well informed as to the facts about the percentages and all the other matters in connection with the whole transaction."

Alderman Coffey, he testified, was present at all the hearings.

Alderman Arthur J. Heaney was the next witness. Among other things he testified that he opposed the resolution granting the franchises because it was so long that he wanted time to look it over. He also thought the Company should state exactly what it was willing to pay. He went to the Mayor and the Mayor promised him that the franchises would not be granted unless a proper price was paid.

He thought the sum named was about $300,000. He did not see the Mayor after the resolutions were signed. The Mayor signed them before his time was up.

The petition of the Union Street Company, he said, was presented in open meeting.

Lawyer W. J. Gaynor, the next witness, was questioned by Assistant District-Attorney Callahan. He told about the beginning of the suits, the decision of Justice Cullen and other matters. He went on to give the history of all the applications that had been made for the franchise and the bids offered.

"In your judgment," asked Callahan, "are the conditions capable of being modified or shouldskqj skqjqjqjj xx modified or subvested so as to cheat the city out of its benefits?"

"Undoubtedly," was the reply, and then he continued on the same lines as Mr. Grout and said he had money to back up all his bids. The Mayor's signing the resolution the very next day after receiving his bid looked significant, he thought, in view of the fact that there was no time in which to secure an injunction.

"In your opinion are these men guilty of violating the law?"

"Undoubtedly; they clearly violated two sections of the penal code."

"This Grand Jury is anxious to get at the facts," said Mr. Callahan.

"All right. I can draw you an indictment that will get at the facts if you want it," was the retort.

"Does the Mayor's signature make him a party to the action of the Board?" was the next question.

"His action makes him a particeps criminis."

"Equally guilty with the Aldermen?"

"Certainly. You can't make two bites of a cherry."

He then read section 154 of the Code. There was another section, he said, which he could not put his finger on. To his personal knowledge both the Mayor and the Aldermen denied him the privilege of bidding on franchises.

The next witness was Assistant U. F. Jenks, Corporation Counsel. He did not know whether the Grand Jury could get the minutes of the Board of Aldermen. Then in about five lines he went on to tell what he knew about the Aldermanic proceedings.

He did not know that the Brooklyn City Railroad Company was running a consolidation of lines. He told again of the suits brought by Gaynor against the Aldermen, and of Judge Cullen's order prohibiting the signing of the first resolution. He denied that there was any law compelling the Aldermen to give hearings, but they ought to have done so, like any other public servants.

The Aldermen were not obliged to take money bids. The Aldermen could not be justified in allowing a company to bid. The Aldermen would be justified in granting franchises upon any conditions, provided they thought they were acting honestly for the best interests of the city.

"The Mayor said to Mr. Grout, 'If you have any proof I am ready to hear you.'"

Then the witness told of the row which followed between Grout and the Mayor, which was published at the time. The Mayor did not say that he was going to investigate, but that he was ready to hear the facts."

"Was your attention called to the fact that this percentage, offered by the Nassau Company, might be a means of evasion?"

"Yes, sir."

"And you thought it could not be evaded?"

"That's what I thought. I do not believe that any of the roads can dodge their percentages by leasing lines. We can find out whether they are trying to do so or not, as under the law the City Comptroller has a right to inspect the books."

"Is it possible that another lawyer of eminence might differ from you?"

"Most certainly."

He also thought that plenty of time had been given to secure an injunction. He knew that the Mayor was going to Chicago, and wanted to clean up his desk first.

Alderman Edward P. Thomas was the next witness. He also objected to the Aldermanic resolutions because they were so lengthy. He wanted to read them. Neither did he think the roads were necessary. He did not think an equal opportunity was given to all who wanted to compete.

The old story of the Committee meetings was gone over, and then he was questioned about the hasty action of the Mayor in signing the petition. He did not know why the Mayor acted so hastily, nor did he know the latter was going to Chicago.

P. H. Flynn, President of the Flynn syndicate, told all about the Nassau lines and how the company was organized. He was asked if the stockholders of the Nassau Company were the same as the stockholders of the Kings County Company. There were some differences, he replied, but he did not know how much. He did not believe that the applications of the Union street company for the franchise were as well received as his, nor respected as much because they did not have as much capital stock.

He was approached by a representative of the Union Street Company when the franchise fight was going on. He was told that the fight would be dropped if the Union Street people were let into the deal.

"Who told you that?"

"Well, he was a very nice, respectable man, and I would not like to tell unless you forced me."

"I want to ask you again who that man is?"

"I don't like to tell you."

"Don't you know that he approached you with an improper motive?"

"No. I did not look at it in that way. He thought we had a good thing, and wanted to get in on it. They wanted to divide the thing up, and when it was once started they would get out with their share."

The name of the gentleman who made the improper suggestion or proposal was not given, because the question was not pushed.

Mr. Grout was then recalled.

"It has been suggested," said Mr. Callahan, "that there has been fraud and corruption in the granting of these franchises. Do you know of any acts of fraud or corruption on the part of the Mayor, and evidence that he has received money or anything of that kind?"

"I know nothing of the receipt of money by any public officers," was the reply, "but I don't understand. The law says that there can only be corruption throught the receipt of money."

Later on Mr. Grout said: "I have known Mr. Hoody for a great many years, and if any man came and told me that he had received money for his signature I would disbelieve it.

"My point is simply this, that Judge Cullen holds that it was in bad faith and fraudulent in ignoring an offer of $30,000, and I think I have shown that they have ignored our offer, the last time as effectually as the first. Ignored by the Aldermen and by the Mayor."

He was asked if he knew his petition was rejected because of the illegal status of his company. He said he had not.

THE WHITE LADYE ARRIVES.

The Palatial English Steam Yacht Chartered by Ogden Goelet

The White Ladye, a three-masted schooner-rigged steam-yacht, arrived today from Cowes. She carries a crew of thirty-one men, and sailed from England on July 3. Mr. Ogden Goelet chartered this yacht for five months, with the option of purchase at the end of that time, if he likes the vessel and it comes up to all requirements.

She was built in Leith for Lord Ashburton, and when launched was christened Lady Mabel. When Mrs. Langtry purchased the yacht in 1891, she changed the name to The White Ladye, and cruised with it for several months in the Mediterranean. The yacht is fitted up in a most complete and sumptuous manner, and is a very handsome craft, capable, it is said, of a speed of twelve knots an hour.

THE LETTER NEVER CAME.

So Millionaire's Son John Charles Perry Disappeared.

He Had Been Despondent and Threatened Suicide.

Mystery of a very impenetrable sort surrounds the whereabouts of John Charles Perry, the son of an English millionaire and the star-boarder of Mrs. Adolphus Bernstein's fashionable boarding-house, at 166 East Nineteenth street.

Mr. Perry disappeared some time during last Tuesday night, leaving behind no clues save an unpaid board bill, a pipe, a note to his friend and fellow-boarder, J. Angus Hamilton, and several threats to take poison.

From the tenor of the note and from the threats of suicide he had frequently made, an impression prevails among some of Mrs. Bernstein's boarders that he has made away with himself.

Perry was last seen about 9 o'clock Tuesday night by Miss Anna Wetzel, one of the boarders, with whom he walked up to Fourth avenue and Thirtieth street, and got a glass of soda-water. He left Miss Wetzel at the corner of Nineteenth street and walked back up Fourth avenue.

Yesterday morning Mr. Hamilton found this note in his bureau drawer:

JULY 18, 1893.

MY DEAR HAMILTON: Am so obliged to you for all you've done, but am determined to cause you no further expense. Good-by, and as you will never see me again, take my best wishes for your prosperity. Yours very affectionately,

JOHN CHARLES PERRY.

Mr. Hamilton rushed to Perry's room and found that his bed had not been occupied, apparently, during the night. Then he recalled Perry's frequent threats of suicide and concluded that perhaps his friend had at last made good such threats.

According to Mr. Hamilton, Perry had quarrelled with his father, Charles Perry, who was a retired merchant worth £5,000,000, with a fine estate at Tyndall Park, Gloucestershire, because the latter would not accept a baronetcy offered him.

He therefore left England and came to this country. He had already squandered a fortune on a stable of race horses, when he was known as "The Bristol clinger," and, on coming to this country was finally obliged to call on his father for financial assistance.

Although brought up in luxury, he was anxious to work, but could secure no employment. His appeals to his father were seldom heeded, and, according to Mr. Hamilton, Perry grew despondent.

For a month he had been expecting a remittance from his father every Monday, but in vain. Friday Mr. Hamilton met him with a vial in his hand.

"What is that?" asked Mr. Hamilton.

"That's morphine," replied Perry. "I'm keeping it in case I don't get a letter Monday."

Miss Wetzel says that Perry was not particularly cheerful Tuesday night, but he said nothing about going away or doing himself harm.

The servant who answered an "Evening World" reporter's ring at Mrs. Bernstein's house this morning refused positively to say anything about Mr. Perry's disappearance, or even admit that he had disappeared.

She also insisted that Mrs. Bernstein was not at home, and that there was no information there for reporters, anyway.

The police were not asked to search for Perry until this morning, when a young man, who said he was a friend of Perry, called at the East Twenty-second street station. He was directed to the Bureau of Information at Police Headquarters.

BEEDLESON'S FAST TIME.

Only One Leg, but He's Beaten the Bicycle Record from San Francisco.

When the transcontinental tourist Frank S. Beedleson, the one-legged bicycle rider, rides up to City Hall Park this evening escorted by the Riverside Wheelmen, a new record for the bicycle from San Francisco to New York will have been established. The intrepid one-legged rider has made a most remarkable trip, his record of sixty-six days being just twenty days better than that claimed by Wil Neilson, and thirty-seven days better than the time made by Thomas Stevens, the world girdler, in 1883.

Beedleson reached Poughkeepsie shortly after noon yesterday, having ridden from Stockport since 8 A. M. On the way he was taken ill and spent the remainder of the day at Poughkeepsie. His illness was caused by drinking water, his only drink previously having been milk. Being so near the end of his journey he could not withstand the temptation to go back to water, but New York State water proved too much for him and he was compelled to lay by.

He was expected to reach Yonkers about 3 o'clock this afternoon. Capt. E. A. Powers, of the Riverside Wheelmen, has called a club-run under his command to meet the tourist this evening, starting from the club-house at 7 o'clock. Several Riverside wheelmen will meet the rider at Yonkers and show him the way to One Hundred and Forty-fifth street and Seventh avenue.

From there the Club will escort him to the City Hall over this route: Seventh avenue to One Hundred and Tenth street entrance to the Park, through the West Drive to Fifty-ninth street, Eighth avenue to Forty-eighth street, to Madison avenue, to Twenty-third street, and along Broadway to the City Hall.

Beedleson started from the City Hall in San Francisco at 10 A. M. May 16, and during his hasty journey he rested ten days, so his actual riding time is but fifty-six days. He claims to have ridden the entire distance, with the exception of twenty-seven miles of snow sheds. He did ride, however, the first fourteen miles in snow sheds.

TO VISIT THE EIGHTH.

An Excursion to the State Camp at Peekskill To-Morrow.

Ex-members of the Eighth Regiment, and the families of the present members, are invited to accompany the Veteran Association on the visit to the regiment now in camp at Peekskill.

To-morrow, the anniversary of the first battle of Bull Run, in which the Eighth distinguished itself, has been selected as the most appropriate day for the excursion. The fare for the round trip is placed at $1.25.

The party will assemble at the Grand Central Depot at 11.10 A. M. Seven hours will be spent in the camp.

The Seventy-fourth Regiment, of Buffalo, is with the Eighth, and the two regiments make the largest encampment of the season. The military exercises to-morrow will be the most important of the week, and the battle display and dress parades are well worth seeing.

Baby Was Born Dead.

BAYONNE, N. J., July 20.—The baby which was thrown from the Monmouth race track train yesterday afternoon was viewed by County Physician Converse, who decided it was still born. The woman who threw the parcel from the train has not been heard from. The County Physician gave a permit for the burial of the body. Nothing will be done in the matter.

Starr and "Kid" Wilson Arraigned.

FORT SMITH, Ark., July 20.—Henry Starr and "Kid" Wilson were arraigned in the Federal Court yesterday for robbing the Prior Creek train last Spring. Starr's mother and sister are here with the hope of getting him released on bail, but have found it out of the question. They assert that they can give a $50,000 bond if the Court would accept it.

Pension Agent Arrested for Fraud.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., July 20.—E. C. Morley, jr., a negro pension agent, was arrested yesterday for perjury, subornation of perjury and presenting false claims to the Government in pension cases. His tools were ignorant colored men.

RUSSIA TO AID THE FRENCH.

While China Has Taken Measures to Help the Siamese.

Meanwhile Great Britain Waits on Events at Bangkok.

PARIS, July 20.—The statement is published that Baron Mohrenheim, the Russian Ambassador to France, officially informed the French Government, prior to the session of the Chamber of Deputies, on Tuesday last, when M. Develle, the Foreign Minister, defined France's position in the Franco-Siamese dispute, that Russia would support France on all the points involved in the Siamese difficulty.

It is further said that the Russian fleet in Chinese waters is under orders to proceed to the Gulf of Siam for the purposes of supporting the French, and of protecting the French residents in Siam. The fleet is expected to arrive shortly.

LONDON, July 20.—A special despatch to the Times from Bangkok says that the recent statement on the Siamese difficulty made in the House of Commons by Sir Edward Grey, Parliamentary Secretary of the Foreign Office, and particularly that portion of it referring to France's declared desire to maintain the integrity of Siamese territory, has created a favorable reaction in native and foreign feeling in Bangkok.

The despatch adds that the present and future position of Great Britain in Siam depends on the action that shall be taken by the French.

TIEN-TSIN, July 20.—Information has been received here from Pekin to the effect that China has taken measures to support Siam against the French.

Siam has for many years paid tribute to China, but only as a matter of usage and convenience, and it is now apparent that China is determined to assist the Siamese against French encroachments upon their territory.

The interference of China will add a most interesting feature to the Franco-Siamese dispute, and will probably result in a modification of some of the demands of France as contained in her ultimatum.

"THE DUDE" REMANDED.

John Gilmore Accused of Theft and Obtaining Money Under False Pretenses.

John Gilmore, alias "the Dude," aged twenty-four, and living at 439 First avenue, was remanded in the Tombs Police Court this morning on the charge of obtaining $50 from Sausage Manufacturer Henry Zinke, of 217 Driggs avenue, Brooklyn, under false pretenses.

Gilmore was released from the Elmira Reformatory six months ago, where he had served eighteen months for robbing Thomas Wood's flat at 530 Second avenue of $1,000 worth of jewelry.

While at the reformatory he became acquainted with a relative of Zinke, and a few days ago he called on Zinke and said that if he had $50 he could aid the sausage manufacturer's relative in obtaining his release.

The money was given him, and after his departure it was found that two gold watches had also disappeared from the bureau of Mr. Zinke's room. It is believed that Gilmore stole the watches.

TOWEY SET FREE.

He Was Charged with Assaulting Policeman Teyman Last Night.

When Michael Towey, of 314 East One Hundred and Thirteenth street, was arraigned in the Harlem Police Court this morning, charged with assaulting Policeman Teyman, of the East One Hundred and Fourth street station, Justice Feitner discharged him.

On Monday, while Towey was leading a string of horses through "Little Italy," he got tangled up in an Italian parade.

Policeman Teyman, he said, beat him with his club when he failed to drive on, and last night, while he was standing in the door of his home, Teyman came along.

Teyman stated that Towey sprang at him and broke his helmet, but Towey claims that the policeman assaulted him. Towey's face was bandaged when he appeared in court this morning and the Court seemed to regard this as corroborating his story.

SOUTH CAROLINA'S LIQUOR LAW.

A Decision Staying the Injunction of State Dispensaries.

COLUMBIA, S. C., July 20.—Y. J. Pope, Associate Justice Supreme Court, has issued an order superseding and staying the injunction of Judge Hudson in the Darlington Dispensary case. Hudson's injunction was based on the unconstitutionality of the Dispensary law.

A dispensary will be opened and run until the case is decided by the Supreme Court.

Dr. Foster's Election to the Reichstag Assured.

LONDON, July 20.—A Berlin special to The Times says the election of Dr. Foster, the candidate of Hector Ahlwardt, the anti-semite leader, as member of the Reichstag from Neustettin, against Dr. Stoecker is assured. The despatch also says that the early resignation of Minister of War Stachan is expected.

Capt. Smead's Body Found.

The body of a man was found floating in the water at the foot of East Eighteenth street early to-day, and was identified as that of William H. Smead, captain of the canal-boat A. E. Hanfield, lying at the foot of East Twenty-second street. Capt. Smead fell overboard while fishing from his boat last Saturday. He was thirty-three years old.

Henry Burger Insane.

Henry Burger, thirty years old, became insane at his residence, 78 Chrystie street, early to-day and was sent to Bellevue Hospital.

Distress in the Stomach

And other symptoms of Dyspepsia troubled me for several years. The doctors did not succeed in giving me relief. I was troubled with heartburn and had to be careful about my diet. Sick headaches frequently seized me and I could not ride in a carriage. Since I have been taking Hood's Sarsaparilla all this is changed. My dyspeptic trouble no longer bothers me. I do not have heartburn and I am now free from sick headache spells. I have gained in flesh and feel better in every way." MRS. JOHN H. COOK, Martinsville, Ill."

Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures

Hood's Pills are purely vegetable and carefully prepared. 25c. Try a box.

W. H. MORTON INSANE

The Well-Known Theatrical Manager in Bloomingdale.

He Imagines He Owns the Earth and Gets Violent.

Suffering from Paresis Which Has Been Slowly Developing.

Will H. Morton, the well-known theatrical manager, and husband of Lilly Post, the comic opera singer, is an inmate of the Bloomingdale Insane Asylum.

Under the name of William H. Bussman he was committed to Bloomingdale at 8 o'clock last night by Dr. T. Cleland, of 252 West Fifty-second street.

Mr. Morton lived with his wife in a flat at 330 West Fifty-first street. To an "Evening World" reporter this morning Mrs. Morton said that she had nothing to say about the matter, and referred all inquiries to Dr. Cleland.

"Here are the commitment papers upon which Mr. Morton was sent to Bloomingdale," said Dr. Cleland. "As you see, his complaint is incipient paresis. It has been intense only since Friday.

"At the time the attack developed, something like a month ago, Morton was living on Seventh avenue. A fire occurred across the street, and frightened him very badly. The clouds of stifling smoke from the burning hay and straw in the livery stable where the fire occurred drifted in and filled his flat at midnight. This, with the firebells ringing and the engines pumping in the street below, completely upset him.

"His mind was just on the balance and tottering at the time, and, you understand, it only needed that to set him off. I have observed symptoms of the disease in him myself for the last ten months.

"One cause of his condition is that a year ago he lost his position, and has had none since, and he has worried over that.

"His particular hallucination is that he owns the earth and has three billions in the Chemical National Bank, a couple more in the Garfield and as much in the Second. He also thinks that Queen Victoria is his intimate friend, and is coming over with a trifle of eight or ten billions to present to him. He had a penchant for ordering immense quantities of groceries, merchandise, horses, &c., on the strength of his prospective wealth.

"His symptoms became violent last Friday, particularly when thwarted or opposed in any desire or action. He has had many periods of perfect sanity since then, however, when he would be perfectly competent to transact any business.

"He rode up to Bloomingdale with me from Bellevue very quietly, thinking he was going to dine at the Claremont with Mayor Gilroy and a few other friends.

"As to the future developments of the disease, a study of medicine shows that in a majority of cases of paresis the patient dies inside of two years. Still, many do not, and I think Morton's chances for recovery are very good. When he first came to me he was a physical wreck, but he has a splendid physique, and is now in good bodily health.

"Mrs. Morton is almost heartbroken over the matter, and it was very hard for her to decide upon this step. I urged her to take it long before."

Dr. Cleland described the home life of Mr. and Mrs. Morton as being particularly happy. They were devoted to each other, and had been married for years.

The examiners in lunacy who committed Morton to the asylum were Dr. Cleland and Dr. A. B. Whitney, of 148 West Seventy-seventh street.

Morton was in a cab with Dr. Cleland yesterday when he became violent, and a policeman was summoned, who rode with the pair to Bellevue, from whence Morton was removed to Bloomingdale.

Mrs. Morton has returned only lately from an extended tour in the West with the Duff Opera Company, which she attached for $207.05 last week for salary.

BOOK AGENT HELD FOR TRIAL.

He Refused to Pay Back $3 That Was Deposited for a Sample.

Gustav Super, a German, who speaks no English was employed to canvass books by R. Marrasse, who claims to be manager for Gay Bros. & Co., publishers, at 21 Warren street.

Super left a deposit of $3 on the book he took out to sell. He failed to sell the book and asked for the return of his $3. Marrasse refused to give it to him on the ground that he was not to get his money until he sold the book. Super had Marrasse arrested.

"This looks like a skin game," said Justice Martin to Marrasse in the Tombs Court this morning. "and you are held in $500 for trial. I won't allow this case to be compromised."

Marrasse was locked up.

CASHIER KILLED A BURGLAR.

Bank Official Saves Ovid, N. Y., Post Office from Robbery.

ROCHESTER, July 20.—A special to the Union from Ovid, Seneca County, says that burglars broke into the post-office last night at that place. J. R. Thomas, cashier of a bank next to the post-office, heard them and, going down to the street, called to them to throw up their hands.

He was shot twice, but not seriously wounded. He returned the fire and one burglar was killed. The man is unknown. He was between forty and fifty years of age.

Wire News in Brief.

The American General Baggage-Masters' Association is holding its semi-annual meeting in Chicago.

Judge Elisha S. Maynard, of the Massachusetts Superior Court, was married last night to Miss Lucile F. Fay.

Paid admissions to the World's Fair yesterday, 88,401.

Next Saturday will be stenographers' day at the Exposition in Chicago.

The business part of Buffalo Minn., was wiped out by fire last night. Loss, $20,000.

John Hancock, one of Texas's most prominent jurists, once a member of Congress, died at his home near Austin yesterday.

The annual Convention of the Custom Foremen Tailors' Association of America opened in Chicago yesterday, and 250 delegates were present.

It is stated that it will take fully $25,000 to straighten out the transactions of E. L. Gunn, the missing Lima, O., insurance and loan agent.

A violent hail storm in California settlement, Victoria County, Nova Scotia, ruined the crops. In some places hail stones covered the ground to a depth of two inches.

B. B. Dosinberre, cashier of the Bank of Puyallup, of Tacoma, arrested for embezzlement of $41,000 and released on bail, has been rearrested on a second charge.

The flint glass manufacturers met in Pittsburg yesterday. As there yet remains two million and a half pots of glass in stock no time was fixed upon for starting the works.

Mr. Edward Orton, Jr., Hinkley, of Baltimore, Secretary of the American Bar Association, has issued his announcement for the meeting of the Association in Milwaukee on Aug. 30 and 31.

All fears of trouble at the Peoria, Ill., banks as a consequence of the failure of Oberhamer's private bank have died away. All the savings banks have taken advantage of the sixty-day notice clause.

The Rev. John Allison, one of the best known Presbyterian preachers in the country, died in a coma yesterday in St. Paul, from concussion of the brain caused by falling from a street car in Minneapolis.

Conductor Frederick Barnett, of the Chicago City Railway Company; Foreman George A. Bassett, employed by the Chicago and Grand Trunk Railroad, and Charles Steinecke, street-car driver, were held to the Grand Jury yesterday for criminal carelessness in the grade-crossing disaster at Forty-ninth and Halsted streets last Monday.

NEW JERSEY NEWS

CHARGES AGAINST A PRIEST.

He Is Accused of Wrecking the Holy Rosary Church.

He Disappears with a Lot of the Church Property.

Charges of a sensational nature are made against Rev. Father Mazziotta, former pastor of the Italian Catholic Church of the Holy Rosary, on Sixth street, Jersey City.

Father Mazziotta left town suddenly a few days ago, and it was said at the time that he was discouraged by his failure to raise the $16,000 necessary to pay off the church debt. From other sources comes the report to-day that he was in reality deposed by Bishop Wigger.

It is claimed by some of the leading members and officers, including Antonio Loori, a prominent Italian of Third street, that the indebtedness on the church is only $4,000 instead of $16,000, and that the priest, who assumed full control of all church matters, never made complaint to them in regard to the financial condition of the church or as to his inability to raise money.

Mr. Loori, who is one of the officers of the church, states that Father Mazziotta gave no intimation of his intention to vacate and, as was said, give place to some one who might be more successful.

Father Mazziotta, his parishioners say, took no formal leave of the church, of which he had been pastor six years, nor did he bid farewell to a single parishioner, but that he thought enough of their belongings to strip the rectory of nearly all its furniture and household goods belonging to the church, and also took the sacrament plate, some statuary and other property, which was carted away at midnight.

The report that he had left the country and is on the way to Italy is denied, he having been traced to New York by Mr. Loori, where, it is alleged, he is living with one of the several female attendants he had in his house in Jersey City.

The church officers assert that Father Mazziotta allowed no money for the payment of church indebtedness, the current expenses or the mortgages, appropriating it all to his own use, he receiving all the collections, which, added to the marriage fees and the christening contributions received almost daily, provided him with more than sufficient means for his support and from which he at one time is said to have sent $7,000 to Italy for the purchase of property.

He lived extravagantly, and kept a half dozen or more attendants in his household, both male and female, for whose support he provided.

It is also alleged against him that he, under his assumed control, induced his parishioners in cases of death to pay him the money for funeral expenses on the plea that he could have the service rendered for a less amount than they could, and the charge is made that he kept the money, with the result that the undertaker whom he employed has against him bills to the amount of over $1,000.

The church is now in the hands of Sheriff Stanton, who has advertised it to be sold Aug. 1 for the benefit of the creditors in satisfying judgments obtained against it, but the leading members hope to be able to raise the amount of money required to clear off the debts or effect a compromise by which the church will remain in their hands.

Rev. Father Mooney, of St. Mary's Church, has been placed temporarily in charge of the church by Bishop Wigger, and Sheriff Stanton allows the usual services to be held therein.

Efforts are being made to discover the whereabouts of Father Mazziotta in New York, that he may be arrested and taken back to Jersey City to answer to a charge of larceny in taking away the church property.

SHOE HANDS COMPLAIN.

Reduction Made in the Prices for Needlework.

NEWARK, N. J., July 20.—L. Boyden, the big shoe manufacturers of Prospect street, have made a reduction in their prices on first-class work, and the employees are grumbling. There will be a meeting to-morrow night of the men employed by the firm in Phoenix Hall, when it is expected some action will be taken in the matter.

Members of the firm deny they cut prices, but say they are rearranging the affairs of the factory on account of the dull trade. The men say they will lay their case before the State Board of Arbitration.

The trouble dates back some time. In January last the men were placed on salaries, they having worked by the piece before that. It was understood that if the placing of the men on salaries was not satisfactory, a change would be made July 1. Now the men say that their pay has been reduced, and they will not be able to make as much as they did heretofore.

MAN FOUND DROWNED.

Well Dressed and Wore a Mystic Shrine Button and Seal Ring.

ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS, N. J., July 20.—There was washed ashore here this morning the body of a man about forty years of age, well dressed in a black sack coat, black vest and trousers, gaiter shoes, white shirt, yellow merino underwear and linen collar. He had sandy hair and mustache, and wore a Mystic Shrine button and a Masonic charm of the Royal Arch, representing the thirty-third degree. It was set with rubies and diamonds.

He also wore a gold finger ring with a dark stone, on which was engraved the letter "D." A screw measure was also found upon him.

There were no marks of violence found upon him, though there were abrasions of the skin from perhaps a two weeks' exposure to floating objects in the water.

Coroner Posten did not deem an inquest necessary and buried the body at Navesink.

Drowned in Morris Canal.

NEWARK, N. J., July 20.—Raymond Sigler, eleven years of age, living at Brookdale, was drowned in the Morris Canal yesterday while in bathing. The little boy, who could not swim, was on a log, from which he fell and was drowned before assistance could reach him. His body was not recovered.

Gen. Lew Wallace, the author of "Ben Hur," has been interviewed by the SUNDAY WORLD and he tells New Yorkers about the new book which he has written. It required six years to prepare it for press.

ROBBED AND TIED TO A TREE.

Aged Mr. Clark Attacked by Three Highwaymen.

After Five Hours' Work He Succeeded in Freeing Himself.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., July 20.—Richard Clark, a manufacturer of patent medicines, was held up and robbed while driving alone with a team and wagon from Milltown to this city at 9 o'clock last night.

Mr. Clark was driving through Ryder's lane when three men seized the horses' heads and demanded his money. Before he could do anything, one of the men seized a coarse black bag and dropped it over his head, tying it about him so that he could see nothing and offer no resistance.

Two men jumped in the wagon and the other held the horses. They tied a handkerchief about Mr. Clark's mouth and drove the rig into the field near by, where they took Clark out of the wagon. After taking $42 from his pocket they tied him securely to a tree and left him there, while they drove off with the horses and wagon.

Clark struggled there for five hours and finally succeeded in getting himself loose about 2 o'clock in the morning. He then started for this city, arriving here about 6 o'clock and immediately reported the case at the police station.

He could give no description of the men who had made the attack upon him, except that he thought they were young men.

Mr. Clark is over sixty years old, and the shock is a severe one.

GHOSTS SENT UP ROCKETS.

Mystery of Newark's Spook House Yet Unsolved.

NEWARK, N. J., July 20.—The excitement over the spook house at 140 Wickliffe street, this city, does not abate in the least, and there are now more believers than ever that the house is haunted.

Last night a Sergeant and twenty-four policemen were detailed to watch the house, and although the policemen kept an all night vigil, they did not succeed in discovering the cause of the queer noises heard in the house and the strange things alleged to have been seen during the past few nights.

While the policeman and a crowd of spectators surrounded the house at a late hour last night, they were startled by seeing something which resembled a skyrocket shoot from one of the upper windows towards the sky. This strange occurrence took place several times at intervals.

The police entered the building and searched from the cellar to the garret, but discovered nothing to explain the strange occurrence. The police are firmly of the belief that some practical joker is at the bottom of the whole affair. They say that if they catch him it will go hard with him.

Since the story got about town that the house was haunted persons residing in the neighborhood have been very much annoyed by the crowds congregating in front of the houses at night and some of the women residing near the house have become ill from fright and nervousness.

Mrs. Stickney, whose husband owns the house, and who lives next door, is sick from nervous prostration.

SCANDAL IN HACKENSACK.

Miss Scoskie Has Young Simpson Arrested for Betrayal.

HACKENSACK, N. J., July 20.—William Simpson, of this place, has been arrested on a warrant issued by Justice of the Peace Cummings, on a charge of betrayal under the promise of marriage. The defendant is the son of the owner of the Hackensack Transfer Company. The Simpsons live in an elegant house on a private street called Simpson's Terrace after the family.

Miss Gussie Scoskie, the complainant, is a short, plump, dark-eyed girl of eighteen years. Her family is one of the best known in Hackensack, being among the early settlers. They are wealthy and live in the pretty little suburb called Maywood, about half a mile from the town.

It is stated that the young couple love each other, and would have been married had not outside influence been brought to bear. About five months ago it was reported they had been married, but this proved to be untrue.

What gave credence to the report was that Miss Scoskie went to see Mrs. Simpson, and asked her if she had any objection to her son being married. The mother replied that the son was too young to think of such a thing.

Nothing more was said on either side until yesterday, when Gussie, realizing that she was in trouble, went to her lover and asked him to marry her. The interview was unsatisfactory to the young woman, and she went before Justice of the Peace Cummings and swore out a warrant for his arrest.

Young Simpson was released under $1,200 bonds to await the action of the Grand Jury.

WILL HAVE COLD WAVES ON TAP.

Company Formed to Destroy the Hot Winds of Kansas.

ABERDEEN, S. D., July 20.—The International Cold Wave Company, with a capital of $2,000,000 and a surplus one-third that sum, has been organized by local capitalists.

The Company alleges that it has discovered a secret the potency of which, if applied at the right time and under favorable conditions, will destroy the hot winds which arise in Kansas, and at times have been known to sweep this country, burning and killing the growing crops. This it will do by bringing a counter wind from the ice fields of the frozen North.

FOUND STARVING TO DEATH.

Pitiful Plight of an Aged Woman in Newark.

NEWARK, N. J., July 20.—Annie Bradley, eighty years of age, residing at 102 Eighth avenue, this city, had not been seen for three days. The police were notified, and last night Officers Andrews and Flynn went to the house and found the old woman lying on the floor in a very weak condition, suffering from starvation.

She had to be carried to an ambulance which brought her to St. Michael's Hospital, where there is but slight hope entertained for her recovery.

Child Fatally Burned.

Josephine Weeks, a two-year-old child, whose parents live at 70 Laidlaw avenue, Jersey City Heights, while playing with matches which had been carelessly left within her reach yesterday set fire to her clothes and was fatally burned. The little one was taken to Christ's Hospital, where she died in a few hours after the accident.

Child's Body in a Lot.

The body of a one-day-old infant was found in a vacant lot on Ninety-ninth street, near Madison avenue, at 10.30 this morning.

DELARO IN THE TOILS AGAIN.

This Time Accused of Robbing Two Flats on Thirty-fifth Street.

Criminal Career of the Gifted Selina Delaro's Son.

Benjamin R. Delaro, alias William Lee, is again behind prison bars. He was arraigned for larceny before Justice Hogan, in Jefferson Market Court, to-day, and his examination was fixed for to-morrow morning.

Delaro is a son of the gifted Selina Delaro, who died about two years ago. During the past three years the young man, who developed into a crook in short order, has frequently been arrested. He is known in the Tenderloin precinct as an outside green-goods worker, a thief, and opium fiend.

Delaro was taken into custody again last night, after having been vainly sought for for two nights, on suspicion of robbing the flat of Fleming Poore, at 165 West Thirty-fifth street, on the night of July 11, when over $300 worth of clothing, curtains, books and bric-a-brac, in fact almost all of Mr. Poore's effects were taken.

On the same night the flat of Mrs. Lourie, at the same number, was entered and about $20 worth of property taken.

Complaint was made to the police, and Detective Sullivan learned that Delaro formerly lived on the top floor of the plundered flat, and also that he had been seen leaving the hallway on the night of the robbery.

Delaro denies his guilt, and says that the police have made a mistake. He says that he is twenty-one years old and lives at 124 West Twenty-sixth street. He is always well dressed, and has the appearance of ease and leisure which is peculiar to the Tenderloin district.

Delaro told the detective last night that he was working for McNally, the bookmaker, but the police claim that he has had no visible means of support for over a year.

Delaro was arrested on April 1 for stealing two opium pipes from a young woman named Minnie Westcott. He had invited her to the Gedney House, where he was stopping, and advised her to bring the two pipes with her.

Delaro left her for a while, and later she discovered that $1,500 worth of jewelry had been stolen from her flat, of which Delaro carried the key in her absence.

When Miss Westcott went home she left her opium pipes, and Delaro pawned them.

He was arrested on this charge, but no evidence could be obtained against him for the larger theft.

In the General Sessions when the trial was finished Miss Westcott forgave Delaro and kissed him, and at her request sentence was suspended by Recorder Smyth.

FOUND DEAD ON THE TRACK.

A Man Supposed to Be Oscar Schoenfeld Killed by a Train.

At 5.30 o'clock this morning the body of a man was found on the Harlem Railroad tracks, just south of the Fordham station.

The body was badly mangled, and the head was ground into a jelly.

The man was apparently thirty-five years old, was of light complexion, with blond hair and mustache.

He was dressed in a suit of light-gray tweed, blue-and-white striped cotton shirt, and wore a white waistcoat. Nearby his hat, a cheap straw with black ribbon band, was found.

In his pockets papers and letters were found addressed to Oscar Schoenfeld, 1227 Broadway and 337 East Fifty-eighth street.

There is no doubt but that the body is that of Oscar Schoenfeld, for some time manager of the advertising agency at 1227 Broadway.

He answers the description of the dead man, and the papers found on the body suport the identification.p

Schoenfeld was well known in the neighborhood of the office on Broadway and was called "Little Oscar" by his acquaintances. He was about twenty-six years of age, and resided with his father and mother at 339 East Fifty-ninth street.

He left the office at 9 o'clock last night, and then appeared to be in a happy mood.

At the office this forenoon it was believed that Schoenfeld had been accidentally killed while walking on the railroad track.

GREEN GOODS CASE IN COURT.

Walters to Be Examined at Jefferson Market This Afternoon.

The case of Charles Walters, the green-goods man recently arrested, came up before Justice Hogan in Jefferson Market Court this morning, and the examination was put off until this afternoon, when Justice Grady will be in attendance.

Walters's victim was F. H. Fletcher, of Piedmont, S. C., who answered a green-goods circular signed by Charles Clements, of 153 West Thirty-sixth street. He came to this city and met Walters, who induced him to go to Chester, Pa., to transact their business. The roll of green paper had a real $10 bill on the outside, and having seen this Fletcher paid out $600.

Walters's alleged wife was arrested with him in a flat at 334 East Forty-first street, but was subsequently discharged.

ROBBED BY HIS SONS.

Texans Take Their Father's Property to Prevent His Marrying Again.

FORT SMITH, Ark., July 20.—Otho F. Lane, County Attorney of Gregg County, Tex., was arrested here yesterday on a charge of robbing his father.

The latter is old and is very wealthy, and to prevent his marrying again his three sons set upon their father and robbed him of all his money and stocks, amounting to about $12,000.

Two of the boys then left the country. The old gentleman offered 10 per cent. of all the money recovered for their arrest.

PLAIN JUMPED TO DEATH.

Suicide of a Wealthy Washington Man While Temporarily Insane.

WASHINGTON, July 20.—John B. K. Plain, a prominent lumber merchant of this city, while temporarily insane, climbed to the roof of his house and took a running jump into the street below, apparently under the belief that he was diving into a pool of water. His death was almost instantaneous.

Mr. Plain, who was born in Alexandria, Va., was a Confederate veteran. He leaves an estate valued at over