

WHO WAS IN THE DEAL?

Facts in Regard to the Delay in Providing a Police Signal System.

MR. HERZOG'S AFFIDAVIT.

Commissioner Voorhis's Favor Became Hot and Cold in Turn.

OPPOSITION OF A MONOPOLY.

Telephone Company Wanted to Put in the Telephone on a Royalty.

Police Commissioner McChave, in the interview published in "The Evening World" yesterday, gave his side of the case, and in attempting to explain the delay in providing a complete police signal system and patrol wagon service, placed the whole responsibility upon the shoulders of Comptroller Myers and Mayor Hewitt, but he did not tell all the story.

There is now in possession of "The Evening World" an affidavit made by F. Benedict Herzog, in which he relates in part the story.

The subject was first brought to the attention of the Board of Police Commissioners by Mr. Herzog, now Police Justice, Voorhis, in June, 1889. It came up on an offer from the Metropolitan Telephone Company to supply signalling boxes. Mr. Voorhis approved of the offer, and it was laid over until the next regular meeting of the Board.

Immediately afterwards the firm of Pearce & Jones put up boxes in the old Nineteenth Precinct. The Herzog Company was not invited, but nevertheless put up a model in the offices and invited the Police Commissioners to inspect it.

When I expressed surprise," says Mr. Herzog, "that we had not been invited to make a commercially perfect sample box to exhibit with them, in view of the report of Supt. Crowley, which I had reason to believe was favorable and in support of the Herzog Company's own expression of approval, I was answered and treated in a manner which seemed to my mind conclusive that to say the least, the scheme would not be given the benefit of a doubt by the Board of Police Commissioners, and was answered by each that the entire matter was for the time in the hands of Commissioner Voorhis, as the Committee on Repairs and Supplies."

Exactly what influence the big telephone monopoly of that time had on the new system is not stated in the affidavit. He tells at length the efforts made to get the Commissioners and the Board of Estimate interested enough in his invention to furnish him a hearing. He refers to the fact that a survey of the city had been made for roads and avenues.

When requested Mr. Coleman and the members of the Board of Estimate to serve that if any appropriation were granted for the use of the Police Department, that this appropriation should be in the final estimate, in terms limited to a telephone system, which limitation I had some fear might be entirely or unobscuredly made, and thus exclude us from competing, unless we numbered our system in such a way, in our opinion, was a useless addition.

A Duty to The Public

AN ENTERED CLERGYMAN TELLS HIS EXPERIENCE.



Rev. C. W. Chapman

The following comes voluntarily from a much loved clergyman:

"I feel it a duty to the public to send this certificate. I saw in a Philadelphia paper a letter from a man who had been cured of Muscular Rheumatism and had been restored by the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla. I had the grip in the winter of 1892 and it so severely that it deprived me of the use of my arms, so that my wife had to dress and undress me, and when away from home I had to sleep in my clothes. The best doctors and did not accomplish anything.

Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures

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THETIS LOST HER CAPTAIN.

The Vessel Lay in the Port of Santos Three Months.

The British steamer Thetis, which arrived this morning from Brazilian ports, was in the port of Santos over three months, and while there was obliged to pay 1600 sterling for wharfage. Three of the crew also died while in port.

Capt. Hogg, the vessel's master, a native of Blythe, aged forty years, died July 25 from yellow fever. On Aug. 19 John Nielsen, a sailor, died in the hospital where he had been sent for treatment. On Aug. 28 C. De Linde, another sailor, also died in the hospital of yellow fever. There has been no other sickness aboard since that time.

The vessel proceeded to Pernambuco in ballast, where she took in part of a cargo of sugar, sailing from thence for Macao Nov. 2. While in Pernambuco a strong feeling existed in favor of Mello's cause. Two small gunboats were in the harbor. These vessels' crews espoused the cause of Mello, but were unable to get away from port owing to the lack of ammunition, provisions and other supplies.

A torpedo boat, which was daily expected, had not arrived from Espangate up to the sailing date. Thirty-five men from Santos to man this torpedo boat, but at the last moment declined to bring the vessel's vessel's overhaul him after leaving port and a French port. They were sent aboard the Indian steamer Lion, which landed them safely at Pernambuco Nov. 10.

Capt. Smith brought as passengers to Pernambuco two army officers, Colonel Mello and Major de Albuquerque, in the Rio Military Academy. They embarked at once per Royal Mail steamer for Lisbon and a French port. They were sent by President Peixoto to purchase ammunition and supplies for his army in either France or Germany.

Nictheroy's Crew at Practice.

The steamer Caribee, reported on Nov. 28 off the coast of St. Thomas, the Brazilian cruiser Nictheroy has been standing on and off, apparently practicing her guns and crew.

DR. M'GLYNN MAKES ANSWER.

No Authority for the Rumor About the Roman Embassy.

Rev. Dr. Edward McGlynn was at his home in Brooklyn when "The Evening World" reporter called to-day to inquire about the connection of Dr. McGlynn's name with the embassy to Italy. It was published this morning that not only had friends of Dr. McGlynn suggested his name to President Cleveland, but that he had written to say that he would accept the appointment. The following reply to a request for a statement as to whether the story was correct:

"The publication of the article in today's Sun connecting my name with the office of Ambassador to Italy is unauthorized by me, and against my wishes, and I think that I should not be called upon either to affirm or to deny any of its statements."

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