$80,000 IN FLAMES.

Stubborn Fire in Norman L. Munro's Publishing House.

Three Top Floors of the Big Building Gutted.

About 250 People Thrown Out of Employment Temporarily.

The three upper floors of Norman L. Munro's publishing house, at 24-26 Vandewater street, were gutted this morning by fire. The loss will aggregate about $75,000 or $80,000, and 250 people are temporrrily thrown out of employment.

The building is a seven-story brick structure, with a mansard roof, and adjoins Grammar School No. 1. It runs back 100 feet to Schultz alley, a narrow thoroughfare running off Hague street.

The fire broke out about 6.15 o'clock, and, although there were two watchmen in the building, it is said they knew nothing of the fire until after the alarm was sent out.

Publisher Munro occupied the first, second, third, fifth and seventh floors. The offices are on the ground floor, and the presses are on the second and third. The fourth story is occupied by the Ruisbeck Electrotype Company and Henry Cortelyou & Co., book-binders, have the sixth story. The eighth floor was used as a composing room by William C. Dunn, a printer, employing two sets of compositors. The night force of fifty men had just left the building when the fire broke out. Had the outbreak occurred a little earlier, many lives might have been lost.

The fire started on the seventh story, which was used as a store room, and was first seen by the driver of a produce wagon, who was coming across the bridge. He noticed the flames, and whipped up his horse.

When he reached this side, he told Policeman Whitehurst, of the Oak street station, who was in Park Row, that Munro's building was on fire. He knew it was Munro's, because he could see the big sign of "Family Story Paper" on the roof.

Whitehurst ran down to make sure, and saw flames bursting from the seventh floor. He immediately sent an alarm from the box on the corner of Frankfort and Pearl streets. When the firemen got there, huge clouds of smoke were pouring from the upper windows, and it was evident that a fierce fire was raging within.

A second alarm was despatched, and this was followed soon after by a third. The flames spread rapidly from the seventh story down to the floor below, and up to the top.

The fire was a most obstinate one, and gave the firemen a great deal of hard work. It was impossible to send men up through the building to cut an opening in the roof, and the water congealed immediately it struck the iron of the fire-escapes, making it extremely hazardous for the firemen who clambered up the rungs with lines of hose.

At 7 o'clock a fourth alarm was sent out. From the fire-escapes of George Munro's building, which is right across the way, the firemen directed a powerful stream into the top floor. Battalion Chief McGill took his men into the rear of the building, in Schultz alley, and dragged lines of hose up the stairs as far as the sixth story, where they were able to get within reach of the flames and throw water into the fire. Ladders were put up on the roof of the schoolhouse and also on the roof of Schultz, Innis & Co.'s building, south of the Munro building, and from these points streams of water were turned into the flames.

Finally, about 7.30 o'clock, the fire was got under control. The building was flooded with water, but, owing to the excellent work of the insurance patrolmen, the contents of the lower floors were saved from serious damage.

By 8 o'clock, when the fire was completely extinguished, a large number of the people employed in the building had assembled, including fifty young girls. Some of them tittered and regarded the fire as a welcome opportunity for a vacation, but the majority turned away, saddened by the thoughts of prospective wages lost.

The manuscripts for Norman L. Munro's numerous publications were in a safe on the top floor. Mr. Munro's chief concern was for the safe, as, should that be destroyed, the manuscript of every continued story now running in his periodicals would have to be rewritten by the authors.

The building was erected by Mr. Munro in 1887. It was insured for $60,000, and on the stock a like amount was carried.

The loss is estimated at about $20,000 on the building and $60,000 on the contents.

Although the fire caused the closing of Grammar School No. 1 for the day, Evening School No. 1, of which Mr. J. F. Darling is principal, will open this evening as usual.

A STREET-CLEANING SYNDICATE

Mayor Gilroy Says No Such Scheme Has Been Proposed.

Mayor Gilroy's attention was called this morning to a published report that the Street Cleaning Department was to be abolished, and that the contract for clearing the streets for $1,750,000 annually was to be given to a syndicate. Lieut.-Gov. Sheehan's name figured prominently in the story.

"I do not recognize the pattern of the story," Mayor Gilroy said. "Rumor declares that Brennan is to be replaced by a Sheehan syndicate at $1,750,000 a year," and then said:

"It's ridiculous. I never heard of any such proposition."

THE OLD COLONY LEASE.

Ratified by the Stockholders by 87,092 Shares to 539.

BOSTON, Feb. 28.—The stockholders of the Old Colony Railroad Company to-day voted 87,092 shares in favor to 539 against upon the question of leasing the road, its franchises, &c., to the New York, New Haven and Hartford Company.

MASHER MANN FINED $10.

Besides He Sprained a Foot in Trying to Escape.

William Mann was fined $10 in the Tombs Police Court by Justice White this morning for accosting women on Park Row last night.

Two women complained to Policeman Wagner about the annoyance and he gave chase to Mann, who had taken to his heels. In his attempt to escape arrest Mann fell and badly sprained his foot.

Tenants Frightened Out by Fire.

A kerosene lamp exploded in the apartments of William Tracey, on the top floor of the six-story Riverside Flats, at 4 Columbia place, Brooklyn, at midnight, and many of the frightened tenants of the building rushed to the street. The contents of the room were consumed. The total loss was $600.

Wants $25,000 for a Lynched Husband.

CHATTANOOGA, Feb. 28.—The widow of Alfred Blount, the negro who was lynched here some days ago, has instituted civil proceedings against the Sheriff of the county to recover $25,000 damages. She alleges that her husband was not properly protected from a mob and that he was not guilty of the crime with which he was charged.

Congressmen Tarsney's Condition.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Representative Tarsney, of Missouri, who has been quite ill for several days, is still very sick, but his physician, Dr. Bowers, does not regard him, at least at present, as being in a dangerous condition.

POLICEMAN TALLON'S TRIAL.

Mrs. Coleman's Cross-Examination Concluded.

The Officer Is Indicted for Perjury in Falsely Accusing the Woman.

The trial of Park Policeman Michael F. Tallon, indicted for perjury, which was yesterday interrupted by Carlyle Harris's appeal for a new trial, was continued before Recorder Smyth and a jury in Part II. of General sessions to-day.

Lawyer Louis S. Grant, counsel for Tallon, resumed his cross-examination of the complainant, Mrs. Lillie F. Coleman, of 110 East Forty-seventh street, whose strenuous denial of the charge on which Tallon arrested her on the night of Nov. 16 last, led to the "sparrow cops" arrest, by order of Police Justice Kilbreth, for perjury.

Mrs. Coleman's cross-examination up to this morning had elicited nothing damaging to her direct testimony further than her admission that she had sustained illicit relations with the prisoner.

It was 11.35 when Mrs. Coleman, clad in black, took the witness stand. She again acknowledged that she had accompanied Tallon many times to various hotels and questionable resorts.

"Was Tallon a policeman all this time?" dryly asked the Recorder.

"No, not all the time," replied Lawyer Grant, somewhat confusedly.

"Well," drawled the Recorder still more dryly, "he seems to have had plenty of time on his hands."

The Recorder seemed annoyed by Lawyer Grant's repetition of questions, and instructed Mrs. Coleman not to answer whether or not she paid $22 a pair for corsets or kept whiskey, beer and champagne in her flat.

"I can't afford such luxuries, Your Honor," rejoined Lawyer Grant.

"Well, perhaps you belong to a temperance society," replied the court, drawing out a laugh which he made no attempt to repress.

August Wiesel, janitor at 110 East Forty-seventh street, where Mrs. Coleman lives, and Sergt. John Kelly, of the East Fifty-first street station, gave important testimony regarding the circumstances preceding and following Mrs. Coleman's arrest.

Miss Louisa Wiesel, daughter of janitor Wiesel, corroborated her father's testimony.

Henry Callahan, janitor of the house at 107 East Eighty-eighth street, when Mrs. Coleman lived there, testified to telling Tallon to keep away if he Mrs. Coleman's flat, as she didn't want him there.

The People then rested, and at 1.20 Lawyer Grant opened the case for the defense. He denounced Mrs. Coleman, and while he denied that his client was a criminal, admitted that he was "a fool for allowing himself to get into the clutches of this woman."

At 1.30 the Court took a recess of thirty minutes.

6 CENTS DAMAGES FOR MOSS.

Star Theatre Manager's Suit Against Eugene Tompkins.

Theodore Moss, proprietor of the Star Theatre, sued Eugene Tompkins, of the Boston Theatre, before Justice Patterson in the Supreme Court to-day to recover $22,500 damages for breach of contract.

Moss had contracted with Tompkins for the production of the play "Soudan" for six weeks, beginning March 23, 1891, each to take 50 per cent. of the gross receipts up to a certain amount, when the percentage was to graduate in favor of Tompkins. The piece was playing to big houses in Boston when the contract was made.

The breach of contract was conceded, and the only question for the jury was one of damages. Moss claimed that, judging from the success of the piece in Boston, it would probably fill the Star.

The Court directed a verdict for six cents.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY CHARGED.

Henry Devine, of 94 Bayard street, and George W. Connors, of 332 Broome street, both about thirty years of age, were this morning arraigned in the Tombs Police Court before Justice White charged by Detectives Dunn and Murphy with highway robbery.

No testimony was taken and the prisoners were remanded back to Police Headquarters.

Inspector McLaughlin says he is not yet ready to tell the story of the crime.

400 PERSONS HOMELESS.

Fire Destroys Twenty Wooden Buildings at Pocahontas, Va.

POCAHONTAS, Va., Feb. 28.—A fire broke out in this city about midnight, which left about 400 people homeless and caused a loss of nearly $60,000.

The origin of the fire is unknown. It started in the centre of the town and twenty wooden buildings were entirely destroyed. The insurance is about $20,000.

The loss will materially injure the progress of the place, although many of the people will rebuild at once. Among the buildings burned are several stores.

SISKIND HELD FOR BURGLARY.

He Gave a Stolen Jacket to His Colored Sweetheart.

Jacob Siskind, nineteen years old, of 2317 First avenue, was held in the Harlem Police Court this morning for burglary. He broke into the cellar of Max Heinrich, a dyer, of 528 East One Hundred and Seventeenth street, last Saturday night and, making his way upstairs, stole an overcoat and a lady's jacket.

The former he pawned and the latter he gave to Nellie Jones, a mulatto, living at 248 East Ninety-seventh street. He was arrested at the house of the woman last night by Detective McClave of the East One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street squad.

Two Men Held for Horse-Stealing.

In the Butler street Police Court, Brooklyn, this morning, James Tate, nineteen years old, of 565 Fifth avenue, and Alexander McCabe, eighteen years old, of 2006 Atlantic avenue, were held for examination March 7 on a charge of stealing a horse and sleigh belonging to Gordon Armstrong, whose stable is at 629 Grand avenue.

Brutally Beat His Mother.

In Jefferson Market Court to-day, William McSherry, of 6 Wechsler street, was held for trial on the charge of brutally beating his aged mother, with whom he lives.

"Civilized Men Cannot Live Without Cooks,"

Says Lord Lytton in his poem "Lucile."

Had he written it, civilized men cannot live without

Heckers'

BUCKWHEAT,

He might have placed himself one notch higher in the temple of fame.

STOCKS ON AN UPWARD TURN.

Bears Insist that a Receiver Must Be Asked for Erie.

Frightened Shorts Rush to Cover—Wall Street Affairs.

WALL STREET, (Tuesday) Feb. 28.—Wall street was not a little disturbed again this morning by the sensational rumors put afloat in regard to the financial condition of various properties dealt in at the Stock Exchange.

Notwithstanding the denial of Vice-President Thomas and other officials of the Erie, the bears still insist that the floating debt has become so cumbersome that a receiver will have to be asked for.

It is only proper to say that the bears are proceeding on the theory that desperate ends require desperate means and that, if they can only succeed in shaking confidence, they will soon be able to reap heavy profits on their short sales. President King says:

"The report that we called over to London asking how a new issue of bonds would be entertained, and that it was considered ill-advised, hasn't a grain of truth in it. We have no need to issue bonds, and we shouldn't take an occasion like the present if we did.

"Anybody who is timid about the payment of coupons due on March 1 may present them to-day, and we will pay them. The money is ready, and it might as well be disposed of a day earlier. As for the floating debt, we can handle that as fast as it matures. It is not large and does not trouble us.

"Those who speak of the so-called large floating debt forget to credit us with owning more than $1,000,000 "Illinois & Erie bonds, the market value of which is over $2,000,000."

The statement of the Erie for the month of January shows an increase in net earnings of $74,652, as compared with last year. This is the best report issued for some time.

The Executive Committee of the Lehigh Valley Board and the Reading receivers conferred yesterday regarding the sending of the Lehigh Valley dividend from 1 per cent. to 1½ per cent., but the result was not announced. The interest on the Lehigh second mortgage bonds of $210,000 will be paid by the Company.

The market for stocks opened tame. Erie, in response to lower cables from London, declined 3-4, to 20 5-8, the lowest price in 5 days. The bonds were also weak. Consolidated 2s dropping 1 1-4, to 99 3-4.

Whiskey was noticeably heavy, declining 3 3-8, to 32.

Consolidated Gas fell off 2 1-2, to 125 1-2; National Cordage, 2 1-8, to 59 3-8, and other stocks yielded 1-4 to 3-4 per cent.

Later the shorts attempted to cover and New England rose 1 5-8, to 31 5-8; Cordage, 1 1-4, to 60 5-8; Northern Pacific, preferred, 1 1-2, to 29; Reading, 1 1-4, to 26 1-2; Whiskey, 2, to 34, and Manhattan, 1 3-4, to 139.

The improvement made further progress as the day advanced.

London was a heavy buyer, Chicago also took a considerable amount of stocks and these facts together with the decline in sterling exchange induced free purchases for local account.

Pretty much everything on the list participated in the upward movement and the dealings at intervals were attended with a good deal of animation.

The evidences of strength which have been accumulating in the stock market finally warned the shorts and caused them to rush precipitately to cover. There was a still further advance all along the line, but Sugar was the real leader and sold up to 124 on reports that in addition to paying 3 per cent. for the quarter an extra dividend of 10 per cent. would be declared before long. Directors of the Company deny the latter in most emphatic terms.

Near the close the demand was so urgent that the market assumed a buoyant tone.

Sterling Exchange was heavy and lower. Brown Bros. & Co., have reduced rates to 4.86½ and 4.88¾. The weakness of the market is due to sales of bills against sterling loans, bankers 60-day bills sold at 4.85¾, demand at 4.87¾, and cables at 4.88.

Money was easier during the afternoon, lending at 4 a 5 per cent. A few transactions were reported at 6, but finally funds were offered at 3 per cent.

It was said that there is less danger of strikes out West. The potent factor on the bull side, however, is the prevailing belief that Mr. Cleveland in his inaugural address will take a very determined stand on the question of future financial legislation, and that his words will inspire capitalists and business men with confidence.

The Northern Pacific directors adjourned after accepting the report in reply to the investigating committee, which is to go out to the stockholders next week. It is in the hands of an auditing committee, who are to make some unimportant alterations and it is then to be distributed to the stockholders.

The Chicago and Northwestern road has declared its regular quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent. on its preferred stock, payable March 21.

The Quotations.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
American Tob.	103¾	104¼	103¾	103¾
American Sugar ref.	124¼	124	121	121¾
Am. Sugar Ref. pref.	101	101	101	101
American Cotton Oil	46¾	48¼	46¾	48¼
Amer. Cotton Oil pref	80¼	80¾	80¼	80¾
Atch. Top. & Santa Fe	34¼	34¾	34	34¾
Canada Southern	54½	54¾	54½	54¾
Central Pacific	27	27	27	27
Chesapeake & Ohio	22	22	22	22
Chicago Gas	70¾	70¾	70¾	70¾
C., B. & Quincy	95¾	95¾	95¾	95¾
Chicago & Alton	141¼	141¼	141¼	141¼
Chicago & Northwest	111¼	111¼	111¼	111¼
Chic., Mil. & St. Paul	75¾	75¾	75¾	75¾
Chic., M. & St. Paul pfd	122¾	123	122¾	123
Chic., M. & St. Paul pfd	124¾	124¾	124¾	124¾
Chic. & East Ill. pref	101	101	101	101
C., C., C. & St. L.	100	100	99	100
Cleve., C., C. & St. L.	51¾	51¾	51¾	51¾
Col. Hock. Val. & Tol.	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾
Col. Coal & Iron	20¾	21¼	20¾	21
Cordage common	12¾	12¾	12¾	12¾
Del., Lack. & West	144¾	147	144¾	147
Delaware & Hudson	127¾	128½	127¾	128
Denver & Rio Grande	16¾	16¾	16¾	16¾
Dist. & Cattle Feed	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾
Edison Electric Ill.	124	124	124	124
Evansville & Terre Haute	74	74	74	74
Gen. Electric	104	106	103½	103½
Green Bay & Winona	12¾	12¾	12¾	12¾
Great Northern pref	140	140	140	140
Illinois Central	99	99	99	99
Iowa Central	7¾	7¾	7¾	7¾
Kansas & Mich	14	14	14	14
Lake Erie & West	21½	21½	21½	21½
Lake Shore	132¾	132¾	132¾	132¾
Lake Erie & Western	19	19	19	19
Lake Erie & West pf.	79	79	79	79
Lead Trust	23¾	24¼	23¾	24¼
Long N. & A. Ctrl.	2¾	2¾	2¾	2¾
Long N. & A. Ctrl. pf.	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾
Long N. & T. Tex	2¾	2¾	2¾	2¾
Manhattan consol.	139	139½	138¾	139
Memphis	101¾	101¾	101¾	101¾
Mich. & St. Louis pref.	44¾	44¾	44¾	44¾
Missouri Pacific	54¾	55¾	54¾	55¾
Mobile & Ohio	34	34	34	34
Missouri, Kan. & Tex.	14¾	14¾	14¾	14¾
Missouri, Kan. & Tex pf.	28¾	28¾	28¾	28¾
Nat. Lead Co.	34	34	34	34
Nat. Lead Co. pref.	116	116¾	116	116¾
Nat. Lead Co.	30¾	30¾	30¾	41
Nat. Lead Co. pref.	99	99	99	99
Nat. Starch Mfg	37¾	37¾	37¾	37¾
New Jersey Central	119	119½	119	119½
New York Central	116	116¾	116¾	116¾
N. Y. & Northern pref.	9¾	9¾	9¾	9¾
N. Y. & New England	37	37	37	37
N. Y., Chic. & St. L.	18	18	18	18
N. Y., L. E. & W.	27¾	28¾	27¾	28¾
N. Y., Lake Erie & W.	7¾	7¾	7¾	7¾
N. Y., Lake E. & W. pf.	135¾	135¾	135¾	135¾
N. Y., Susq. & W.	11¾	11¾	11¾	11¾
N. Y., Susq. & W. pf.	6¾	6¾	6¾	6¾
Northern Pacific	13¾	13¾	13¾	13¾
Northern Pacific pref.	30¾	30¾	30¾	30¾
North American	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾
Ontario & West	17¾	17¾	17¾	17¾
Pacific Mail	43¾	43¾	43¾	43¾
Pittsburg, Cin. Chic. & St. L.	19	19	19	19
Pullman Palace Car Co.	193¾	193¾	193¾	193¾
Rich. & West Point Ter.	21¾	21¾	21¾	21¾
Rome, Wat. & Ogdensb.	111	111	111	111
Rock Island & Pacific	71¾	71¾	71¾	71¾
St. Paul & Duluth	35¾	35¾	35¾	35¾
St. L. Southwestern pf.	41¾	41¾	41¾	41¾
Texas Pacific	6¾	6¾	6¾	6¾
Tenn. Coal & Iron	37¾	38¾	37¾	38¾
Union Pacific	41¾	41¾	41¾	41¾
Wabash	12¾	13¾	12¾	13¾
Wabash pref	31¾	31¾	31¾	31¾
West. Union telegraph	93¾	93¾	93¾	93¾
Wheeling & Lake Erie	15¾	15¾	15¾	15¾
Wis. Central	12	12	12	12

The Eva Mann-Hamilton Case.

The reference ordered before Surrogate Daniel Collins in the Eva Mann-Hamilton case has again been postponed. It is now set to take place March 8 and 10 at 11 o'clock each morning at Judge Collins's office.

Pilot-Boat Aztec Gets In Safely.

The New York pilot-boat Aztec, for whose safety some fears were entertained, arrived at Stapleton last night. She had been at sea sixteen days and was detained by heavy weather. All on board are well.

TWO SUNDAY SALOON BILLS.

Dealers Want the Question Decided at the Polls.

Proposed Local Option on Sunday Opening in All Large Cities.

A delegation of liquor dealers and others interested in the Excise bill introduced in the Legislature yesterday will go to Albany when the measure comes up in Committee. A public hearing will probably be fixed in a day or two.

The provisions of the bill are similar to those of the Excise bill of Assemblyman Kempner, who says he is willing to accept it as a substitute. Prior to the introduction of his bill the State Liquor Dealers' Association announced that it would have presented a Sunday opening bill approved by the Tammany leaders. When Mr. Kempner, a few days later, brought out his bill he was accused of trying to steal somebody's else thunder. His friends now make the same charge against the other side.

In the main the Liquor Dealers' and the Kempner bills are essentially alike. Both provide that the question whether liquors shall be sold on Sundays after 1 o'clock in the afternoon shall be submitted to a vote of the people at the next general election in cities over 100,000 inhabitants.

Assemblyman Marrin has introduced a bill for another bridge over the Harlem, from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street and First avenue to One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Willis avenue. The cost is not to exceed $1,500,000, not including damages. Regards Coroner Shea, the Tammany leader of the Thirtieth District, took the bill to Albany and gave it to Mr. Marrin.

Mayor Gilroy is opposed to the scheme. "There is no need of the proposed bridge," said he this morning. "The Third avenue bridge will furnish all the traffic connections necessary for some years to come."

HIS CHECK PROTESTED.

Landlord Pearson Cashed It and the Kind Guest Made Good.

George F. Otis, twenty-three, who says he is a resident of Lowell, Mass., was a prisoner in Jefferson Market Police Court this morning, charged with uttering forged checks. His alleged victim is Julius Hausmann, a young medical student residing at the Coleman House.

The two met some days ago at the Hoffman House and played pool together. Otis said that he was embarrassed because he could get no one to cash his checks, which were sent to him by his father.

Hausmann agreed to assist him, and that night Otis shared Hausmann's room at the Coleman. The next morning Mr. Hausmann induced Landlord Pearson to cash a check for Otis for $107, drawn on the Merchants' National Bank, of Lawrence, Mass., payable to George D. Otis & Co. and signed Amos Hall & Co.

Two or three days later the landlord cashed another for $100 drawn in the same way.

On Saturday the first check came back protested, but nothing has been heard of the second. Hausmann was obliged to make good to Mr. Pearson, and yesterday he complained to the police.

In Otis's possession, when arrested, were found a lot of losing tickets on the races, two checks for $100 and one for $75, made precisely like the two cashed by Mr. Pearson. He also had a book full of blank checks.

Justice Voorhis held Otis for trial in $1,000 bail.

BRING THE BOY TO COURT.

Justice Beach's Peremptory Order to Manufacturer Heidenheimer.

Supreme Court Justice Beach to-day ordered Charles Heidenheimer, the wealthy manufacturer who is suing his wife for a limited divorce, to produce their child, a five-year-old boy, in court to-morrow morning.

The case came up last week, on habeas corpus proceedings by the father, to compel his wife to allow him to see the child. The child was permitted to visit his father at the Hotel Savoy, and it was alleged in court to-day that Mr. Heidenheimer refused to allow the boy to return to his mother.

When the child is brought into court to-morrow, Justice Beach will decide as to his custody.

DIDN'T KNOW HE WAS INDICTED.

Silberstein Returned to Newark and Was Arrested.

NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 28.—When the Grand Jury recently found several indictments for keeping disorderly houses, Simon Silberstein, proprietor of a dance hall at 107 Market street was among the number. He closed up his place some time ago, when the Excise Board refused to grant him a license. Yesterday afternoon he came to this city to sell some signs and furniture, and was arrested. He was almost dumfounded, as he did not know he had been indicted.

A friend went his bail in the sum of $1,000. He will be tried March 8. The neighbors complained that liquor was sold to girls under fifteen years of age.

TO BE JUDGE ABBETT NOW.

Nominated by Gov. Werts, and His Confirmation Is Expected.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 28.—The nomination by Gov. Werts, of ex-Gov. Leon Abbett to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of New Jersey is considered by politicians to be tantamount to an absolute withdrawal from politics by Gov. Abbett. It is understood that all opposition to his confirmation to the bench has been overcome.

Ex-Gov. Abbett has been very active in New Jersey politics for thirty years. He was Governor two terms, but has been defeated in all attempts to gain the United States Senatorship. The term of a Supreme Court Justice is seven years, and the salary $10,000 a year.

SUEVIA PUTS INTO BOSTON.

The Hamburg-American Steamer Gets Short of Coal.

BOSTON, Feb. 28.—The German-American steamer Suevia, Capt. Bauer, from Hamburg via Southampton for New York, arrived below this morning short of coal.

Mining Stocks

The following are the closing quotations of mining stocks at the Consolidated Exchange to-day

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
American	.01	.05	Iron Silver	.35	—
Alpha	.41	—	Iron Hill	.10	—
Adamson	.40	—	Jacobs	.19	—
Aspen M &	—	—	Kingston	—	—
Bodie	2.00	—	J. Penn.	.10	—
Belcher	.03	—	La Crosse	.01	—
Best &	—	—	Leadville	.03	—
Bullion	1.35	—	Little Chief	.15	—
Belle Isle	—	.25	Mexican	1.50	—
Bulwer	.12	—	Mollie Gibson	.08	—
Barcelona	.03	.10	Mono	.10	—
Brunswick	.14	—	Monitor	.01	—
Brunswick con.	.06	—	Mount Oro	3.50	—
Belmont	.15	.25	Navajo	.10	—
Caribou	—	—	Ontario	15.00	—
Crown Point	.09	—	Ophir	2.10	—
Cholla	.21	—	O. & M.	.35	—
Crown P.	.10	—	Plymouth	.05	—
Christie	.15	—	Phoenix	.03	—
Eastern	.04	—	Phoenix Ariz.	.15	—
Emma	.07	—	Potosi	1.25	—
Con. Ca.	—	—	Robinson	—	—
A. A.	2.50	—	Con.	.10	.20
Comstock	—	—	Savage	.85	—
Alice	.11	.15	Sierra Nev.	1.20	—
Bonds	13.00	—	Standard	1.40	—
Sovereign	12.00	—	Stormont	.52	—
Bullion	.12	—	Sacramento	—	.16
Deadwood	—	—	Sar Bener	—	—
Terra	1.30	—	Sun	.10	—
Eureka Co.	.50	—	Silver Cup	.15	—
Gold Chain	.19	—	Hamilton's	.75	—
Father De	—	—	Silver Min.	—	—
Smith	.21	—	Co. stl. V	.15	—
Gould &	—	—	Shoshone	—	.06
Curry	.85	—	Tioga	—	.09
Hale & Norcross	1.15	—	Union con.	1.00	—
Homestake	11.00	—	Wardner	.15	.25
Horn Silver	—	3.35	Yellow Jacket	.09	—

POULTRY SHOW AT THE GARDEN

Roosters and Hens of Fine Feather Put on Exhibition To-Day.

Chance for All to Admire and Learn About the Barnyard Fowl.

The fourth annual exhibition of the New York Poultry and Pigeon Association opened at Madison Square Garden this morning with a flourish.

For a week feathered excellence in the shape of 4,200 barnyard and fancy fowls will be on view.

There are several people in this big town whose ideas of poultry are limited to the cold and flabby bodies they see fished up from a barrel of chopped ice and strung along in front of the market stalls.

Possibly some of them may have seen live hens poking their heads from between the slats of the crates in which they have made a long journey by rail to be sold as something exceedingly choice in the live poultry line.

Those people would do well to pay a visit to the show just opened and learn something.

The average New Yorker will laugh to scorn the statement that one rooster could be worth as much as a high-stepping hackney horse, but there are several birds for which $1,000 is the price asked by their owners.

W. K. Vanderbilt exhibited some white Leghorn and Pekin ducks, though the idea of making a pond for the ducks was abandoned.

The Incubators are in the restaurant at the right of the entrance, instead of in the basement, as last year.

The show this year by far surpasses any previous one. The entries are larger, and the management has spared no expense to make it attractive. The utmost care is given to the sanitary condition of the coops and cages, and if one's nerves are equal to the strain put upon them by the united efforts of over 4,000 hens, chickens, ducks and roosters to be heard, a very enjoyable day can be spent at the show.

DIVORCED BY GRIM DEATH.

Troubles of Mrs. Wolff Ended by a Runaway Horse.

Death has written a discontinuance against the divorce suit of Henrietta Wolff against Lazarus Wolff, the sexagenarian couple who had lived together through good and evil report for thirty years, rearing a family of five children till each is now a husband or a wife, and waxing wealthy in this world's goods.

Mrs. Wolff, who has been living with her daughter, Mrs. Young, of 304 East One Hundred and Eighteenth street, was knocked down by a runaway horse at Second avenue and One Hundred and Eighteenth street last night. Her chest was crushed and her skull fractured by the hoofs of the horse, and she died in a few minutes.

The horse, with a sleigh, belonged to Clemens Henge, butcher, at 1810 Park avenue, and, breaking its tie strap in One Hundred and Thirteenth street, ran away.

Mrs. Wolff, suing her aged husband, formerly a clothier, but of late a dealer in real estate, asked the Court of Common Pleas for an absolute divorce, alleging that Mr. Wolff, despite his gray hairs and wrinkles, was bewitched by the sparkling black eyes of a young Harlem widow.

The complaint alleges that the aged Lothario and the widow set up an establishment in a Washington street flat, in Hoboken, under the name of Mr. and Mrs. Schultz. In this Lazarus put the plaintiff off to live by herself on the top floor of 204 East One Hundred and Fifteenth street, and cut her allowance down to $5 a week, although his income was $4,000 a year.

At any rate Mrs. Wolff complained to Judge Lippincott in New Jersey, telling him how Mr. Wolff was conducting himself with the widow, and Wolff was arrested and locked up for a time.

Mr. Wolff's answer to the complaint denies the intimacy with the widow, and alleges that Mrs. Wolff and her servant attacked him on the stairs as he returned from the theatre one night; that Mrs. Wolff drew a rawhide from under her cloak and attempted to use it on her husband, and when he got home she threw a three-legged stool at him in the dark.

But the suit will never come to trial. The sudden death of Mrs. Wolff ends her troubles—and his, so far as the divorce suit is concerned.

Justice Simms, in the Harlem Police Court this morning, held Clemens Henger, butcher, of 1810 Pleasant avenue, in $1,000 bail to answer to a charge of reckless driving. He was charged with running over and killing Mrs. Wolff.

ATHENS BONDS ENJOINED.

Mechanics' Bank Cannot Sell the Georgia City's Securities.

Counsellor John Sabine Smith secured an order from Justice Pratt, in Supreme Court, Brooklyn, to-day, compelling the directors of the Mechanics' Bank, of New York, to show cause why they should not be restrained from selling any stock or bonds issued by the city of Atlanta, Ga., to erect water-works. The order is returnable March 7.

Several years ago the city of Athens entered into agreement with a firm of contractors to erect and maintain water-works in that city for a period of thirty years. The city is now trying to build and own a separate water plant of its own.

The contractors claim that this is a virtual confiscation of their rights.

Interment of Mrs. Van Cott.

The body of Mrs. Van Cott, wife of Postmaster Van Cott, was removed this forenoon from the home of her son, Richard, 77 Washington place, where the funeral services were held last night, and was taken to Cypress Hills, L. I., where the interment took place this afternoon.

Snowballed a Teacher.

Oscar Thimm, a butcher boy, eighteen years old, of 252 East Fourth street, was held in Essex Market Court to-day for throwing a snowball yesterday at Israel Lebsteck, a Hebrew teacher living at 118 Suffolk street and hitting him in the left eye.

Funeral of Francis O. French.

President Francis Ormond French, of the Manhattan Trust Company will be buried at Washington to-morrow. Funeral services were held to-day at his late residence, 7 East Sixty-first street.

Mecca Temple's Pilgrimage.

Mecca Temple of the Mystic Shrine will make another of its famous pilgrimages this year, the objective point being the City of Mexico. The party will depart March 10 and is expected to return April 4. A special train of Pullman dining and sleeping coaches has been chartered for the entire trip.

Col. James W. Crawford Dead.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Feb. 28.—Col. James W. Crawford, popularly known as Col. Jim Crawford, one of the celebrities of the racing world, died yesterday, after an illness of several weeks. He was well known in all racing centres.

Principal Elston Dismissed.

Principal William H. Elston, of school No. 5, Hoboken, has been found guilty of a charge of cruelty toward one of his pupils and dismissed from his position by the Board of Education. The charges of unseemly conduct toward three of his girl pupils were not in the estimation of the Board of Education, substantiated by the evidence.

A BLACKSMITH'S STORY.

Reminiscent of Longfellow's Beautiful Poem.

This Interesting Story Is Not a Romance, However.

But Is a Statement of Positive and Indisputable Fact.

Since Longfellow wrote "The Village Blacksmith," the story of which beautiful poem everybody knows, a sort of romance has been associated with the village smithy.

Here is another story of the village blacksmith which is equally interesting: For many years the hammer and anvil of A. S. Gould have rung in the little town of Garland, Maine. Suddenly they became silent.

"I broke down," said Mr. Gould. "Three months ago I was almost helpless. I was very weak and debilitated and could do no work.

"My hands were so transparent that one could actually look right through them, my blood was so poor. I lost flesh rapidly. My kidneys and liver were in a very bad state.

"I used that remarkable medicine, Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, and now I am well and strong and attend to my work again in my blacksmith shop. I have gained 15 pounds of healthy flesh.

"Every man in Garland knows me, for I have

BLACKSMITH A. S. GOULD.

been in business here for thirteen years.

"My friends and family are much surprised to see me well again."

This is especially the time of year when a wonderful cure like this should be published far and wide, for now is the time when more people are ailing and complaining of poor blood, nervousness, weak and tired feelings, stomach, kidney and liver complaints, &c., than at any other season. In fact, now is the time that everybody is thinking of taking a Spring medicine, and deciding what is best to take.

The cure of Mr. Gould should decide the question as to what to take, for the great remedy which restored him to health and strength will cure others. It is a fact beyond doubt that Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy is the greatest of all health restorers and is, above all others, the best spring medicine to vitalize the blood, strengthen the nerves and start up a natural and healthy action of all the organs.

Druggists keep it for $1, and it is purely vegetable and harmless. It is the discovery and prescription of Dr. Greene, of 35 West 14th st., New York, the successful specialist in curing nervous and chronic diseases, who can be consulted free personally or by letter.

"THE BASOCHE."

There are undoubtedly a great many people in this world, who, in an ecstasy of irretrievable Puritanism, believe that the melodies they enjoy must be trashy, and that the music they cannot comprehend is really the only thing that an educated person should venture to praise. With Gilbert's singularly deep young man, they believe that the