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will be described in
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of the leading cities will appear in
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**LAST EDITION
AT 'EM AT LAST.**

**Four Gangs Hard at Work Cutting
Down Deadly Overhead Wires.**
**Currents Shut Off and Darkness
Threatened To-Night.**
**Electric-Light Company Moguls
Thrown into Despair.**
**Poles Felled and the Work Done in
the Eyes of Applauding Crowds.**
Gotham's electric-lighting companies found the temperature of the town this morning in the neighborhood of fifty degrees or so below zero.



They have experienced nothing like it since the blizzard, and now that Commissioner Gilroy and the Board of Electrical Control have actually started in on their campaign against the defective lighting system that has been condemned by the authority of the Supreme Court, wires and poles are coming to the ground in all parts of the city in a way that is making their very hair stand on end.

The war was declared at precisely five minutes to ten this morning, when Linedale Flynn, of Inspector Roth's gang, skipped nimbly up one of the new American poles in Chambers street, just across the way from the Public Works building, and with two blows of his hatchet severed the wire that supplies the street lamps all along Chambers street. A big shout went up from the crowd that had gathered to see the work, as the fallen wire went squirming along the sidewalk, and the commissioners Gilroy and Gibbons stood by and smiled grimly as the work of destruction began.

MANAGER'S PROMISE.
Manager Brown, of the United States Company, and other electric-light people saw it, too, with blanched faces.

"Oh, my God!" exclaimed Mr. Brown, raising his hands in horror at the sight. "That's one of our new wires that has just been approved by the Board. Can't some one stop them? We shall be ruined."

But he appeared in vain, for the wire was strung up, and a man in a neighborhood had to go.

The managers and superintendents had to stand by and see the wires go down one after another, and a man in a neighborhood could not be imagined.

CROWDS WATCHING IT.
The crowd followed the gang of linemen along the street, cheering and encouraging them in their work, and the judges and lawyers gathered in the windows in the Court-house, where they could get a good view of the work as it progressed.

A wagon followed along behind gathering up the poles of wire which had been cut down, and soon the sound of the saw was heard merrily through the street as Prof. Hickey, who wielded that implement, began his attack on the poles which had been stripped of their wires.

NARROW ESCAPES.
The inspectors and police had hard work to keep the crowd and the trucks back, and there were several narrow escapes as the tall sticks went crashing to the pavement sending showers of sparks and fragments from the broken insulators in every direction.

Supt. Speer, regularly as he watched them come down, one after another.

"I'd like to have a contract for putting them up at that price," remarked a bystander.

Everybody seemed to be delighted that the good work had begun so promptly, and on every side there were compliments for Commissioner Gilroy, who had organized the raid on the dangerous wires with so much vigor and energy.

SILENT ON HAND.
Commissioner Gilroy arrived at his office at 9 o'clock this morning to make the final preparations for carrying his plan of campaign into execution.

In accordance with his instructions sent out last night, Expert Wheeler, of the Board of Electrical Control, with his four inspectors, George W. Roth, Frederick Fitzpatrick, Charles J. Kelly and John Schwartz were on hand to confer with him and settle upon the routes to be taken.

Commissioner Gibbons, 2nd Superintendent of the Bureau of Insurances, and other officials were also present at the conference.

BRAND NEW AXES.
Contractors Hess and Corrigan, of the

Department of Public Works, brought a gang of twenty-five linemen and workmen provided with rubber gloves, brand new axes and a full supply of nippers, so that a fully equipped battalion would be in readiness to begin the assault at once as soon as the order of attack should be given.

The consultation was brief, when it was announced that four gangs had been formed and would be sent immediately to different parts of the city to begin operations.

STARTING THE SQUADS.
The first was ordered to Broadway and Chambers street and was under the charge of Contractor Simon Hess. There were seven men in it, and they were to follow the instructions of Inspector Roth in cutting wire and felling poles.

The second, with six men, was to start from the United States Company's central station at Twenty-ninth street and First avenue, under Contractor Corrigan and work outward in the direction of the greatest number of wires. Inspector Kelly directed the work.

The third went to the Brush Company's station at 210 Elizabeth street, accompanied



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HERE'S THE ORDER OF BATTLE.
The following set of instructions were placed in the hands of all the inspectors having charge of the different gangs by order of Commissioner Gibbons:

Order 1.—The men report at the Department of Public Works at 8 o'clock to-day, and that you use the utmost endeavors to assist the Department in cutting down and removing the poles and wires which violate the rules and regulations of this Board.

Order 2.—In proceeding with the work you will provide yourselves with copies of the rules and regulations of the Board and see that they are strictly observed, pointing out every pole, wire or fixture which in any way conflicts with any such rules.

Order 3.—In carrying out the work look at such pole, wire or fixture in the following order:

1. All improperly insulated and low lamps.
2. All wires strung on poles of telegraph or telephone companies.
3. All dead, broken or useless poles and wires.
4. All other poles and wires which violate any rules or regulations.

Order 4.—Instruct the foreman of each squad to see that his workmen who handle wires have rubber gloves and rubber insulators for supports and other insulating tools required.

Order 5.—Keep a distinct and careful record of each block traversed, beginning at the central stations of the various companies operating electric light wires, and working in the direction of the greatest number of wires. Each inspector will be held responsible for the completion of the route over which he has traversed after completing his route.

DANIEL B. GIBBONS, Commissioner.

WORKING UP BROADWAY.
After reaching Broadway the linemen started up the street cutting several wires in Chambers street, west of Broadway.

Several undertakers' wires were found on the tall pole in front of the Shoe and Leather Bank, and the connection with the bank was also found defective, and was at once removed.

At noon the gang was working its way slowly up Broadway, cutting and removing wires at various points.

DEMOLING A GIANT POLE.
The first wires cut were right in front of the central station, several circuits of

with the work of Commissioner Gilroy, and there was no intention of the lights to-night?"

"How about running the lights to-night?" cannot say whether we will turn on our currents or not. We are permitted to do so, but after the work of the Department to-day it might be dangerous to do so."

COMPANIES IN THE COURSE.
Lawyers Hughes and Grayth, representing the United States and Brush companies, were at the Court-house this morning, looking for some of their clerks, but it was intimated that they were there to get a stay of proceedings against the city.

None of the judges came down, however, and at noon the lawyers gave up the job.

Commissioner Gilroy said that he was organizing two other gangs of men to remove dangerous electric light wires in Harlem and the Annexed District.

They will be set to work to-morrow or Monday, and the purging of the city of the nuisance will be complete.

THERE WILL BE DARKNESS.
This renewal of the crusade against the wires means that the city of New York is again to be enveloped in darkness for a long period.

Every one of the five stations of the United States Illuminating Company were shut down this morning, and Mr. Jackson of that company said to-day to THE EVENING WORLD reporter that they certainly will not be started up to-night, and he did not know when the dynamo will be running again.

"It would be very dangerous," said he, "to start our dynamo until we can loop up our broken circuits, and from the way in which the destroying forces are going to work, the looping is going to be no small job."

Even the subway district will not be exempt. There is no complete subway circuit, and if our wires leading to the subways have been treated as have the others which I have every reason to believe is the case, there will be no more light in the subway districts than in those where the overhead system has been in force.

PLEAS FOR MERCY.
Mr. Jackson was very much perturbed. Some of the best lines of his company, which have been renewed pending Judge Andrews' injunction, had been ruthlessly laid by Commissioner Gilroy's force, and he thought this an act of vandalism which Mayor Grant, at least, would not sanction.

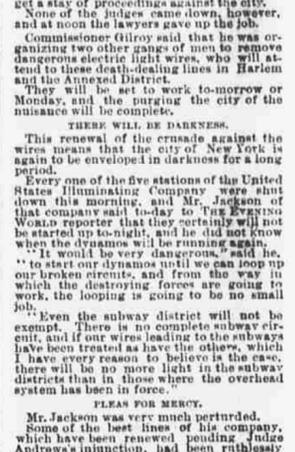
He accordingly hurried with his wife to the Mayor's office, but Mayor Grant, who was there, and accompanied by an EVENING WORLD reporter, he called on Commissioner Gilroy.

The official received him cordially, and remarked:

"You must regard me only as the eye in the hands of the Board of Electrical Control, Mr. Jackson. I am simply doing my duty in obeying the orders of the Board."

Mr. Jackson replied that he knew that, only he desired to request the eye to be as considerate as possible in its cutting work.

GILROY WAS ADAMANT.
He objected to the destruction of his best



and most approved wires on the ground that they were dangerous.

"They are dangerous," rejoined the Commissioner, "because they are strung below a mass of telegraph wires, any one of which might fall on them and cause the death of an innocent lineman at any time. I believe it was just such an accident as this which caused Lincoln Peck's death."

"Wires strung like that, no matter how well they are insulated, I deem the most dangerous of any electrical conductors, and I propose to remove every one of them in the city."

Mr. Jackson did not get much satisfaction from the Commissioner and left the office.

WOULDN'T TASTE THE BOLOGNA.
The Health Board Committee's Report on the Horse-Sausage Factory.

The Board of Health of Newtown, J. J., held a meeting this morning to hear the report of the Committee appointed to investigate the horse-sausage factory of Henry Boose in that place.

The report stated that they found everything clean about the place, although four men were busily engaged in cutting meat from the bones of hog and horse.

Three horses had been killed the previous day, and the report stated that "none of your committee could be induced to taste of the bologna, and we presume we never will," but there is no way of closing the factory as long as it is kept clean.

An amendment was made providing for the Committee to ascertain if there was any law which the factory could be closed.

GARRISON NOT GOING ABROAD.
The "Snapper" Denies Contemplating a Trip to England.

"Snapper" Garrison, the well-known joker, denied to an EVENING WORLD reporter this morning the report that he was about to sail to England to teach the British how to ride.

"I am perfectly satisfied where I am," he said, "and I never have had the slightest intention of going to Europe or any other foreign country."

The report stated that his passage had been booked for the human steamer sailing next Wednesday, but at the office (Garrison's name was not on the list, nor did the clerks know of any state room having been engaged for him).

SMALL SIZE, SMALL DOSE, SMALL PRICE, STRONG POINTS IN FAVOR OF LITTLE LIVER POLA.

**EXTRA
HOW DID HE DIE?**

Patrick Sullivan Found Dead in an Electric Plant.
The Police Report That He Was Killed by Shock.
Did He Die of Heart Disease, as the Company Claims?
Burns on His Hands That Would Indicate Electricity.

Has another victim been added to the already too long list of deaths by the fatal touch of electricity?

Patrick Sullivan, a sturdy employee of the Manhattan Electric Light Company's works at Eighth street and Avenue B, thirty years old, who lived with his wife and family at 501 East Eighty-eighth street, was suddenly stricken down while at work this morning.

The police report that he was killed by electricity.

Sullivan was employed in the engine room where the huge dynamo is located, the powerful machinery of which sends lights to a number of stores in Yorkville.

He was found by Morris Jordan, a helper, lying dead under a steam pipe in the sub-cellar under the dynamo room.

He had been dead but a short time. He leaves a wife and two children. Other employees came hurrying in and a doctor was sent for, but Sullivan was dead. There were burns on his hands.

The coroner and police were notified. The news of the accident soon spread, and a crowd of curious people gathered in the building snow-storm to gaze at the building.

It is supposed that Sullivan's hand must have come in contact with some portion of the dynamo and thus received the fatal shock.

The officials of the Company say that Sullivan may have been afflicted with heart disease, and that death may have been due to that and not to electricity.

The prevailing opinion, however, is that he was shocked.

Manager Marker, when seen by an EVENING WORLD reporter, seemed very much perturbed.

"How did this man come to be killed by electricity?" asked the reporter.

"I don't know. I don't believe he was killed by electricity. There were no electric wires, lights or dynamo in the sub-cellar where he was found."

"I think he died of heart disease and fell on the steam pipes where he was found."

"How much of a current was turned on in the building here to-day?" he was asked.

"None at all, except what we use to light our own building with incandescent lamps."

"But none of them are burning now, how is that?" asked the reporter.

The stagered Mr. Mackey and he could give no answer.

It was evident that the light had been turned off after Sullivan's death, whether he was killed by electricity or not.

Permission to view the body was denied by Mr. Mackey, but the reporter promptly went down stairs, and policeman Lawlor admitted him.

He said that Mr. Leland had called Sullivan's body had been brought up out of the sub-cellar, and lay on the floor.

The right side of the face was burned through to the skull almost and extended the full length of the head.

On the left hand, between the second and third fingers, there was another burn clear through to the bone.

This seemed more like the work of a wire than the injuries on the cheek, but the workmen about said that both were caused by the steam-pipes, on which Sullivan was lying when found.

There were a number of incandescent lamps and a few wires in the engine-room, but the lamps were out and lanterns were in use.

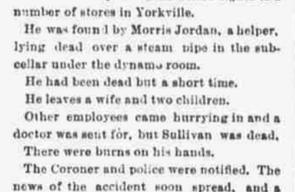
"What is the matter with the light?" asked the reporter.

"They are out now. Were they burning to-day?"

"I don't know," and more information could not be gleaned.

The workmen professed to believe that Sullivan died of heart disease.

LOOK OUT, THE SNEEZE FIEND IS COMING!



SAVED HIS HOTEL. LIKE A BLIZZARD.
Warren Leland, Jr., Assigns to Avoid Foreclosure.

Warren Leland, Jr., well known in this city and the West, has been forced to make an assignment for the benefit of his creditors. There are claims outstanding against him for upwards of \$100,000, but he will, no doubt, be fully able to settle everything, as his assets are placed at \$225,000.

He has assigned his property, which consists of many valuable lots and buildings at Long Branch, to Lawyer Joseph McDermott, of Freehold, N. J. There's a mortgage for \$55,000 on the property in favor of Dolores Fernandez Bromosis, who is now Princess Radziwill, at present in France. The mortgage was placed through Condert Bros., of this city, in 1880.

According to Mr. Leland, the assignment was forced upon him by the Freehold Banking Company, which announced some days ago that the Ocean Hotel would be sold by the Sheriff to-day to satisfy an account for \$27,000.

Mr. Leland, through his attorney, secured an order from the court staying the execution and sale, and then in order to avoid sacrificing the property, made an assignment.

He talked the matter over with his creditors, and they are perfectly satisfied with the arrangement that he made to save the hotel when he will again be in charge of the hotel when the season opens next summer.

Mr. Leland's property consists of about a dozen acres of ground on Ocean Avenue and Broadway, on which are located, in addition to the hotel, the Ocean Theatre, Ocean Club and the Leland Cottage, on Chelsea Avenue.

The Leland family are all celebrated hotel-keepers. Up to within four years they controlled the Sturtevant House, on Broadway, this city; but owing to financial difficulties they were forced to give it up. Since then they have carried on operations outside of New York.

Warren Leland, Jr., who is in trouble at present, is the son of Warren Leland, Sr., who was a hotel-keeper and a successful business man in California when the gold fever was at its height, and became wealthy.

Warren, Jr., has managed the Long Branch property for several years, and in former times his hotel was one of the best paying summer hotels in the United States.

At the Sturtevant House, this morning nothing was known of the assignment. Mr. Leland seldom came to the hotel, and it was not known where he could be found.

Mr. Richards, of the firm of Condert Bros., was seen shortly before noon. He said it was true that a mortgage for \$55,000 was held through the firm. The mortgage was made in October, 1880, in favor of Dolores Fernandez Bromosis.

At that time he said he made, the firm satisfied two mortgages which then existed.

He said that Mr. Leland had called recently and conferred with Mr. Guyton, with the object of disposing of the property, if a fair price could be obtained.

The mortgage held by their client was to run for five years and expired in 1888, but had not been renewed, and the loan had not been called in.

The firm is not anxious about the matter, as they are fully secured.

MRS. GEN. BOOTH DYING.
The Salvation Army Will Lose Its Faithful "Mother."

BY CABLE TO THE PRESS NEWS ASSOCIATION, LONDON, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Booth, wife of General Booth, the commander of the Salvation Army, is dying.

Her disease, which is in the form of a cancer, has long grieved and worried her friends, who saw her sinking slowly and surely away from them.

She is now pronounced beyond the hope of recovery.

The French Pitted
By CONSOLA CHABETTES AND CIGARROS.

**LAST EDITION
NO VERDICT YET.**

The Cronin Jury Fails to Report at the Morning Session.
A Rumor That O'Sullivan, Burke and Coughlin Must Hang.
Penitentiary Terms Probably for Beggs and Kunze.

SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.
CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—The Criminal Court was surrounded early this morning by a great throng of people, anxious to hear the first word from the Cronin jury room.

It was announced last night that Judge McConnell would convene court at 10 o'clock to-day, for the purpose of receiving the verdict if one had been prepared.

Ten o'clock arrived and no jury came with it.

At 11 there was still no jury.

Meanwhile the crowd both inside and outside the building was rapidly swelling until the scenes of yesterday's crush had fair to be duplicated.

The crowd was eager, impatient, inquisitive, and leading questions were on every lip.

"Twenty before 1 o'clock Judge McConnell asked one of the bailiffs if the jury showed any signs of being ready to report."

"No, sir," was the reply.

"I believe I will retire to my private room then," said His Honor. "In the event of the jury sending in any message, let me know at once."

During the morning many rumors gained currency, one being to the effect that the jury had sentenced O'Sullivan, Burke and Coughlin to hang and give Beggs and Kunze penitentiary terms of five and two years, respectively.

"This case is a good deal of excitement. At noon the jury was still out."

At 12 o'clock Judge McConnell adjourned Court until 2 o'clock.

ALL THE HATCHES OPEN.

Firemen Encounter Many Death-Traps in a Burning Building.

Policeman Donohue saw smoke coming from the ground story of N. Johnston & Sons' pickle factory, 97 North Moore street, at 2.30 o'clock this morning.

The firemen, when they made their way upstairs through the blinding smoke, found death traps set for them, as it were, on every floor.

All the hatches were wide open and there were no great risks. The elevator was standing in the second story.

Chief Lally made a report of this state of things to the Fire Commissioner, and the firm of J. Johnston & Sons that occupy the whole house is liable to a fine of \$50 for each open hatch under the law.

The loss was about \$2,500.

DITMAN WAS SEEN ALIVE.

SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—The assertion is positively made here this morning that Joseph G. Ditman, the missing President of the Quaker City National Bank, is not dead.

It is declared that he was seen between 7 and 8 o'clock on Wednesday night at the restaurant of George Deiny, 424 1/2 Elm avenue, which is situated opposite to the entrance to Belmont avenue in the West Park.

MORE FLOOD FOR JOHNSTOWN.

Temporary Bridges Likely to Be Carried Away.

SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.
JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Dec. 14.—A special from Johnstown says the river is rising rapidly and temporary bridges will probably all be carried off before night.

CASSIDY FOUND NOT GUILTY.

Re-arrested for Blowing Up the Catholic Protective Gas-Works.

Henry Cassidy, on trial for burning the Catholic Protective, at Westchester, was found not guilty to-day.

The jury were out twenty-two hours. He was arraigned on a search warrant, charging him with blowing up the Protective gas-works.

SNOW, WARMER, EASTERLY WINDS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The weather to-day is much better than yesterday. The thermometer stood at 32 degrees, the freezing point. At the Signal Office report the storm was central on Lake Erie at midnight, but it was moving rapidly towards the coast. That it was moving whither time is evident from the report at this hour.

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Cold weather is reported from many points. At Boston this morning the mercury stood 14 degrees below zero. Snow and rain prevail all through the lake region. Florida's mild temperature showed an average of 72 degrees.

At New York, N. Y., was the coldest place in the country, thermometers registering 14 degrees below zero. Snow and rain prevail all through the lake region. Florida's mild temperature showed an average of 72 degrees.

There are no gales reported on the coast, except at Block Island, where the wind is blowing thirty miles an hour.

BAD FOR DR. ALDRICH.

More Little Girls Swear That He Assaulted Them.

Things are looking bad for Dr. Louis H. Aldrich, the seventy-two-year-old physician who is waiting an examination at the Tombs on a charge of assaulting two little girls.

Agent Becker, of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and brought a half-dozen bright-faced little girls to the Tombs Court this morning to give their charges against the old Dr.

Each of them said that he oftentimes invited them to his home and then assaulted them.

Justice Smith held the doctor in \$2,500 bail for further examination on Tuesday next.

A \$30 Gold Watch for \$1

This place a gold watch within the reach of all. No one can say they cannot afford it, only \$10; by making a small cash payment and \$1 per week the watch is delivered at once. HUNTER, 4 Co., 110 Broadway, room 18, New York, N. Y.

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