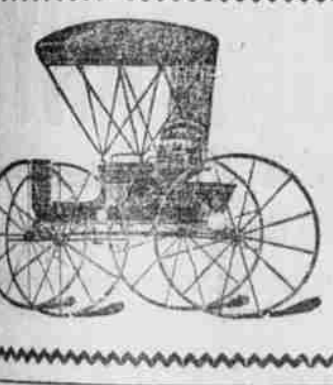


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New York, April 12.—As several conferences held to a very general conviction of the Louisville and Nashville Railway Representatives of Louisville and Nashville and Southern and a member of the Gates in consultation early in the day John W. Gates was closed for an hour with George W. Perkins vice of J. P. Morgan & Co. Perkins or Mr. Gates would passed between them, but it is a general belief that the Louisville discussed in its several phases. authoritative report dealing with the cent course of the Louisville is substantially as follows: Some time ago Southern interests, alarmed at the growth and prosperity of Louisville and made an offer for a majority in, offer was declined, so reports foreign holders of Louisville, ville, who hold the balance of. Recently, when Louisville increased its capital stock, Mr. Gates and his associates an opportunity to squeeze it by buying Louisville in the op at the increasing values of th To what extent the Gates fac ceeded is still a matter of conje it is not doubted that they were sition to swing a large block of st

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- Dress Suit Cases made of heavy sole leather in colors dark green, brown and chocolate \$7.00
- Dress Suit Cases made of solid sole leather, 24-inch size, color chocolate, full leather bound \$10.00
- Real Hogskin Dress Suit Cases, full hand made and hand stitched, 24-inch size \$15.00
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the Louisville, Chattanooga and St. Louis, the Western and Atlanta, the Georgia railroad, and several smaller lines in Alabama.  
Including the mileage of both their main lines and the recently acquired roads, the number of miles included in the new merger under control of the Southern aggregates 17,349.  
An interesting feature of the situation is the fact that Georgia may be placed in the rumored combination. The estate owns the Western and Atlantic, which runs from Atlanta to Chattanooga, and is leased by the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis.  
The Southern is already operating a line between these cities, and the Central of Georgia, which is under the control of the Southern, has a road from Chattanooga to Griffin, Ga. The effect of the purchase of the Louisville and Nashville is said by some to mean that at the expiration of the present lease on the State road, the State road will be completely bottled up, rendering it merely a local line between Atlanta and Chattanooga. When asked his opinion on the matter Governor Chandler said: "I don't think there is any danger of the roads bottling up the State road. While railroad combinations are very powerful, they can not cope with the State of Georgia, for if such attempts were made the result would be such drastic legislation in Georgia that the railroads would have to pay out more money than they could make on the transaction."  
"The railroads may attempt to depreciate the value of the State railroad, in order to get the State to sell it at a low price, but such an effort would also fail. "The people of Georgia will protect their interests in the matter, and nobody need have any fear on that score."  
The Atlanta and West Point and the Western of Alabama, constituting a line from Atlanta to Selma, Ala., will come under the supposed merger, as both are controlled indirectly by the Southern and Louisville and Nashville.

Louisville, Ky., April 12.—Nothing definite could be learned today of the deal whereby the Southern railway is reported to have obtained control of the Louisville and Nashville road. Officials of the latter line refused to say anything on the subject.  
Vice President Walter Hines, when shown the statement sent out by the Associated Press from New York, said that he had no knowledge of the matter.

**NORTHERN SECURITIES COMPANY**  
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**WRECK AT MEMPHIS.**  
Northbound Illinois Central Passenger Train No. 2 Collided With an Engine.  
Memphis, Tenn., April 12.—At 7:18 o'clock this morning northbound New Orleans Limited train No. 2 on the Illinois Central, due here at 6:25 a. m., ran into a switch engine in the Illinois Central yards. The passenger engine, two baggage cars and a second class coach were derailed. Fireman Goodwin, colored, was killed; Engineer Charles J. Barnett badly injured about the body. Express Messenger William E. Plink of Cairo, Ill., sustained a fracture of the skull and severe bruises, and an unknown man, supposed to be a tramp, lost a hand and one of his eyes. The accident was due to the fact that the passenger was half an hour late and the engineer of the switch engine thought it had already passed.

**GIVEN A LIFE SENTENCE.**  
Joseph M. Miller Confessed to the Murder of Carrie M. Jennett.  
Detroit, Mich., April 12.—At midnight tonight, seventy hours after Prof. Joseph M. Miller murdered Miss Carrie M. Jennett, with a hatchet, he was in Jackson prison, sentenced to spend the rest of his life at hard labor.  
He was arraigned in the recorder's court this morning on the charge of murder. His attorney, who was appointed by the court, raised the question of Miller's sanity, and Judge Murphy accordingly appointed a commission of three alienists, Drs. More, Hitchcock and Kennedy, to examine Miller. They agreed that there was no symptom of insanity in the defendant. Miller was then ordered to plead, and the confessed murderer said, in a low voice, "guilty."

**SPONSOR IN CHIEF APPOINTED.**  
Miss Varina Davis Has Been Designated by General John B. Gordon.  
Atlanta, Ga., April 12.—General John B. Gordon, commander in chief of the United Confederate Veterans, has appointed Miss Varina Davis of New Orleans sponsor in chief of the forthcoming reunion in Dallas. Miss Davis is a daughter of General Joseph Davis of New Orleans, and a grandniece of ex-President Jefferson Davis.

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**JUDGE REAGAN DROVE TO TOWN.**  
Received Many Warm Congratulations on His Recovery.  
Palestine, Texas, April 12.—Judge Reagan drove to town today in his buggy and spent some time around on the street, where he received the congratulations of his many friends, who were glad to see the distinguished gentleman out again after a spell of six weeks. He does not look much worse for the siege he has had, with the exception of being a little pale. In conversation with The Post correspondent this morning he stated that he was getting stronger every day, and that he thought that he would soon be a well man.

**WEATHER INFORMATION.**  
Probabilities.  
Washington, April 12.—Eastern Texas—Showers Sunday and Monday; south to southeast winds, with shower Sunday with warmer in northern portion; Monday fair and cooler; easterly to northeasterly winds.

**Major Grandy Dead.**  
Atlanta, Ga., April 12.—A cablegram from Manila received here announced the death of Major L. B. Grandy of the Thirty-fifth Infantry at Lae, province of Batanga.