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CHRISTMAS JOYS.

The Happiest Holiday Ever Known by Thousands of Children.

Preparations for To-Morrow's Christmas Parties.

Liberal Givers Swell the Fund to Almost Four Thousand Dollars.

"Christmas comes but once a year," says the old jingle. To scores of thousands in this great city it never comes at all, in the general acceptance of the phrase. To an exceeding great number of this class to-morrow's sunrise will usher in the happiest, most wonderful Christmas Day that has ever yet dawned in their lives.

A Christmas gift is a child's birthright. It is precious, regardless of intrinsic value, alike to the curled darling of the avenue and the famished neglected waif of the alley. To every human soul it is typical, though perhaps not recognizably so, of the bounty of the All Father and of the lesson of the life of the Divine Child upon earth.

There will be to-morrow seven centres of Christmas merriment in this city, Brooklyn and Jersey City which will chronicle an epoch in the lives of the partakers thereof. The great warm heart of New York always throbs in quick response to appeals for aid in any plan for the alleviation of human suffering or the promotion of human happiness. When THE EVENING WORLD pointed out that the season of great joy brought no happiness to the hearts of so large a portion of the great city's populace and initiated the movement to make Christmas a memorable day to the neglected, the poor and the unhappy, the response came quick and generous, and, as a result, it may be confidently stated that to-morrow will be the happiest, most eventful day in the lives of 20,000 "little ones."

Seven lofty Christmas trees will be reared in seven spacious halls. Each tree will be bowed to the ground with precious fruit. Tickets of admission, in number limited only by the capacity of the halls, have been distributed, care being taken that only those are invited who would otherwise have no provision whatever for a Christmas observance. It has been the aim to conflict in no manner with the work of any church, Sunday-school or benevolent association. The utterly neglected—these are the welcome guests.

To garnish the Christmas trees there have been provided not less than 50,000 gifts. For the childish palate there are 20,000 neat half-pound packages of sweets. For the future mothers of American citizens there are not less than 20,000 dolls. For embryo athletes there are balls and bats, skates, tops, whips, reins, and all the other paraphernalia so dear to a healthy boy. There are picture books and mechanical toys galore. There are in THE WORLD storerooms mountains of rosy apples, golden oranges and luscious bananas.

A great proportion of the articles to be distributed by the Santa Claus of the Waifs are many which would warm the cockles of a loving mother's heart. There are thousands of warm, bright-colored woollen hoods for unprotected little heads, mittens and gloves, shoes and stockings, jackets and trousers, flannel shirts and flannel shirts, little overcoats and little cloaks, little waterproofs and little rubber boots—those useful articles which will help to make children healthier, happier, better physically and morally, and will in direct ratio increase the happiness and spiritual satisfaction of the noble army of generous donors.

The contributions of money for this cause have been from day to day acknowledged in these columns. But it has been found impracticable to publish lists of the articles donated by innumerable persons, many of whom have positively declined to give their names. Large quantities of useful articles have been unloaded at THE EVENING WORLD Office with no message or comment, save that they were intended for the Christmas trees. The confidence thus manifested in the management of the parties is exceeding grateful, and every effort will be made to show that it is justified.

Touching stories of self-sacrifice and true generosity have accompanied many of the gifts. In hundreds of cases the scriptural injunction that it is more blessed to give than to receive has been exemplified. To all these donors the thanks of the happy 20,000 will be added to swell those of THE EVENING WORLD.

It has been essentially a popular subscription. Donations have been almost invariably in small sums, but they have come in large numbers. The love-laden penny or nickel of the self-denying giver has been equally welcome with the plump check of the generous well-to-do. The fund has come from the people's heart, and is productive of blessings which will rebound to the good of the whole community.

The trees to-morrow will be located as follows:

In Turn Hall, One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street and Third avenue, Harlem, in charge of Mrs. John Allen, of the Hotel Hamilton, and a corps of young ladies and gentlemen, who have volunteered to assist her.

In Maennerchor Hall, 20 East Fifty-sixth street, in charge of Mrs. Fernandez and assistants.

In Salvation Hall, 451 Seventh avenue, in charge of Mrs. Mortimer Brown and assistants.

In Nilsson Hall, 128 East Fifteenth street, in charge of Mrs. Harriet Hubbard Ayer and assistants.

In Apollo Hall, 126 Clinton street, in charge of Dr. Julia H. Lombard and assistants.

In Palace Rink, Clermont avenue, Brooklyn, in charge of Mrs. Percy, of THE WORLD, and assistants.

In Cooper Hall, Newark avenue and Washington place, Jersey City, in charge of Mrs. Benson and Mrs. Hough and assistants.

The Christmas parties will be held from 8 till 11 A. M. in each of the halls above named.

No child will be admitted without a ticket.

Contributions to the Christmas-Tree Fund are reported as follows:

Previously acknowledged	$2,893.89
Part proceeds of the Union Square matinee	200.00
Through President Mckenna, of the Excise Board	199.83
Produce Exchange subscription, through Alex Meakim	50.00
Ettie and Irene Gilchrist	2.50
Wesley Ryan, from class in G. S. No. 83	1.00
Walter	1.00
Gracie and Florence French	5.00
Hattie Gilbert	1.25
Subscriber	7.75
Collected by Lillie C. Buchanan	6.45
Carl and Marion	1.00
Percy and Douglass Schenck	5.00
W. Ruland, for Sanford's Hotel	5.00
Little Charlie	1.00
Lillie S. MacDonald	1.00
Baby Mabel	1.00
Friend	5.00
Employees of Dickerson & Brown, Brooklyn	5.50
H. M. B.	1.00
Daisy M. and Willie J. Fredricks	1.00
E.	1.00
Edison and Harold Lewis	1.00
Jessie and Florence	1.00
Bill L. (seven years)	1.15
Kitty L. (five years)	1.10
Louisa Weedon	1.00
Waldo Woodworth	7.00

Mrs. Allen's collection	21.45
S. B. G.	2.00
"Ministering Children's League," Riverside, Conn.	4.00
C.	1.00
Mrs. Robert B. Roosevelt	10.00
Collected by A. M. Reisig	11.50
W. S.	1.00
"Lotto"	4.60
Bells and Josie Stulz	1.20
R. P. Mellon, of United States Hotel	5.00
William F. Neumann	1.75
Lucy and Willie Endler	1.00
Maud Reich	1.00
Freddie Baldwin	2.50
George Lovell	10.00
"Friends"	5.00
Employes of Carroll & Hogan	2.00
Louisa	1.00
Two Mt. Vernonites	2.00
Willie Lewis Mastbaum	3.10
"Three Little Bricks"	10.00
Hattie Brackley and Dora Cook	1.00
Industrial Circle of Boston King's Daughters	17.00
Emma Gardner	1.00
Miss M. Chamberlain Grossman and other's	5.00
William M. Cumming	2.00
Frank and Herbert	5.00
Howard and May	1.00
Via	1.00
Collected by Arthur Spero	1.75
H.	1.00
Lilie Vandewater	2.00
Henry B., Fred H. and Charles M. Leubach	1.40
William W. Hall	2.50

The following donations are acknowledged by Mrs. John Allen, in charge of the Harlem tree—D. M. Williams, 2 cases lees and girls' hats and 2 dozen cloaks; Mrs. James, West Twenty-seventh street, 1 box of toys; "Unknown," box of clothes and shoes; the 2 Misses Kelly, 25 cents each, for dolls; "A Friend," 10 dolls; Gus. A. G. Dickinson, books; Mrs. F. L. Lee, Pigs in Clover; 28 Christmas cards, 1 music box, 5 dolls and 15 books from fourteen little girls at Miss Lee's school; Mr. Adams, East One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, package of books and games; Anon, drawing slate and toys; proceeds of money and mittens, Cecelia Freund; toys, candy and games; Leo Weinstock, 25; "Stranger," $10; Friend of Children, $5; large box of candies and toys from invalid girl who says it will be her last Christmas; $4.45 (subscription taxes, $2.20 and the other $2.25), collected by little seven-year-old Gertie Hudson, who sends a note stating that "the Robinson family comes from Scranton, Pa."

Mrs. D., 50 cents; Josephine and Arthur Rogers, 75; Edith, 25; Willie, 5; Conscience Fund, 35; Cash, 10; Mrs. W., 25; Winnie, 25; F. and T., England, 50; Thrift, 50; Cora O., 20; A. R. F., 10; Mac McCorker, 25; Gertie Howes, 25. Never Mind, 50; Maud and Edith Manning, 10; George M. Fenn, 20; Alice and Frank Lee, 50; Frank Johnson, 30; Unknown, 50; Adelaide, 25; J. H. F., 50; Florence Sandy, 50; Three Huskies, 30; Two Talkies, 20.

Collected by L. O. Cabaret—Louis Lanscher, 20 cents; Cha. Lemp, 25; F. J. Cr. Wilfred F. Beck, 10 cents each; L. O. O., 50; G. A. F., 25.

Clerks of the National Park Bank—Sparks, 85; Fickes, $2; Woodruff, $1; Jacques, $1; Barnet, $2; Cass, 25c.; Aldridge, $1; Ashley, $1.50; Anderson, McCafferty, J. Hickok, E. Warren, $1 each; Cash, 50; Cash, 50; C. Hendricks, Smith, Reynolds, McCarty, $1 each; Donovan, 50c.; G. F. Burke, E. F. Byrnes, W. G. Douglis, $1 each; Coonan, 50; J. H. Parry, J. P. Hur, W. H. Bryan, J. A. DeBaum, Bernhard, Brown, Clarke, Carr, Stone, D. P. Crary, Jos. G. Truslon, J. W. B., W. W. Major, G. Logue, West, Tarries, $1 each.

J. Burke, Bernhard, Hay, Lounsbery, M. A. Main, E. L. Bosney, Cash, Bunce, Hicks, E. Hade, M. Hanly, W. Madill, Hubbell, Baldwin, Cash, Cash, Cash, Wardell, Cash, Cesker, Terwilliger, —, Cash, W. J. Gifford, Belden, Cash, Jos. E. Sullivan, $1 each; Wiley, Cash, Cash, Rees, Block, Cash, Boremus, Cash, L. Boremus, Wm. H. Copeland, Graham, W. R. Tier, Baldwin, 50 cents each; Watson, Cash, 25 cents each.

Four Friends—Aug. Rosnagel, Paul Hoffman, jr., Paul Hoffman, sr., Aug. Rosnagel, 50 cents each.

Three in John Fink—John Fink, $2; Wm. H. Fritz, Jacob Fink, John Robinson, Jas. F. Wall, John Muier, B. Schlick, 25 cents each; Fred S. Schmidt, John Ramsey, R. B. Moore, 50 cents each.

From 248 Henry street—John Conlan, Cash, Cash, P. H., Mamie and Bella Ward, 25 cents each.

From Friends—R. M. Belgard, 15 cents; C. Mansbach, Michael Sisson, Hy. Leuthen, M. Jackson, 25; Miss Annie Frankitch, 1; S. Herr, 5; M. Stranze, W. J. Schmeiger, 10 each; Alexander Reiss, 15.

Through John H. Knoop—Sam Husted, 10 cents; J. B. Scott, John H. Knoop, 8 each; Ernest Moelersohn, 25; J. Gorman, 10; Robert Hill, 50; Murray, $1; M. J. McKeon, 5; L. Florrence, 25 each; P. Hughes, 50; Life Stretcher, $1; A. White, 10; Mochus, 25; Cash, 10; Cash, 25; Geo. 10; F. H. O'Neill, $1; MacGinty, 25; Cash, Cash, Cash, 10; Cash, Cash, Cash 10 each.

From 542 Grand street—John T. Shea, John D., 15 cents each; Wm. G., $1; J. Kelly, 10; T. Hafem, 25; H. Laing, 8; Levy, 10 cents each; J. Garry, 25; J. Moer, 25 cents each; Xmas, 25.

Miss Nelson's Friends—Willie, Bessie, Allie, Charlie, 50 cents each.

Collected through John Gundlach—E. J. Plock, 10 cents; John Gundlack, 25; Adam Feit, N. Y. C., 1621 Second avenue, 25; Oscar E. Kueg, 25; George Meser, 50; George Pfunker, 25.

Collected by a Friend—Jos. E. Jahnvers, 50 cents; E. H. K., 50; J. T. H., 50; Anonymous 25; J. Hughes, Jame Gracie, 25 each; H. S., 50; H. A. S. McGinty, Cash, 25 each; D. J. McDonald, 50; F. Roberts, Cash, R. S., and Cash, 25 each.

Collected by Friends—Miller Brothers, James Frame, F. P. Cookier, J. Walsh, 25 cents each; Peter Hicky, Jeremiah Murphy, Pat Campbell, John Murphy, 10 cents each; Ellie McKeon, 25 cents; John Flynn, John Hand, Owen Tenahan, Andy Shenneck, 10 cents each; John M. Kerr, 25 cents.

Collected by Friends—Peter Miller, Robert de Jounge, 2 cents each; Annie Miller, 1 cent; Charity, 25; Dave Koch, 10; McGinty Again, Santy Claus, 5 cents each.

Collected by Friends—Chas. Bergmann, $2; Wm. Ladew, Henry O. Gressler, $1 each; F. O., Fr. Walter, O. Friup, 50 cents each; Chas. Bergmann, 22; Jos. E. Schmidt, 25 cents; J. Ruppert, 50 cents; 3; Florida Flats, 2; J. E. Fowler, 10; Frank Diedenesing, $1; John C. Bergmann, Edna L. Bergmann, Albert C. Bergmann, 10 cents each; Emma Bergmann, $1.

Collected by C. O. D.—Cash, A. B., M. W., H. S., 10 cents each; E. S., A. C., 5 cents each; E. F., 10; Gertie, Mamie, Mamie, Romany, McGinty, 5 cents each; McCousin, McGinty Sister, Pa., Etta, J. Mc., M. K., C. B., 10 cents each.

Through C. J. Bianchard, Hotel Marlborough—C. A. Blanchard, $20; Seminole Hotel, Florida, Winter Park, $5; Cash, R. D. Johnson, W. E. J., T. C. P., J. S., 25 each; Cash, 50; Monday, $1 each.

Collected by Friends—Wm. Fischalk, $1; F. Reiche, Isaac May, McGinty, McGinty, 5 cents each; J. Fenstiner, 10 cents; Wm. C. Hoefling, 5 cents; Engineer B., Anonymous, Joe E., 10 cents each; Jacob Pfost, Arthur B., 5 cents each; Willie Gulliver, 10 cents; A. C. Hoefling, 5 cents; Mrs. Hoefling, 10 cents; Mamie, Mamie, McGinty, Sister Carrie Woods, 25 cents; Cash, 10 cents; Rademacher, 5 cents; A. Eichel, 10 cents.

Collected by Harold Brown—Bessie—Papa, Mamma, Uncle, Uncle S., Aunt E., Aunt L., Aunt C., Aunt V., J. E. S., W. N. B., T. J. G., T. W., G. R. M., Bertie, Harold, 10 cents each.

Collected by Beryl A. Wanke and Annie Stercken—Alfred Stryker, Miss D., Charles Stercken, Cleo. Stercken, 10 cents each; Ida Court, Charles Meisner, Peter Yonge, Mrs. Hoffmayer, 5 cents each; Cash, 1; from others, 60.

W. U. Telegraph employees at 1170 Ninth avenue—K. A. Hayhoe, 25 cents; Philip Glassy, 15; James Buckley, Frank McGrie, 10 each; Jacob M. Long, 12; J. N. Clinton, 0; Wm. S. Myles, 20; Henry J. Golden, F. O'Connor, 15 each; O. H. Hyde, J. F. Regan, P. Golden, J. A. Sullivan, C. Wilson, Frank Dougherty, C. R. Ripley, 25 cents each; P. Boland, John Muirer, 20 each; F. Ruppert, 5.

Collected by Friends—Joseph M. Canahan, 63; cash, cash, $1 each; Joseph Gilbert, Patrick Lynch, Michael Smouth, Peter Canahan, Joseph Kendee, James Burke, John Heilman, 50 cents each; Chas. Wenmouth, 25; John Rogers, $1; Thos. O'Brien, 50; T. J. Cotter, 10; Wm. Cole, 10; J. Keefe, 25; Mr. Delaney, 50; Geo. Wolf, $1; McGinty, 25; A. Sinclair, 50; X. Y. Z., 25; J. W. O'D., $1; H. B. Ehoe, H. J. Kelly, J. V. Lynch, 50 each; G. N. Wilson, 25.

Collected by Friends—Baby McGinty, Brother McGinty, Old Man McGinty, G. H. K., Charles S. Hongen, Charles Riegen, Jas. Smith, 25 cents each; Ben, 50 cents; R. Herrick, E. Horkey, John Fitzgerald, J. L., Cash, 25 cents each.

Collected by Friends—Jos. Schwerein, Henry Tilwintering, Martin H. Ficken, W. S. Trautwein, Thomas Moffit, John Hughes, D. Trautwein, Cash, 25; W. Cash, 10 cents each.

Collected by the L's.—K. L., 25 cents; D. L., 15 cents; J. L., F. L., 10 cents each.

Collected by Louis Bergen—H. H. Ellerbeck, Louis Bergen, Wm. Keller, Joseph L. Clerc, C. J. Tree, Cash, James Jackson, T. C. H., J. J. D., W. G. Wright, W. Warster, Fred Muller, Thomas F. Cherry, John Lawlor, Cash, L. Strauss, W. F. Bergen, A. Garbarino, Thomas Shields, Lizzie Bergen, 25 cents each.

Collected in the Casino Cafe:—J. McD. and J. H. B., 50 cents each; A. P., 10; A. P., 50; Ourside, J. M., 25; L. K., 25; James O'Toole, 10; J. Kelly, Jay Gould, 1; F. J. Coe, jr., 5; Chas. Kendall, 5; Cashmere Bouquet, 5; Camelia Bouquet, 5; California Violets, 5; Harry H. Van Zandt, 25; Mosey McGinty, 25; Watch Me, 2; Senator Kelly, 1; J. McC., 25.

From sympathizers—Charles T. Miller, J. Schuyler, S. G. Law, F. A. Greene, Thomas Wilson, John Lewis, 3 cents each; Chas. Monroe, 2 cents; H. G. Levien, J. Phillips, Quinn & Co., G. Lovell, J. M. Frye, 5 cents each.

Christmas Notes.

G. Pett.—Your offering is most acceptable.

So are your A B C's dear little Josie Le Clair.

Willie Lewis Matton.—Your white stocking of wealth is a treasure. It will buy joy for a little brood of boys your own age.

My Friend in Morristown.—The money will be used for the Twenty-seventh street family. In their name, thank you.

Mrs. H. F. Jetliff.—Please pardon me. That package and money are safe and thanks and apologies are yours.

N. V.—Send toys to THE EVENING WORLD. The cinnamon cigarettes will be jolly.

Waldo Woodworth.—The suit of clothes is very acceptable.

A. P. Reiley, H. A. Palmstine, James Veitch, W. J. G. Hudson, William Mainwaring and Joe Conklin are the contributors at the Produce Exchange who made up the snug little donation of $50 elsewhere acknowledged.

In a letter to the editor President Meakim of the Board of Excise says: "I take pleasure in handing you our mite box containing $171.83. We made the contributions popular, so as many as possible could have a share in the grand work.

The Christmas afternoon editions of "The Evening World" will contain full accounts of the Christmas Parties.

GEORGIA'S DEAD SON.

The Editor-Orator Grady to Be Buried on Christmas Day.

[SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.]

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 24.—For a few hours to-morrow the friends of the late Henry W. Grady will have opportunity to pass before his casket and take a farewell look at the face of the dead man.

The body will be taken to the First Methodist Church in the morning and will remain there until after the brief funeral services, which will occur at 2 P. M.

Then the casket will be placed temporarily in the tomb of the Grant family at Oakland Cemetery.

Public memorial service, at which a large attendance of personal and political friends is expected, will be held on Thursday at the New Capitol.

It is a sad Christmas time for the family of the dead editor and for his venerable mother.

The first shock of grief was terrible, and their fixed sorrow, in which they have the sympathy not only of the new South, but of all in the North who knew and respected the dead man, is deep in their hearts.

Expressions of condolence have come from all quarters, couched in words that plainly indicate their sincerity.

Mr. Grady had not been well for two months, and went to Boston against the advice of his doctor.

He felt and expressed the fear that he had been imprudent, and that he was to have a serious and protracted illness. On his return to Atlanta he was conscious for a day and a half, but on Friday last he was suffering from pleuro-pneumonia, complicated with nervous prostration and other troubles.

On Thursday his weakening condition had so impressed him that to his son, who had spoken of something to be done when he got well, he made reply, "Your father will never get well, my boy."

The movement towards erecting a monument to Mr. Grady is strong and will probably be carried to a successful end.

Seceded from the Counties.

James McGowan one of the County Democracy lieutenants in the Nineteenth Assembly Districts, has resigned from the organization to join Tammany Hall and in leaving gives a parting kick to the "defunct faction" and its district leader, D. Lowber Smith.

To Give Brooklyn Rapid Transit.

Brooklyn's Rapid Transit Commission met to-day in the Garfield Building and organized by electing C. Elliot Miner as Chairman and William T. Lane Secretary.

HIS WOES IN VERSE.

Theodore Frank Sues Tillie Ballay for Breach of Promise.

The Papers in the Suit Put in Short Metre.

Frank Estimates His Broken Heart and Unreturned Gifts at $5,075.

Theodore Frank, a youth of twenty-four years, who lives with his father at 1136 Bushwick avenue, Brooklyn, is suing pretty Matilda Ballay for breach of promise of marriage. Theodore wants the Court to allow him $5,000 for his wounded affections and an extra allowance of $75, the value of several trinkets he gave his adored while they were friends.

His case is in the hands of Towns & Hughes, of Court street, Brooklyn. His wail of anguish over a broken heart and his mild request for a trifle of $5,075, which were served on his intended, are as follows:

The City of Brooklyn, Theodore Frank against Matilda Ballay, comes the plaintiff now for justice and complaining says as follows:

That many years preceding
All the anguish of his story
He and the fair defendant
Have been living in this city.

That when young and tender,
Like an unburst bud, he saw her,
And his heart grew great with passion
Till the coming time would bring her
Symmetry of limb and feature,
When her maidenhood should blossom.

He came, he saw, he conquered,
And his fate was then decided.
In the fading of the evening
At their trysting place would meet her;
And their words of deep affection
Intermingled, floated upward,
And this plaintiff thought their hearts were
Intertwined as were their whispers.

She had promised to this plaintiff
Hand and heart and first affection
And to glory his being
With the light of love just kindled.
It was in the month of September,
In eighteen eight aiid eighty,
That her virgin heart was given
To the plaintiff by its owner.
And she promised at the altar
That she would mate with plaintiff
And love, honor, cherish in the flesh,
And his ring should closely bind them.
And death alone should part them.

And relying upon her promise
And his deep infatuation,
From his meagre earnings frequent
Bought this plaintiff for this maiden
Earrings golden set with diamonds,
Bracelets set with stones as precious
And other costly trinkets in the flesh,
To adorn her youthful beauty.
Up to dollars five and seventy
He presented her with presents.
He paid out for her presents,
Of which she keeps possession
To enhance still more her charms
And attract the smiles of others,
Heedless of the plaintiff's anguish.

When years of one and twenty
Had but added to her beauty,
Then the faithful-hearted plaintiff
Gave his whole attention to her.
The first of last October
She consented to be married
On the tenth day of December
To this faithful-hearted plaintiff

When the tenth day of December
Came, he hurried found a carriage
And a man of God sought he,
Brought him to defendant's mansion
With a heart o'erful with gladness
For to bless the happy nuptials.

Inconsistency of woman,
Painful, wilful, bad influence
On the lives of those who love you,
For your own sex do detest you.
She, the plaintiff, sorely injured,
Drove him from her fateful presence
And encouraged all her kinsmen
To cast stones upon her suitor,
While she aided and abetted.
All their taunting and revilings
Made his spirits droop and languish,
Made his heart to bleed and torture
'Mid the groanings of his spirit.

He always has been willing
For to marry the defendant,
And has used his full persuasions
To incline her to the altar,
But her promise she will heed not,
And in desolation lives he,
Threatened by Eugene, her brother,
A stout and mighty Titan,
Who fears not law or lawyer.

And so, having vainly pleaded
In the treacherous court of Cupid,
Comes to Solomon's tribunal,
To the City Court of Brooklyn,
Asking for his own justice
Without consortium of Matilda,
Must have solatium pecunia
For his sore and tried affections,
For the money he has squandered
On the heartless, fair defendant.
Five and seventy dollars and five thousand
Is the sum that he demands now
From the faithless, fair defendant.

According to Theodore, he and Matilda had been going about together for nearly six years. They were to have been married on Dec. 10.

Shortly before the day set, however, there came a coolness in the fair Tillie, and Theodore says it was caused by her father, who is a wealthy brower, and big brother Eugene, who finally succeeded in breaking the engagement and his heart.

On Nov. 10 he was informed that the engagement was off, and three days later he received a letter from her pa telling him to make himself scarce.

Theodore then demanded his jewelry, and he alleges his request was refused. As Dec. 10 approached his heart softened again, and he implored the girl to marry him, and sent word he would be on hand in a carriage.

This letter was handed over to her brother, who inclosed it in one of his own, with the indorsement:

No more use for your letters. If you send the girl any more you will have to see me.

FRANK C. BALLAY.

And then Theodore decided to bring suit. An EVENING WORLD reporter called at 339 south Third street, where Miss Ballay, the defendant, resides. When the reporter stated his mission, Miss Ballay said:

"I really do not care to say anything about the matter. My only reason for breaking our engagement was that I found I did not care for him, and would any one blame me for not marrying a man I did not love?

"Mr. Frank has acted very mean. He gave me a ring and bracelet and I gave him a pair of sleeve buttons and a locket. After our engagement was broken, he wanted his presents given back, but didn't want to give me the ones I gave him.

"He never took me anywhere except to walk in the cemetery and Prospect Park. Even at the latter place we only walked. He was stingy, there now, and never spent a cent.

"Why, he actually told me he made $20 a week, and out of that he expected, when we got married, to save $10; give him $3 for expenses, pay $4 for house rent, and pay all other household expenses with the remaining $3.

"We are not afraid of a lawsuit, but I think his action in this matter is contemptible," and the pretty blonde stamped her foot in emphasis of what she said. The case will come up in the City Court in Brooklyn.

Beetback Lozalter: The Winter of Our discontent has come, for all de blokies what used to smoke but laf dare cigarettes, now all smokes PAXIN and dare so good dey leaves no butts for us.

Do Not Forget that Carter's Little Liver Pills cure sick headache, often in two hours.

WARD AND THE BOMB.

The League's First Explosive Lands at the Shortstop's Feet.

Preliminary Papers in the Injunction Suit Are Served.

A Special Contract Drawn by Ward Himself Exhibited.

It is frequently the case, as somebody's old saying has it, that it is the unexpected which happens.

This would not have been true if the National League had fired its bomb at the Brotherhood players several weeks ago, when talk of such an event first began to spread, but now, just as people had begun to give up expecting it, there is a "Boom! Whizz!" and the missile has fallen.

A crash, too? Oh, no. The bomb fell at John Ward's feet last night, and after the smoke had cleared away there was John, with every bone whole, like the "little All Right" of the circus.

The sum and substance of all this is that the preliminary papers in the League's proposed suit against the great little shortstop were served last night, and that Ward is now under summons to answer in Supreme Court, Jan. 6, the complaint that he is about to violate his contract with the New York Baseball Club.

Touching tributes are paid in the complaint to the skill and popularity of the summoned party, and the paper dwells, in lines between which the tears of the magnates can almost be traced, upon this irreparable loss and injury which the New York Club will suffer in case the intended defection is not prevented, either by Mr. Ward's own action or the court's injunctions.

The exhibits accompanying the papers include a regular League contract with Ward and another and supplemental contract drawn by the shortstop himself.

On the latter the League is said to base its strongest hope of success in the suit. It reads as follows:

APRIL 23, 1889.

The New York Baseball Club agrees that John M. Ward, who this day signs a contract to play ball with it for the season of 1889, shall not be held by the New York Club for the season of 1890 at a salary of less than $3,000. This supplemental contract is hereby made part of the main contract between the New York Club and John M. Ward, the consideration advanced by Ward being the same as in the main contract.

THE NEW YORK BALL CLUB,
By JOHN B. DAY, President.

MR. BIEHN'S BONDS.

Widow Schwindt Declares He Gave Them to Her.

The appearance of a ponderous German woman in widow's weeds, who cried violently, interested the audience in the Tombs Police Court this morning.

Her name is Lena Schwindt. Her husband died last January. She lives at 427 West Thirty-ninth street and weighs not less than two hundred pounds.

Soon after her husband's death, Martin Biehn, a retired hardware merchant, who lives at 245 West Twenty-fourth street, began to visit her frequently, she alleges, and took quite a fatherly interest in her, although he looks younger and seems to weigh a hundred pounds less than she does.

The friendly relation between the twain continued, with the knowledge of Mrs. Biehn, until yesterday, when Mr. Biehn caused Lena's arrest in a Sixth Avenue Elevated train at Park place on a charge of larceny.

He accused her of stealing five bonds of the Peoria, Decatur and Evansville Railroad valued at $3,253.13.

She said he had given her the bonds for a Christmas present.

Mr. Biehn explained in court how Lena came into possession of the bonds at all.

"On the 5th of the month," said he, "I purchased he bonds in her name, and yesterday I met her by appointment at the Consolidated Exchange, and gave her $3,253.13 with which to go to the brokerage firm of Chisholm & Co., at 61 Broadway, get the bonds and take them away.

"I did not want to be known personally in the transaction, because I was behind on margin with the firm, and they would want me to pay up if I took the bonds.

"I went with Mrs. Schwindt though, and saw her get the bonds.

"When we came out she rushed ahead and boarded an Elevated train at Rector street.

"I followed her and tried to get her to give me my bonds. She refused. A policeman got on the train and I had him arrest her," he concluded.

He called his wife to prove his statement that Mrs. Schwindt had only purchased the bonds as a favor to him.

In her own defence Mrs. Schwindt stated that Mr. Biehn had given her the bonds for a Christmas present, and she refused to surrender them.

They are in the hands of the Property Clerk. While the case is pending, Justice O'Reilly held the prisoner in default of $3,500 bail for trial.

The Day in Wall Street.

At the Consolidated Exchange the brokers did not attempt to transact business, and the day was given over to merry-making. There was music by a military band and skyrocketing generally.

There was little or no fun at the Stock Exchange, and the trading was also limited. The usual collections were taken up for the employees.

THE QUOTATIONS.

	Open.	High.	Low.
American Cotton Oil	34	34¼	34
American C. O. Trust receipts	31½	32	31½
Atch., Topeka & Santa Fe	34	34	33¾
Canada Southern	57	57¼	57
Central Pacific	30¼	30¼	30¼
Chesapeake & Ohio	25¾	25¾	25¾
Chesapeake & Ohio 2d pref	25¾	25¾	25¾
Chicago Gas Trust	43¾	43¾	43¾
Chic., Bur. & Quincy	107¾	107¾	107¾
Chic., Mil. & St. Paul	70¾	70¾	70¾
Chic., Rock Island & Pacific	98¾	99	98¾
Cleve., Cin., Chic. & St. L. pf.	98¾	98¾	98¾
Col. Coal & Iron	38¾	38¾	38¾
Commercial Cable	100¾	100¾	100¾
Consolidated Gas	93¾	93¾	93¾
Delaware, Lack. & Western	137	137¾	137
D. & H. Canal Coal Trust	40¾	40¾	40¾
Lake Shore	108	108¾	108
Long Island	60¾	60¾	60
Louisville & Nashville	80	80	80
Louisville, N. O. & Texas	31¾	31¾	31¾
Michigan Central	98	98	98
Missouri Pacific	77¾	77¾	77¾
Mobile & Ohio	17¾	17¾	17¾
Nat. Lead Trust	40	40	40
New Central Coal	11¾	11¾	11¾
New York Central	108	108¾	108
N. Y. & New England	43¾	43¾	43¾
N. Y., Lake Erie & Western	27¾	27¾	27¾
Norfolk & West pfd	69	69	69
Northern Pacific pfd	75¾	75¾	75¾
Or. Transcontinental	35¾	35¾	35¾
Oregon Short Line	67¾	67¾	67¾
Pacific Mail	30¾	30¾	30¾
Pipe Line certificates	103	103¾	102¾
Philadelphia & Reading	38¾	38¾	38¾
Quicksilver	8¾	8¾	8¾
Rich. & West Point Ter	21¾	21¾	21¾
St. Louis & San Fran.	15¾	15¾	15¾
St. Louis & San Fran. pref	90	90	90
Southern Cotton Oil	36	36	36
Southern Pacific	34¾	34¾	34¾
Sugar Refineries	86	86¾	85¾
Texas Pacific	20¾	20¾	20¾
Tenn. Coal & Iron	70	70¾	70
Ann Arbor & N. M.	31	31	31
Union Pacific	60¾	60¾	60¾
Wabash, St. L. & Pacific pfd.	31¾	31¾	31¾
West. Union Tele.	83¾	83¾	83¾
Sis. Central	53¾	53¾	53¾

* Ex. div.

BATTERED OUT OF TIME.

Mike Tracy Knocked Out After Eleven Beastly, Brutal Rounds.

A game fight took place to-day near the race track in Guttenburg, N. J. The principals were Johnnie Collins, of Hoboken, and Mike Tracy of Guttenburg.

The fight was for a purse of $200, under Marquis of Queensberry rules with skin-tight gloves.

Both men are clever and scientific boxers. Collins is twenty-one years of age, stands 5 feet 7½ inches in height and weighed in at 132 pounds. Tracy is 5 feet 8 inches in height, weighs 135 pounds and is nineteen years of age. Mike Brennan was referee.

The men fought for seven rounds. In the fourth Collins landed hard on Tracy's jugular and sent him down. Tracy got up and, catching Collins in the mouth, knocked all his front teeth out.

Collins then lost all control of himself, and, rushing at Tracy, he tried to throw him. The referee stopped the fight and warned Collins that if he repeated his performance he would give the fight to Tracy.

Then it was give and take, and soon both men's faces presented the appearance of beefed beefsteaks.

The men fought like dogs for the six succeeding rounds, bent only on punishing each other as much as possible. Their faces were masses of bruises and cuts. Collins had a lump on his forehead as big as an egg.

In the eleventh and last round the men rallied up well. Tracy let go a stinger on Collins's eye. Tracy's thumb caught Collins in the corner of his eye, and the eye was nearly gouged out.

Collins became almost crazy, and he rained blows upon blows on Tracy's face until the latter looked as if he would like to quit. He put up his hands to protect his face, and Collins caught him under the chin and put him to sleep.

As Tracy could not respond to the call of time the referee awarded the fight to Collins. Both men were pounded very severely.

RENEWING THEIR AGREEMENTS.

Brooklyn Car-Drivers and Employers Make Terms for 1890.

The Executive Board of District Assembly No. 75, Knights of Labor, composed of the street railroad employees of Long Island, to-day signed with Gen. Jourdan, President of the Smith and Jay Street Railroad, of Brooklyn, a renewal of the present agreement regarding the wages and hours of work of the men on that line for 1890.

The existing agreement with the Brooklyn City Company was renewed yesterday by the Knights and President Lewis.

All the other companies except Deacon Richardson's line will renew their agreements for 1890.

ATTEMPT TO WRECK A TRAIN.

Marseilles and Bordeaux Express Passengers Were In Danger.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE EVENING WORLD.]

PARIS, Dec. 24.—It has just transpired that an attempt was made last Saturday to wreck an express train running between Marseilles and Bordeaux and that the police are close upon the track of the men concerned in it.

Robbery was undoubtedly the motive.

The Weather as It Is Indicated.