

GOING ON TOWARDS MAY.

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BEGIN THE WEEK BY LEADING THE INDEX.

EXTRA. 2 O'CLOCK. THE CABLE GRIDIRON.

Seven Surface Railroads United in the Traction System.

John D. Crimmins at the Head of the Perfected Combine.

Passengers to Be Transferred to All Lines for a Single Fare.

The most interesting topic of conversation in financial circles to-day is the consolidation of the seven New York street railroads, which have from time to time come into the hands of the Elkins-Widener-Dean syndicate of Philadelphia, under one management.

The big deal has just been consummated, and it is announced that Contractor John D. Crimmins has been elected President of the combined lines.

Up to the present time each line has retained its separate management, with its own President and Board of Directors, but now these gentlemen have all stepped out of office, and one new President and one board of Directors has stepped in.

The lines comprising this combination, which is hereafter to be known as the Metropolitan Traction Company, are the Broadway and Seventh Avenue, the Brooklyn Cable Road, the Chambers Street Crosstown, the Twenty-third Street Crosstown, the Ninth Avenue, the Sixth Avenue and the Avenue C and Dry Dock Lines.

The new officers besides President Crimmins are: Henry Thompson, Vice-President; Daniel K. Lamont, Secretary; Thomas P. Ryan and Daniel Haabrock, Treasurers. These were elected last Friday at a union meeting of the directors of the several roads.

President Crimmins, who is one of the biggest contractors in the city and a leading light of Tammany Hall, is now constructing the cable road between the Broadway and Seventh Avenue, the latter contract after Mr. Wharton, who began the work, failed, and he will carry it to completion. It is the intention, eventually, to operate all the roads belonging to the Metropolitan Traction Company with cable power.

Mr. Crimmins has a contractor of large public works before him of age. From 1883 to 1888 he was a Park Commissioner, and he is President of several big corporations besides being a member of the Chamber of Commerce, a director in the Fifth Avenue National Bank and in two savings banks, the chairman of several building committees of large institutions, and a trustee of St. Patrick's cathedral. He was chosen by the recent Albany Convention as one of the delegates to the Democratic National Convention at Chicago. He is forty-seven years old.

The new surface road combine will be completed by the Board of Directors of two or three of the combined lines at the time of the consolidation. This will be done at the time of their next regular meeting.

There was a partial consolidation of the interests of the syndicate before last Friday's meeting, and up to that time Col. Lamont was Acting President. Under the new deal he becomes Secretary of the consolidated lines.

The heaviest stockholders in the Traction Company are Peter A. B. Widener, William L. Elkins and Thomas Dolan, of Philadelphia, and ex-Secretary William C. Whitney, of New York. The headquarters of President Crimmins will be at the railroad office at Fifth Street and Broadway, and he took possession of them to-day.

He declared this morning to go into any of the details of the plans of the syndicate, but in a general way intimated that the completion of the cable lines would be the first thing to demand attention and the introduction of the new motive power.

The directors have decided upon a most liberal policy, he said, "which will give the travelling public of New York greater facilities and advantages than they have ever enjoyed."

"Everything will be done that will contribute to the comfort and ease of passengers on our lines. The cars will be the best ever constructed—magnificent, in fact—and every improvement in the way of construction and operation will be adopted at the start."

POINTERS ON THE RACES. Short-Distance Running at Guttenburg To-Day.

Rinfax and Inferno Meeting the Feature of the Card.

The card at Guttenburg to-day is not particularly attractive, yet it promises to furnish some interesting racing. Four of the races are flat—in the open air, as it were—of one mile or less. One event is at a mile, but the presence of Hambar among a lot of poor selling platelets detracts from all interest the race might have had. The best race of the day should be the sixth at seven furlongs with Centaur, Inferno, the great Rinfax, Bussell, Cinnax, Crispin and others named to go. This should furnish a pretty race. The track will be dry and fast. The entries and selections are as follows:

First Race—Purse \$400, for maidens; selling; five furlongs. 111 (Gen Avon) 102 (Home Run) 103 (Shepherd) 104 (Rinfax) 105 (Bussell) 106 (Cinnax) 107 (Crispin) 108 (Alma) 109 (Silver Mine) 110 (Lillian M) 111 (Alma) 112 (Silver Mine) 113 (Lillian M) 114 (Alma) 115 (Silver Mine) 116 (Lillian M) 117 (Alma) 118 (Silver Mine) 119 (Lillian M) 120 (Alma) 121 (Silver Mine) 122 (Lillian M) 123 (Alma) 124 (Silver Mine) 125 (Lillian M) 126 (Alma) 127 (Silver Mine) 128 (Lillian M) 129 (Alma) 130 (Silver Mine) 131 (Lillian M) 132 (Alma) 133 (Silver Mine) 134 (Lillian M) 135 (Alma) 136 (Silver Mine) 137 (Lillian M) 138 (Alma) 139 (Silver Mine) 140 (Lillian M) 141 (Alma) 142 (Silver Mine) 143 (Lillian M) 144 (Alma) 145 (Silver Mine) 146 (Lillian M) 147 (Alma) 148 (Silver Mine) 149 (Lillian M) 150 (Alma) 151 (Silver Mine) 152 (Lillian M) 153 (Alma) 154 (Silver Mine) 155 (Lillian M) 156 (Alma) 157 (Silver Mine) 158 (Lillian M) 159 (Alma) 160 (Silver Mine) 161 (Lillian M) 162 (Alma) 163 (Silver Mine) 164 (Lillian M) 165 (Alma) 166 (Silver Mine) 167 (Lillian M) 168 (Alma) 169 (Silver Mine) 170 (Lillian M) 171 (Alma) 172 (Silver Mine) 173 (Lillian M) 174 (Alma) 175 (Silver Mine) 176 (Lillian M) 177 (Alma) 178 (Silver Mine) 179 (Lillian M) 180 (Alma) 181 (Silver Mine) 182 (Lillian M) 183 (Alma) 184 (Silver Mine) 185 (Lillian M) 186 (Alma) 187 (Silver Mine) 188 (Lillian M) 189 (Alma) 190 (Silver Mine) 191 (Lillian M) 192 (Alma) 193 (Silver Mine) 194 (Lillian M) 195 (Alma) 196 (Silver Mine) 197 (Lillian M) 198 (Alma) 199 (Silver Mine) 200 (Lillian M)

The opening event may be won by Lassota. She showed considerable speed in the last race, and but for an unfortunate breakaway might have won. The runner up may be Lassota, and Lassota may be third.

Second Race—Purse \$400, selling; four and a half furlongs. 101 (Belle) 102 (Pardon) 103 (Nomin) 104 (Bob Arthur) 105 (Adonis) 106 (Mama B) 107 (Rinfax) 108 (Canteen) 109 (Alma) 110 (Silver Mine) 111 (Lillian M) 112 (Alma) 113 (Silver Mine) 114 (Lillian M) 115 (Alma) 116 (Silver Mine) 117 (Lillian M) 118 (Alma) 119 (Silver Mine) 120 (Lillian M) 121 (Alma) 122 (Silver Mine) 123 (Lillian M) 124 (Alma) 125 (Silver Mine) 126 (Lillian M) 127 (Alma) 128 (Silver Mine) 129 (Lillian M) 130 (Alma) 131 (Silver Mine) 132 (Lillian M) 133 (Alma) 134 (Silver Mine) 135 (Lillian M) 136 (Alma) 137 (Silver Mine) 138 (Lillian M) 139 (Alma) 140 (Silver Mine) 141 (Lillian M) 142 (Alma) 143 (Silver Mine) 144 (Lillian M) 145 (Alma) 146 (Silver Mine) 147 (Lillian M) 148 (Alma) 149 (Silver Mine) 150 (Lillian M) 151 (Alma) 152 (Silver Mine) 153 (Lillian M) 154 (Alma) 155 (Silver Mine) 156 (Lillian M) 157 (Alma) 158 (Silver Mine) 159 (Lillian M) 160 (Alma) 161 (Silver Mine) 162 (Lillian M) 163 (Alma) 164 (Silver Mine) 165 (Lillian M) 166 (Alma) 167 (Silver Mine) 168 (Lillian M) 169 (Alma) 170 (Silver Mine) 171 (Lillian M) 172 (Alma) 173 (Silver Mine) 174 (Lillian M) 175 (Alma) 176 (Silver Mine) 177 (Lillian M) 178 (Alma) 179 (Silver Mine) 180 (Lillian M) 181 (Alma) 182 (Silver Mine) 183 (Lillian M) 184 (Alma) 185 (Silver Mine) 186 (Lillian M) 187 (Alma) 188 (Silver Mine) 189 (Lillian M) 190 (Alma) 191 (Silver Mine) 192 (Lillian M) 193 (Alma) 194 (Silver Mine) 195 (Lillian M) 196 (Alma) 197 (Silver Mine) 198 (Lillian M) 199 (Alma) 200 (Silver Mine)

Probable Winners at Gloucester. Judging by the usual conditions of weight, form and distance the races at Gloucester to-day may result as follows:

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WILLIAM ASTOR'S NEW HOME.

To Begin Building a Palace When He Returns in June. William Astor, it is announced, is to build a new home at the southeast corner of Fifth Avenue and Fifty-fifth Street.

This is not a surprise, for ever since William Waldorf Astor announced that he would build a big hotel at the corner of Fifth Avenue and Thirty-third Street, William Astor has not occupied his house next door to the new hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. William Astor recently left Algeria, where they will meet Mrs. J. Coleman Drayton, their daughter.

They will return to this country in June, and the construction of the new house will begin. It is said they will rear a palace that will surpass anything ever occupied by the Astors.

It is for lease and a commercial business will probably be established there.

THREATENS A TRADE CRISIS. Durham Coal Strike's Serious Effect in Northern England.

The Ex-Street Cleaner Boomed for Superintendent of Markets.

True Inwardness of the Proposed Change of Excise Commissioners' Tenure. Comptroller Myers has yielded to Tammany Hall it was said to-day by a well-known politician, and will appoint a Tammany man to succeed the late ex-street cleaner as superintendent of Markets, ignoring the claims of the Cleveland Democracy for the appointment of Mayor Grace's man Dowling, while at the same time Tammany's principal candidate, ex-Coroner Hanly, of the Twelfth District, is not satisfactory to Mr. Myers.

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BUENOS AYRES QUIET—No More Argentine Trouble Anticipated.

REVOLVERS AT THE EXCISE OFFICE. The excitement that has prevailed here for some days past in consequence of the fears that the Radicals were about to attempt to overthrow the Government is quieting down, and it is believed that the decisive action of the authorities in ordering the firing of the detachments of artillery and cavalry has had the effect of putting a damper on any revolutionary ideas entertained by the Radicals.

TO-day telegraphic and postal communication has been restored, and save for the unusually large number of soldiers about the streets, the city wears its normal aspect. It is believed that no further trouble need be anticipated.

DIVA PATTI RESIGNED.

FOUR RICE IS GONE, BUT SHE'LL SOON OWN ANOTHER HAIRLESS PUPP. Diva Patti has in a measure recovered from the severe shock to her sensitive nature caused by the death of her hairless Mexican dog, Ricci, and she is waiting with patient resignation the arrival of his successor, who is now en route from Chihuahua to this city.

THE FORMERLY BEAUTIFUL DIVA, who should have an Excise Board friendly to her interests in order to secure the position of Police Commissioner, with a salary of \$10,000 a year, is believed to have resigned her position in the Excise Board.

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SIX GIRL STAGE ROBBERS. Old Man Harvey's Daughter Trained to Hold Up Men's Coaches.

LEAVES BARAUM'S CHURCH TO FILL A VACANCY IN HIS HEART. Mattie Cevalt, one of the pretty girls who rode nightly in a chariot in the Baraumb-Balley parade at Madison Square Garden, and afterwards in Columbia's stage ship, has disappeared, leaving a letter to James A. Bailey in which she informs him that she "got something better" than an engagement.

"She has been engaged to a man a whole year," that he is a year older than she, having reached the mature age of nineteen, but that he is a British subject and objected to his marrying the daughter of a clown and a light-song dancer, who Papa and Mamma Cevalt objected to. But they sent him to forget her to a Montreal school, and late brought her home as a widow.

"Then no 'dropped over to New York,' and he feasted his eyes on her angelic form through opera-glasses, every night for a week at the big garden.

"The couple started for Canada Saturday night, and the girl was seen in the city in a skirt and tight, with elevated nose, that 'Mattie has run away with that dude.'"

THE JERSEY CITY CORNER'S office was notified to-day of the suicide of Joseph Brophy, of 450 Broadway street, on Friday morning last night. Brophy, who was married only eleven months ago, found his wife's lifeless body hanging from the balcony in the dooryard.

BIG POLICE SHAKE UP. Captains to Be Transferred "for the Good of the Service."

REILLY WILL BE SUCCEEDED IN THE TENDERLOIN BY DEVERY. Whether or not the Grand Jury knew what it was doing when it appointed Reilly as presentment arraigning the Police Department, and whether or not Rev. Dr. Parkhurst is practical in his ideas or only a dreamer, it is certain that the assaults of the divine, the criticisms of the Grand Jury or some occult cause have produced a most astonishing manifestation of virtue in the Police Department.

In the first place it is announced that for some weeks, in fact since a date preceding Dr. Parkhurst's assaults, the Commissioners had had in contemplation some sweeping changes in the Department. They have intended to change the captains around "for the good of the service," and they are going to do it right away.

Capt. Tom Reilly is to be transferred from the Tenderloin to the Twenty-ninth Precinct in East Sixty-seventh street, and Capt. Devery is to take his place.

Capt. Max Schmittberger is to come down from the Twenty-ninth to the Fourteenth Precinct, and Capt. McLaughlin is to join his son, Capt. McLaughlin the younger, up among the goats, taking the Thirty-fourth Precinct command.

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FOUND WITH HIS THROAT CUT. Was Silversmith Perro Murdered or Was He a Suicide?

CHARLES HALL, a tenant on the top floor of 309 West Nineteenth street, went into the cellar of that house at 4.30 o'clock this morning to get some wood. As he passed an open closet he saw a half-clad man lying doubled up in a corner. There was a gaping wound that reached from ear to ear in the man's throat and blood formed a big pool around him.

Without waiting to see if the man was dead Hall summoned a policeman and notified Mrs. Fannie Abert, on the first floor, from whom the man had rented a furnished room. He was Peter Perro, a Finnlander, and was employed as a silversmith in Tiffany's establishment.

Two months ago, together with a friend named Peter Keeterman, also employed in Tiffany's, Perro went to live with Mrs. Abert. Neither was married and both seemed to be quiet, industrious workmen.

Why Perro should kill himself is not known, and although there is a suspicious circumstance connected with his death, the police do not think he was a victim of foul play.

The razor or knife with which the deed was committed cannot be found. The police have been unable to find the razor or knife near which he was found.

Keeterman acted very strangely and appeared unusually excited when informed of his friend's death. He does not speak English, and Perro is believed to have been killed by him by drawing a finger across his windpipe. He probably interpreted this as a threat to kill him.

CHINA'S EARNEST PROTEST. She Tells Uncle Sam that He is Violating the Treaty He Made with Her.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The right Chinese Executive calls to mind a letter written by Minister Tsui Kow Yin to Secretary Blaine two years ago censuring this country's treatment of China, and uttering a warning of the treaty rights of China, which letter has never been answered. It is said that Secretary Foster, who is counsel for the Chinese legation, drew up the document.

It begins with the statement that a letter from the present Minister's predecessor to Secretary Bayard on the same subject remains unanswered. Then it mentions the patience and forbearance of the Imperial Government in the matter, and begins an account of the various wrongs which have been done to China since the signing of the Treaty of Commerce and Consular Rights in 1858.

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PRETTY AMELIA'S STORY. Her Parents Thought She Had Been Abducted, but She Denies It.

AMELIA GAGS, the pretty girl of nineteen who was supposed to have been abducted last night from her parents' home at 124 Attorney Street, came home at 7.30 this morning. Her parents and friends of the family had searched the city all night in search of the girl.

To an Evening World reporter Amelia said: "I have been in this country only two weeks. Yesterday I went out for a stroll and lost my way. I had no money on my person, and I was very much distressed. When I told him of my perplexity he took me to his home near the great bridge, for it was already late at night, and gave up his room to me, while he slept in a chair in the next room."

This morning my countryman took me to Mr. Herschman, the baker on Canal Street, who brought me home."

Mr. Herschman, of the banking firm of Rouse & Herschman, at 54 Canal Street, declined all knowledge of the affair, nor did any person in his establishment know of any girl having been there this morning or at any other time.

USED A BUTCHER'S KNIFE. A Strange Young Man Walks Into a Store and Tries Suicide.

A young man entered the butcher shop of Morris Kaufman, at 623 Hudson Street, without saying a word he picked up a sharp knife and proceeded to cut his throat.

He would not say who he was, but he was an ambulance surgeon and he was removed to St. Vincent's Hospital.

LOST WITH 200 PASSENGERS. Reported Fate of an Overloaded Black Sea Steamer.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 4.—It is reported here that a steamer bound from the Persian coast for Baku, in the Black Sea, with 200 passengers and a cargo of cotton, has been lost with all aboard.

It is said that the disaster was due to the fact that the steamer was greatly overloaded.

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KILLED BY FALLING TREES. Alliance Picnickers in Arkansas Meet Death in a Tornado.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 4.—At Little Rock, Ark., a party of Alliance picnickers met a fatal end in a tornado which struck the city at 1.30 o'clock this afternoon.

The Alliance picnic was held Saturday, which drew together a crowd of people numbering 200.

In the afternoon a storm came up. The wind was very strong, leveling everything in its path. When it struck the woods in which the picnic was being held, it was blown in all directions. One tree in falling killed two persons and mortally wounded two others. Several persons were dangerously hurt by pieces of flying timber.

Up being some miles from a railroad or telegraph station it is impossible to get particulars.

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EXTRA. 2 O'CLOCK. L SCANDAL IN COURT.

Mr. Hall's Suit to Cancel Barrett's 23,790 Shares of Trust Stock.

Argument Begun Before Common Pleas Judge Bookstaver.

Promised Revelations of Corruption Among Brooklyn City Officials.

The injunction suit brought by C. G. Hall, of Brooklyn, to restrain the voting of the Brooklyn Elevated Railroad stock held by Anthony Barrett, a trustee of the Union Elevated Road, came up to-day for argument before Judge Bookstaver in the Court of Common Pleas.

The contest involves the validity of the issue of 23,790 shares of Brooklyn Elevated Railroad stock, which is held by Mr. Barrett, a trustee of the Union Elevated Road. Mr. Hall, the plaintiff, claims these shares were illegally issued in that no consideration was paid for them, and that as a matter of fact the stock was employed to bribe Brooklyn Aldermen to grant the franchise of the Union Elevated Road in 1886.

A preliminary injunction was obtained by Mr. Hall from Judge F. W. Van Hook, who accompanied by his attorney, Mrs. Tompkins and Julia T. Davis and Wheeler H. Footman, who appeared as Counsel.

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The present contest was brought about when the last annual meeting was called, in Brooklyn, in the month of December, 1894, when the action led by President W. W. Barrett was illegal, it is said, inasmuch as the shares were not lawfully issued. Mr. Hall from Judge F. W. Van Hook, who accompanied by his attorney, Mrs. Tompkins and Julia T. Davis and Wheeler H. Footman, who appeared as Counsel.

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