# HO! FOR THE ST. NICHOLAS MUSIC HALL TO-MORROW NIGHT.

## 'll Is Ready for the Junior Republic Fund's Great Benefit.

### ALL STAR PROGRAMME.

### A Congress of Serio-Comics Is One of Its Main Features.

### ADMISSION ONLY A QUARTER.

### Purchase a Ticket and Thus Help the Little Fellows Who Are Earnestly Trying to Help Themselves.

EVERYTHING is ready for the gigantic vaudeville entertainment to be given at the big St. Nicholas Music Hall, Sixty-sixth street and Columbus avenue, to-morrow night in aid of the Journal Junior Republic Fund.

When the curtain rises every seat in the magnificent hall is bound to be occupied, for perhaps never before in the history of the local stage have so many artists of such prominence as will appear at this benefit been gathered for a single performance. Then, again, there is not a more comfortable Summer theatre in this city than the St. Nicholas Music Hall. It is kept cool by improved ice machines. Through four great funnels several thousand cubic feet of cold air is pumped into the auditorium each minute.

Now, then, a word or two about the extraordinary show, and remember, please, that it costs but 25 cents to see it.

First there will be Bessie Bonehill—beautiful, brilliant, bewitching Bessie Bonehill—who comes up from her farm at Amityville in order to help the poor little chaps of the miniature republic in Rockland County who are trying to help themselves. Miss Bonehill is, as everybody knows, the best artiste in her particular line on the stage to-day. To-morrow night she's going to sing her charming melody, "There's but One New York," and you ought not miss it.

**No Lack of Comedy.**

Then there will be those funny German dialect comedians, the Rogers Brothers. These gentlemen have the reputation of being able to cause more waistcoat buttons to become unfastened by their sayings and antics than any other men on the stage.

Next comes Williams and Walker, the colored team, whose phenomenal run at Koster & Bial's last season will easily be recalled. Mr. Williams is responsible for the wide popularity which the song "You're Not So Warm" attained.

Then follows a feature which alone is a great show in itself. It is a big congress of the most popular serio-comics now before the public, and consists of Mlle. Troja, May Howard, Annie Hart, Gertrude Mansfield, Lizzie B. Raymond, Sadie Fox, Carrie Exler, the Beaumont Sisters, the Walker Sisters and the three Sisters Lane. Isn't that contingent of artists alone worth the price of admission?

**A Long List of Good Things.**

In order to lend variety to the performance, Belle Hathaway and her quaint dog and monkey circus and the Brothers Mangean, dating acrobats, will appear.

Charles "Bowery Boy" Ward will sing his best songs, and this means a great deal.

Two well-known sketch teams, McBride and Goodrich and Cunningham and Grant, are also on the bill.

The Golden Gate Quartet, undoubtedly the best in their line, will also entertain, and Tiddlewinks and Dugan, the pocket edition of John Kernell and the late J. W. Kelly, respectively, will also contribute their share to the entertainment.

Now bear in mind that you can see this whole entertainment for the nominal sum of 25 cents—25 cents for a $2 show—and that it is to take place at the St. Nicholas Music Hall to-morrow night. Tickets are now on sale at the hall, the 'phone number of which is 691 Columbus. Don't miss this great chance.

Latest Athletic Sport. First photographs thereof ever taken.
——Next Sunday's Journal.
——Better order to-day.

## BURGLARS AND WOMEN.

### The Former Are Successful in Their Depredations, and One of the Latter Is Sandbagged and Bound.

Syracuse, N. Y., Aug. 5.—Shortly after 3 o'clock this morning Mrs. Almon T. Jones, No. 1123 East Fayette street, was awakened by noise in her room. She saw a man prowling around examining the contents of bureau drawers. She waited until he had finished, and then awakened her husband, who chased the burglar through the house. Mr. Jones continued the pursuit out of doors, but the burglar turned and fired a shot, and Mr. Jones stopped the chase.

Boston, Aug. 5.—Miss Hattie Bond, employed by Mrs. C. R. Arno, in a lodging house, was found bound and gagged in a front room of the house this morning. When released she said that a man came there and wanted to engage a room, and paid $1 in advance. While Miss Bond was writing a receipt the visitor struck her down from behind, with a sandbag. He then threw the woman to the floor, tied towels around her mouth and wrists, took $50 from a desk in the room and escaped.

## SPALDING WOULD STARVE.

### Convicted Chicago Banker Hopeless of a New Trial and in a State of Physical Collapse.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 5.—Ever since his conviction, last week, C. W. Spalding, the banker, has been in a state of physical collapse. He also seems very despondent and careless of a new trial. For the past five days, the banker has been gradually getting weaker, and he has persisted in his refusal to eat since last Saturday.

His meals are all sent away untouched. He refuses to see any of his old friends, and he no longer talks to the inmates of the boys' department. The jail officials do not know what to do in the matter. County Physician McNamara will fit up a temporary hospital in the school room of the jail and will do what he can to renew the banker's health. It is feared that if he doesn't experience a revival of some sort he cannot live long. Miss Erwin has not called on her employer since before his last trial.

## THE JOURNAL JUNIOR REPUBLIC.

IT IS a community of poor boys who have gone out into the country to get an honest living. It is situated on a farm about thirty-five miles north of New York City, near the Hudson River. All the citizens are between twelve and eighteen years of age. They govern themselves, elect their President, Legislature and Senate, make their own laws and enforce them. The citizens are policemen, judges, merchants, bakers, tailors, carpenters and farmers. They are paid for their work in Junior Republic coin, and with the money they pay for their board and lodging at the hotels, run by other citizens. It is a miniature Republic, conducted by boys who hope some day to take an active part in our own big Republic. As fast as the fund justifies it more boys are sent up there from the slums to be turned into good citizens. There is room for a thousand boys. All communications regarding the Republic should be addressed to Journal Junior Republic, The Journal, New York.

# ARE DISTILLERS IN A COMBINATION?

### One Report Says They Have Organized to Control the Product.

Chicago, Aug. 5.—According to a story printed in the Times-Herald this morning the efforts of leading distillers and distributers to form a combination to control the production and price of spirits have at last been successful. The final details of the plan of agreement, it is said, have just been decided upon though frequent meetings have been held, mainly in Chicago, New York and Cincinnati, during the last six months.

The combination is on the percentage allotment plan, with special rules, regulations and forfeitures imposed on distributors. Each distiller producing more than his percentage allotment pays monthly into the pool a certain sum on the surplus. Each distiller producing less than his allotment draws out a similar sum for each gallon short. The executive and arbitration committees include in their membership every important interest in the country, and will control the new association.

The Executive Committee consists of Samuel Rice, of New York, president of the American Manufacturing Company; Frank Curtis, of New York; P. J. Hennessey, of Chicago; Jacob Ross, of St. Louis; Franklin T. Corning, of Peoria; Henry G. Herget, of Pekin, Ill., and George Hubbell, William N. Hobart and J. T. McHugh, of Cincinnati. The Arbitration Committee is composed of Samuel Woolner, of Peoria; Jacob P. Bailes, of New York; N. J. Walsh, J. W. Freiberg, of Cincinnati, and P. E. Hair, of Omaha.

Samuel Woolner, who is here, said:

"The object of the association is to conserve and manage the spirits industry. The agreement has been signed by everybody in the business, and it is such that it is likely to stick. The nature of the agreement I cannot define, other than to say that the association is an entirely voluntary one. I do believe that prices will at any time be advanced above a figure that will fairly furnish a living profit, as this would only incite new opposition from the public. The entire spirits industry is harmonious, and when profits begin to take the place of losses, this feeling of harmony will be strengthened."

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 5.—When the dispatch relative to the alleged successful reorganization of the Whiskey Trust was shown to P. E. Iler he emphatically stated that no such combination had been effected and none could be on the basis indicated. The Eastern distillers would like to get the Western distillers into a combination, but the Western men had refused to be beguiled, and any statement that the combination had been formed on the lines indicated was absolutely untrue.

Mr. Iler said that some time ago he had received notification to the effect that he had been appointed a member of the arbitration committee, but he had promptly returned it with his emphatic refusal to have anything to do with it.

## EXPECTS CARLOS'S RETURN.

### A Spanish Deputy Confident That There Will Be a New Uprising.

**Madrid, Aug. 5.**—A Carlist Deputy has made a bet with a Conservative colleague of 1,000 francs, the former wagering that Don Carlos will be in Spain at the head of his partisans before the end of February, 1898.

# ROUND THE HORN TO THE KLONDYKE

### Massachusetts Schooner Fitting Out for a Gold Field Expedition.

## LIFE INSURANCE FAILS.

### Indiana Capitalists Failed to Secure $10,000 Policies Upon Their Prospectors.

Nantucket, Mass., Aug. 5.—Captain William T. Sawin, of this town, has purchased the schooner William O. Nettleton with a view of fitting her out for an expedition to the Klondyke gold fields by the way of Cape Horn.

The Nettleton is a two-masted schooner belonging to this port, of about 56 tons burden and is better known as the Boston Packet.

The vessel will leave here in time to reach Alaska about next April and it is planned to take along a lot of dories, especially adapted for river use, so that they can be easily transported around the rapids which may be encountered.

## GOLD SCHEME SPOILED.

### An Indiana Company Couldn't Get $10,000 Insurance on the Men They Thought of Grub Staking.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 5.—The determination of the leading life insurance companies to carry no risks on Klondyke explorers has fallen with dampening effect on the co-operative companies which were forming in this city, and upon a number of men who are preparing to start for Alaska during the coming Winter.

One of these companies intended sending ten representatives, each insured for $10,000, giving each man $1,000, besides money for contingent expenses, all of them to co-operate in the search for gold, dividing equally with the company, and in case of death the insurance money to be paid to the company. By each death the company stood to win $8,500, on the basis that not more than $1,500 would be spent on each representative.

Another company simply designed to carry sufficient insurance to reimburse it for actual outlay. It is not thought that any of these companies will proceed further with the organization.

## EXPERT ON THE OUTPUT.

### The Director of the Mint Very Anxious to Know What May Be Expected from Alaska.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Secretary Gage has decided to send a mining expert to the Klondyke region to ascertain as nearly as possible the output of gold from this region.

This action was taken on the suggestion of Director of the Mint Preston, who is very much interested in learning the probable yearly flow of gold into this country from Alaska.

Similar efforts have been made heretofore by this Government, as well as foreign Governments, to ascertain the possibilities of gold mines, and the report of the expert who will be sent to Alaska will be awaited with great interest.

Long Branch To-day....
By Oscar Hammerstein.
——Next Sunday's Journal.
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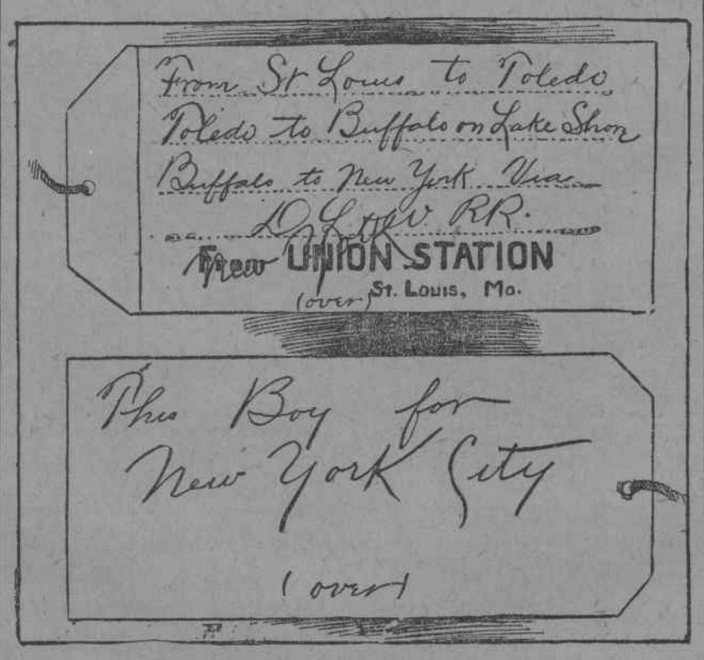
**Fireman Accused of Incendiarism.**

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Aug. 5.—For three months past incendiary fires have been frequent in this city. The incendiary confined his work to stables. To-day the police arrested Edward Moran, a member of the fire department, charged with being the guilty party. Some damaging evidence was submitted at the hearing. The prisoner was held without bail. He is believed to be demented.




Little John Daniels as He Game Tagged from St. Louis.

THERE is a little Japet in search of a father in New York, only his name is John—John Daniels, Jr. If this should meet the eye of John Daniels, Sr., he is advised to go to Police Headquarters and claim the youngster, who has travelled alone all the way from St. Louis to join him.

The grandmother, who dispatched little John on his long pilgrimage, bought a ticket for him, gave him a basket stuffed with bananas and cake and sandwiches and cold chicken and chewing gum, but she forgot to give him his father's address in New York.

The station master in St. Louis tied a tag to the buttonhole of the boy's jacket. On one side of it was the inscription: "This boy for New York;" on the other a memorandum of the route, thus: "St. Louis to Toledo, Toledo to Buffalo via the L., S. & M. S. Ry., Buffalo to New York via the D., L. & W. Ry."

Daniels left St. Louis two months ago in search of work, leaving his motherless child in charge of his grandmother. He wrote from New York the other day, saying that he had found work, and asking to have young John sent to him.

# HUNDREDS BURIED; WOMEN TRAMPLED

### Grand Stand Falls with 2,000 Five of the Injured Will Die.

## MEN STRIKE DOWN WOMEN

### Brutality and Cowardice Mark a Casualty at a Pennsylvania Race Track.

Lancaster, Pa., Aug. 5.—Torn from its fastenings by the swaying and stamping of 2,000 persons this afternoon a temporary stand at the White Horse race track, in Salisbury Township, collapsed and 200 men, women and children were injured, five mortally.

Benjamin Weaver, of Lancaster, ex-Director of the Poor, is one who will die and an unknown young man is another. Two children also received wounds which will prove fatal.

The stand went down with a crash, and then followed an exhibition of brutality and cowardice seldom witnessed. Big, powerful men were the first to extricate themselves from the wreck, and this they did by knocking and trampling down women and children who impeded their progress. Women, hardly able to stand on account of fright, were deliberately struck in the face by hard fists and then walked on. Children were used in the same way.

# "LIFE A NUISANCE," SO RUDDELL DIED.

### Sent His Son for the Poison with Which He Ended His Life.

Having returned from "everywhere" and lost interest in everything, William J. Ruddell killed himself Tuesday night by drinking poison, in the little house on Hoe street, in the annexed district, which was to be his family mansion for ages. He had taken much pride in it once, as the centre of vast estates, which would increase in value year by year and make of him an exemplary landlord. But the estates went piecemeal, together with securities, bonds, notes, titles to city property and mortgages in stock speculations which might have made of him a man of fabulous wealth in a day.

It is a neat frame dwelling of three stories, and he lived in it, in the rare periods when New York pleased him, in the company of his son, Thomas Arthur, fourteen years old, and distinguished in the neighborhood as an accomplished bicyclist.

He went home on Tuesday night and gave to his son a prescription to be filled at the druggist's. When the boy returned the father said, "I am tired; do not wake me, even for a fire." Arthur obeyed until Wednesday night, when the long stillness of his father's room, which had been weighing on him like a pall, overcame his trained obedience.

He called for one of his friends, and, helped by him, climbed into his father's room. Then he saw at a glance what had happened. He stayed in the house in his terrible loneliness all the night. In the morning he borrowed from his friend enough money to go to the home of his uncle, George B. Outten, at No. 11 Abingdon square.

If Mr. Outten ever needed discretion it was then that he needed it the most, for his wife, Mr. Ruddell's sister, was taking care of her mother, nervous, ill, infirm and incapable of suffering the slightest shock. She had arrived the day before from Baltimore, to come under the care of a special physician. She was not to suspect even that her son had died. It was with great diplomacy that Mrs. Outten could be made aware of her brother's suicide.

Yet it was not a surprise to her. William J. Ruddell, forty years of age, affable, pleasant in conversation and well liked by his friends, had been almost morbid for some time. He discussed subjects in his familiar talks that the sensitive avoid. He talked of forms of death and of the surest means of achieving it. He knew the poisons of the ancients and those of the moderns which affect certain temperaments and not others.

He defended suicide with arguments which were not Ingersoll's. He said that a man had two inalienable rights: "One is to change his opinion, the other is to get out of the world when he wishes." He wrote letters to the newspapers in defence of suicide.

He was a great traveller and a diligent student, but his mind was not kept for a day attentive to any consideration save that of death. He had been married twice. His first wife died, he was separated from his second two months ago, after a year of mutual unhappiness.

One of his sons lived with an aunt, on Long Island, the other lived with him. Ruddell called on Mrs. Outten frequently, and he stayed at her house on Sunday. He went the next day to his office at Haight & Freese's, who attended to his business at the Consolidated Exchange when he was out of the city.

In the evening he said to a friend in the telegraphic style which his disenchanted habit had made him adopt: "Life is a nuisance. Society, fools. Literature too coarse. Inness's pictures, formerly astonishing, with their aerial veils and the transparency of their skies, are now bothersome. They look as if half-dried brushes had been dried on old canvases.

"I though you were a gourmet," said his friend.

"Don't like to eat," Ruddell replied. "Like to drink, but whiskey is not strong enough. Work! Pshaw! You don't earn even four thousand a year, and you work like a convict."

His friend walked with him for hours, trying to weary his mind by wearing out his body and doing his utmost to persuade him that his pessimism was absurd. But Ruddell could not be persuaded.

He had taken for insomnia so much sulfonal that it was almost harmless to him. So he drank two drachms of trional. He must have died without pain. His body was taken to Stephen Merritt's undertaking establishment last night.

# JAPAN IS NOT SO WARLIKE.

### Oriental Nation Suggests That Belgium Act as an Arbitrator.

## HAWAII EXCLUDES CHINESE

### Planters Believe They Can Solve the Labor Problem by Importing Negroes for Plantations.

**Yokohama, Aug. 5.**—It is semi-officially announced that Japan has suggested that Belgium be selected to act as arbitrator in the questions in dispute between Hawaii and the Japanese Government.

## UNDER HAWAIIAN FLAG.

### Pacific Mail Boats Bear the Kanaka Ensign in Anticipation of Annexation.

San Francisco, Aug. 5.—The Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamer China will sail out of the port of San Francisco to-day flying the Hawaiian flag.

It was decided yesterday by the officers of the company to place the big vessel, which is the crack ship of the Pacific Mail fleet, under the Hawaiian flag without loss of time, and it is said in maritime circles that this action on the part of the company indicates a belief among the officers of the company that annexation of the islands is likely to be accomplished in the very near future.

**Chinese Excluded.**

The news that Hawaii had virtually excluded the Chinese is confirmed by Honolulu advices brought by the Australian. When the annexation proposition was made to the United States one of the principal clauses was that Chinese immigration should cease. As a start in this direction the Hawaiian Government has decided to issue no more six-months residence permits to Chinese or to execute any bonds for contract laborers to arrive.

The planters do not fear the labor problem. In fact they are already solving it, and that to the detriment of the Japanese. Recently there have developed plans for colonizing the American plantation negro in Hawaii to gradually replace the coolies in the cane and rice fields, and on the cotton and coffee plantations.

The German ship H. F. Glade arrived in Honolulu on July 26, with nearly 200 contract laborers. They will supplant the Japanese on the sugar plantations. This crowd consisted of 115 laborers, 25 women and 47 children. The nationalities are mixed, there being many Poles and Austrians, as well as Germans. These laborers will be placed on nine different plantations, the contracts showing that the men are to be paid $16 a month the first year, $17 the second and $18 the third, in addition to the regular food and lodging given by the plantations.

## WOODFORD IN LONDON.

### The Minister to Spain and His Suite Will Remain a Week in the British Capital.

By Frank Marshall White.

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**London, Aug. 5.**—The legend "General Stewart L. Woodford, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the United States to Spain," occupies three lines on the register of the Hotel Cecil, and General Woodford, his secretaries and his naval and military attaches occupy a considerable amount of space in the hotel itself.

The Minister, however, has nothing to say at present about Spanish affairs. He intends to remain in London about a week and will then proceed to Madrid.

## TURKS WILL NOT FIGHT.

### Fleet Which Left the Dardanelles Is Not Destined for Crete and a Meeting with the Powers.

**Constantinople, Aug. 5.**—The Turkish Minister for Foreign Affairs, Tewfik Pasha, replying to inquiries made by the Ambassadors of the powers, has expressed ignorance of the destination of the Turkish fleet, which left the Dardanelles on Tuesday last. It appears, however, that the war ships are not going to Cretan waters, which is probably a wise decision upon the part of the Turkish authorities, as it has been stated that the admirals in command of the fleets of the powers have decided to oppose, by force if necessary, the entry of the Turkish squadron into Cretan waters, where precautions have already been taken against such an event by the dispatch of foreign war ships to guard the different ports of Crete.

The Turkish Government officials are now manifesting a desire to expedite the settlement of the peace negotiations, owing to the straitened state of the exchequer rendering it impossible, under the present circumstances, to contract a new loan because of the unhealthy condition of the troops in Thessaly, where many of the soldiers are dying; and for political reasons, the attitude of Bulgaria, Servia and Montenegro being regarded as threatening.

## SAYS 1,500 WERE KILLED.

### Calcutta Volunteer Reiterates the Statement That Natives Were Slaughtered.

**London, Aug. 5.**—The Evening News publishes a letter this afternoon from a Calcutta volunteer, reiterating the statement that during the recent rioting there the artillery fired point blank at the mob of 5,000 mill hands who were marching to join the rioters, with the result that 1,500 of the natives were killed.

## FOR THE SOUTH POLE.

### An Expedition to Explore the Antartic Regions to Leave Antwerp August 15.

**London, Aug. 5.**—A dispatch from Antwerp to-day says that the necessary sum of money to defray the expenses of the South Pole expedition having been assured by the vote of a further credit of 50,000 francs, the steamer Belgica, with the South Pole exploring expedition on board, will leave Antwerp, August 15.

**Goncourt's Will Upheld.**

**Paris, Aug. 5.**—The Court of Probate to-day gave judgment upholding the will of the late Edmond de Goncourt, the distinguished French writer, who died on July 16, 1896. The will had been before the court for construction since July 29 last.

A New Pirate of the Pacific.
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