WHY THE MARKETS HALTED LAST WEEK.

Gold Shipments, McKinley's Boom and Chinch Bug Reports the Explanation.

Nothing in the Present Situation, However, to Warrant a Continued Decline in Stocks.

THE OUTFLOW OF GOLD IS NORMAL.

Damage to Wheat Has Obviously Been Exaggerated, Otherwise the Advance in Price Would Have Been Much More Pronounced.

Gold shipments, possible complications over Cuba, the probable nomination of McKinley and the uncertainty of the Winter wheat crop have all contributed to make the security markets hesitating during the past week. Although prices are lower than at the beginning, the stock market may be said to have halted rather than to have receded.

A cessation of speculation is always characterized by a sagging tendency, which disappears in a day when the principal influences are bullish. The slight shrinkage in values might be recovered in a few hours, when the fears which are operating to repress speculation are shown to be groundless. The financial community has grown so accustomed to view with alarm any gold export movement, that something of the old nervousness still clings to Wall Street, although all concede that the gold shipments are not due to any derangement of the currency. The outflow is granted to be normal as a payment of outstanding indebtedness abroad, which always exists at this season of the year. It is also acknowledged that the healthful state of the exchanges, both foreign and domestic, will operate to prevent any undue export of gold. Still the professional element has grown so accustomed during the past four years to sell stocks during the outward movement of gold, that the old habit cannot wholly be thrown off. It at all events prevents even intelligent observers who regard the movement with indifference, from increasing their holdings of securities, the feeling prevailing that perhaps a good line of stocks can be secured at lower prices.

The efforts of traders to dislodge long holdings of stocks have been futile. No stocks have been relinquished save by men who trade for the moment and for fractional profits. The undertone throughout the week has been strong and in the last two there were some evidences of reviving interest on the part of the heavy capitalists who do not buy for ephemeral movements.

There will be further shipments of gold this week. The outlook favors fully as heavy an export as during the past week. Money has shown a hardening tendency, and the heavier the gold shipments in the immediate future, the more quickly will money rise to a rate which will check the export for an interval. The anticipation of a higher money rate is hastening the situation as the shrewd borrowers are attempting to satisfy their wants for the season at low rates before the inevitable advance comes. There is consequently a keener competition for accommodation from the banks, and the interior banks do not show so much desire to rush currency to New York.

IMMEDIATE RALLY NOT LOOKED FOR.

It is not to be expected that the markets will show any animation until the uncertain minor factors now apparent are definitely determined. McKinley's nomination appears to be almost a certainty, although many of his friends even in Wall Street fear that he may be defeated, unless he assures the Eastern interests of his accord with its gold sentiment before his name is presented to the convention. There were vague rumors in Wall Street on Friday and Saturday that he would enumerate his position before action on the financial questions. The anti-McKinley men are going to make a great fight against him along the line of his evasive position on the currency question, and force his hand even before the convention meets. Although London seems to have taken fright over McKinley's nomination, the actions of a politician seeking a Presidential nomination are slight grounds for a bear campaign. The adoption of the gold platform by the Republican Convention is almost a foregone conclusion, and the candidate nominated on such a platform will have to make his campaign upon that issue, or look certain defeat in the face. The sentiment which forces a decided platform would never tolerate a candidate of its own making that did not show cordial espousal of an issue dictated by this sentiment in a party.

Wall Street looks at the Presidential campaign without bias politically. It only looks to the effect in dollars and cents, and discusses the political situation wholly from the position of an investor, carefully weighing the ultimate influence upon the temper of the financial world. The fact cannot be disguised that Wall Street is mistrustful of McKinley and has implicit confidence in Harrison or Morton. By Wall Street is not meant the Stock Exchange, but the financial interests of the country, which have their fountain head in New York. As long as this mistrust of McKinley exists, it may operate to restrict speculation, which is never animated when uncertainty reigns.

The passive feeling that no danger existed over the Cuban situation has been somewhat stirred up by the new crisis over the Competitor affair. It is believed, however, that when the Spanish authorities realize that our Government is in earnest, a civil trial will be granted the American citizens captured on that vessel. The hasty execution of the Competitor culprits would immediately set aflame the warlike sentiment of the country that has been lying dormant. It is not likely that the Spanish authorities will stand upon technicalities in this matter, as nothing could be gained by precipitating the resentment of the whole American people, which even the Executive could not restrict if aroused in fresh fury. Still, stupidity on the part of Spain in this matter is a possibility which the market must face for a few days.

EXAGGERATED REPORTS OF WHEAT DAMAGE.

The hesitancy of the market is in some measure due to the exaggerated reports of damage to the growing wheat from the rapid development of insect life and dry weather. Trustworthy information is to the effect that there is some danger from the chinch bug pest, but that no great damage has yet been done is evidenced by the action of the wheat market. It is true that wheat has advanced 3 cents per bushel during the week, but the higher level is influenced more by the strong cash position of wheat and the fact that the opening of navigation will shortly make this position emphatic. If there had been any truth in the sensational reports of chinch bug damage disseminated from Chicago this week, wheat would have had a sensational advance. When there is any real damage to wheat the people living in the inflicted districts are the first buyers of options, and their buying gives an irresistible movement to the market, which sweeps away any reverse operations of professional speculators like so many straws. Exceptional damage to the growing Winter wheat would be a great misfortune after the great shortage in the crop of last year. It would mean disaster to both the farming and mercantile communities in the Winter wheat belt, which would be reflected in railroad earnings. There is one happy possibility in the threat of chinch bug ravages—one heavy rain storm is sufficient to sweep them away.

The Government monthly crop report will be issued this afternoon, and although the statistics are gathered on the first of the month, if there is much basis to the chinch bug scare it will be noted in the Government report. There will unquestionably be shown a decided improvement in the condition of wheat over that of April 1. All of the State reports, with the exception of Ohio, show a decided improvement, and one private expert whose judgment is highly regarded in wheat circles makes the May 1 average condition the highest in five years. It has become the fashion on the grain exchanges to ridicule the Government reports, particularly when they happen to disagree with the speculative ideas dominating the market at the moment. The Government reports are not infallible, and at times appear to vary somewhat from the accepted facts, but in the long run they are nearer to the truth than the biased reports of private experts. The ordinary investor in railroad securities has not the slightest idea of the enormous scope of the literary bureaus of the Chicago wheat speculators, and should place credence alone in the official crop reports of the Government statisticians. The Chicago clique seem to have the ability to launch all sorts of distorted reports from the remotest parts of the West and often mislead the whole investment world in a campaign for higher or lower prices for wheat. Wall Street had a taste of their power last Thursday, when thousands of dispatches poured into New York, seemingly from everywhere, retailing the terrible ravages of chinch bugs. Wheat jumped nearly two cents a bushel. The Chicago crowd reaped their profits and on Friday denials of great damage appropriately accompanied denials of the stories of damage. It is not intended to deny that great possibilities of danger lie in the favorable weather for development of insect life, but no attention should be paid to them by investors unless corroborated by the permanent action of wheat or official Government or State agricultural bureau reports.

TRANSACTIONS IN STOCKS FOR THE WEEK.

Following are the transactions in stocks on the Stock Exchange for the week ending Saturday, May 9, including sales, opening, highest, lowest and closing prices:

Sales.		Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.
285	Adams Express	150	150¾	149¾	149¾
100	Albany & Sus.	183½	183½	183½	183½
105638	Am Sug Ref.	125	125⅛	121¾	123½
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1115	Am Sug Ref pf.	102¾	103½	102¾	103¾
130	Am Cable	94½	94½	94½	94½
90891	Am Tobacco	67½	68⅝	62⅝	64¼
460	Am Tob pf	96½	96½	97	98
193	Am Express	113¾	114	113	113
540	Am Cotton Oil	13¾	14¼	13½	13½
2537	Am Cot Oil pf	58⅛	59½	58⅛	58¼
11930	A T & S F	16	16	14½	14⅞
7317	A T & S F pf	24¼	24¼	21½	22⅝
15	Atl & Pac	¾	¾	¾	¾
160	Am Arbor	25¾	25½	25¼	25½
1160	Buff Roch & P	17½	20	17½	20
643	B R & P pf	51	58	51	58
1923	Brunswick Co.	17⅛	17⅞	16¾	17⅞
39685	Bay State Gas	27	33	27	29
173	Brook R T	24	24	24	24
1243	Canada Southern	50¼	51	49½	49⅞
230	Canadian Pac	60¼	60¼	60	60
2000	Comstock G	8	9	8	9
20	Central Pac	14¾	14¾	14¾	14¾
4093	Ches & Ohio	17½	17½	16⅝	16⅞
28747	Chicago Gas	69⅞	70⅝	68⅝	69¼
138	Chi & Alton	157	157	157	157
2255	C C C & St L	34⅞	35⅝	34⅛	35
13	C C C & St L pf	85¼	85¼	85¼	85¼
4673	Chi & N W	106⅛	106⅝	104½	105
250	Chi & N W pf	149	149¼	149	149
41269	Chi B & Q	81¼	81½	78⅞	79⅞
73940	C M & St P	76	76⅞	76⅛	77⅝
1001	C M & St P pf	128½	128¾	128⅜	128⅝
16941	C R I & Pac	72	72⅛	69⅝	70⅝
1385	Colorado Fuel	30½	31	28⅛	30½
200	Col C & I Dev	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¾
200	Col & Hock Coal	2½	2¾	2½	2¾
100	C L & W	52¾	52¾	52¾	52¾
200	Consol Coal	32	32	32	32
2070	Consol Gas Co.	163½	163½	159	160
175	Del & Hudson	127	128	127	128
772	Del Lack & W	161	161¾	161	161¾
12	Denver & R G	13	13	13	13
1568	D & R G pf	49½	49½	47¼	47½
15920	Dist & C F	19½	19½	17⅞	18⅝
300	Dul S S & Atl	5	5	5	5
1050	Erie R R	14½	14½	14⅜	14½
872	Erie R R 1st pf	38	38	37	38
281	Erie R R 2d pf	20½	20½	20	20
1502	Edison E I	98	100½	98	100
30	Flint & P M pf	40	40	40	40
920	Gt North pf	118	121	118	119¾
13625	Gen Electric	36⅝	36⅝	33¾	34¾
135	Horn Silver	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10
3	Illi Cent leased	92½	92½	92½	92½
885	Illinois Steel	72⅝	72⅝	70⅝	70⅝
100	Iowa Central	9¼	9¼	9	9
540	Iowa Cent pf	36½	36½	35	35
100	King & Pem M	20	20	20	20
100	L E & W	18	18	18	18
290	L E & W pf	71¾	71¾	71¾	71¾
798	Lake Shore	150¼	150¼	149⅝	149¾
200	Long Island	80	80	80	80
6735	Laclede Gas	29	29	25	27½
620	Lac Gas pf	86	86	80½	80½
26916	Louis & Nash	51⅞	52⅛	49¾	50½
4000	L N A & C	9¾	10	9¾	10
410	L N A & C pf	21	22	21	22
10466	Manhattan con.	108½	109½	106⅝	107⅝
200	Manhattan Bk	11	11½	11	11½
650	Minn Iron	69	70	68½	68½
1718	Met Traction	107½	109	107½	107⅝
350	Mich Central	97½	97½	96	96
17	M & St L 1st pf	79¼	79¼	79¼	79¼
400	M & St L 2d pf	52½	52½	50	50
16835	Missouri Pac	28⅝	28⅝	25⅛	26¼
4580	Mo Kan & T	12	12	11⅝	11½
2810	Mo Kan & T pf	27⅝	27⅝	25½	26¼
300	Mobile & Ohio	19½	19½	18⅝	18⅝
3	Morris & Essex	165	165	165	165
100	Nat L Oil	17½	17½	17½	17½
20	New Cent Coal	8½	8½	8½	8½
2045	N J Central	106¾	106¾	105	106
684	N Y Central	98	98⅝	97⅝	97⅝
2233	Nat Lead	26¾	26¾	25	26½
1080	Nat Lead pf	92	96⅝	92	94½
5825	North American	5⅝	6	5⅝	5⅞
382	N Y & N H	170	173½	169	173½
800	N Y C&St L 1st pf	79	79	79	79
200	N Y C&St L 2d pf	33	33	33	33
805	N Y S & W	9¼	9¼	9	9¼
1250	N Y S & W pf	25	25⅛	23½	23⅝
633	Norf & West pf	5½	5½	4½	4½
1720	Northern Pac	1½	1½	1	1
349	Nor Pac pf	11½	11¾	11½	11⅝
4145	Nor Pac t r	1½	1½	1	1
5218	Nor Pac pf t r	12⅝	12⅝	12¼	12¼
105	Ont & Mining	14½	14½	14½	14½
950	Ont & Western	15¼	15¼	14½	14⅝
200	Oregon R & N t r	18	18	18	18
4070	Pacific Mail	27	27¼	25¾	26¾
7291	Phil & Read	12⅞	12⅞	11½	12⅝
312	Full Pal Car Co.	162	162	161	161
173	P C C & St L	15⅞	15⅞	15⅝	15⅝
2	P C C & St L pf	54¼	54¼	54¼	54¼
310	R W & O	115	116	115	115¾
105	St L S W	4½	4½	4½	4½
600	St L S W pf	10⅞	10⅞	10½	10½
300	St P & Duluth	24	25½	24	25½
37	St P & D pf	80½	80½	80½	80½
1390	St P C & Omaha	44½	44½	42½	43½
25	St P & O pf	124½	124½	124½	124½
2125	Southern Pac	20¼	20¼	19	19⅞
1605	Southern Railway	9⅝	9⅝	9⅜	9⅝
8050	So Railway pf	31½	31½	30	30⅝
10333	Tenn C & I	30½	30½	27¾	29
128	Tol & O C	33	33	33	33
150	Texas Pacific	8¼	8¼	8¼	8¼
6579	Union Pacific	8⅝	8⅝	7¾	8¼
200	U P D & G	3¾	3¾	3¾	3¾
12667	U S Rubber	26	26	21¾	24
3004	U S Rubber pf	84½	84½	76	80
183	U S Cordage	5	5½	5	5
510	U S Cordage pf	10	10½	10	10½
751	U S Cordage gt	20	20½	19¾	19¾
7087	U S Leather	8⅞	9⅝	8¼	9¼
37302	U S Leather pf	62½	64⅝	62½	64¼
302	W St L & P	7¼	7¼	6¾	6⅞
4090	W St L & P pf	18¾	18¾	17½	18
6972	West Union Tel	86	86	85	85⅝
14823	Wheel & L E	10⅝	10⅝	9½	10
300	W & L E pf	36½	36⅝	36	36⅝
60	Wis Central	2⅞	2⅞	2¼	2⅞

Total sales, 731,295 shares.

RECENT SALES OF CITY REALTY.

Lot Market Greatly Helped by the Morris Heights Auction.

John D. Crimmins's Good Bargain in the Dodworth Dancing Academy on Fifth Avenue.

ACTIVITY IN PRIVATE SALES.

Building Plans Involving Over Two Millions of Dollars Filed During the Week. Conveyances Amounted to Nearly Six Millions.

While the auction sales of last week aggregated less than one-third of the total sales, in respect to values, they were by all odds the attractive feature of the week's business. Of the list of auctions the more noteworthy were three in number.

The successful sale Wednesday, of 170 Morris Heights lots at prices averaging $1,200 per lot was the star event of the week, and will go far toward helping a lot market that certainly stood sorely in need of help, the fiasco attending the Vyse estate sale of Monday having materially weakened what strength had been gained by the semi-successful sale of Washington Heights lots the previous week.

The other interesting feature of the auction market last week was the sale of the old Dodworth dancing academy building, at No. 681 Fifth avenue, which Contractor John D. Crimmins secured at the bargain price of $172,000. Every one familiar with real estate values estimates the parcel at $200,000 at the least, and yet the Dodworth estate came very nearly taking $165,000 for the property before offering it at auction. The auction sales of the week amounted to $927,500.

During the week conveyances were filed involving $5,773,671; mortgages involving $6,029,450, and building plans involving $2,081,100.

RECENT LEASES AND SALES.

Fitzsimmons & Smith have leased for Mrs. Stiles to the Acker Merrall & Condit Co. three three-story brick private dwellings at Nos. 138, 140 and 142 West Forty-third street, for twenty years from May 1, 1896, at a gros rental of $110,000. The dwellings are in the rear of the Acker, Merrall & Condit property on Forty-second street, and will be eventually connected with the company's present store.

Miss Alice L. Carroll has purchased of Mrs. Ellen L. Downey, through Philip F. Olwell, at $16,000, the four-story single flat, 20x50x103.3, No. 223 West Fifteenth street.

Henry Wise has sold for George J. Losea the tenement, with lot 22.5x75, No. 219 Mulberry street; for James Monaghan, No. 221 Mulberry street, a similar house, adjoining, to Mrs. Gerarder Capese; for Mrs. Mary Sullivan, the five-story tenement, with lot 30.4x50.5, Nos. 70 and 70½ James street.

Amund Johnsen has purchased of Oppenheimer & Metzger the plot, 43x75, with old buildings, Nos. 50 and 52 West Third street.

Eugene Brown has sold, through Mrs. D. H. Blakely, to Ogden & Clark, at $17,500, the four-story stone front dwelling and lot, 15x100.5, No. 146 West Forty-sixth street.

Ferdinand Neumer has purchased of Chauncey G. Stone, through Philip Jeselsen, the three-story brick dwelling, with lot 23x92, No. 151 West Twentieth street.

Frances S. Kinney has purchased of Dr. Stephen Smith the four-story stone front dwelling, with lot 24.4x75, No. 574 Madison avenue.

William Hall's Sons have bought of Mrs. M. E. Sawyer, at $6,000, a full lot on the north side of One Hundred and Eighteenth street, adjoining their recently purchased plot, 100.11x60, on the corner of Madison avenue, and have resold the whole plot, 100.11x85, on the northeast corner of Madison avenue and One Hundred and Eighteenth street, to Theodore A. Cordier.

Louis B. Jennings has sold for the Franke estate for about $42,000 the plot, 99.11x100, on the southeast corner of Lenox avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.

Jacob D. Butler has purchased of George R Sheldon, through W. P. Seymour, a plot of about twelve lots on the southwest corner of Morningside Terrace and One Hundred and Forty-fourth street.

Alexander Cameron has purchased of S. E. Bernheimer and Josephine Schmidt, through Adolph Hauck, the lot 25.5x100, on the northwest corner of Columbus avenue and One Hundred and Eighth street.

The Charles G. Haven estate has sold to Henry N. Corwith the plot, 103x142.11x100.11x122.11, on the northeast corner of Riverside Drive and One Hundred and First street.

Gutwillig Brothers have purchased of the estate of Edward J. King, through R. M. Strauss & Co., three lots on the west side of St. Nicholas avenue, 20.7 feet north of One Hundred and Eleventh street, and three lots adjoining in the rear, on the north side of One Hundred and Eleventh street, 121.11 feet west of St. Nicholas avenue.

C. C. Shayne has purchased of the estate of Julius Lipman, for about $30,000, the four-story brick dwelling, with lot 20x100, No. 482 West End avenue.

Margaret Fagan has purchased of E. Jenkins, through D. H. Scully, at about $36,000, the new five-story double flat, 26x90x100, No. 36 Morningside avenue.

F. S. Sturtevant has sold, for J. C. Lyon, the four-story American basement dwelling, 18x80x99.11, No. 409 West One Hundred and Forty-third street, to A. Schrenkeisen, for $18,000; and to Isaac MacGay, for William Hall's Sons, at $18,000, the three-story dwelling, 19x55x99.11, No. 409 West One Hundred and Forty-second street.

Joseph Hierhoff has sold to a Mrs. Carroll, for James Carley, the three-story dwelling, No. 39 East One Hundred and Thirty-second street; and for Mrs. McGuire, the similar house, No. 57 West One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, to a Mr. Butler.

William A. Hoe has purchased of Samuel Cohen, at $25,000, the plot, 44.6x102.2, on the south side of Seventy-fifth street, 80 feet west of Lexington avenue.

James M. Gilmour has purchased of Tuomey & Bookman, through Green & Lazarus, at $24,500, No. 164 West One Hundred and Twentieth street, a four-story American basement house, giving in part payment a property at Orange, N. J.

But one auction sale is billed for to-day. Bryan L. Kennelly will sell, at No. 111 Broadway, in foreclosure, No. 146 West Sixty-fifth street, 19x100.5, three-story brick and stone dwelling.

Nurse Leavey and Baby Lost.

Abraham Leavey and Mrs. Sarah Bartlett's two-year-old child are great chums. Leavey was frequently permitted to take the little one out for a stroll. He went out Saturday night with the little one and had wandered so far from the little girl's Madison street home when he was found at 2 a. m. by a policeman that he was completely bewildered. He did not know one side of the Bowery from the other, and though he carried the little one very tenderly, was trying to walk on both sides of the street. Mrs. Bartlett got her baby about 3 a. m., and Leavey got a scolding he did not comprehend. Later in the morning he understood and was fined $3 for intoxication.

INVESTING MONEY IN WESTERN MINES.

English and French Capitalists Watching Chances to Buy Property.

Experts Now Examining the Ore Veins in Behalf of the Foreign Syndicates.

EASTERN MEN ALSO INTERESTED.

Recent Sales of Rich Groups Show That Money Is Being Diverted to This Country from South Africa.

Interest in mining is increasing among the moneyed men of this city. Many good properties situated in various parts of the West are now in the hands of capitalists for investigation and investment. Several syndicates have already been formed to take hold of some of those "gilt-edged" propositions, and undoubtedly many more will follow within a short time.

Several prominent mining brokers and promoters are predicting a boom, which, with the constantly increasing output in gold in all the prominent mining districts, seems to be justified. They contend that with care in the selection of properties and the use of legitimate means in working these properties, no field for investment affords greater opportunities than mining.

The capitalists of New York will have strong competition with Europeans in securing good mining properties. The recent troubles in South Africa, it is said, will turn the tide of money from that section to America. London has an abundance of money, much of which has been made in the mining districts of South Africa, and its possessors are anxious to reinvest it in the same industry. America to-day offers the best field and thither their eyes are turned.

Hamilton Smith, a mining expert, representing the London Exploration Company, in which the Rothschilds are largely interested, is now in this city and will examine several mines for the purchase of which negotiations are now pending. A small army of English and French engineers and mining experts are now reported to be in various portions of the West, and if their reports are favorable many good mines will be taken from Americans to fall into the hands of foreigners.

The recent sale of the Victor mine, of Cripple Creek, followed its examination by French and English engineers. Syndicates in both London and Paris were equally anxious to secure the property. The Frenchmen offered the larger price and were successful.

An English mining expert is now reported to be at Butte, Mon., examining the Gibbonsville group of mines. A provisional contract has already been made with a London syndicate and the property will probably be sold within a short time.

An important deal was recently concluded in this city for the Yellow Jacket mine, of Idaho. Following close upon this was the sale of the Sunnyside properties, of the San Juan district, Colorado, to several prominent New York bankers. The Tom Boy property is also being looked into by a New York syndicate and the Anaconda, of Cripple Creek, is also in the hands of persons who may close a deal any day.

The Gold Cliff Company, of Arizona, owners of the Micawber gold mine, of Gold Gulch, Graham County, is also placing large blocks of stock with Eastern investors. A part of their plan is to erect a mill large enough to do work for several mines in the vicinity. Contracts have already been made for this mill, and active work on the property will begin within a short time.

With the science of mining at its present state of perfection it is claimed that the same scrutiny and care exercised in investing in mines as is shown in buying railroad bonds or making other business ventures will bring equally as good results.

A significant feature in connection with the recently closed Mining Exchange is that brokers who won the confidence of investors are receiving more orders for mining shares now that the exchange is closed than was the case before. The people in the country towns and villages have become interested. The orders are, many of them, small ones, but they show the way the wind blows.

MR. M'NULTY IS SURPRISED.

The Brooklyn Senator Denies That He Is a Tammany Organizer.

Senator Peter H. McNulty was somewhat surprised yesterday to hear that he had been credited with the organization of a Tammany Hall association in the Twenty-ninth Ward, of Brooklyn, among the members of which, it was allegel, were ex-Register John Reilly, James R. Graham and fourteen young men who will cast their maiden votes this year.

He said he had not organized such an association, and had no idea of doing so. If one had been organized in his ward he would probably have heard of it.

"It is one of those fairy tales that come to birth in Brooklyn frequently," he said, "and there is absolutely no truth in it."

St. Francis's College Entertainment.

The annual entertainment of the students of St. Francis's Colege will be held in the Brooklyn Academy of Music on Thursday afternoon. The attraction selected is Shakespeare's tragedy, "Henry IV." The Glee Club will render a medley of musical gems. A school boy choir of two hundred voices will open the entertainment. Among those who will occupy boxes are Hugh McLaughlin, Sheriff Buttling, John McCarthy, J. Courtney and John Delmar.

COMING EVENTS.

The Phi Delta Phi Fraternity will have a banquet at the Hotel Marlborough to-night. Justice William J. Gaynor will be the guest of honor.

A reception to Bishop Farley will be held at the Catholic Club, Fifty-ninth street and Sixth avenue, May 14.

The Script Society, K. of P., will have a house warming at the Cafe Logeling, No. 237 East Fifty-seventh street, May 13.

A reception will be given to Rev. Henry A. Stimson, at Sherry's to-night, by William C. Whitney, Abram S. Hewitt, President Seth Low, of Columbia College, President Dwight, of Yale University, and others.

A series of afternoon lectures has been arranged at the Teachers' College, Morningside Heights. Two dates are: May 13, Professor W. F. Ganong, on "Importance of Natural Science Studies;" May 21, Dr. Louis A. Husted on "Rest and Recreation."

The two hundredth anniversary of the granting of the charter of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, of the City of New York, will be celebrated in the church, Fifth avenue and Forty-eighth street, to-night. Addresses will be delivered by Rev. Henry M. Baird, Rev. Charles C. Tiffany, Rev. D. J. Burrell and others. The music will be directed by Carl Walter.

The one hundred and nineteenth regular meeting of the Society of Medical Jurisprudence will be held to-night at No. 17 West Forty-third street. Frank S. Smith will speak on "A Mask for Crime."

WAR VETERAN IN JAIL.

Came Here from an Ohio Soldiers' Home on a Visit and Is Charged With Stabbing a Man.

"I was man enough to fight all through the War of the Rebellion and to get an honorable discharge, and I'm too much of a man to use a knife on any one now," was the statement of Samuel McAdams when he was arraigned in the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday, charged with having stabbed his nephew, Samuel Beresford.

In spite of this statement, the old veteran, who is nearly the Biblical limit of life, was held in $2,000 bail to await the result of injuries inflicted upon his nephew by somebody last Saturday night, and from which the man may die.

McAdams is an inmate of the Soldiers' Home at Dayton, Ohio. Last week he obtained a short leave of absence, and came here to visit his relatives. He reached New York on Saturday, and with Edward Kiernan, who is a brother-in-law of his nephew, Beresford, went for a walk. They drank more beer than the veteran had seen in years. At the corner of Eleventh avenue and Thirty-ninth street they met Beresford, between whom and Kiernan there has long been a feud.

A free fight followed, in the midst of which McAdams lost his pocketboot, containing his ticket back to Dayton. When Beresford finally fell with a stab wound just below the right shoulder blade, he said that his uncle had inflicted it. The old soldier and Kiernan were both arrested. Beresford is in a critical condition at Bellevue.

A CAT WITH GREEN EYES.

Weird Tale of a Man Who Had Dined and a Small Boy Who Tampered with Electrical Phenomena.

He had dined. He felt at peace with the world and himself, just enough to look upon things with a generous and kindly eye. He was in a good mood to see the Electrical Show. He had seen many wonders before reaching a small room in which the Edison lamp people show miniature incandescents. The little room was full of persons, but he pushed into position in front of the Fairy Box.

The man in charge had left everything all right, but just then a boy had got behind the scenes and put the arm of the rheostat along a couple of notches. The motor responded to the new requirements. The lights in the box changed from green to red, and then to white, and back again, the cat's green eyes blinked balefully, and the brownies appeared and disappeared in and out of the trees as the lamps blind lighted and were extinguished by the rapidly moving contacts.

He looked at it and winked, then rubbed his eyes, then looked again. He glanced around inquiringly.

"Wha'smatterw'thething? Wha's matter wiz cat? 'Sgot th'jumps? Haven't got'em, know I haven't, but's strange."

Half an hour afterward he was seen hanging over the bar upstairs imbibing soda, still shaking his head and rubbing his eyes.

FELT INSANITY RETURNING.

Mary Christopher Asked to Be Restrained So She Could Not Harm Her Brother.

Robert Christopher in the Centre Street Court yesterday had his sister Mary committed for examination as to her sanity. She was released from an asylum four months ago, he said. Recently she had displayed symptoms of insanity and he feared she would do herself harm. The Court asked the woman if she had been ill.

"Yes; I have, Judge," she replied, "and I think it is coming back on me again. All my brother said is true. I don't want to do him any harm, but I know I am not exactly right here," and she tapped her forehead.

The brother and sister kissed each other affectionately, and she was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

DEATH INSTEAD OF MARRIAGE.

William McCoy's Sudden End When He Was Looking Forward to His Wedding.

William E. McCoy, who was to have been married next month to Miss Helma Sternberg, of Brooklyn, died at the Hotel Lafayette, No. 23 Washington place, yesterday morning. He had been wandering in the hotel corridors, talking to himself about the burning of the hotel, and expressing the fear that the house was going to fall. A few minutes before 8 a. m. he sat down in his room and died.

He was thirty-one years old and was employed by the H. B. Claflin Co. His friend, John Pauley, said Mr. McCoy's habits had been very good until the past month, during which time he had been drinking too much. His only living relative is a sister, in Lebanon, Pa.

X-RAYS TO SAVE A BURGLAR.

James O'Connor's Wounded Neck to Be Photographed by Surgeons.

Burglar James O'Connor, who lies in Fordham Hospital with a policeman's bullet in his neck, will, House Surgeon Kilmartin thinks, recover. A slight operation performed yesterday enabled him to eat a little.

This afternoon an effort will be made to find the bullet by the aid of X rays. Dr. Higgins, chief surgeon of the visiting staff, will have the matter in charge. He will be assisted by the local hospital staff.

Cable Car Dragged an Aged Man.

William Goldstein, sixty-seven years old, a real estate broker, of No. 133 East Seventy-sixth street, fell from a cable car at Seventy-sixth street and Lexington avenue yesterday morning. He was dragged several feet before letting go of the bars at the end of the car and was taken to the Presbyterian Hospital, suffering from a scalp wound. It was said he would be all right in a few days.

MARINE NEWS.

PORT OF NEW YORK.

ALMANAC TO-DAY.

Sun rises....4:47 a. m. | Moon rises....3:44 a. m.
Sun sets.....7:06 p. m. | Moon sets.....

HIGH AND LOW WATER TO-DAY.

GOVERNOR'S ISLAND		SANDY HOOK.	
H. W.	L. W.	H. W.	L. W.
6:55 a. m.	1:11 a. m.	6:26 a. m.	12:30 a. m.
7:12 p. m.	1:04 a. m.	6:40 p. m.	12:24 p. m.

Incoming Steamships.

ARRIVED YESTERDAY.

Ss. Sorrento (Ger.), Gergensen, Hamburg, April 23, and Havre, 25th, with mdse and 452 passengers to Funch, Edye & Co.

Ss. Orinoco (Br.), Fraser, Bermuda, May 7, with mdse, and 91 passengers to A. E. Outerbridge & Co.

Ss. Iroquois, Bearse, Jacksonville, May 6, and Charleston, with mdse, and passengers to W. P. Clyde & Co.

Ss. Kasbek (Br.), Muir, Shields, April 25, in ballast to Goepel & Tribe.

Ss. Strathisla (Br.), Marshall, Sourabaya, February 21, Krugshen, 29th; Prebolingo, March 3; Pegal, 6th; Colombo, 18th; Port Said, April 5; Algiers, 7th; St. Michaels, 25th, and Delaware Breakwater, May 9, with sugar to American Sugar Refining Co.

Ss. Jamestown, Hulphers, Newport News and Norfolk, with mdse, and passengers to the Old Dominion Steamship Co.

Ss. City of Birmingham, Burg, Savannah, with mdse, and passengers to G. M. Sorrel.

Ss. Phosphor (Br. tank), Anderson, Shields, April 25, in ballast to Gulfine Reye.

Ss. Acadia (Br.), Swain, Naples, April 21, with mdse, and passengers to Henderson Bros.

Ss. Richmond, Davis, Richmond and Norfolk, with mdse, and passengers to Old Dominion Steamship Co.

DUE TO-DAY.

Ss. Acacia, Gibraltar, April 23; ss. Pocahontas, London, April 26; ss. Woolwich, Gibraltar, April 25; ss. El Sud, New Orleans, May 6; ss. Saale, Bremen, May 1; ss. Kaiser Wilhelm II., Genoa, April 30; ss. Furnessia, Glasgow, April 30; ss. State of California, Glasgow, May 1; ss. Boyic, Liverpool, May 1; ss. Spaarndam, Rotterdam, April 29; ss. Coventry, Rotterdam, April 25; ss. City of Washington, Havana, May 7; ss. Alliance, Colon, May 4; ss. Dunstan, Para, April 29.

DUE TO-MORROW.

Ss. Friesland, Antwerp, May 2; ss. Mississippi, London, April 29; ss. Leona, Galveston, May 5.

DUE WEDNESDAY.

Ss. Teutonic, Liverpool, May 6; ss. Havel, Dresden, Bremen, May 1; ss. California, Hamburg, April 29; ss. Segurance, Havana, May 4; ss. James Turple, Gibraltar, April 28; ss. Ghazee, Gibraltar, April 28.

Outgoing Steamships.

SAIL TO-DAY.

	Mails close.	Vessels sail.
Finance, Colon	10:00 a. m.	12:00 m.
Iroquois, Charleston	—	3:00 p. m.

SAIL TO-MORROW.

Lahn, Bremen	7:00 a. m.	10:00 a. m.
Cuba, Hayti	10:00 a. m.	12:00 m.
Sobralense, Barbados	—	—

Advertisement.

*We never car