

GATES GETS RAILWAY

Belmont Party Ousted From Louisville and Nashville.

A RECORD DAY IN WALL STREET.

Union Pacific Sales Outdone—Southern Railway Denies All Interest in the Purchase Directly or Indirectly.

NEW YORK, April 10.—Wall street passed through one of its most exciting and sensational periods yesterday. The Louisville and Nashville situation, which had hung menacingly over the district for a week or more, was cleared by the undisputed statement that John W. Gates and his associates had wrested control of the property from the Belmont party and were in absolute possession.

While these events were happening a movement without parallel in the history of the Stock Exchange was on in Southern railway. Trading in Southern railway common set in at a tremendous scale, and at one time interest centered almost entirely in that stock.

In the first half hour fully 200,000 shares of Southern railway common changed hands. By the end of the first hour transactions in this stock alone reached a total of over 350,000 shares.

Dealings fell off after that to some extent, but the records for the number of shares of a single stock sold in one hour, in two hours and in one day's trading were all shattered as a result of Southern railway's performance.

The total sales for the day reached a total of \$64,500 shares. The total outstanding stock of the company is 1,200,000 shares.

On April 24, 1901, there were 662,800 shares of Union Pacific sold on the New York Stock Exchange during the struggle between the Morgan and Harriman interests, which culminated in the May panic. That record was broken.

That the Southern Railway company will have considerable to say as to the future of Louisville and Nashville became the conviction of most Wall street men before the close of the day.

Neither directly nor indirectly? "No. Neither directly nor indirectly, in any shape, manner or form will Southern railway have anything to do with Louisville and Nashville."

Iglesias Acquitted.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, April 16.—The supreme court of Porto Rico has rendered a decision in the appeal of Santiago Iglesias, president of the Federation of Workmen of Porto Rico, who was sentenced last December to three years, four months and eight days' imprisonment on the charge of conspiring to raise the price of labor in Porto Rico.

Miss Stone Returns.

NEW YORK, April 11.—Worn out with the strain of her ocean voyage and not yet fully recovered from the nervous strain ensuing from her six months of captivity, Miss Ellen M. Stone, the American missionary who was held for ransom by Bulgarian brigands, arrived on the Hamburg-American liner Deutschland from Cherbourg. She will immediately proceed to her home in Chelsea, Mass., to see her aged mother.

Big Canadian Deal.

MONTREAL, Que., April 15.—The details of a big financial transaction have been arranged here which in effect is the absorption of the Dominion Coal company by the Dominion Iron and Steel company. By the arrangement made the steel company takes over all the properties and assets of the coal company, guaranteeing the shareholders 8 per cent upon a capitalization of \$20,000,000.

Pension For Mrs. McKinley.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—The house passed the bill granting a pension to the widow of President McKinley of \$5,000 a year. It had previously passed the senate and now goes to the president for signature. Although favorable action on the measure was unanimous, an inquiry by Mr. Bell of Colorado as to the precedents for such action led to an animated discussion.

A Mother's Terrible Crime.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., April 12.—Mrs. A. E. Tower, the wife of a millionaire resident of this city and a daughter of B. Platt Carpenter, for a generation a leader in the Republican party of the state, shot and killed her son and herself at the family residence here last night. It is believed that the murder and suicide resulted from a fit of temporary aberration of mind.

Band of Rathbone Not Accepted.

HAVANA, April 16.—The court has not yet decided to accept the bond of the Fidelity company for \$100,000 for the appearance of Rathbone. If this bond is not accepted, counsel for Rathbone will probably apply for a writ of habeas corpus.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly and tersely told.

Countess Bont de Castellane gave birth to a son. Andrew Carnegie has given \$40,000 to Union college.

Queen Wilhelmina's illness took a more serious turn. Governor Odell vetoed in appropriation bills items reaching \$372,500.

Millers at Liverpool advanced the price of flour in response to the proposal of duty.

Two officers and nine bluejackets were killed by the bursting of a gun on the British battleship Mars.

Three men were run down and killed at Langhorne by the Royal Blue line train on the Reading railroad.

France decided to send representatives to the dedication of the Rochambeau monument at Washington May 24.

Tuesday, April 15.

Governor General Taft is to return to the Philippines by way of Rome. W. K. Vanderbilt's Lalaric won the Prix du Petit Trianon at St. Cloud, France.

The annual convention of the National Editorial association opened at Hot Springs, Ark.

Much damage was done in Berlin and vicinity by a violent thunderstorm. Three hundred fires were started.

C. M. Dickinson, the United States consul general, and Mrs. Dickinson left Constantinople on their way to the United States.

Monday, April 14.

Snow fell to the depth of six inches in western Nebraska. A total number of 4,162 immigrants arrived in New York from European ports.

Rev. Walter E. Avery while preaching in the Scott Methodist church in Wilmington, Del., was stricken with paralysis.

By the breaking of a gangplank at West Forty-second street, New York, fifteen persons were thrown into the river and narrowly escaped drowning.

The ancient cathedral of Cuenca tower at Madrid collapsed after high mass. A large number were killed outright and buried in the ruins and scores injured by the falling walls.

Saturday, April 12.

Wade Hampton, former Confederate general and United States senator, died at Columbia, S. C.

A reprieve granted by the governor of Missouri arrived thirty-five minutes too late to save a murderer.

Suits against New York dentists for royalties in tooth crowns aggregating \$10,000,000 have been dropped.

Professor Joseph M. Miller has confessed to committing the murder of Carrie M. Jennett in Detroit, Mich.

The Edinburgh university has conferred honorary degrees on President Schurman of Cornell and Professor William James of Harvard.

Friday, April 11.

Two brutal murders were committed in the street at Detroit. Services in memory of Cecil Rhodes were held in London.

Diplomatic relations between Italy and Switzerland have been ruptured. Boer leaders are reported gathering at Klerksdorp to discuss British peace terms.

John Whitehead, head of the Whitehead torpedo factory at Fiume, Hungary, died.

A Boston and Albany train ran into a section gang at Allston and killed three men.

A prairie fire in Terry county, Tex., has destroyed thousands of dollars' worth of property.

Thursday, April 10.

The production of Australian wheat is estimated at 8,012,762 bushels. In the Augusta (Ga.) district 10,000 cotton mill workers were locked out and every mill closed.

Former President Steyn of the Orange Free State was reported to be threatened with total blindness.

General S. B. M. Young has arrived at Washington and was assigned to duty as president of the Army War college.

Nearly two feet of snow fell in western Pennsylvania, and at Fairfax, W. Va., a depth of thirty-two inches was reported.

Heavy April Snow.

LINCOLN, Neb., April 16.—Specials from western and northwestern Nebraska points report an unprecedented fall of snow for April. At Alliance there is a foot of snow on the level. In Kimball and Cheyenne counties, farther south, there is nearly as much. Eastward, in Franklin and Hitchcock counties, there has been a twenty-four hours' fall of rain and snow. The storm is bad for stock.

Long Strike Ended.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., April 14.—The strike of the employees of the Jamestown Street Railway company has been amicably settled. Beyond the fact that in the future the union will be recognized no details of the settlement have been given out. The strike began nearly a year ago, and there were a number of sensations connected with it last summer.

Southerner Gives to Tuskegee.

TUSKEGEE, Ala., April 14.—A prominent and wealthy southern white man, a native of South Carolina, engaged in business in Birmingham, Ala., has made a contribution of \$500 to the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute. This is the largest donation ever received by this institution from a southern white man.

Troops Return From Manila.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 16.—The transport Thomas has arrived here from the Philippines, bearing officers and 685 men of the Third Infantry, 730 short term men and a number of prisoners and invalided soldiers.

AFTER BEEF PACKERS

Attorney General of New York Begins Investigation.

TRUST TO BE BROUGHT TO ACCOUNT

Governor Odell Back of the Movement—Unprecedented Rise in the Price of Meat May Result in Criminal Proceedings.

NEW YORK, April 16.—Attorney General Davies of this state is here from Albany to conduct an investigation into the charges which have appeared in print of late that a combination of the big beef packers of the country have forced up the price of meats. Of his investigation Mr. Davies said: "I do not know whether or not you here in New York fully appreciate the extent of the criticism which has been leveled at the beef packers. In my own country, Oneida, there has been actual suffering on account of the exceptionally high rates charged by the westerners. I have received many letters from different sections of the state. All of the writers complain of the present difficulty of supplying meat to their families. They ask me if I cannot do something to relieve them.

"Before I left Albany I talked over the meat situation with the governor. I found him much interested in the subject and very much against any high handed proceedings on the part of any combination. He is willing to indorse any step I may take looking to the relief of the citizens of the state.

"I am not at liberty to tell the results of my investigations. I have heard plenty of rumors and many reports regarding the doings of the packers here, but until I can reduce what I have heard to evidence that will be strong enough to take before a court I must keep silent. I can only say that, as far as my investigations have gone, it looks very much as if the packers had exceeded their legal powers. If when I examine these meat men before a referee I find that they are guilty of overstepping their rights, I shall proceed against them on the ground of restraint of trade and of carrying on a business injurious to public policy. It is criminal for any body of men to create a monopoly on a commodity that is essential to the maintenance of life. If any criminality is found, the proper authorities shall be instructed to bring proceedings against them."

SOME WAR NEWS.

But British War Office Gives Out No Peace News.

LONDON, April 16.—The following dispatch, dated Pretoria, April 15, has been received at the war office from Lord Kitchener:

"Bruce Hamilton's columns arrived at the Standerton line last night, having taken 145 Boers, including killed and wounded, during the movement from the Middelburg line."

The house of commons has adopted the increased check duty by 186 to 119 votes.

In the house of commons Mr. A. J. Balfour, the government leader, said that the government had no information to impart at present as to peace in South Africa, nor could it have for awhile. As soon as any news was received it would be communicated to the house.

The Daily Mail in its issue of this morning says it understands a serious hitch has occurred in the peace negotiations in South Africa. The cabinet council has decided to refuse a strongly worded request from the Boer leaders at Pretoria for an armistice pending the negotiations. This alone is not likely to cause the Boers to withdraw from the conference.

Evans' Successor Named.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Eugene F. Ware of Kansas has been selected by the president to succeed H. Clay Evans as commissioner of pensions.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Closing Stock Quotations.

Table with columns for various stock indices and prices, including N.Y. Central, Erie, and others.

New York Markets.

Table with columns for various commodities and their prices, including flour, wheat, and rye.

The Crops In The State.

Farmers Troubled by Washouts and Fields Show Up But Poorly.

Reports to the State department of agriculture from the farming districts of Pennsylvania indicate that at no period during the last fifteen years has the wheat crop shown so poorly above the ground. The roots seem to have made a very fair growth however, and with fairly good weather until harvest a good crop may be expected.

The exceptions to this are the hilly fields which slope toward the north and northeast, and which received the full force of the February and March winds, blowing the earth from the roots and exposing them to the drying weather at the most critical period of their growth.

Many fields are washed into deep gullies, which not only are an eyesore to the careful farmer, but which also greatly interfere with the harvesting machinery upon which farmers must now a most entirely rely. In many cases, where the plow marks run up and down the slope of the hill the washes are more than furrow deep, and cannot at present be effectually prevented, as work now done would interfere with the growth of wheat to an extent which would prevent any profit.

The timothy, sown at seeding time last fall, makes a fair showing, but it is too soon yet to even speculate upon the condition of the spring-sown cloverseed, much of which was sown quite late in the season. Those farmers who make two sowings of their cloverseed, seem to have the best crop and the plan is gaining favor among farmers all over the state.

More than the usual area of potato toes will be planted in this state this year, and a large crop and low prices may be expected. It is nearly always the rule that high prices are followed by an increased area planted, and the natural result of low prices and a large crop follows. The time to plant largely of the potato crop is following a season of low prices.

There is a growing disposition among Pennsylvania farmers, especially in the dairy districts, to throw the oat crop out of the rotation, and to substitute for it something of more value as a milk and butter producer. Some accomplish this by building silos and planting corn to be converted into silage. Others sow Hungarian grass, but the great difficulty in curing this crop prevents many from trying it.

A few have tested oats to be cut for hay. The crop, however, is open to the objections that a rain after it has been cut washes the sand and dirt on to it, almost ruins it for hay. Some reporters for the department of agriculture claim that any crop which would make either pasture or hay would be a great boon to the farmers of the state.

The one person in the world who can always make an opening for a good man is the grave-digger.

AWFUL EXPERIENCE WITH HEART DISEASE.—Mr. L. J. Law, Toronto, Can., writes: "I was so sorely troubled with heart disease that I was unable for 18 months to lie down in bed lest I smother. After taking one dose of Dr. Agnew's Heart Cure, I retired and slept soundly. I used one bottle and the trouble has not returned." Sold by C. A. Klein.

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THE MARKETS.

BLOOMSBURG MARKETS.

Table with columns for corrected weekly and retail prices of various commodities like butter, eggs, and flour.

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