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EXTRA. SMUGGLER.

Easily Wins the Race for Three-Year-Olds at Guttenburg.

JOCKEY HORTON SUSPENDED.

Peralto Leads His Field—Alma T. Defeats Tioga.

[SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.]

GUTTENBURG RACE TRACK, Feb. 20.—The chief topic of conversation at the Guttenburg track was the report that on Tuesday next Attorney-General Stockton would apply to Chancellor McGill for an injunction restraining the Hudson County Jockey Club from racing, on the ground that Winter racing is unlawful and cruel to horses.

The management of the Jockey Club were not at all disturbed over this mess.

"We shall not close on Wednesday," said Mr. John C. Carr, "all reports to the contrary notwithstanding. I doubt if the Chancellor has the power to close the track by injunction. He may call upon us to show cause why we should not be closed as a nuisance.

"First, however, they would have to prove that we maintain a nuisance. There is no danger of our closing."

The racing was continued to-day as usual. The card was a poor one, and it was made worse by numerous scratches. The track was sloppy, but not in very bad condition. The attendance was slim, and the betting not very lively.

All of the field came to the post in the first race with Peralto and Cascade even up favorites. The race was between these two, Peralto finally winning by a half length. Cascade easily beat Turk for the place.

After the race Judge Burke spoke to Jockey J. Davis, who gave one of his artistic rides on Graduate. The boy said he lost his whip, and Mr. Burke told him that such excuses would not do in the future.

The second race went to McKeever, a hot favorite, who won only because of Horton's poor riding of Ballarat. The latter should have won, but Horton was too confident. Sir Launcelot was a poor third.

Smuggler was the third favorite to win, and he scored an easy victory from Magic. George C. was third.

Judge Burke after the second race suspended Jockey Horton for his poor riding of Ballarat.

FIRST RACE.

Purse $400; for four-year-olds; selling allowances; seven furlongs.

Starters.	Weights.	Jockeys.	Strt.	Hlf.	Fin.
Peralto	122	H. Penny	4	1ª	1½
Cascade	119	Whyburn	1	2ª	2ª
Turk	119	G. Lynch	6	3ª	3ª
Conundrum	124	Woods	7	4ª	4ª
Graduate	122	J. Davis	2	5	5ª
J. B.	122	H. Lewis	3	4	6
Missive	132	Marshall	5	7	7

Betting—Peralto, 11 to 5 and 4 to 5; Cascade, 11 to 5 and 4 to 5; J. B., 7 to 2 and even; Turk, 6 and 2; Graduate, 8 and 5 to 2; Conundrum, 12 and 4; Missive, 10 and 3.

Cascade led for quarter of a mile and then gave way to Peralto, who led the rest of the way and won handily by half a length from Cascade, who was two lengths in front of Turk. Time—1:26¾.

Mutuels paid: Straight, $15.20; place, $3.95. Cascade paid $2.00.

SECOND RACE.

Purse $400; selling allowances; five furlongs.

Starters.	Weights.	Jockeys.	Strt.	Hlf.	Fin.
McKeever	103	Snedeker	1	1ª	1ª
Ballarat	121	Horton	2	2ª	2ª
Sir Launcelot	118	H. Lewis	7	3ª	3ª
Tacitus	121	Marshall	6	4	4
My Craft	114	Garrigan	3	5	5
Kitty	118	Golf	8	8	6
Andora	114	Bingley	5	7	7
McKinney	109	Woodhouse	9	9	8
Fleetfoot	117	E. V'n K'n	10	10	9
Adolph	118	Doyle	4	6	10
Royal Arch	118	Barry	11	11	11

Betting—McKeever, 4 to 5 and out; Ballarat, 16 to 5 and 6 to 5; Sir Launcelot, 7 to 2 and 4 to 5; Tacitus, 20 and 8; My Craft, 40 and 12; Endora, 50 and 20; McKinney, 100 and 40; Fleetfoot, 100 and 40; Royal Arch, 100 and 40; Kitty, 100 and 40; Adolph, 100 and 40.

McKeever led from start to finish and won in a drive by a head from Ballarat, who was six lengths in front of Sir Launcelot. Time—1:05¾.

Mutuels paid: Straight, $3.80; place, $2.55. Ballarat paid $3.50.

THIRD RACE.

Purse $400; three-year-olds; selling allowances; six and a half furlongs.

Starters.	Weights.	Jockeys.	Strt.	Hlf.	Fin.
Smuggler	104	Morris	3	9ª	1ª
Magic	104	J. Davis	2	1ª	2ª
George C.	110	Macauley	1	3ª	3ª
Minnie C.	98	Boyer	4	4	4
C. F. B.	110	H. Lewis	4	5	5
Corinne	98	Irving	6	6	6

Betting—Smuggler, even and 1 to 3. Magic, 4 and even; C. F. B., 2 and 1; Corinne, 10 and 4; George C., 6 and 2; Minnie C., 7 and 2; Corinne, 10 and 4.

George C. led for a furlong and then gave way to Magic, and led to the head of the stretch where Smuggler closed on him.

Smuggler passed Magic in the stretch and won easily by two lengths from Magic, who beat George C. a length. Time—1:28¾.

Mutuels paid: Straight, $4.25; place, $2.80. Magic paid $3.60.

FOURTH RACE.

Purse $400; selling allowances; five furlongs.

Starters.	Weights.	Jockeys.	Strt.	Hlf.	Fin.
Alma T.	103	Griffin	4	2ª	1½
Tioga	113	H. Fahey	1	1ª	2ª
Innovation	112	J. Barrett	6	5ª	3ª
Objection	121	Boyer	2	3	4
W. B. H.	117	H. Lewis	3	6	5
Comet	124	Dimpler	5	4	6
Bunker Hill	104	Snedeker	7	7	7
Mary M.	104	Irving	8	8	8

Betting—Tioga, 8 to 5 and 3 to 5; Alma T., 13 to 5 and 9 to 10; Innovation, 3 and even; Comet, 10 and 4; Objection, 10 and 4; Mary M., 30 and 10; W. B. H., 50 and 15; Bunker Hill, 50 and 20.

Tioga led into the stretch, where Alma T. came through and won handily by a half length from Tioga, who was three lengths in front of Innovation. Time—1:03.

Mutuels paid: Straight, $6.05; place, $3.10. Tioga paid $2.50.

FIFTH RACE.

Purse $500; handicap; seven furlongs.

Starters.	Weights.	Jockeys.	Strt.	Hlf.	Fin.
Bitten	101	H. Jones	2	1ª	1ª
Vagabond	90	Morris	1	8	2
Prince Howard	114	H. Lewis	3	2	3

Betting—Bitten, 2 to 1 and out; Prince Howard, 15 and 10 and 1 to 2; Vagabond, 5 to 1 and even.

The trio ran in a close bunch to the far turn, with Bitten a head in front of Vagabond.

Bitten and Vagabond then drew away from Prince Howard, and in a close race home the former won by a short head. Vagabond secured the place by six lengths from Prince Howard. Time—1:34.

Mutuels paid: Straight, $3.80; place, $2.55. Vagabond paid $8.95.

SIXTH RACE.

Purse $400; selling allowances; one mile.

Starters.	Weights.	Jockeys.	Betting. Strt.	Hlf.	Fin.
Harry Ireland	111	H. Lewis	4	5	1
Lady Pulsifer	121	Cook	6	3	1
Benefit	114	Dwyer	6	1	2
Forest King	111	H. Penny	6	1	2

Won by Harry Ireland, Lady Pulsifer second and Forest King third. Time—1:52¾.

Racing at Gloucester.

[SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.]

GLOUCESTER, Feb. 20.—The races to-day resulted as follows:

First Race—Six and a quarter furlongs.—Sam D. won, Lee second, Laura third. Time—1:26¾.

Second Race—Six and a quarter furlongs.—William Henry won, Paola second and Prodigal third. Time—1:27.

Third Race—Seven-eighths of a mile.—Crispin won, Umpire Kelly second and Howard third. Time—1:30¾.

Fourth Race—Seven-eighths of a mile.—Algonquin won; Belisarius second and Militia third. Time—1:34¾.

HOUSE CAUCUS TO BE CALLED.

To Arrange a Programme for Business at Washington.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—There is a feeling of uneasiness on the part of the Democratic members in the House over the condition of business in the House and a disposition to get together and agree upon a programme of business. At present matters are simply drifting along, and it is desired to bring order out of the confusion which prevails.

The silver question is the most disturbing element. The tariff bills and the regular annual appropriation bills will soon demand a great deal of attention, and it is agreed that there must shortly come a time when a programme of business for some months to come must be settled upon if anything is to be accomplished.

A call for a caucus has been presented to Mr. Holman, the chairman of the caucus, and as it has the requisite number of names the call will be issued. The date will be fixed early next week.

It is probable that the whole Democratic policy will be considered at the caucus and a programme of action outlined as far as possible.

The silver men say they will not stand in the way of tariff legislation, and that they are as good tariff reformers as any other members of the House.

They say, however, that they will not consent that the tariff and other measures shall be used to prevent consideration of the Silver bill.

HARD FIGHT WITH A THUG.

A Detective Grappled a Highwayman at His Work.

Detective James McCafferty, of Inspector Byrnes's staff, had a hard fight with two thieves at 2 o'clock this morning, but succeeded in landing a notorious crook behind the bars and has strong hope of corralling his companion before many hours pass.

The detective saw the two men attempting to rob a man apparently intoxicated in the shadow of the Post-Office. One of the thieves fled as McCafferty approached, but the other grappled him and a fierce fight ensued, during which the detective received a kick in the groin.

Policeman McGrory of the Oak street station arrived at the scene and the thief was overpowered. He proved to be Edward Malone, alias Eddie Conner, an ex-convict. He was held for trial at the Jefferson Market Court.

The man whom the fellows were trying to rob was Henry Tallman, a manufacturing jeweller, of Auburn, R. I.

Mr. Tallman said he had been dining out and was on his way to his hotel, downtown, when Malone accosted him and offered to be his pilot. He had drunk too much wine to make effective resistance when the thieves attacked him.

The thief, who escaped, had gotten possession of Tallman's gold watch and chain.

SAY THEY STOLE THE HOUSE.

The Burglars of Mrs. Slevin's Home Plead Guilty.

Two crestfallen young fellows faced Justice Hogan this morning in the Yorkville Court, and pleaded guilty of burglarizing the house of Mrs. Mary T. Slevin, 138 East Sixty-third street, and stealing therefrom miscellaneous property to the value of $536.

The prisoners were George Williams, twenty-one years old, of 177 West Fourth street, and Joseph Henderson, eighteen, of no fixed address.

They entered the house by a rear window Friday night a week ago and after feasting for two days on wines and edibles, packed up a bundle of clothing and jewelry and took it to 102 East Tenth street, where a friend, John Russell, lived. Some of the stuff they pawned.

Meanwhile Edward P. Slevin, Mrs. Slevin's brother-in-law, had visited the house, saw the havoc and notified Capt. Schmittberger, who detailed several detectives to watch the place.

Yesterday morning the two men again entered the house and were arrested. They were held to-day for the Grand Jury, and Russell and his wife were held in $2,000 bail for examination.

Suing His Stepmother for Damages.

William E. Burke, who is contesting the will of his father, Patrick J. Burke, because he cut him off with $50, has begun a suit in the Supreme Court against his stepmother, Delia B. Burke, to recover possession of the family residence at 44 West Sixtieth street. He says she dispossessed him and he seeks to recover the house and $10,000 damages.

Webster's Pump Bill Signed.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

ALBANY, Feb. 20.—The Governor has signed Mr. Webster's Assembly bill allowing New York City to expend $500,000 for additional machinery and mains to pump Croton water to higher elevations.

Consul Bowen Sails for Europe.

Herbert W. Bowen, United States Consul to Barcelona sailed on the Cunarder Servia for Liverpool this morning.

Miss Huntington Sings To-Night.

Miss Agnes Huntington will positively appear to-night at the Union Square Theatre in "Captain Therese."

LOCAL SPORTING DATES.

Racing at Guttenburg daily, 2 p. m.

February.

20.—Indoor games of Co. F, Thirteenth Regiment.
Standard A. C.'s entertainment.
Brooklyn A. C.'s special tournament, 8 P. M.
Boxing exhibition of the Lorillard A. C.
Entertainment of the Bedford Cyclers.
22.—Stag on the floor Lexington A. C.
Reception of the Park A. C.
Indoor games of the Cathedral A. A. and Company E, Ninth Regiment, at the Armory.
23.—Gallagan-Lynch fight, Clermont Avenue Rink, Brooklyn.
Manhattan A. C. entertainment.
26.—Reception of the Manhattan Wheelmen.
29.—Entertainment of the Queens County Wheelmen.
Indoor games of the Long Island Amateur Athletic League at Forty-seventh Regiment Armory.

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MORE TYPHUS CASES.

Four Sufferers Found at 5 Essex Street To-Day.

There Are Now 95 Patients on North Brother Island.

A Suspected Case Isolated by Bellevue Hospital Doctors.

Four more cases of typhus were discovered this afternoon at 5 Essex street among the quarantined Russian immigrants. They were all removed to North Brother Island.

The census of North Brother Island shows that in all ninety-seven typhus patients have been received there, two of whom have died. The condition of these now on the island is said to be improving.

There is a patient in Bellevue Hospital today whose symptoms resemble those of typhus fever. The patient is Max Busch, a theatrical scene-shifter, who had been living in a lodging-house at 53 Bowery under the name of Max Tisch.

Busch walked into Bellevue Hospital last Wednesday evening and complained of illness. Dr. E. W. Studdeford examined him and decided that he was suffering from pneumonia.

Busch was placed in a cot in Ward 18, under the supervision of Dr. O. O. Cooper and given the regular treatment for pneumonia.

On his rounds of the ward yesterday Dr. Cooper found that Busch was suffering from a very high fever, and that eruptions had appeared on his stomach and back. His general condition was such as to cause Dr. Cooper to believe that he had typhus fever.

When Dr. Janeway, the visiting physician, called at the hospital in the afternoon, he was informed of Busch's case. Dr. Janeway examined the man and agreed with Dr. Cooper, who was instructed to notify the Health Department.

Dr. Blauvelt, of the Bureau of Contagious Diseases, was sent to the hospital by Dr. Cyrus Edson, but when he examined the patient he declared that Busch was not suffering from the much-dreaded disease. Under the circumstances he did not think it necessary, he said, to remove the man to the Reception Hospital at foot of East Sixteenth street.

Dr. Blauvelt's decision caused a good deal of excitement in Bellevue Hospital, for the belief had become general that Busch was suffering from typhus fever. A good deal of unfavorable criticism was provoked by Dr. Blauvelt's decision. It was held that the diagnosis made by Dr. Janeway, one of the leading physicians of the country, was evidence enough that the disease was of a contagious character, even though it might not prove to be typhus.

Warden O'Rourke was at a loss to know what to do in the matter, as Busch was occupying a cot in a ward where there were forty other patients. It was finally decided to ask Dr. Edson to call and make a personal examination of Busch.

Dr. Edson accordingly went to Bellevue Hospital this morning and made an investigation. To an EVENING WORLD reporter he said:

"I do not believe that Busch has typhus fever, but I cannot say positively that he has not, as the symptoms of his disease, whatever it may prove to be, are some what similar to those of typhus. I found the man in a very high fever, with some slight eruptions on his back.

"The history of the case," continued Dr. Edson, "does not show that the man could have contracted typhus by contagion. He has, however, been removed from Ward 18 to a private room in the hospital and is under close observation."

Dr. Edson further said that Dr. Janeway had not diagnosed the case as one of typhus, but one which merited the attention of the Health Department.

BROUGHT OVER SEVEN GIRLS.

Mrs. Janowitz Lured Them from Their Homes in Poland.

Mrs. Ruhler Janowitz, a woman of forty-five, and seven young girls, ranging from fourteen to twenty-one years of age, are detained at Ellis Island.

When the party arrived from Europe last Wednesday the Janowitz woman said two of the girls were her daughters and the other five her nieces. One of her putative daughters is only fifteen years old, and is soon to become a mother.

The girls now confess that they are not related to Janowitz, and that she induced them to leave their homes in a Poland village under promise of making lots of money in New York.

They will all be sent back to Europe.

Ribot Selected by Carnot to Form a New Cabinet.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

PARIS, Feb. 20.—President Carnot had a long interview to-day with M. Ribot, Minister of Foreign Affairs in the Cabinet that resigned yesterday.

It is believed in political circles that either M. Ribot or M. Bourgeois, Minister of Public Instruction and the Fine Arts in the Cabinet that has just resigned, will be called upon to form a Cabinet, and that M. de Freycinet, late President of the Council and Minister of War, will be retained in the latter office.

LATER.—It was definitely announced this evening that M. Ribot has been requested by President Carnot to form a Cabinet, and that he has agreed to undertake the task.

Anti-Polygamy Memorial Killed.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Feb. 20.—Yesterday, in the Lower House of the Legislature, a memorial that had passed the Council favoring an anti-polygamy amendment to the United States Constitution was killed.

Died of a Self-Inflicted Wound.

Ellen Driscoll, the young hairdresser who cut her throat with a razor last week in a Third Avenue boarding-house while suffering from religious mania, died this morning in Bellevue Hospital.

Found Dead in a Stable.

John Lynch, seventy years old, was found dead in bed this morning in the stable at 43 West Fifty-seventh street, where he was employed as coachman. He had been suffocated by gas, which escaped from an unlighted burner.

Caught with Stolen Dry Goods.

John Walsh, a tinsmith, of 454 Pearl street, was to-day held at the Tombs Court for trial, having been arrested on Spring street with a bundle of stolen dress goods in his possession.

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THE NEW CITY HALL.

Site Chosen for the Projected Municipal Building.

Its Boundaries Park and Tryon Rows, Centre and Duane Streets.

"Staats Zeitung" Building to Be Taken Under the Law of Eminent Domain.

The Municipal Building Commission to-day, by a vote of 5 to 1, decided to select as a site for the new municipal building, or city hall, to be erected, the land bounded by Park Row, Duane and Centre streets and Tryon row, including the building of the *Staats Zeitung*.

This site has a total area of 88,000 square feet, and the building, which will surround an ample courtyard, will have an area of 42,400 square feet on each floor.

The estimated cost of the property to be taken is $2,302,900, including $245,000 worth of the city's property.

The selection of this site will necessitate the closing of Reade street and City Hall place. Chambers street is to be arched over.

Comptroller Myers and County Clerk McKenna were the only absentees at to-day's meeting of the Commission.

Deputy Comptroller Storrs asked for an adjournment until Tuesday, at the request of the Comptroller, but this was refused.

Police Commissioner MacLean, who appeared as counsel for Oswald Ottendorfer, proprietor and editor of the *Staats Zeitung*, declared that he had not been allowed sufficient time to prepare his argument against the selection of the site including his client's property.

He contented himself with saying that his client could only protest against such action.

Evan Jones, owner of No. 6 Centre street asked the Commission to wait and see if the United States does not abandon the Post-Office site, when the new building could be located there.

Mayor Grant offered the resolution for the choice of the site selected, and was surprised when City Chamberlain Crain proceeded to make a speech in opposition to its passage.

Chamberlain Crain said that his objections to the site named in Mayor Grant's resolution are that it is too near the Elevated Railway, which will darken the lower rooms of the building and annoy the occupants with the noise of its trains.

Mr. Crain considered the site, including the eastern end of the Chambers, Reade and Centre streets block, preferable.

A building erected on it would be more conspicuous, he thought, and the advantage of a new street from Chambers, a practical extension of Elm street, was pointed out.

The Mayor was getting restless during the long speech which the City Chamberlain was making, and interrupted to ask him when he changed his mind.

Chamberlain Crain retorted courteously that he had not changed his mind, and refuted the suggestion rather warmly made by the Mayor, that he had discussed the proposed site with him and had seemed favorable to its selection.

Mayor Grant, Recorder Smythe, Register Fitzgerald and Surrogate Ransom voted in favor of the site chosen, and Chamberlain Crain against it.

Deputy-Comptroller Storrs was excused from voting.

On motion of the Recorder a committee was appointed to confer with the owners of property within the boundaries of the site chosen, to ascertain if some agreement as to price cannot be reached.

The Commission then adjourned for two weeks

HIS BODY IN THE AIR-SHAFT.

Willie Lay Dead While His Parents Searched for Him.

Twelve-year-old Willie Meister was found dead at the bottom of the air-shaft in the apartment-house 176 East Seventy-seventh street this morning. His parents live in an upper floor of the house. The boy had been missing since yesterday, and his parents searched the neighborhood for him. He is supposed to have fallen down the shaft.

Nicholas Meister, the father of the lad, told an EVENING WORLD reporter that he had found that his son was seen last evening playing with a colored boy named Georgie Holmes.

Holmes told him this morning that a drunken man chased both of them up the stairs to the roof and after that Willie disappeared.

Playmates who searched for the boy found his body. The skull was crushed and several bones broken.

Holmes, the colored boy, has disappeared and the police are looking for him.

Payment Suspended by Ten Savings Banks in New South Wales.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE EVENING WORLD.]

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Feb. 20.—The savings bank depositors among the poorer people in New South Wales are in great consternation over the suspension of payments by no less than ten of the largest local savings banks.

Many of the institutions closed their doors after a run of a day or two by the smaller depositors, whose earnings only were on deposit.

People are very indignant that the banks, which have been paying their stockholders from 12 to 25 per cent., should have been allowed to carry on their swindling business directly under the noses of Parliament and the Executive Government.

Fatally Crushed on a Hoboken Pier.

Charles Schmidt, a laborer, was fatally injured this forenoon on the Bremen steamship pier in Hoboken, by a case weighing several hundred pounds falling upon him. He lived at Third and Clinton streets, Hoboken.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Till 8 A. M. Sunday: Rain, warmer, northwestery winds; stationary temperature. For Sunday: Cloudy and rainy; stationary temperature. For Monday: Cooler; is favorable for cloudy weather and rain or snow.

Temperature as indicated by Perry's thermometer.

3 A. M....26 | 6 A. M....40 | 9 A. M....38 | 12 M....38

WILL MESEROLE WIN?

Fight in Plymouth Church Over His Proposed Admission.

Lady Members Decline to Be Sisters to Larbig's Slayer.

His Probation Too Short Since the Tragedy in Dovie's Flat.

The application of Darwin J. Meserole, who killed Theodore Larbig in Dovie Comstock's flat, and was acquitted therefor to be admitted to membership in the late Henry Ward Beecher's Plymouth Church, is causing a great deal of talk among the members of that body, and there has been developed much opposition to his admission.

The slayer of Larbig is a son of Gen. Jeremiah T. Meserole, and comes of one of the oldest families in Brooklyn. He had been occupying a room in Mrs. Comstock's flat, and claimed that the killing of Larbig was done in defense of the woman from violence.

While in Raymond Street Jail Meserole is said to have repented of his misdoings. In December, about two weeks after his acquittal, he startled Brooklyn by applying for membership in Plymouth Church.

As is customary, his application was sent to the Committee on Membership, consisting of Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott, pastor; his two assistants, Rev. Messrs. Bliss and Beaworth; H. L. Pratt, Gen. C. Te Christiansen and five other members of the church.

Members of the Committee called upon young Meserole and had long talks with him. They concluded that his repentance and conversion were sincere and prepared a report favoring his admission, intending to present it at the regular business meeting of the church, which was held after prayer-meeting the last Friday evening in December.

Before the report was handed in, however, the Committee were informed that many members were opposed to Meserole being received into fellowship. Some of those who put forth the most vigorous opposition pointed out that sufficient time had not elapsed to show whether his conversion would stand.

When the church met to hear the Committee's report several members who favored Meserole had the matter put off on the excuse that Dr. Abbott was absent from the city, and it would not be advisable to act in his absence.

Since then many of the male members of the church who were at first opposed to Meserole, have been won over, but there is still great opposition shown by some of the women.

The matter will come up at the regular meeting next Friday night, and there may be a very lively session.

Gen. Christiansen was seen to-day at the office of the Brooklyn Trust Co., of which he is President. He said:

"It is true that there is some opposition to Mr. Meserole entering Plymouth Church, but it is among the lady members only. When his application came to us I was opposed to his becoming a member. I did not think that sufficient time had elapsed to prove his sincerity.

"Another thing that looked queer to me was that he didn't wish to join the church his parents attend; but that was explained by the fact that his father's church offered no field for his labors. Plymouth Church has several missions in which Meserole is doing and can do good work, and I am not disposed to throw any obstacle in his path that might turn him back into evil ways.

"He has told me that he didn't want to create discussion in the church, and that if his action caused any trouble he would withdraw his application."

Rev. Dr. Abbott's assistant, Rev. Howard S. Bliss, was found at 6 Middagh street. He seemed surprised that the matter had become public, but admitted that there was opposition manifested. He claimed that it was only shown by the female contingent.

He said that both he and Dr. Abbott were satisfied that Meserole was contrite, and would lead a pure life in future.

Meserole, he said, is connected with the Home of Industry, a branch of the City Mission. He was engaged in helping ex-convicts to the path of religion.

"For what reason is Meserole's application opposed?" he was asked.

"Mainly because of the short period of time that has elapsed since he was converted. There are certain parties, I believe, who object to him for social reasons. They don't think he should mingle with young people at the social gatherings in the church."

"Will he be admitted to the church?"

"That question I cannot answer, but I do not think the opposition will be sufficient to keep him out."

FRONT OF THE HOUSE FELL.

Big Crash on a Crowded Brooklyn Street This Morning.

Pedestrians on Bedford avenue, Williamsburg, were startled this morning by a terrific crash, and saw that the stone coping and brick front of the third story of the house No. 224 had tumbled to the street.

Many people were passing at the time, and it is considered remarkable that nobody was hurt.

The building is owned by W. F. Roome, a tea merchant, of 100 Front street. It was very old and was used for storage purposes.

Cast Away Her Babe.

Jennie Lewick, a young married woman domestic employed at 77 Eldridge street, was taken to Gouverneur Hospital to-day a prisoner charged with throwing her newly born child into an out-house. Her child was taken to the hospital with her.

Suffocated in Her Room by Gas.

A servant girl known only as Katie and employed by Mrs. B. Wolf, of 68 West One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, was found dead in bed at that address this morning, having been suffocated by escaping gas.

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"EVENING WORLD" ILLUSTRATED PROVERBS.—I.

"The Darkest Cloud Has a Silver Lining."

MRS. BLAINE WINS HER SUIT.

Divorce, Costs and Alimony from James G. Blaine, Jr.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

DEADWOOD, S. D., Feb. 20.—Judge Thomas has granted a decree of divorce to Mrs. James G. Blaine, Jr., with custody of her child.

Also $1,000 to pay expenses of suit and $100 a month as permanent alimony.

Mrs. Blaine will leave Deadwood for Sioux Falls to-morrow.

PENNSYLVANIA AND THE DEAL.

Gov. Pattison's Important Communication to the Attorney-General.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 20.—Gov. Pattison to-day made public two letters he has received, one from A. J. Cassatt, Auditor of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and the other from General Master Workman Powderly of the Knights of Labor, concerning the Reading-Lehigh Valley-Jersey Central deal.

Mr. Powderly protests against the deal as a citizen of the State, and demands that the Constitution be upheld.

Mr. Cassatt gives an array of facts and figures on the details of the big combine, and says:

I call your attention to the fact that it is practically admitted that the power to fix the price of anthracite coal in Philadelphia and elsewhere will rest with one man, although the fact certainly is expressed that this power will be exercised in a different way.

I have thought it right to collect together and submit to you the above facts, which are all derived from public sources, chiefly accessible to you, that you may have the situation clearly before you and may take such action as you may deem proper and right, if the consolidation of these competing lines, under one control, with the avowed purpose of removing competition, and of securing the power to regulate the production and fix the price of anthracite coal, should seem to you to be contrary to public policy or to be in violation of that provision of the Constitution which prohibits any transportation company from acquiring in any way the control of a competing line.

The letters are referred by the Governor to Attorney-General Hensel that he may "take such action as will enforce the constitution and bring all who have violated it within its control."

JONES, HE JOINS IN PROTEST.

He Writes a Letter Against the Hill Machine Methods.

[SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.]

BINGHAMTON, Feb. 20.—Ex-Lieut.-Gov. Jones has written to E. Ellery Anderson, of New York, in response to the latter's invitation, consenting that his name shall be enrolled among the Democratic protestants against machine methods and the sham convention.

In concluding his note Mr. Jones says:

Our denunciation should be made broadly in the interest of a pure democracy, and we but weaken our efforts if we allow them to be construed as being for the advancement of the political fortunes of any one man, no matter how deserving he may be on his own merits or in contrast with David B. Hill. With the hope that the grand movement that you have inaugurated may tend to the destruction of the machine, I am yours very truly,

EDWARD F. JONES.

Mrs. Montagu Again Locked in the County Jail.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE EVENING WORLD.]

BELFAST, Feb. 20.—Mrs. Montagu was again arrested to-day on the charge of "feloniously slaying her infant daughter."

She was taken to the Coleraine jail and locked up. At the hearing it was expected that she would be committed to the county jail without bail.

The deed with which Mrs. Montagu is charged, that of tying her little three-year old daughter up by the arms to a ring in the wall of a dark room, the child afterwards being found strangled to death, is becoming blacker as more is known of the affair.

Indemnity for Turnbull's Family.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The friends and relatives of William Turnbull, one of the two sailors of the Baltimore killed in Valparaiso, Oct. 16, will soon file a claim against the Chilian Government for indemnity.

Claribel Arrives Disabled.

The steamship Claribel, from Jamaica, arrived at Quarantine to-day with her steering gear disabled and eight and 1-2 hogs.

"Katie and Tom."

A new and great song—music and words—by the author of "Ta-ra-ra-Boom de re." Also balls of past week and novel, "Ten Thousand a Year," on which Mansfield's new play is founded, in tomorrow's MERCURY. *,*

CHIEF HACKETT GOES FREE.

Discharged from Arrest for the Killing of Hannon.

[SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.]

TARRYTOWN, Feb. 20.—The adjourned hearing in the case of Chief of Police Hackett, who shot and killed James Hannon at a Democratic primary Wednesday night, came up at 1 o'clock this afternoon in Justice Armstrong's office.

No person appeared to make complaint against Hackett, and after waiting a reasonable time, the Justice discharged him from custody.

Immediately after the appearance and discharge 300 citizens met and passed resolutions commending Chief Hackett on his action.

The funeral of Hannon occurred this forenoon, and contrary to expectation expressed in certain quarters passed off without any demonstration by the slain man's friends.

BLAIR OUT FOR THE PRESIDENCY.

Twice He Declined to Be Considered—Now He Yields.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

MANCHESTER, N. H., Feb. 20.—Ex-United States Senator Henry W. Blair, who has been counted as an advocate of President Harrison for a renomination, has declared himself a Presidential candidate.

In a letter given to the *Mirror* to-day Mr. Blair says:

"Twice have I declined, although strongly pressed, to allow the use of my name as that of a candidate for the Republican nomination for the Presidency. At one time, as I was was assured, not less than fifty votes were pledged to my support in the progress of the Convention. This was in 1884.

"Yesterday I was called upon in behalf of men from another part of the country who will be members of the next Convention to consider the same question again, and I have decided that I shall accept and deeply appreciate the honor of his support which may be given me as a candidate for the Republican nomination at Minneapolis."

HENDRICKS NAMING HIS MEN.

Customs Inspectors Appointed in Place of Removed Democrats.

Collector Hendricks to-day appointed, subject to confirmation by Secretary Foster, Thomas H. Whelan, of 214 West Eighty-third street, and Leo J. Labhisher, of 206 East One Hundred and Fourth street, to be inspectors of customs.

The names of Kernan A. O'Brien, 165 Baltic avenue, Brooklyn; Ferdinand A. Costello, St. Nicholas avenue, 13th city, and Christopher J. Cullet, 57 Lawrence street, were forwarded as eligibles for appointment.

No Purchaser for the Custom-House.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Assistant Secretary Crounse, of the Treasury Department, will visit New York next week for the purpose of investigating the question of the sale of the Custom-House property. So far no one has been found willing to pay the minimum limit of $4,000,000 for the property, and it is thought that in order to find a purchaser Congress will be asked to reduce the limit.

Hill and Anti-Hill.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

TROY, Feb. 20.—The anti-Hill Democrats of the Fourth District of Albany County held a convention at West Troy to-day and elected Patrick Grogan, Patrick Reilly and James Roche delegates to the state Convention.

The Hill Democrats at cohoes to-day elected John Garside, E. D. Niver and Bernard S. Doyle as delegates from the same district.

Rumor That Russia's Grain Purchases Were for War Supplies.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

VIENNA, Feb. 20.—It is rumored here that the bulk of the grain the Russian Government has recently purchased ostensibly for the relief of the famine sufferers is really intended to be stored in the National granaries as a preparation for war.

The President Suffering from a Cold.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The President is suffering from an obstinate cold and has been compelled to decline a number of invitations for next week, including the dinner of the New York Board of Trade.

He Was a Hotel Clerk.

The man who was found dead yesterday in the saloon, 22 Chatham square, has been identified as William Lewis, night clerk of the People's Hotel, 60 Fulton street.

The WEATHER AND STORM SIGNALS of the United States Weather Bureau will be found illustrated in THE WORLD ALMANAC for 1892.

EXTRA. THE TURF.

Will a New Move Be Made Against the Winter Tracks?

NIGHT RACING FOR ST. LOUIS.

Longstreet, Kingston and Banquet Leave the Suburban.

It is said that an attempt will be made, not later than next Tuesday, to stop Winter racing at Guttenburg and Gloucester. It is also confidently predicted by members of the Law and Order League of Hudson County that racing will cease at the hilltop track on Wednesday next and will not be resumed thereafter. Attorney-General Stockton will, it is said, make an application to Chancellor McGill next Tuesday for an injunction to stop Winter racing on the ground that it is cruel as well as unlawful. It is reported that Chief Justice Beasley and some of the highest officials of the State are in the movement, and powerful influences will be brought to bear in its favor by the railway corporations which have suffered loss through the closing of the Monmouth, Linden, Elizabeth and Clifton tracks. The New Jersey Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is also said to be interested.

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This makes matters look dark for the hundreds of horsemen whose thoroughbreds are quartered and are engaged in racing at the Guttenburg track. That Winter racing is cruel no one will believe. There are days, however, when the temperature is exceptionally low and the track is frozen hard, that racing is a cruelty. On most of these days racing has been postponed. The Guttenburg Association will no doubt endeavor to convince Chancellor McGill, if the application mentioned above be made, that racing is neither cruel nor unlawful. Whether they will succeed or not remains to be seen.

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News comes from the West of a scheme which is worthy of a Munchausen. It is nothing more or less than to run horses at night under the glare of electric lights. This brilliant idea originated in the minds of the management of the South Side Park Jockey Club, of St. Louis, and it is said that they are actually contemplating an early adoption of the novelty. The report says that it is doubtful whether the course could be lighted well enough to distinguish the colors of the jockey. The writer offers a suggestion that the jockeys wear a stout cap, to the crown of which shall be affixed lanterns with different colors, after the style of the ocean steamship code of night signals.

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The White Star line steamship Nomadic, which sailed from Liverpool for New York yesterday, had on board the