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CHICAGO. May 19—Cavering and a little new buying on reports of a fair export demand railled the wheat market today after it had shown further considerable weakness under a renewal of liquidation and an absence of outside support.

Purther talk of peace served as a restraining influence upon much fresh interest on the buying side.

At one period profit-taking by vesterday's leading short sollers helpof the list. May getting to within '\$\frac{1}{2}\$c. of yesterday's close. July '\$\frac{1}{2}\$c. above it and September to net unchanged. This improvement was soon followed by a near break, prices, however, again recovering from the bottom.

More unloading long suff was indused in throughout the session. The market received no support from the merchandising branch, sittler domestic of foreign, and this discouraged most longs.

The market at Liverpool was weak because of continued large arrivals, seeing by millers and a drop at Buenos Airles.

Crop damage news seemed to have lost the effect.

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he Modern Miller said that through the The Modern Miller said that through the Central belt of Oklahoma there had been extensive diamage by green bugs, and in the southern section of that belt fields were being plowed up. Insect activity, mainly Hessian fly, was noted in Kansas. Enormous reserves of old crop wheat were a factor in the boar side. Shipments from Argentina were liberal. Receipts here were ample.

were ample.
Exports of wheat and flour from the Exports of wheat and flour from the United States for the week were 9,865,468 bushels against 7,657,388 bushels a year ago; from July 1, 289,476,441 bushels, compared with 554,053,713 bushels in the pre-

ceding season.

Husiness in corn was small and the tone, after showing easiness, improved somewhat, akhough final prices were lower. Exports from the United States for the week were 1,000,808 bushels. The market at Liverpool was easy. Oats weakened with the other grains. Shorts did some covering Leading futures ranged as follows:

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Wheat Weak in Liverpool Wheat Weak in Liverpool

LIVERPOOL. May 19.—Spot wheat was weak today with blue stem quoted at fis 3d., a decline of 1d.; No. 1 Northern Spring Chicago. 12s. 2d., down 2d.; No. 2 hard winter, 11s. 3d., off 1½d; No. 2 red winter, 11s. 3d., a drop of 1d., and No. 1 Northern Manitoba, 12s. 6d., a decline of 3d. Corn was casy, with American mixed ½d. lower at 11s. 1½d., and Plate off 1d. at.11s. 2d. Flour was unchanged at 45s. 6d. The receipts of wheat in the post three days were 180,000 centals, including 117,000 centals American. The receipts of corn in the past three days were 28,200 centals.

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Big Railroad Orders Closed NEW YORK, May 19.—Contracts for 22 lecomotives, 1999 freight and 21 passenger cars, are reported, and inquiries cover 3 ecomotives and 10 passenger cars.

BAR SILVER

Commercial par silver was quoted at 73% e in New York today, off % e. In Landon bar silver was quoted at 36% d. dday, off % d.

# THE WEATHER

Official Forecast

WASHINGTON, May 19.

For Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey—Fair and continued cool tonight and Saturday; gentle to moderate west winds becoming variable.

Scattered shows

Scattered showers covered a large portion of the lake region. New York, New Eng-land, and the adjacent Canadian Provinces during the last 24 hours, and light rains continue in the lake region this morning. Showers also occurred in all of the Gulf States, but rainfall was generally light. Fair weather is reported this morning from the Atlantic States, except Florida, and from most of the great central valleys The temperatures are rising slowly at most places in the Northern States, but have not reached normal conditions. Observations taken at 8 a. m. Eastern time.

LENGTH OF DAY. an rises ... 4:41 a.m. Moon rises ... 10:03 p.m. and sets ... 7:11 p.m. Moon souths . 1:35 a.m. DELAWARE RIVER TIDE CHANGES.

## PHILADELPHIA MARKETS

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## Financial Briefs

Beginning today the London Stock Ex-change will open at 10:15 a. m., and close 3 p. m., except on Saturday's when it will close at 1 p. m.

A L. Mohler, president of the Union Pacific Railrad Company, has resigned. The resignation becomes effective July I. In a statement Mr. Mohler says his action is due to "disability," caused by a fail while skating in a municipal park last

Commonwealth Edison voluntarily out the primary rate for electricity from 19c to 9c net, affecting 258,246 customers. The company also reduced wholesate rates, ef-fective July 1. Total saving to consumers,

Northwestern's May ere loading, thus far, increased 10,000 cars, or over 100 per

Payments through the banks as reflected in Clearing House transactions continue in enormous volume, total exchanges this week at the principal cities in the United States, according to Jun's Review, amounting to \$4.226,771,610, an increase of 47.2 per cent, as compared with the \$2.875,291,127 of the same week last year, and of 49.7 per cent, over the corresponding week in 1914, when \$2.827,187,947 was reported.

The Georgia Railway and Power Com-pany and subsidiaries had ust carnings dur-ing April of \$269.052, an increase of \$48. 502 over the corresponding month last year.

The annual meeting of the stockholder of the Mexican Northwestern Bailroad Company will be held in this city on June 6 at 11 a. m. Books close May 19 at 3 m m, and reopen June 7.

Commercial and company roal shipments during April over the Norfolis and West-ern finilway and other roads in its terri-tory totaled 2,852,072 tons.

Gross sarnings of the Commonwealth Power, Railway and Light Company and its constituent companies for the year ending April 30, were \$15,411,583, an increase of 8.89 per cant, over the pravious year. Gross sarnings for April were \$1,313,507, a gain of 20.98 per cent over the same month hast year. Net profits for the year increased 11.93 per cent, to \$5.882,929, and for April they increased 23.98 per cent, to \$183,217.

The New York Subtreasury has trans-ferred \$200,000 to San Francisco.

Ship Much Silver to London 

## ACTIVITY ON 'CHANGE HURTS CURB MARKET

Wide Fluctuations Result-Lynn Phonograph and Chevrolet Reach High Records

NEW YORK, May 19.—There were wide fuctuations on the Broad Street Curb, with some lesues showing pronounced strength, but the outside market was repressed to a great extent by activity on the Stock Exchange.

The Curb has no Reading as a leader and the advance in that stock on the hurt its business instead of helping it. hurt its husiness instead of helping it.

Lynn Phonograph continued in vigorous demanil, advancing from 11½ to 12½, a new high record with the buying based on the fact that the coming listing of the Flemish Lynn stock on Monday represents good arbitrage. Chevrolet Motor made a new high record, moving up from 231 to 233, but broke quickly to 222, from which it rallied to 228. Submarine dropped from 40½ to 25 and Maxim Munitions declined from 8% to 7%.

The new United Motor stock continued flat although efforts were made to distribute

The new United Motor Stock continued flat although efforts were made to distribute these shares. The price ranged early from \$2%, to \$1, from which it yielded to \$2%. There was a sharp break in Gaston Williams and Wigmore, that stock failing from \$6 to \$5%, Federal Primer sold at \$ to \$3%. Changes in other issues were generally to lower figures.

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LONDON STOCK MARKET

Dealings Most Active in Weeks-Americans Move Upward

LONDON, May 19 - Dealings in securi one of the markets was firm and the feeling confident. The gilt-edged section displayed stability. The city warmly applauded the constitution of the new Finance
(committee of the Foreign Office, designed
to prevent any leakage of credit to enemy
countries. The committee is endowed with
plenary powers. It can examine the accounts of bankers and financiers.

Pacifics were strong, Grand Trunks adissued today, which encouraged the belief that the Dominion Government would consent to fully acquire the Grand Trunk Pa-cific line. Home railway shares showed firmness

with stocks more scarce. Brazilians were buoyant again on the better mention in exchange. Other departments were firm.
The committee suspended two houses over night for recording transactions that

were not genuine.

Ecginning on Monday, the Exchange will pen at 1045 a. m. and close at 2 p. m., except on Saturdays, when business will come to an end at 1 p. m.

NEW YORK COFFEE MARKET

NEW YORK, May 19.—The coffee mar-ket opened firm with prices 1 to 5 points above the final of yesterday, and during the first part of the day was moderately active with a good scattered trade both ways. Prices were again at new high rec-ords, and underlying sentiment was more bullish, owing to the continued strength in Brazil, where prices are much above a parity with the local market and on evi-dence of some improvement in the spot demand. The peace rumors are also having considerable influence on sentiment as peace in Europe would be considered a very bullish factor in the coffee situation. Today's Yesterday's

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DIVIDENDS DECLARED South Pena Oil Company, quarterly of \$5 share, payable June 30 to stock of record Jun 15.

share, payable June 30 to stock of record June 10.

Lacleds Gas Commany has declared the regular seminanual dyidend of 25 per cent, on the preferred stock and the resular quarterly dividend of 15 per cent, on the common payable June 15.

American Fower and Light Company, regular quarterly of 1 per cent, on the common stock, payable June 1 to stock of record May 22.

West Penn Rathways Company, regular quarterly of 15 per cent, on the 5 per cent, on the 5 per cent, or to stock of record July 22.

General Chemical Company, regular quarterly 15 per cent, on preferred stock, payable July 1 to holders of record June 19.

American Rathways company will pay out at the surplus of the company will pay out at the surplus of the company and it per cent, (51 100) per charge Jule 15 to stock of record May 31, at 8 n.m. Books do not close.

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FORMER SLAVE MADE BISHOP The Rev. W. W. Beckett, of Charleston, S. C., is one of the two new bishops elected by the conference of the A. M. E. Church in Bethel Church. He was born a slave, but worked his way up to the presi-dency of Allen University.

# STATE BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES BALK AT FEDERAL RESERVE LAW

See No Benefit in Accepting Certain Provisions That Would Subject Them to Its Regulation

FINANCE AND POLITICS

State banks and trust companies would not be benefited by coming under the pro-visions of the Federal Reserve act, and there is no great desire on their part to come under the law, according to John G. Reading, president of the Susquehann Trust and Safe Deposit Company, of Will-

maport. Pa.
Mr. Reading said this at the concluding sension of the 23d annual convention of the Pennsylvania Bankers' Association, in the Bellevue-Strafford, this morning. Mr. Reading said the State banks did not want somebody over them who would

ask how many notes had gone to profest, or how many eleris had filten a vacation, or how many buttons on the president's

can.

Montgomery Evans, president of the Nor-ristown Trust Company, said he could not see how trust companies chartered by the State could ever come under the operation State could ever come under the operation of the Federal Reserve law. As he understood it, the capital of a trust company was the guarantee, in addition to the investments, that the beneficiary could depend on forthe faithful performance of the trust by the trust officers. Albert A. Jackson, vice president of the Girard Trust Company. Philadelphia, was also opposed to the idea, from a legal standpoint, asserting that the peculiar irrust powers granted through old charters would be seriously affected if trust companies came under the

through old charters would be seriously affected if trust companies came under the Federal Reserve law.

A review of the work of the Federal Reserve Bank was, given by Charles J. Rhonds, governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia.

"The Banker in Politics" was the subsected by the Banker in Politics."

The Hanter in Follies was the sub-ject of an address by Robert F. Mattax, Atlanta Ga., in which he urged the mem-bers of the association to take a greater in-terest in politics, and was followed along the same lines by Edward F. Trefz, of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. John W. B. Batteman, president of the

Farmers' Triust Company, of Lamenster, Pa., was elected president and Lawrence E. Sands, president of the First-Second Na-tional Bank of Fittsbrugh, was elected vice president of the association for the en-

Amaricans moved upward and Canadian suing year.

Members attended the baseball game between the Athletes and Chicago this after-mon. There will be a dinner and dance tonight for the delegates, visitors and ladies in the Rose Garden of the Bellevuc

## COMMISSION TO THRESH OUT TERMS OF PEACE SUGGESTED

Capital Official Urges Move by President Wilson

WASHINGTON. May 19.—Suggestion by the United States of the creation of a commission to thresh out peace terms was advocated today by a high Administration official. He declared that while the war-

ring Powers apparently are unwilling at present to conclude a peace, such a com-mission at least could crystallize the peace entiment of the two sides. "We hear a lot about plans for peace," he said. "but as a matter of fact neither side has laid down any very definite working suggestion. I think it would be entirely proper if the United States were to suggest a commission to discuss peace terms at this time, though, of course, the President is to decide any such matter."

The official, one of the most trusted in

the Administration, made his remarks apropos of the dispatch from Berlin, sug-gesting that Germany would be inclined to have the United States press for peace.

# FROST SHRIVELS PLANTS

John Bartram, the Evening Ledger Gardening Expert, "Makes Good" on His Prediction

A severe frost shriveled tomato plants, egg plants and other sensitive plants early this morning. It was unusually severe in the suburbs, especially in Darby.

The outstanding feature of the frost was that it was predicted by John Hariram, the widely known, writer on gardens in the

widely-known writer on gardens in the Everning Ledgen, whose home is in Darby. On May 9 he advised against plunting to-matoos and other tender vegetables, pre-dicting a "sharp frost between May 10 and May 20."
Asked how he knew there would be frost today. Mr. Bartram replied: "The accumu-

lated weather wisdom of my distinguished botanical family is better than the trained onions of Simeon Mokemacher and the trained statistics of Prof. Willis L. Moore. To the eldest son of the eldest son of the eldest son on the eldest son on the seventh generation born in the same house is vouchsafed a sureness of weather eye not granted ordinary mortals."

The Bartram system will not be made public, he said, because he is sensitive to ridicule and fears mockery at the hands of the irreverent modern generation.

LEHIGH VALLEY TO APPEAL

Railroad Will Carry Lake Line Fight to Supreme Court

NEW YORK, May 19—The Lehigh Valley Railroad announced today that it had taken the necessary steps to appeal from the decision of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pannsylvania to the United States Supreme Court in its Lake line case.

With the announcement of this decision, the management gaid there is every reason to believe that the company's Lake service will continue during the 1918 period of mavigation and until the succeptions involved are finally retiled.

Condition of U. S. Treasury
Washington, May 19—The condition of the United States Treasury, according to a statement insued today, was as follows: Net balance in general fund, \$127,971,828; total receipts, \$217,898,971; total disbursement in the succepts of the Panama Canal and public debt transactions.

## TEDDY'S HAT GOES INTO RING IN HENRY FORD'S HOME CITY

perheads, athorred and denounced the mili-tarism of Washington in 1776 and of Lin-coln in 1861. They were against all war and all preparedness for war. In the Rev-olutionary contest they insisted that Washington was the embodiment of anarchic mil-

Like Mr. Ford, said Colonel Roosevelt, these pacifists proposed to get the "boys" of Bunker Hill and Valley Forgs and the "boys" of the army of the Potomac out "of the trenches" by Christmas. "If these pacifists of the Revolution and the Civil War had had their way." the speaker declared, "they would have put an immediate stop to much suffering and much loss of life. They would have secured the apstop to much suffering and much loss of life. They would have secured the ap-plause of every peace-at-any-price man at home and abroad. And unwittingly they would have utterly ruined this nation. They would have prevented its being a nation.

"Their successors would turn men away from military training into the path of or-dinary civil occupation.

AMERICANISM AND PREPAREDNESS.

Mr. Roosevelt declared there are only two great bisues. Americanism and Preparednosa. "As a people," he said, "we have to decide whether we are to be in good faith a people and able and ready to take care of ourselves; or whether we doubt our national unity and fear to prepare, and intend instead to trust partly to a merciful Providence and partly to elecutionary."

Under the direction of the Detroit branch of the American Union Against Militarism, formerly known as the Anti-Preparedness league, a canvas-covered wagon, with sides placarded with peace and anti-preparedness signs, paraded the streets.

One sign read:

"England at war has not yet resorted to conscription. New York has. Where does Michigan stand?"

#### COTTON MARKET STEADY: WEATHER IS UNFAVORABLE

Buying Good, With Some Pressure From German Interests' Traders

NEW YORK, May 19 .- The cotton mar-NEW YOUK, May 19.—The cotton market this morning opened steady in the face of disappointing cables, with the weather in the South believed to be mainly responsible, as conditions were considered unfavorable for the crop as a whole.

First prices were 1 to 5 points lower. There was some pressure from traders, who at times in the past have acted for German and banking interests, but the buying was good. Liverpool and Wall street houses

was good. Liverpool and Wall street houses took fairly large quantities and commission houses executed over night purchasing or-After the call Southern interests, led by

opot houses, started buying, and this re-culted in bringing in an increased demand, on which advances over the opening rangon which advances over the opening rang-ing from 3 to 5 points were made. Liverpool was unchanged to 1 point higher, against expected advances of 3 to 4½ points. There was little doing in the English future market, but the spot demand

English future market, but the spot demand was good. Rains were quite general in the South and temperatures were below normal, especially in the Southwest.

Healizing became more active following the publication of the western belt forecast for fair and warmer weather. There may also have been some selling for a reaction, as prices eased from the best and the active months worked some 6 to 7 points net lower toward midday. It was reported that a Liverpool house had a bid of 13 ge in the market here for Liverpool middling, immediate shipment, and a wire from New Orleans said spots were selling at 13c basis oricans said spots were selling at 13c basis middling, with the ring crowd getting short. In the afternoon the market railed sev-

eral points on covering but without developing much activity. Around 2 o'clock the general list showed a net loss of 3 to 8 points. The July-October difference narrowed still further on today's market, trad-

Liverpool Cotton

LIVERPOOL. May 19.—Spot cotton to-ay was in good demand and 8 points high-r on the basis of 8.74d for mid-uplands. The sales aggregated 10.000 bales, including 8,000 bales American. The imports were 11,000 bales, all American. The market for futures closed barely steady at a net adance of to point to a decline of 2 5 0 5 | \$1,293,052; total surplus. \$1,321.192

Liverpool Cotton Statistics LIVERPOOL, May 19.—Following are the weekly cotton statistics figures in bales; imports, \$9,000; Americans, \$2,000; stock, 728,000; Americans, 572,000; forwarded, 90,000; Americans, 78,000.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

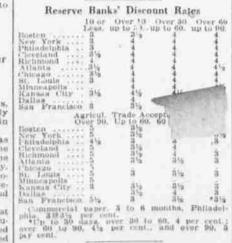
NEW YORK, May 19 .- The market for foreign exchange was quiet and without particular feature in the first hour of busi-ness today. The only appreciable changes n rates were slight improvements in Italian ire and Vienna exchange. Sterling held at the late recession figure of Thursday. at the late recession figure of Thursday, Quotations were: Demand sterling, 4.75.15-16; cables, 4.76%; franc cables, 5.92; checks, 5.92½; reichsmarks, 76.32 and 77; lire cables, 6.32½; checks, 6.33; Swiss-cables, 5.20½; checks, 5.21½; Vienna, 13.40 and 13.45; Stockholm, 30.65 and 30.80; pesetas, 19.72 and 19.77; guilder cables, 41½; checks, 41½; rubles, 30.80 and 30.90.

It was stated by international bankers this morning that any imports of sold from

this morning that any imports of gold from Ottawa today were improbable. In the early afternoon sterling firmed up o 4.76 1-16 for demand. Cables were un aitered at 4.76%. French exchange was a little better, also, with cables 5.91% and

checks 5.921g. Reichsmarks were dull at 76% for checks; cables, 77. RATES FOR MONEY

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Boston Banks Sterge
BOSTON, May 19.—The Merchants' Nanonal Bank has arranged to purchase the
good will and deposits of the Old Boston
National Bank. The price to be paid is
\$99,000, equal to \$10 per share on Old
Boston's \$999,000 capital stock. This consolidation will involve the liquidation of the
Old Boston National Bank in a manner
precisely similar to that followed in recent
hank consolidations in Boston and New
York.

ability in high places. Those in power at Washington have taken the latter position. The followers of Mr. Ford in the Republican primaries have taken what is in reality the same position. Why should the people change their government if they are nerely to change slightly the degree of un-preparedness?" Advocating universal service, Mr. Roose velt said:
"I believe that the dog-tent would prove

a most effective agent for democratizing and nationalizing our life; quite as much so as the public school, and far more so

than the American factory and the Amer-ican city as they are today." FORD TO MEET ROOSEVELT. Roosevelt's proposed visit to Henry Ford at the manufacturer's Highland Park plant was called off, but Ford planned to see the ex-President at his hotel at 5 o'clock. The

Colonel declared the conference was ar-ranged at the request of the Detroit peace While Roosevelt was preaching his doc-

trine of preparedness the pacifists were not idle. Under the direction of the Detroit branch

## PRESENT DEMAND FOR COTTON YARNS IS UNUSUALLY SMALL

Leather Market Is Strong and Shoes Are Scarce

There is less demand for cotton yarus now than for four menths, according to Dun's weekly trade review. This is believed to be but temporary, as most manufacturers appear to be well supplied with raw material, the report asserts. Prices are generally strong, and it is the impression that the market will remain high for sion that the market will remain high for ome time.

There has been but little change in the wool market for some weeks past; most dealers at the present time report trade quiet, prices well-maintained on all desirble grades, and lowering in prices is not looked forward to for some time to come. The local mills report that they are well-supplied with orders and working to their full capacity.

Production of iron and steel and of fin-Production of from and steel and of the ished products in those lines continues to be carried on energetically, and plants are re-ported working to full capacity and with good orders ahead for several months. Rail-roads are reported to be heavy buyers for motive power and also quite active for structural steel in connection with bridge work. work. The stove trade is quiet. The leather

market continues strong and prices are firm. Glazed kid dealers report sales active and good prices prevailing. Stocks are sold up and there is a shortage of all grades. Shoe dealers report a good trade, but considerable difficulty in obtaining shoes. The lumber trade continues to be affected adversely by the embargo situation. No change is noted in the hardware line, busi-

change is noted in the narroware line, business continues active and demand for some goods is limited only by supply.

In the coal trade the most worthy feature was the raising of the price of anthractic coal by one of the leading operators.

The paper market shows some improvement, manufacturers and jobbers report an increase in volume of subsections and limited the paper in the paper will be a provided to the control of the paper. increase in volume of sales, but some mills are experiencing difficulty in filling orders, owing to shortage of raw material. Prices

are advancing. Wholesale grocers report business con-ditions more or less quiet, but satisfactory, Collections are normal. Hetaliers are doing a fair volume of business.

Bank of Montreal Statement

MONTREAL, May 19.—The Rank of Montreal reports for the half year ended April 29 last as follows: Profits, \$1.067, 240; dividends and bonus, \$950.000; balance, \$107.240; war tax on bank-note circulation. \$80,000; surplus, \$27,240; previous surplus,

Quicksilver Prices Decline NEW YORK, May 19.—The decline in ulcksliver continues unchecked, quotation

IN MEMORIAM HOPPMAN.—In loving memory ALEXANDER MOTHER.

Deaths ADAMS.—On May 16, 1916, RICHARD A., son of the late Richard and Elizabeth Pearce Adams, Relatives and friends, also members Stonemen's Club are invited to attend the funeral services, on Saturday, at 1:30 p. m. precisely at son's residence, Clarence H. Adams, 810 W. Judson at Interment at Hillsde Cometery, Friends may call Friday, 8 to 10 p. m. T. S. Johnson Sons Co.

ALBER.—On May 18, 1916, ENTELLA B. ALBER (new Parken), wife of Carl Alber. Funeral services Sunday, at 2 p. m. from her late residence, 350 Philadelphia avenue, Esg Harbor City, Cemetery.

BROWLLEY.—On May 18, 1916, ANNIE MARY, wife of Robert Hoomier, Jr., in her 40th year, Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral, on Monday, at 2 p. m. from her late residence, 1204 Foulkrod st., Frank-

ford. Interment at East Cedar Hill Come

BROWN, Chi May 18, 1916, JOSEPH S. hus-band of Hilds H. Brown ther Eillel and son of Samuel and Sarah Brown, in his 29th year. Relatives and friends, also Sons of Temper-aire. Division 35, are invited to attend the funeral on Monday, at 2 p. m. from the residence of his parents, 1225 East Venango et Services at 3 p. m. at 8t. Paul's Church, Kensington ave, and Butler at, Remains may be viessed Sunisky, from 8 to 10 n. m. Inter-ment at North Cedar Hill Cemetery. BURSON.—at New York city, on May 18, 1916.

day afternoon, at 1:30 o'check neversely, at Schuyfer's, Broad and Diamond, Interment private.

CLARK.—On May 18, 1916, JOHN G., husband of Bridget, Clark, aged 57 years. Relatives and release are invited to artesid the arterial and release are invited to artesid the arterial and release are invited to artesid the residence, 4:10 flavorfor, from the arterial and release and release are invited to artesid the residence, 4:10 flavorfor, from the arterial and arterial arterial and arterial arterial

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North Codar Hill Cemetery. Please outli floral offerings. Automobile (uneral.)

GIVEN.—At Silver City. N. M., May 14, 1916.

CHARLES C., san of William and late Hanmah. Given, a life member of Silver City Lodia. No. 41, e and A. M. Reintlives and friends ribes Crimeters. No. 20, F. and A. M. Phila. No. 2, B. P. G. R., are hydred to attend the funeral on Saturday, at 2 o'clock. From the residence of his brother-in-law, william heastow, 9749 Hanel Ave. Resurrent at M. Moriah Cemetery.

HANSELL.—On May 18, 1910. MARY MATILDA widow of Edward Hannel, in her 77th pear. Relatives and friends, also Sills Circle. No. 94, are invited in attend the funeral acrybase on Saturday, at 2 p. m., at hen lafe residence, abolt Knox st., Germantown Interment private to attend the funeral exploses on Saturday, at 2 p. m., at hen lafe residence, abolt Knox st., Germantown Interment private to attend the funeral expression of Saturday, at 2 p. m., at hen policyes of the Belmont Pumping Statico, are invited to attend the funeral expression are invited to attend the funeral expression are invited to attend the funeral expression of the Belmont Pumping Statico, are invited to attend the funeral expression and the first of the funeral expression of the Belmont Pumping Statico, are invited to attend the funeral expression of the Belmont Pumping Statico, are invited to attend the funeral expression of the Statics and Friends.

st. Logan. Interment at Hillside Cemetery.
TWEEDLE.—On May 17, 1916. BENJAMIN
TWEEDLE, aged 75. Relatives and friends
are invited to attend the funeral services, on
Saturday afternoon, precisely: at 2 o'clock, at
his late residence, 4320 Larehwood ave. 16terment nrivate.

TOWER.—On May 17, 1916. GERTRUDE
TOWER, aged 20. Funeral services at the
home of her parents, 1315 Locunt st., on Frisias afternoon May 10, at 3 o'clock. Interment at Waterville, N. Y.
WAITZ.—On May 17, 1916. EDMUND L.
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