monday for an increase to $3 a day for nine hours or less.

In the event of failure to reach an agreement in this city, it is understood that the differences will be arbitrated by the owners of the United railways and the union officials at Detroit.

EARTH ROCKS IN MONTANA

People Quake with Dread When Seismic Disturbance Visits State.

ANACONDA, Mont., March 15.—About noon today two distinct shocks of earthquake were felt at Townsend, Winsten, White Sulphur Springs and other points in the Missouri valley. Many people ran out of their homes in alarm. No damage was done.

Two shocks were felt in Helena, both severe enough to shake buildings.

Her Plan.

"I intend," she said, "to follow Mrs. Mackey's plan and give in charity as much as I spend on dress. It's such a grand idea, so ennobling."

"It's a good plan," he admitted. "I think you spend too much on dress, anyway."

"What's that got to do with it?" she demanded.

"Why, you'll divide your wardrobe money, won't you?"

"Certainly not. I expect you to double it."—Brooklyn Eagle.

SEASONABLE FASHIONS

4263—Fancy Waist, 32 to 40 Bust.

Woman's Fancy Waist, Closed in Back, 4263—Fancy waists that give a drooping, long-shouldered effect are among the notable features of the season and are essentially smart. This pretty and stylish model has the advantage of suiting the costume and the odd waist equally well, but as shown is designed for theater wear with a contrasting skirt, and is made of pastel pink louisine satin, with yoke and cuffs of tucked mousselin and trimming of deep cream-colored lace.

The lining is carefully cut and fitted and closes with the waist at the center back. The waist itself consists of front and backs, which are laid in narrow tucks, and the yoke that falls over their edges. The tucks at the back extend for its full length and so give the desired tapering effect, but those at the front extend for a few inches only and are left free to form graceful fullness over the bust. The sleeves, in Hungarian style, are tucked to fit the arms closely at their upper portions, while they form soft, full puffs over the elbows, the lower edges being gathered into the pointed cuffs. At the neck is a stock, cut with the smart strap extension at the front, and at the waist is a narrow belt, to which is attached the postillion plaited in jabot style.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 3¼ yards 21 inches wide, 2¼ yards 27 inches wide or 1⅞ yards 44 inches wide, with ⅝ yard of panne for yoke and cuffs, 15 medallions and ¼ yard of lace for stock.

The pattern, 4263, is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40-inch bust measure.

For the accommodation of The Bee readers these patterns, which usually retail at from 25 to 50 cents, will be furnished at a nominal price, 10 cents, which covers all expense. In order to get a pattern enclose 10 cents, give number and name of pattern wanted and bust measure.

WEST IS USING THE MONEY

This with Funds Locked Up in Big Enterprises Makes Tight Market.

PANAMA PAYMENT NO CAUSE FORWORRY

Shrinkage in Price of Leading Railroads from Top Figures of 1902 Amounts to from Twenty to Thirty Points.

NEW YORK, March 15.—(Special.)—Henry Clews in his weekly market letter says:

Monetary conditions have at last had their effect upon the stock market, and the situation is now working out its own cure by natural and effective means. Liquidation has been severe, and in some cases intensified by personal differences; but the declines were chiefly due to exhaustion of money supplies through the locking up of large sums in financial operations, which would receive scant consideration if presented now in their original form. Although the situation has been greatly improved by the heroic treatment of the last few months, and the credit situation is much stronger than a year ago, it would be premature to assume that the turn has come. It is practically certain there will be no relief for the money market until the funds required for April settlements find their way back again to the banks, and this is a matter of several weeks. The west is rapidly gaining in its power over the money market, and this year its regular requirements are unusually heavy owing to the large volume of business. A great land speculation is in progress in the west and very large numbers of settlers have taken up new properties on which large payments must be made on April 1 according to custom. It is quite possible, therefore, that the return movement of currency may be not only backward, but smaller than usual, thus preventing low rates of interest here for some little time ahead.

No Cause for Worry.

A good deal of unnecessary concern has been excited by the prospective payment of $40,000,000 to France for the Panama canal. In all probability that payment will not be made before midsummer, and the full amount, including the $10,000,000 to Colombia, will most likely be paid out of the treasury without touching the government deposits held by the banks. The treasury now holds $71,000,000 in addition to the amount deposited in banks, and judging by the heavy customs receipts, which promise to continue, that sum will be very considerably augmented before the canal payment becomes due. This transaction when completed will, therefore, contribute to ease rather than make stringency in the money market. While in the treasury this $40,000,000 or $50,000,000 will be unavailable, when released it will probably go to the Paris banks and there eventually reach the money market, or if interest rates were high the owners might find it more profitable to temporarily use the funds in this market. In any case the transaction is likely to make little or no disturbance in this market, and the exchange required will probably be provided well in advance. Such operations are always discounted by shrewd bankers, who for the small profit in such operations act as invaluable balance wheels against extreme movements. The only unpleasant feature in this connection is the steady absorption of funds by the treasury through customs receipts; but this movement is in no sense due to the canal payment. Some improvement in the monetary situation ought to take place after the middle of April, yet loanable funds are likely to continue more or less scarce throughout the month of April at least, besides the requirements for strengthening trust company reserves must not be overlooked. Credit is in better shape than for many months, though we are by no means out of danger in this respect.

Shrinkages in Stocks.

Prices of securities are now considerably below the high level of 1902. In many cases the shrinkage has been very striking. Here are a few comparisons in the leading stocks for 1902 and 1903:

	—1902.—		—1903.—		Declines from
	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	1902.
Atchison	97	69	88	68	16
C., M. & St. P.	198	160	183	168	30
C. & N. W.	271	204	224	182	83
Erie	44	28	42	34	10
Illinois Central	173	137	151	138	34
L. & N.	169	162	130	118	41
N. Y. Central	168	147	156	141	27
Pennsylvania	170	147	157	144	26
Reading	78	52	69	57	21
Southern Pacific	81	56	68	58	23
Union Pacific	113	93	104	90	23

Slight recoveries have taken place since the above low prices were recorded, but it is evident that the leading railroad shares have declined between 20 and 30 points since the top last year. The industrials, in many instances, have made more serious declines, but these are less satisfactory indicators than the more substantial railroad properties. In the face of such heavy liquidation it would seem hazardous to calculate upon much lower prices, so long as business continues at its present volume. Production in all lines of industry is steadily increasing, and thus far has not caught up with consumption; the only serious menace to continued activity being the probability of renewed strikes during the coming spring. Many of the large operators are still absent from the city, and no important developments in financial circles are expected until their return. A conservative feeling is prevalent among bankers, and in some quarters there is a belief that further liquidation is needed to bring the market into a really healthy condition. Such differences of opinion favor activity in stocks and sharp fluctuations. On the recent declines there was excellent investment buying of good securities at bottom figures, which promises well for the future; but the rallies which followed were due more to short covering than to purchases on the long side. There are still too many uncertainties to warrant a sudden revival of confidence to justify any enthusiastic attempt to make a buoyant bull market at the present time. But hereafter it will be an excellent trading market to buy on the raids for quick turns.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, March 15.—The stock market opened with an uncomfortable feeling last week and prices continued irregular until the close yesterday, when there were some evidences of strengthening. Wall street held the center of the stage and reports regarding the financial situation there caused apprehension and a rush to realize, but the later reassuring reports brought a return of confidence and prices recovered slightly, although almost all the American lists showed a decline. This flurry affected the whole market and attested to the extent of Wall street's influence on the stock market here. One of the features of the week was the fact that the consols receded to a lower point than they had reached since 1870. This fall was due mainly to the continued lightness of money and the approaching reduction in their interest. There was not much doing in other directions, investors playing a waiting game. Mexicans and Central and South Americans showed a decided improvement and South Africans were also regarded more favorably. Copper shares aroused a short-lived interest because of the advance in the price of the metal, but the later decline in the price sent tinpot stocks back sharply.

BERLIN, March 15.—All the weekly financial reviews point out the intense interest of the bourse here last week in the financial situation in New York. The opinion apparently predominates that conditions on Wall street have become more favorable, at least German apprehensions were less pronounced. New York did not appear as a borrower in Berlin last week, but the New York and London markets continue to affect the German money rates, private discount rising ⅝ on the week. Nevertheless there were scarcely any decreases in the abundance of the money. The rates of foreign exchange varied but slightly, the exchange on most European centers being fractionally lower and on New York a trifle higher than a week ago. The stock market continued rather firm, with a light volume of transactions. Wall street did not seriously affect the trading, except in causing considerable selling. Canadians and domestic 2s developed a good demand. Other denominations were neglected. Foreign rentes attracted less attention. Industrials manifested considerable activity, the quotations being generally upward. Irons and coalers were particularly strong upon the favorable market reports. The Koelnische Zeitung states that the American demand for iron has developed surprisingly during the last fortnight. A considerable number of American contracts were taken during the last few days for the September quarter. The coal trade shows an improvement in demand and Paris has begun to buy coal shares here. Ocean transportations developed great strength upon the publication of the Hamburg-American company's report stating that the freight market has passed its worst point. The report of the North German Lloyd, published this morning, shows net profits of $3,821,280, after deducting payments of interest. The company will write off $3,152,600, against $2,951,250 last year, and will carry the remainder to the reserves and special funds. The report states that this has improved since the new year.

Dry Goods Market.

MANCHESTER, March 15.—DRY GOODS—Business on the cloth market last week was exceedingly hard to negotiate. The violent fluctuations on the Liverpool market were detrimental to any operations of magnitude. Later in the week, however, the inquiry became somewhat more active. Offers from India for shirtings proved generally impracticable, though there were occasional transactions for China. The trade in all departments was of a hand-to-mouth character. The inquiry for yarns was limited, operations being confined chiefly to those qualities required for immediate use.

HARLEM NATIONAL WEIGHTS

Jockey Club Issues Particulars of Big Race to Be Run in June.

CHICAGO, March 15.—Weights for the $10,000 Harlem National handicap, to be run Saturday, June 6, at one and three-sixteenths miles were announced by the Harlem Jockey club today, as follows:

McChesney, 107; Blues, 107; Lucien Appleby, 122; Hernando, 120; Sidney Lucas, 113; Runnets, Marcos, 118; Alan-a-Dale, Gwenton, 116; Glenwater, Otis, Belle's Commoner, The Lady, Monarka, 115; Wyeth, Alaudin, Terra Firma, Six Shooter, 114; Jiminez, Inventor, Corrigan, Abe Frank, Bessie Spahr, 111; Flying Torpedo, Telamon, Favonius, 110; Nitrate, Old Hutch, 109; The Unknown, The Conqueror II, Caliban, Fort Royal, Savable, 108; Golden Wishes, Alabarch, 107; Water Cure, Rolling Boer, Harry New, Jack Demund, Skilful, 106; Doctor Stephens, Piederich, Loro Quex, Little Scout, Pothleen, High Chancellor, 105; John McGurk, Kalos, Picquart, Linguist, 104; Artena, Ecotic, Hoodwink, Hargis, Red Comyn, Jordan, Prowle, 103; Ben Chance, Dewey, Claude, 102; Eva G, Bardolph, Au Revoir, 101; Epicure, 100; Captain Arnold, 99; Fingal, Amur, Western Duke, W. B. Gates, Major Tenny, Gregor K, Topsail, Woodlake, Gilfain, Wilful, 98; South Breeze, Artilla, Jaubert, Esperin, Rankin, Shooting Star, 97; Colonel Ballantyne, Barca, The Picket, Gypseen, Ahola, Lacy Crawford, Watkins, Overton, 96; Dick Furber, King Daly, Bernays, The Don, Mindora, 95; Lendin, Lem Reed, Pericles, Airlight, 94; Sinner Simon, Orfee, Orsina, 93; Estrada Palma, Canyon, Judge Himes, Standard-bearer, 92; Treacy, 92; Governor, Manru, 90; Halcyon Dale, 87; Gold Bride, Beau Gard, Discharged, 85.

BRUSH MAY SELL BALL CLUB

Partially Confirms Story that Dreyfus Proposes Syndicate to Purchase New York Team.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 15.—John T. Brush, president of the New York Base Ball club, returned to Indianapolis today from New York, where he attended the recent National league meeting.

He held a conference in New York with Manager McGraw and says McGraw is satisfied the Giants will be able to stay in the first division during the season.

Mr. Brush was asked about a story to the effect that Barney Dreyfus proposes to spring a sensation in the near future by announcing that another syndicate is being formed to buy out John T. Brush's interest in the New York club. Mr. Brush laughed and said:

"Stranger things have happened." He would not explain, however, whether there was any truth in the story.

He said he expected to spend much of his time the coming summer in New York and would personally look after the interests of the New York Nationals.

Prepare for Thornton Stakes.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 15.—The Thornton stakes at four miles, to be decided next Saturday, will be the feature of this week's racing at Oakland. The event will have a value of over $3,000 and some clever performers over a distance of ground will meet. Among the eligibles are Siddons, Nones, Homestead, Searcher, Artila, Bessie McCarthy, Vincitor, Water Cure and Ric Shannon. W. B. Jennings & Co. still head the list of winning owners, with $35,405 to their credit. Green Morris is second with $18,125. Burns & Waterhouse have advanced to third place, their total being $11,125.

Buys Dr. Rice Back.

NEW YORK, March 15.—Fred Foster, the turfman, today received a cable from his representative in Germany, saying that he had bought for Mr. Foster the Brooklyn handicap winner, Dr. Rice. Dr. Rice was once before owned by Foster, who sold him to Baron Bleichroder, the Berlin banker. The recent death of the baron caused the sale of all the baron's horse interests except those in training who had to finish their German racing engagements.

Detroit Ball Men Practice.

DETROIT, March 15.—Manager Barrett and sixteen members of the Detroit base ball team left this afternoon in a special sleeper for Shreveport, La., where the team will do its spring training. The men will arrive at the training camp on Tuesday afternoon. Two weeks will be spent at Shreveport and then the team will go on a tour of southern cities, playing exhibition games for three weeks.

Maud is Champion Golfer.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 15.—C. E. Maud of Riverside is the champion golf player of the Pacific coast, having easily defeated H. C. Golcher in the finals, the score being 8 up and 6 to play. Northern California won the team match by defeating Wilson, 2 up.

Doherty French Tennis Champion.

NICE, France, March 15.—H. L. Doherty, the English tennis player, has won the South of France lawn tennis championship.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Cattle Nominal—Hogs Higher—Sheep and Lambs Steady.

CHICAGO, March 14.—CATTLE—Receipts, 1,000 head, including 300 head Texans; nominal; good to prime steers, $5.00@5.75; poor to medium, $3.50@4.80; stockers and feeders, $2.75@4.75; cows, $1.50@4.40; heifers, $2.25@4.60; canners, $1.50@2.50; bulls, $2.25@4.25; calves, $3.00@7.40; Texas fed steers, $3.75@4.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 12,000 head; estimated Monday, 30,000 head; left over, 10,000 head; 5@10c higher; mixed and butchers, $7.25@7.65; good to choice heavy, $7.60@7.70; rough heavy, $7.40@7.60; light mixed, $7.00@7.40; bulk of sales, $7.30@7.60.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 4,000 head; steady; good to choice wethers, $5.00@5.50; fair to choice mixed, $4.25@5.00; western sheep, $5.00@5.75; native lambs, $4.75@7.10; western lambs, $5.00@6.90.

Official yesterday:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Cattle	1,859	2,715
Hogs	16,911	7,952
Sheep	2,712	1,173

Kansas City Live Stock Market.

KANSAS CITY, March 14.—CATTLE—Receipts, 150 head; market unchanged; choice export and dressed beef steers, $4.50@5.20; fair to good, $2.75@4.50; stockers and feeders, $3.00@4.50; western fed steers, $3.00@5.00; Texas and Indian steers, $3.00@4.50; Texas cows, $1.90@3.20; native cows, $1.50@4.40; native heifers, $2.50@4.15; canners, $1.00@2.25; bulls, $2.60@3.60; calves, $2.00@6.50; receipts for the week: 29,250 head cattle, 900 head calves.

HOGS—Receipts, 1,500 head; market stronger; top, $7.52½; bulk of sales, $7.27½@7.40; heavy, $7.35@7.52½; mixed packers, $7.25@7.47½; light, $6.75@7.27½; yorkers, $7.20@7.27½; pigs, $6.00@6.75. Receipts for the week: 27,500 head.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, none; market nominal; native lambs, $4.00@6.60; western lambs, $4.50@6.85; fed ewes, $3.40@6.00; native wethers, $3.80@5.90; western wethers, $3.70@5.90; stockers and feeders, $2.95@4.00. Receipts for the week: 18,800 head.

St. Louis Live Stock Market.

ST. LOUIS, March 14.—CATTLE—Receipts, 350 head, including 100 head Texans; market steady to strong; native shipping and export steers, $4.15@5.50, with strictly fancy quoted up to $5.75; dressed beef and butcher steers, $3.75@5.25; steers under 1,000 lbs., $3.50@4.25; stockers and feeders, $2.50@4.50; cows and heifers, $2.25@4.50, with fancy heifers, $5; canners, $2.25@3.00; bulls, $2.50@4.00; calves, $3.50@8.25; Texas and Indian steers, $2.50@4.50; cows and heifers, $2.00@3.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 2,000 head; market steady to strong; pigs and lights, $6.75@7.25; packers, $7.25@7.50; butchers, $7.45@7.65.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, none; market nominal at the high basis established earlier; native mutions, $4.50@5.80; lambs, $5.50@7.35; culls and bucks, $2.00@4.50; stock rs, $1.50@3.00.

New York Live Stock Market.

NEW YORK, March 14.—BEEVES—Receipts, 560 head; no sales reported; dressed beef steady; cables last received quoted American steers at 12@13c; dressed weight; refrigerator beef at 9@9½c per cwt.

CALVES—No receipts; none on sale.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 1,155 head; sheep very firm at $5.25@5.90; lambs, $7.00@7.85.

HOGS—Receipts, 1,500 head; none on sale alive.

St. Joseph Live Stock Market.

ST. JOSEPH, March 14.—CATTLE—Receipts, 72 head; steady.

HOGS—Receipts, 3,888 head; steady to 5c higher; pigs stronger; light, $7.22½@7.37½; medium and heavy, $7.30@7.55; bulk, $7.30@7.50; pigs, $5.75@6.75.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 58 head; firm; native sheep, $6; native ewes, $5.50.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Both Beef Steers and Cows Are Selling Steady with Last Week.

HOGS ARE HIGHER THAN A WEEK AGO

Market on Ewes, Wethers and Yearlings Shows Some Gain During the Week, but Lambs Are Quoted About Steady.

SOUTH OMAHA, March 14.

Receipts were:	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Official Monday	4,214	4,095	7,843
Official Tuesday	5,884	6,824	6,586
Official Wednesday	2,169	6,087	5,001
Official Thursday	2,689	7,895	5,072
Official Friday	2,299	7,791	1,729
Official Saturday	183	6,055	801
Total this week	17,317	39,997	26,432
Week ending March 7	18,899	48,174	33,848
Week ending Feb. 28	20,908	58,857	31,969
Week ending Feb. 21	18,976	55,296	27,380
Week ending Feb. 14	18,216	55,984	26,993
Same week last year	16,491	53,550	28,184

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR TO DATE.

The following table shows the receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at South Omaha for the year to date and comparisons with last year:

	1903.	1902.	Inc.	Dec.
Cattle	188,305	162,566	26,193	.....
Hogs	419,834	571,876	.....	92,242
Sheep	271,211	175,760	95,451	.....

Average price paid for hogs at South Omaha for the last several days with comparisons:

Date.	1903.	1902.	1901.	1900.	1899.	1898.	1897.
Feb. 16	6 92½	*	5 27	4 83	3 58	3 89	3 34
Feb. 17	7 03½	5 79	*	4 76	3 58	3 84	3 35
Feb. 18	6 97	5 78	5 22	*	3 52	3 87	3 41
Feb. 19	6 90½	5 86	5 23	4 83	*	3 91	3 28
Feb. 20	6 93½	5 86	5 30	4 78	3 50	*	3 35
Feb. 21	6 96	5 88	5 33	4 74	3 47	3 95	*
Feb. 22	*	5 95	5 29	4 69	3 50	3 84	3 36
Feb. 23	6 92½	*	5 32	4 69	3 58	3 81	3 36
Feb. 24	6 84½	5 97	*	4 69	3 63	3 83	3 41
Feb. 25	6 81½	5 93	5 38	*	3 68	3 79	3 49
Feb. 26	6 91½	5 88	5 33	4 65	*	3 81	3 44
Feb. 27	6 86½	5 81	5 25	4 61	3 62	*	3 43
Feb. 28	6 89½	5 90	5 25	4 77	3 64	3 66	*
March 1	*	6 01	5 22	4 68	3 51	3 78	3 50
March 2	6 98½	*	5 28	4 66	3 52	3 85	3 47
March 3	7 02½	5 74	*	4 62	3 69	3 73	3 39
March 4	7 01½	5 67	5 32	*	3 52	3 87	3 43
March 5	7 11½	5 97	5 36	4 74	*	3 82	3 50
March 6	7 05½	5 59	5 34	4 70	3 54	*	3 65
March 7	7 15½	7 10	5 37	4 71	4 60	3 89	*
March 8	*	6 66	5 39	4 72	3 63	3 76	3 67
March 9	7 14½	*	5 41	4 71	3 58	3 76	3 60
March 10	7 25	5 97	*	4 73	3 53	3 80	3 65
March 11	7 29½	6 09	5 40	*	3 59	3 79	3 64
March 12	7 13½	6 18	5 41	4 76	*	3 74	3 70
March 13	7 23½	6 20	5 45	4 79	3 60	*	3 78
March 14	7 28½	6 13	5 55	4 75	3 63	3 69	*

* Indicates Sunday.

The disposition of the day's receipts was as follows, each buyer purchasing the number of head indicated:

Buyers.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha Packing Co.	.....	894	....
Swift and Company	.....	1,301	....
Armour & Co.	48	1,724	....
Cudahy Packing Co.	.....	1,464	801
Armour, from Sioux City	45	991	....
Huston & Co.	.....	.....	....
L. F. Husz	5	.....	....
Hill & Son	8	.....	....
Lee Rothschild	.....	.....	....
Other buyers	37	.....	....
Total	155	6,324	801

CATTLE—There were a few bunches of cattle in the yards this morning, but still not enough with which to make a test of the market. For the week supplies have been fairly liberal, as there is a slight gain over the corresponding week of last year, but as compared with last week there is a slight falling off.

The beef steer market this week has been rather uneven. On Monday and Tuesday the tendency of prices was downward, but on Wednesday and Thursday prices advanced, while on Friday the market was rather weak again. As compared with the close of last week, however, there is not much change in prices. Medium and handy weight cattle have been selling to the best advantage, and the decline yesterday was mostly on the good heavy cattle. The bulk of the fair to good cattle is now selling from $4.60 to $4.80, good to choice $4.50@4.85, and strictly prime from $4.85 to $5.25.

The cow market has also fluctuated back and forth to some extent, but still the changes from day to day have not been quite as great as was the case with steers. Trading was fairly active on most days and the prices paid yesterday were very much the same as those in force at the close of last week. Canners are selling larg