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GREVY HAS RESIGNED.

His Message Read in the Chamber of Deputies.

Crowds Around the Parliament Building and Much Excitement.

The President Gives His Reasons for Leaving Office—Congress Will Meet at Versailles To-Morrow—Russian Nihilists Surprised and a Bloody Fight With the Police Fellows—Angry Strikers Assault Constables in London—Eight Badly Hurt.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE WORLD.]

PARIS, Dec. 2.—There was great excitement when, shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon, it was announced that President Grevy's resignation had been read in the Chamber of Deputies. The police had much difficulty in keeping the crowd away from the Parliament building. Congress will meet to-morrow.

Following is the text of M. Grevy's message of resignation: "So long as I had only to contend with the difficulties that have accumulated in my path, the attack of the press, the abstention of the men whom the public voice called to my side, and the increasing impossibility to form a Ministry, I struggled on and remained where duty bade me; but at the moment when public opinion, better informed, marked a change which gave me hope of forming a Government, the Senate and Chamber of Deputies voted a double resolution, which, under the form of an adjournment to a final hour to await the President's promised message, is tantamount to summoning the President to resign. It would be my duty and right to resist, but under the circumstances in which we are placed a conflict between the Executive and Parliament might entail consequences which restrain me. Wisdom and patriotism command me to yield."

RUSSIAN NIHILISTS SURPRISED.

Dynamite Laboratories Discovered and a Bloody Fight Follows.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE WORLD.]

BERLIN, Dec. 2.—The *Courier* publishes a telegram from St. Petersburg stating that several meeting-places of Nihilist conspirators and laboratories for the manufacture of dynamite have been discovered by the authorities in the Wassile, Ostrou and Peski quarters of the capital.

The despatch adds that, on the conspirators in Peski being surprised by the police, an encounter took place which was attended by serious bloodshed.

LORD MAYOR SULLIVAN CONVICTED.

Sentenced to Two Months' Imprisonment—Timothy Harrington Arrested.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE WORLD.]

DUBLIN, Dec. 2.—Lord Mayor Sullivan, for printing in his paper reports of suppressed branches of the National League, was convicted to-day. He was sentenced to two months' imprisonment, but without labor.

Mr. Timothy Harrington, Member of Parliament for the harbor division of Dublin, was arrested to-day in this city.

POLICE ATTACKED BY STRIKERS.

Eight London Constables Injured by Being Struck with Stones.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE WORLD.]

LONDON, Dec. 2.—A strike is in progress in the shoe trade in Northampton. Last evening, while a body of police was escorting the workmen to their homes, they were attacked by the strikers and a severe struggle ensued. Eight constables were injured by being struck by stones.

It is expected that worse trouble will occur at the end of the week, when an immense number of operatives will be locked out.

Earl Lyons Becomes a Roman Catholic.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE WORLD.]

BERLIN, Dec. 2.—The *Weekly Register* announces that Earl Lyons, late Minister to Paris, has been received into the Roman Catholic Church by the Right Rev. Dr. Butt, Bishop of Southworth. Earl Lyons had placed himself under instruction and had begun regularly to attend Roman Catholic services several weeks prior to his paralytic seizure, of which he is now dying.

COLORED, BY RULE OF COURT.

Judge Barrett Decides that Little Nellie Lee is Not Yetta Brodsky and Never Was.

The little ten-year-old girl, concerning whose parentage a warm dispute has been going on in the Supreme Court for some time, was to-day awarded to the colored contestants, Jennie and William Lee. This decision, which is made by Judge Barrett, rules the Russian claimants, Bertha and Harris Brodsky, who have insisted she was their long-lost daughter Yetta, out of court.

The Brodskys live at 21 Essex street. In October, 1884, their two-and-a-half-year-old daughter, Yetta, strayed away, and they have been unable to find her. Nearly three months ago they heard that a child resembling Yetta was living with the Lees at 114 East One Hundred and Nineteenth street.

The Lees, while admitting that the child was not their own, said that she had been given to them in 1881 by her mother, Mrs. Sarah Samuels, a colored woman. The Brodskys positively identified Nellie as Yetta, and had the Lees arraigned before Police Justice White on the charge of abduction.

Justice White sent the parties to the Supreme Court, and committed the child to the custody of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, to await a decision of the case.

James J. Nealis was appointed referee, and upon his findings Judge Barrett to-day awarded the child to the Lees.

Will It Be Lucas Instead of Faulkner.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—The credentials of Mr. Lucas, as Senator-elect from West Virginia, have been received and filed in the United States Senate. It is rumored that the Supreme Court of West Virginia has decided that the election of Faulkner as Senator was illegal.

WARFARE ON "SAWDUST" MEN.

Inspector Byrnes Says He is Determined to Suppress the Swindle.

Joe Little, one of the "sawdust" swindlers captured by Inspector Byrnes's detectives, was taken to the Jefferson Market Court to-day and remanded. The Inspector said this morning that he was going to do what he could to stop the swindle, convict the swindlers and expose the shopkeepers and others who receive letters for the swindlers and help them in other ways.

Detectives Heidelberg and Dolan arrested Little, who is said to be one of the chief managers of the business and employs men to gather addresses. In his possession were found a list of private post-offices and three or four "boodle" packages, together with a heap of circulars.

John Curley was arrested by Detectives Kush and McGuire. The detectives say that he is one of the men who gather up the letters.

Patrick Ryan, an ex-burglar and post-office thief, also a collector of addresses, is a third prisoner, and James McNally, of 322 West Forty-eighth street, a fourth. The police say that he is the man who gives out the "boodle" to the dupe.

The fifth and last prisoner, John Hawley, is described as an ex-blackmailer. His plan is to send first as a sample of his goods a genuine greenback. The "boodle" is then sent to the victim C. O. D. by express, always to an office some twenty or forty miles from his home. He is ordered not to open the package till he gets home. When he does, and finds it filled with ashes, the money paid at the express office is already on its way to Hawley in New York. With the ashes the customer finds a letter from Hawley, setting forth that he was watched for and followed to the express office by detectives, and for his customer's safety substituted the worthless package. He hopes for a renewal of business relations, and often hopes not in vain.

ELEVATED OPERATORS UNEASY.

An Alleged Scheme to Make Them Accept Lower Salaries or Resign.

The telegraph operators on the elevated railroads are more or less uneasy just now. Some time ago Col. Hain gave notice that every operator would be furnished with one or more students who were to be taught telegraphy during the dull hours. This week the scheme was put in operation.

The "students" turned out to be the gatemen and porters, who receive about a dollar less per day than do the operators. The latter fear that they are educating men who, in the near future, will be used as a power to force them to accept lower salaries. But they dare not refuse to teach the men.

Their salaries are at present slightly above the average received for commercial work. The Telegraphers' Brotherhood has received no official notification of the stand taken by the company, but when a report is made some action sustaining the operators will undoubtedly be taken.

In speaking of the affair, J. B. Taltavall, editor of the *Electric Age*, said: "It does not require a strictly first-class operator to assume charge of the majority of stations on these roads. The company has adopted the 'block system,' which is an automatic arrangement similar to the district messenger service boxes. To operate this system successfully requires but the study of a few minutes' time. The gatemen can do it already. The operators draw from $65 to $75 per month; the gatemen $40. The company would accept a compromise at $50, thus saving about $5,000 a month."

TO BE HANGED ON JAN. 20.

"I'm Taking McCarthy's Medicine," Dan Said on Hearing His Doom.

Dan Driscoll, who shot and killed "Beezy" Gerrity in McCarthy's Hester street dive, in attempting the life of the proprietor of the place, in July, 1886, must hang on Friday, Jan. 20, 1888.

Recorder Smyth said so in the Court of General Sessions this morning, the remittitur of the decision of the Court of Appeals having been returned to that court yesterday afternoon.

At noon he was led into the court-room. He was pale and his eyes gave proof that he had slept little since informed of the action of the Court of Appeals.

His lawyer, Mr. Howe, said: "Driscoll feels that he has had a fair and impartial trial, and that the charge of Your Honor was without prejudice. But he has further to say that his blood will be upon the perjured woman, Carrie Wilson. Name the day."

Driscoll nodded solemnly at each declaration of his counsel and impassively received the announcement of his last day on earth.

In the ante-room, on his way from the building, he accosted an acquaintance and said, in a solemn and impressive sort of way, pointing to his breast as he spoke: "I'm takin' McCarthy's medicine."

FULLER GETTING INTO TROUBLE.

He is Ordered to Show Why His License Should Not be Revoked.

Aspinwall Fuller, President of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association, has been notified to appear before Steamboat Inspectors Maisland and Fairchild on Dec. 6, to show why his license as engineer should not be revoked. The Inspectors claim that as Fuller, who once served a term in Sing Sing Prison for murder in the fourth degree, has not been restored to citizenship, he is not entitled to a license.

Fuller recently made charges that Inspector Maisland had issued a license to W. E. Willson illegally. Before he made this charge Fuller had been deprived of his license for deserting the steam-yacht Stranger. The license was restored by Supervising Inspector Starbuck. Fuller's charges are now in the hands of Secretary Fairchild, at Washington.

Moving the Police Captains.

The Police Commissioners held a long meeting to-day. They were still in session late this afternoon. It was said that they were engaged in moving the police captains from one precinct to another. Capt. John M. Robbins, of the Thirty-fourth Precinct, asked to be retired under the law giving him that privilege after twenty years' service. He was retired on half pay, which is $1,750 a year.

He Wanted to See the Bridge.

Supt. Jackson, of Castle Garden, this morning permitted the runaway boy, Ernest Jowner, who arrived on the State of Indiana on Wednesday, and whom he was requested by cable to detain, to go uptown to view the Brooklyn Bridge. The runaway is the nineteen-year-old son of a wealthy Belfast brewer. He ran away to see the world. He will sail for home to-morrow.

Medical Aid for the Sick Poor.

The Mutual Medical Aid Association, which has recently been formed for the purpose of supplying medicines and medical advice to the poor of the city, will in a few days open the first of its dispensaries at 402 West Forty-first street.

HOLD "WETS" RESPONSIBLE.

PROHIBITION ORATIONS AT YOUNG HIGHTOWER'S FUNERAL IN ATLANTA.

The Services Held at the Young Men's Prohibition Club and Ten Preachers Took Part in the Exercises—Dr. Morrison's Words: "What a City or a Nation Soweth That Also Shall It Reap."

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 2.—Young Charnell Hightower, the boy who died Wednesday from the effects of a blow from some unknown negro, was buried yesterday amid remarkable scenes. The Prohibitionists seem to have been doing all they could to make political capital out of the boy's death. The Young Men's Prohibition Club, of which he was a member, took charge of the remains, and the funeral, instead of being held at his father's house, was held at Prohibition headquarters, which was draped in mourning.

There was a great crowd present. "In Memoriam," "Died with His Armor On," "At Rest," were the legends on the blackboard at the head of the hall, and floral offerings bore similar mottoes.

As many as ten preachers took part in the exercises and the hall was crowded. Rev. H. C. Morrison and Rev. J. B. Hawthorne delivered the funeral orations. In the course of his remarks Dr. Morrison said: "'What a man soweth, that also shall he reap. What a city or a nation soweth, that also shall it reap.' This is but the voice of that universal law that says: 'Whatsoever a man soweth shall he also reap.' While we would utter no word of bitterness towards those who differed from us, and while there are many of them, I dare say, who deplore this deed, yet it is the legitimate reaping of the seed just sown. It is the first sheaf, gathered sooner than any expected, but the prelude and prophesy of the harvest which must inevitably follow. It is the preface to that history which rum is to make in our city, and that preface is naturally written in blood, and that by the almost unaccountable element used by others to prepare material for that history. Flushed with whiskey and frenzied with the enthusiasm of success, the brutal hand has crushed out this young and promising life, and with the blood baptized our city into its new relation."

Dr. Hawthorne, speaking of the relation of the Prohibition question to the crime, said: "It would be not only unjust, but exceedingly foolish in us to say that the anti-Prohibitionists as a party are responsible for the murder of this young man. I believe there are hundreds of men in that party who are as incapable of such a deed as any of us. I believe that there are many among them who deprecate the crime as profoundly as the best of us. But this I shall say, my sense of truth and right, and my love for the best interests of the community, compel me to say: The murder of young Hightower is one of the inevitable fruits of the iniquitous traffic which is again fastened upon this fair city by the triumph of the anti-Prohibition party. Hightower was murdered, and the guilt of that crime rests upon every liquor dealer in this country."

The burial was at Fort Valley, Ga., and a delegation of Prohibitionists attended.

The police last night arrested Elbert Ware, a negro with a pretty bad record. They think he is the murderer of Hightower.

WEIDLER'S CHILDREN IN COURT.

They Nestle in Their Father's Arms Until Gen. Catlin Sends Them Away.

George Weidler, the young man who killed Dr. Edward H. Duggan last July, was the centre of a group of sympathetic friends in the Brooklyn Sessions Court this morning, pending the continuance of his trial.

His wife reached the court-room early and for a while remained among the throng outside the rail, but just before the case was called she walked over to her husband's seat, kissed him and then beckoned to their two tots of children. The little ones came running over, clambered on their father's knee and indulged in all sorts of childish prattle.

They looked in wonder at the tear-stained mother's face, and finally trotted over to her and childishly tried to pull away the handkerchief which covered her eyes.

Then the batch of criminal cases which was being disposed of was finished, and Weidler started to his chair, beside Counsel Catlin. His wife preceded him, and he led the two children by either hand. Again the little ones nestled in the father's arms, and the picture grew quite dramatic, but Counsel Catlin didn't like it, and he ordered the mother to take the children away.

Gen. Catlin began the preliminary argument for the defense, based on Mrs. Weidler's claim of assault made by the murdered man, and which incited the crime. The case will probably be given to the jury this evening.

Denounce the Shoe and Leather Trust.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—The Shoe and Leather Trust, said to be in process of formation in New York, is denounced by manufacturers here. Mr. Seiz, of Seiz, Schwab & Co., said this morning that there is nothing in it, but if there was its projectors ought to be in the Penitentiary. "We have heard nothing of it, and besides the scheme is impracticable," he added. "It would be impossible to combine the thousands of shoe-houses in the country. We in the West don't want any boot and shoe trust, and the men who do should be given a taste of prison life. The firm have the principal prison contracts in Illinois and Michigan."

Verdict Against Miss Ingraham.

In the Court of Common Pleas, before Judge Daly, to-day, a jury brought in a verdict of $800 in the case of Lespinasse & Friedman against Eliza Ingraham, sister of Judge Ingraham. In 1886 the plaintiffs negotiated for the defendant the sale of property at One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street and the Harlem River to the Manhattan Railway Company. The defendant claimed that the railway authorities were after her as much as after the agents, and offered $400 to compromise. This was declined and suit instituted, the jury giving the full amount claimed.

Clamoring for Weldon's Life.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 2.—Early this morning about fifty negroes surrounded the jail at Wyandotte and demanded the release of Murderer Weldon. The Sheriff repulsed the attack by firing several shots over the heads of the mob. No danger is feared to-day, though the colored populace are still excited.

John Moore Was Not to Blame.

Coroner Eidman to-day held an inquest in the case of the unknown man who was found unconscious in an alleyway adjoining 127 West Thirty-second street, on Nov. 19, and who died soon afterwards. John Moore, a colored man, who was arrested on a charge of causing the man's death, was exonerated from all blame in the matter by the Coroner's jury.

SPRINGFIELD'S FINE BLOCK BURNED.

Destruction of the Winthrop Club's Swell Rooms—The Loss About $100,000.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 2.—About 4 o'clock this morning the fine four-story brick block known as the Kirkham and Olmstead block, corner of State and Willow streets, was nearly destroyed by fire. In this block were the elegantly furnished rooms of the Winthrop Club, which occupied nearly the entire upper floor. After a stubborn fight the fire was brought under control. The cause of the fire, which appears to have started on the club-room floor, is not yet apparent. The loss to the building and occupants cannot now be accurately estimated—it may reach $100,000.

The interior finish of the block was of a superior order throughout, the finish of the upper story costing somewhere about $20,000, so that the loss on the building will reach $30,000. The Winthrop Club will lose about $15,000. The damage to other occupants is principally by smoke and water, and is very heavy, particularly on the main floor. The Collegiate Institute had a drill hall on the upper floor, next to the club rooms. In the third story were apartments and offices. On the second floor were the Collegiate Institute, Prof. Zuchlmann's music rooms, real estate offices of J. D. & W. H. McKnight, Dr. Harvey, W. C. King & Co., book publishers, and the Metropolitan Insurance offices. On the main floor are Wilson & Patterson, stove dealers; the State street butter store, Smith's cigar store, Moore's plumbing establishment, Bull's harness store, and E. W. Clarke & Son, florists.

BULLS IN CONTROL.

The Stock Market Sluggish, Owing to the Circulation of False Rumors.

The market this morning started off at a sluggish pace owing to the circulation of false rumors. The announcement that the October net earnings of the Union Pacific were $290,000 ahead of 1886, and the fact that Richmond Terminal was worth flat to 1-16 for use on account of the closing of the transfer books this afternoon for election purposes both contributed toward placing the bulls in control.

Money has been easy, at 5 a 6 per cent. on call, and foreign exchange is nominally unchanged, at 4.82 a 4.86.

Governments are a shade easier for the 4s, at 124½ a 125 for reg. and 125½ a 126 for coupon. The 4½s rule steady at 107½ a 107⅝. In State bonds Virginia deferred broke 1½ to 8½. North Carolina special tax sold at 12. Railroad bonds were quiet. Nickel Plate 4s rose from 85½ to 86¼. Alton & Terre Haute dividends broke 2, to 40, and rallied to 41. Kansas & Texas 5s ranged from 67 to 68 and 6s from 77 to 77½. Fort Worth 1sts rose 1, to 80, and dropped to 78.

Advices from Paris report the feelings on the Bourse quiet and the situation improving. Rentes are up 90 centimes to 82f. 15c. the best price for some time. In London Consols were steady and American railway securities ¼ to 1 per cent. better.

THE QUOTATIONS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos'g.
Canada Southern	56	56⅝	56	56⅝
Chicago & ind. Coal	43¼	45	43⅜	45
Chicago & Northwest	110⅝	111¼	110⅝	110⅞
Chic. & Northwest pfd	141	141	141	141
Chic., Mil. & St. Paul	74⅝	75⅜	74⅜	75⅜
Chic., Mil. & St. Paul pfd	112⅝	112⅝	112⅝	112⅝
Col. & Hocking Val.	24⅛	24⅛	24⅛	24⅛
Colorado & Hocking Coal	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝
Colorado Coal & Iron	37⅝	37½	37	37
Del., Lack. & Western	139⅝	139⅝	139⅝	139⅝
Delaware & Hudson	102⅝	102⅝	102⅝	102⅝
Denver & Rio Grand pfd	55⅜	55⅜	54⅝	55
E. Tenn., Va. & Ga. 2d pfd	23	23⅜	23	23⅜
Illinois Central	116½	116⅝	116⅛	116⅝
Louisville & Nashville	60⅝	61⅛	60⅛	61⅛
Lake Shore	94	94⅜	93⅞	94⅜
Lake Erie & Western	15⅛	15⅝	15⅛	15⅝
Lake Erie & Western pref	45⅛	45⅝	45⅛	45⅝
Long Island	92	92	92	92
Manhattan Consol	100⅝	100⅝	100⅝	100⅝
Michigan Central	88	88	88	88
Missouri Pacific	89⅝	90⅝	89⅝	89⅝
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	18⅜	18⅝	18	18
Nash., Chatta & St. Louis	77	77	77	77
New Jersey Central	75	75½	75	75
New York Central	107½	108⅛	107⅛	107⅝
New York & New England	38⅝	39⅛	38⅝	39⅛
N. Y., Chic. & St. Louis	18	18	18	18
N. Y., Chic. & St. Louis 2d pfd	98	98	98	98
N. Y., Lake Erie & Western	28⅞	29⅛	28⅝	29
N. Y. Susq. & Western pfd	30	30	29⅝	29⅝
Norfolk & Western pfd	42⅝	42⅝	41⅝	42
Northern Pacific pfd	46⅛	47⅛	46⅛	46⅝
Ohio & Mississippi	24⅝	24⅝	24⅝	24⅝
Oregon Railway & Navigation	87	88	87	88
Oregon Transcontinental	20⅛	20⅞	20⅛	20⅛
Oregon Improvement	46⅛	47	46⅛	47
Pacific Mail	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝
Philadelphia & Reading	68⅝	69⅛	68⅝	68⅞
Peoria, Decatur & Evansville	20⅝	20⅝	20	20
Pullman Palace Car Co.	139⅛	139⅝	139⅛	139⅛
Richmond & West Point Ter.	25⅝	25⅞	25⅛	25⅜
St. Paul & Omaha	39	39⅛	39	39⅛
St. Louis & San Fran. pfd	72⅝	72⅝	72⅝	72⅝
Texas Pacific	25⅞	26	25⅝	25⅞
Union Pacific	56	57⅛	56	57⅛
Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific	17	17⅛	17	17⅛
Wab., St. Louis & Pacific pfd	31⅛	31⅛	31⅛	31⅛
Western Union Telegraph	78⅝	78⅝	78	78⅛
Wheeling & Lake Erie	43	43⅛	43	43⅛
Quicksilver pref	8	8⅛	7⅞	8⅛
Quicksilver pref	32	33⅛	32	32⅞

WANTED TO HELP A WITNESS OUT.

A Lively Time in the Early Morning About the House of Detention.

An effort was made this morning to effect the escape from the House of Detention of Morris Stone, an important witness against William Dowling, who is accused of the murder of William Hennessy. The latter was beaten to death in the notorious Phœnix lodging-house in the Bowery.

A man was seen moving about the alley near the prison and a police alarm was given. Then came a lively chase. The man reached a fire escape on a tenement and clambered up like an agile ape. When he reached the top he placed his hands on the cornice and hung suspended in the air. A dozen policemen stood below and shouted:

"Hold on where you are, or we will shoot."

From the darkness came back in feeble accents: "Don't shoot and I'll stay here."

Then the wiry fellow lifted his suspended body with his arm muscles, reached the roof in safety and by means of the scuttle made his escape through Marion street.

Bad Weather Coming Next Week.

It is warmer all over the country to-day. In New York the mercury stood at 26 degrees at 7 o'clock this morning, against 14 degrees at the same hour yesterday. "Fair, warmer weather" is the official prediction for the day.

That sort of thing is not to last long, however, as there is a big storm up in the Lake regions, and it is moving this way. It will get here on Tuesday. The coldest spot to-day is Bismarck, Dak., where the mercury stands at 4 degrees. It is freezing in Charleston, Atlanta and Augusta, but in New Orleans and Galveston the thermometer marks 66 degrees. The temperature in Belvidere, N. J., yesterday, was 5 degrees.

Mrs. Wetherell Doing Well.

Mrs. Nellie Wetherell, whose foot was amputated at the New York Hospital yesterday afternoon by Dr. Robert F. Weir, was this morning reported to be in an extremely favorable condition. At the hospital it was said that there is no reason why her recovery should not be speedy and thorough. She was resting comfortably, and her general health was good. A number of inquiries as to her condition were made, and her friends went away greatly reassured. A benefit performance in aid of Mrs. Wetherell will probably be given shortly.

Major Haggerty Much Better.

Major James Haggerty's condition assumed a hopeful change to-day. Dr. C. E. Gilbert and Dr. Sinclair Smith held a consultation yesterday afternoon and reported that there was every reason to believe that he would recover.

A BOLD THIEF AT THE FERRY.

ROBBERY OF A YOUNG LADY IN A CAR AT THIRTY-FOURTH STREET.

The Crime Committed at Night in the Lonely Railroad Cut—Miss Torrence's Plucky Fight Single-Handed While the Driver and a Male Passenger Looked On—A Man in Custody Suspected of the Deed.

A highway robbery so bold that recalls the assault on Miss Isherwood in the Fourth avenue tunnel four years ago, and the facts of which, as in that earlier case, were suppressed by Police Capt. Ryan, was perpetrated in the railroad cut at the Thirty-fourth street ferry last Saturday night. The victim was Miss Bruce Torrence, the daughter of Robert Torrence, a builder of Clarenceville, L. I., and a deacon in the Richmond Hill Congregational Church.

Miss Bruce is herself an active member of the church and teaches a class in the Sunday-school. By marriage she is a relative of Police Capt. Eakins, of the Leonard street squad. She is employed as a cashier in Alexander's shoe store at Sixth avenue and Twenty-third street.

Saturdays the store is kept open later than usual, and thus it happened that at 9.45 o'clock on the night of the robbery she was riding towards the Thirty-fourth street ferry in one of the bob-tail cars of the Twenty-third street line that cut through the block from First avenue to the ferry. There were besides her in the car a man and a woman. The cut is dark and lonesome and the adjoining streets are the abode of about as bad a gang of young toughs as there is in this city.

Miss Torrence sat near the end of the car as it entered the cut, holding her pocket-book in her hand. She had just bought a clock for which she had paid out most of her money and a little more than $2 was left.

The lights on First avenue had barely disappeared when the door was jerked open and a young man with a heavy black mustache darted in, seized the pocketbook and tried to wrench it away.

Miss Torrence was taken by surprise, but she held on and resisted the thief.

Angered by her resistance, he shook her roughly and dragged her out on the platform. Here Miss Torrence found her voice and screamed until it seemed as if she must be heard at the ferry. But no help came. The car went on with the driver calmly looking back from the front platform and the one male passenger in the car looking on in stupid surprise.

As the car swung around the curve near the ferry, the thief with a sudden jerk threw Miss Torrence off the platform into the mud, and tore the pocketbook from her grasp. The fall and the shock partly stunned her, but her blood was up and she roused herself in time to seize the coat-tails of the robber as he ran towards First avenue with his plunder. She was dragged a step or two through the mud before he was able to shake her off.

Muddy and bedraggled from head to foot, Miss Torrence arose and hurried after the car, to find the male passenger standing on the back platform holding the box containing her cloak. To her indignant reproaches he replied only with the lame excuse that he thought it was a friend who was hauling her out of the car.

At the ferry Miss Torrence found her two brothers waiting for her. They had not heard her scream. Her appearance startled them. Her dress and even her hat were covered with mud. She had, however, received no injury in the assault.

At Miss Torrence's request a friend brought the matter to the attention of Inspector Steers on Monday last. Miss Torrence's description of the robber is that of a young man, with a phenomenally heavy mustache on a very young face. She thinks that it was probably false and stuck on for the occasion. The fellow wore a check suit and a derby hat.

Capt. Ryan's precinct is in Inspector Williams's district, and Inspector Steers handed the case over to him; but the two officials are working together to catch the highwayman. Capt. Ryan being called upon to make a statement of what he had done, reported to-day that he had under arrest a young thief answering the description, who is under $1,500 bail on a similar charge. In his pocket was found a false mustache. The fellow is now in the Tombs. Strange to say, Capt. Ryan had in no way communicated with Miss Torrence up to this morning.

The Inspectors, upon receiving his report this morning, summoned him to headquarters, and as the outcome of a private interview, Miss Torrence was requested to come to headquarters to identify, if possible, the prisoner. Capt. Ryan was instructed hereafter to put a policeman on duty on the railroad cut, at least on Saturday nights.

The prisoner is Joseph Higgins, aged nineteen, of 338 East Thirty-fourth street. He is charged with jumping on a car in First avenue and snatching the overcoat of Christopher Murray. In his pockets were found a slung shot and a false mustache.

SENTIMENT IN FAVOR OF SMITH.

A Tart Correspondence Between Mr. Ovington and Mr. Fauld, of Kentucky.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 2.—The Nicholas Smith-Ovington matter is still the sole topic of discussion in society circles here. Smith was at first generally condemned, but the sentiment has changed in his favor, and should Mr. Ovington and his young bride pay the Bourbon metropolis a visit in the future they will find the social atmosphere somewhat frigid.

A fact heretofore unpublished is that a rather tart correspondence passed between Mr. Faulds and Ovington in reference to the return of Smith's wedding presents. Mr. Ovington's note to Mrs. Fauld's returning the present was received by her husband, a member of Kentucky's most blue-blooded families. He immediately wrote Ovington that it was none of his business whether the present was paid for or not, at the same time giving his opinion of such an action. To this Mr. Ovington replied, apologizing for his action.

Most's Appeal.

An order was given by Howe & Hummel this morning for a copy of the stenographic minutes of the trial of Herr Most, to be used on appeal. Mr. Howe said that all the papers are ready to make the motion for a new trial before Judge Cowing on Monday next, and that should he refuse to entertain it an application will be made to some Justice of the Supreme Court for a stay of proceedings, with admission to bail pending the appeal. Herr Most was visited this morning, and was as cheerful as his faith will permit him to be.

Jersey City's Railroad Fight.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 2.—The Supreme Court to-day denied the application by citizens of Jersey City for a writ of certiorari to stop the elevation of the Pennsylvania Railroad tracks in that city and to bring the proceedings of the Board of Works up for review.

Small-Pox in Seventeenth Street.

A case of small-pox was discovered last night at 112 East Seventeenth street. The patient, an aged woman, was removed to the North Brothers Island.

AN OUTBREAK OF PRECOCITY.

What May be Feared as a Result of Josef Hofmann's Success.

CARLISLE AND RANDALL CONFER.

No Action on the Tariff Question Expected Until After Christmas.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Messrs. Carlisle and Randall have had several preliminary conversations upon a proposed compromise measure of revenue reduction.

Both gentlemen express great confidence in the ultimate success of their labors. They hold another meeting this afternoon. It will be some days, however, before they will be able to get down to the preparation of the measure—even if they reach a line of mutual concession. As nothing can be done until after the naming of the members of the Ways and Means Committee, it will be after the Christmas recess before any final action will be taken.

In the mean time it is the purpose of the Democrats to hold a special caucus to discuss the matter. President Cleveland is very desirous that an agreement may be reached, so that the majority of the House may present a united front. He believes that this can be accomplished by mutual concession. Mr. Carlisle called on the President and informed him that everything was favorable to an amicable solution of the differences between himself and Mr. Randall on tariff legislation.

The President's views on tariff reform and revenue reduction, as set forth in his message, are clear and explicit. They are understood to be entirely satisfactory to Mr. Randall and his friends.

NO PARDON FOR FRANK LIBBEY.

President Cleveland's Opinion of Men Who Try to Get Pensions by Fraud.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—In denying pardon to Frank Libbey, convicted in Vermont of making false affidavit in a pension claim, the President observes:

There is not a particle of doubt as to the convict's guilt and that he added the crime of perjury to the no less atrocious crime of presenting false affidavits for the purpose of procuring a pension. I cannot look with any degree of charity upon such efforts to desecrate a sacred bounty of the government, founded on patriotic sentiments of gratitude to deserving soldiers, and I am surprised that so many respectable citizens should be found who are willing our pension laws should be violated and prostituted without just punishment.

GOOSE FARMS RAIDED.

A Long Island City Nuisance That Even the Inhabitants Complain About.

Special Officers Ward and Cundy, of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, made a raid late last night on the geese farms at Sunnyside, Long Island City, and arrested Amiel and Abram Moses, of Attorney street; Samuel Pincus and Lewis, a driver for Eidelson, of Essex street, and Philip Fleck, of Ludlow street, all of this city, on a charge of cruelty to animals.

The officers found in several sheds hundreds of geese suspended from rafters and quacking for mercy. In other places small crates contained as many as one hundred geese, packed like sardines.

Night is made hideous for people living near the farm by the noise of thousands of geese quacking together.

Incorporation of a Brewers' Union.

The Brewers' Union No. 1, of New York, has been incorporated. The objects are to maintain and improve the wages of its members, to protect them against all hostile attempts by all lawful means, to protect them against want of employment, to see that in all dealings with their employers and foremen they receive proper justice, and, in general, for mutual benefit. The trustees are Charles Engelman, Friedrich Schnell, Peter Darmicker, Louis Keller, Andrew Friedle, Charles Pommer and Louis Herbrand.

Narrow Escape of Two Blasters.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 2.—John Roach and James Morrison had a narrow escape from death by explosion to-day. They were digging a well and attempted to blast rock. There being no explosion the men supposed the fuse had failed and again entered the hole, when the powder exploded. Roach's neck and face were cut by flying stones and filled with powder, while Morrison was only slightly burned. Both men were taken to the hospital.

Temperance Gibbs Resigns.

J. B. Gibbs, President of the Manhattan Temperance Association, has resigned from that office. This action was taken in view of the charges brought against him by persons who paid fees at his employment agency and never got any work.

Rev. George P. Perry Called.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

WILLIMANTIC, Conn., Dec. 2.—The Baptist Church of Willimantic has extended a call to Rev. George P. Perry, of Westerly, R. I., at a salary of $800.

There May Be a Little Snow Too.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—*Indications for the twenty-four hours commencing at 8 P. M. to-day: For Connecticut and Eastern New York, warmer, threatening weather, with rain—partly snow in Eastern New York—fresh to brisk southerly winds, veering to westerly.*

WARDEN WALSH ACCUSED.

THREE MURDERERS IN THE TOMBS COMPLAIN OF ILL TREATMENT.

Driscoll, Lyons and Reich Said to be Suffering for Want of Proper Food—The Warden Also Charged With Taunting the Whyo Chief on His Impending Doom—An Investigation Said to be in Progress.

When Driscoll was arraigned for resentence this morning in the General Sessions it was confidently expected there would be a sensation.

He had asserted his intention of making a speech attacking Warden Walsh, of the Tombs, because of the treatment of the men confined in "Murderer's Row" and particularly with reference to the quality of the food furnished them.

Driscoll refrained from making his speech, by the advice of Counsellor Howe, who told him that if he was ill-treated now such an attack as he intended making would not improve his position, but would subject him to greater inconvenience. He was advised to wait until he was placed in the care of Sheriff Grant, when Warden Walsh would be unable to visit his wrath upon him.

Driscoll is not alone in making complaint of ill-treatment by the Warden. Danny Lyons, condemned for shooting Athlete Quinn, and Adolph Reich, the wife murderer, claim to have the same grievances, and the rumor comes from behind the bars of their cells that they have refused for several days to touch the food furnished them, saying that it was unfit for human beings.

Lawyer Howe and Mr. Moss, of his office, think there is something in the charges and say that complaint is not only made of the quality of the food, but that the Warden taunts the prisoners. Driscoll says that Walsh told him he "would soon have the pleasure of seeing a rope around his (Driscoll's) neck."

These complaints, it is said by Mr. Moss, have reached the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, who are alleged to be investigating them. There seems to be an attempt to keep them from the public, or THE WORLD should have before this received a letter, which Driscoll said he wrote and directed to this paper yesterday.

Mr. Howe said that Sheriff Grant claims to have eaten some of the food prepared for Driscoll, Lyons and Reich. The Sheriff said it was fit fare for prisoners and wholesome food.

JIM KEENAN WANTS A RACE.

His Endeavor to Arrange a Contest Between Teemer, Gaudaur and Beach.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—Jim Keenan, backer of Teemer, said to THE WORLD correspondent this afternoon: "I have an offer to make Mr. St. John once for all. I will subscribe $500 towards a purse, and let St. John add a similar amount, Beach to do likewise and let the Australian come half way, or nearly so, as I am satisfied