BROOKLYN NEWS.

MORE SCANDALS UNEARTHED.

Brooklyn Ring Corporation's Very Valuable Hydrant.

Freel's Rockville Centre Reservoir Has a Leaky Bottom.

Water Purveyor Milne, of Brooklyn, after having discovered that the city had been defrauded annually out of several thousand dollars by the Citizens' Electric Light Company, through a surreptitious means of tapping a fire hydrant to-day sent two inspectors to the plant on De Kalb avenue and Rockwell place, to cut the pipe and prevent further fraud.

Mr. Milne also began making up his report on his investigation, which when completed will be submitted to City Works Commissioner White. Mr. Milne told an "Evening World" reporter that he was about to begin a thorough investigation of every factory in the city, and where it is found that the Department has been defrauded out of water rates, the Corporation Counsel will be requested to bring suits to recover the amounts due.

It is believed by the Water Purveyor that fully $10,000 or $15,000 is due the city from the politicians who own the Citizens' Electric Light Company. The plant is practically owned by Hugh McLaughlin, nephew of Boss McLaughlin; John Delmar and ex-Chief of the Fire Department Thomas F. Nevins.

The records show that Nov. 24, 1890, Chief Nevins made an agreement with Henry Hawkes, the Water Purveyor, by which the Citizens' Electric Light Company was given permission to connect a pipe with the hydrant on De Kalb avenue "to be used only in case of fire." The Company had a regular meter connection on the Rockwell place side of the building.

The records of the Water Registrar's office show that the seven boilers of the Company for three years only consumed 84,000 cubic feet of water, while for the same period the Edison Company consumed 3,500,000 cubic feet.

Charles Haynes, of 110 Bergen street, formerly employed as engineer for the Citizens' Company, has given valuable information to Mr. Milne, and he is employed to help carry on the investigation.

Mr. Haynes reported that the pipe connecting with the fire hydrant passed the water through a Reddiman heater and thence to the boilers, while the pipe with the meter attachment did not pass through a heater, but was supposed to pour cold water into the boilers.

Another scandal in the City Works Department has been brought to light by the new administration. Engineer Van Buren has refused to recommend the acceptance of the new reservoir for Brooklyn, at Rockville Centre, because it is claimed that Contractor Freel has failed to make good his agreement with the city.

Mr. Van Buren says the bottom of the reservoir is like a sieve. After pumping water into the big receptacle for three days, the bottom surface was barely covered. The cost of building the reservoir was $799,000.

Contractor Freel is under $150,000 bonds for the faithful performance of the contract.

City Works Commissioner White said this morning that the reservoir would not be accepted by the city until he had personally investigated the work alone by the contractor. Mr. Freel claims that it is impossible to keep water in the reservoir on account of the soil, which is sandy and causes the water to filter through naturally.

The reservoir covers about fifty acres, and was built with an estimated capacity of 14,000,000 gallons. The work on the new reservoir was commenced in 1891.

Just before Mayor Schieren's election to office Freel received $750,000 for his work. The balance was to be paid when the city formally accepted the reservoir.

Although the first test proved that the reservoir could not hold the water pumped into it, ex-City Works Commissioner Adams paid the contractor. Since that time, Mr. Freel has been endeavoring to remedy the evil, but without success.

BROOKLYN VAMPS TO PARADE

But John Y. McKane Will Be Missed from Their Ranks.

John Y. McKane will not parade with the Kings County Volunteer Firemen's Association in Brooklyn on Washington's Birthday. It has been Mr. McKane's custom to be on hand at the annual celebration of the Veteran Firemen.

Last year the weather was so inclement that the "vets" could not make a satisfactory display. They are hoping that the Weather Clerk will be kind to-morrow. Monsen S. Brown will be the Grand Marshal of the day. The parade will form at Carroll and Henry streets. The line of march will be through several of the downtown streets, to Bedford avenue, to the fountain, where the firemen will be dismissed.

Fire Commissioner Frederick Wurster will review the parade, and delegations will be present from all the volunteer fire companies in Kings County and several from the Long Island towns.

The Association will keep open house at its club-house in Livingston street all day.

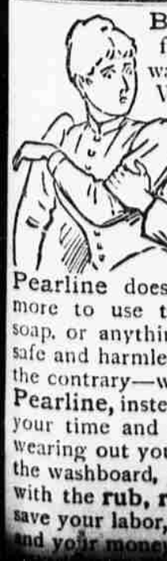
HELPED A THIEF TO ESCAPE.

Curran Thought Krieger Was Abusing the Boy Footpad.

Justice Connolly in the Lee Avenue Court, Williamsburg, to-day, held John Curran, of 214 North Third street, on a charge of assault.

Samuel Krieger, of 114 Middleton street, was walking along Broadway near Berry street, last night, when a boy about seventeen years old asked him for the time and then snatched his watch.

Krieger held him, but Curran who came along at this time, imagined that Krieger was trying to hurt the boy, so he struck Krieger. In the scuffle the boy got away, but Curran was locked up on Krieger's complaint.



Break Away from the old way of washing! What is it that keeps you? It can't be economy, for that's on the other side. Pearline doesn't cost any more to use than common soap, or anything else that's safe and harmless. But just the contrary—when you use Pearline, instead of wasting your time and strength and wearing out your clothes on the washboard, you do away with the rub, rub, rub, and save your labor, your clothes and your money.

SUTHERLAND IS NEXT

Coney Island Police Justice to Be Tried Monday.

He Is Charged with Oppression in the Election Cases.

Constable Jamison's Trial Will Follow Sutherland's.

Justice of the Peace Kenneth F. Sutherland, of Coney Island, will be the first one of John Y. McKane's followers to be placed on trial. The charge against Sutherland is oppression in connection with the last Gravesend election.

Deputy Attorney-General Shepard appeared this morning before Justice Cullen, in the Brooklyn Court of Oyer and Terminer, and moved that the trial of Sutherland be set down for next Monday.

Lawyer Foster L. Backus, one of Sutherland's counsel, protested that, owing to the immense amount of work entailed on counsel by the McKane case, it would be impossible between now and Monday to give Sutherland's case the attention it required to bring it to trial on that day.

Justice Cullen, however, thought that the trial of the case should not be delayed, and stated that if it was found that counsel could not handle the case alone, additional counsel would be appointed by the Court. With this understanding, Mr. Shepard's motion was granted.

Mr. Shepard also moved that the trial of Constable Andrew Scott Jamison should follow after Sutherland. This was also agreed upon.

After the matter of Sutherland's and Jameson's trials had been disposed of, ex-Corporation Counsel Almet F. Jenks, counsel for Jeremiah J. Cronin and John W. Murphy, both indicted for misdemeanor in connection with the Gravesend election, began an argument tending to show that the Court of Oyer and Terminer had no jurisdiction to try his clients, because the Grand Jury had no right to indict for misdemeanor.

Mr. Jenks quoted law by the foot to bear out his argument.

In reply Mr. Shepard quoted the most celebrated case where the same question was involved, that of "Boss" Tweed. In Tweed's case, he was indicted by the Grand Jury for misdemeanor on fourteen separate counts. He was convicted and sentenced to fourteen years' imprisonment—one year on each count. After serving a year, Tweed was brought before a Supreme Court Justice on a writ of habeas corpus.

The claim was made that the Court of Oyer and Terminer had no jurisdiction in the case and that the Court could not impose a comutative sentence on one conviction. As is well known Tweed lost the points raised in his behalf.

Justice Cullen took the papers and will render his decision Monday.

Sheriff Buttling said to-day that McKane appeared to him to be grieving very little over his conviction and sentence. He was of the opinion that McKane was not the sick man some people would make it appear. The Sheriff said, however, that he was not a medical man, and that he only judged from the man's appearance what his state of health was.

"I have no interest whatever," continued Mr. Buttling, "in the McKane case, except to take care of the gentleman while he is in my custody."

Lawyers Backus and Glendenning, of counsel for McKane, said to-day that they knew nothing of the alleged fact that one of the McKane jurors was disqualified by reason of mental disability.

The report that McKane's lawyers had discovered something concerning the past life of one of the jurors which would upset the verdict could not be confirmed this morning.

Lawyer Roderick, who, it was said, is engaged in running down the facts, could not be found, and none of the clerks in his office could give any information as to his whereabouts.

Justice Newton, who is also quoted as having said that the verdict would be set aside in case the defense learned something further in regard to facts already in their possession, was also not to be found in his customary haunts. He is in Albany, where, it is reported, he is trying to procure a stay for Czar McKane.

It is the general impression that the story about the juror having been insane, is only a scheme of the defense to influence the decision of the Supreme Court Justice, who will be asked to pass upon the certificate of reasonable doubt to be applied for.

HAD HER ESCORT ARRESTED.

Purbs Was Wearing Miss Searing's Father's Stolen Pin.

Justice Connolly in the Lee Avenue Court, Williamsburg, held Julius Purbs, twenty years old, of 66 Schaefer street, on a charge of grand larceny.

Nov. 30 last the apartments of H. D. Searing, over his saloon at 75 Berry street, were entered, and property valued at $100 taken. One article of jewelry which Mr. Purbs lost was a diamond pin of peculiar design.

Julia, the twenty-year-old daughter of the saloon-keeper, went to a review of the Forty-seventh Regiment last Monday with Purbs, who is a private in Company F. She noticed that he wore a scarf-pin much like that which her father had lost, and on her complaint a detective went to the house of the young man and placed him under arrest.

Purbs handed over the pin, which was identified by Searing. The prisoner claimed he was innocent, however, and stoutly asserted that he had bought the pin from a Grand street peddler.

Miss Searing and Purbs are both employed in a crinoline factory on North Ninth street, and the young man is given a very good reputation by all who know him.

Cut Her Friend with a Knife.

Nellie Wolf, of 74 Gwinnett street, Williamsburg, was held in the Lee Avenue Court to-day on a charge of assault in the second degree. Ida Hoffman, of 816 Myrtle avenue, a friend of Nellie, was out walking last night with Samuel Coxon, a negro, when she was attacked by Miss Wolf, who cut her over the head with a knife.

Brooklyn Brevities.

William Hamilton and his wife, Ellen, of 132 Nassau street, Brooklyn, were arrested on Bands street, near the entrance to the bridge, shortly after midnight this morning and locked up on a charge of being habitual loungers. At the station-house the woman was recognized as having been locked up for six months for attempting to work the badger game.

Wallace Sellew, of 109 Fifty-third street, Brooklyn, notified the police to-day that he had been robbed of a gold watch worth $100.

At a meeting of the Board of Officers of the Twenty-third Regiment last night, Lieut.-Col. Alexis C. Smith was chosen to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Col. John N. Partridge, a few weeks ago.

Abraham Bach, who has been suffering for the past six weeks from an attack of hiccoughs, at his home in Eastern Parkway, was reported to be no better this morning. His condition is critical.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schwartz are suing the Brooklyn City Railroad Company in the City Court to-day for $5,000 damages each for injuries received from falling over a flagstone, which had been removed by the Company for the purpose of planting a trolley pole.

The argument on the demurrer to the indictment of President Seth L. Keeney, of the defunct Commercial Bank, was adjourned by Judge Moore, in the Court of Sessions, this morning until Friday.

Justice Bartlett, of the Supreme Court, this morning rendered a decision for the defendant in the suit which Charles F. Vosburg brought against the Long Island Railroad Company for $5,000 damages for the death of his wife, who was killed at a crossing in Jamaica.

RELEASED AND REARRESTED.

Geertz and Holman Brought to This City for Examination.

They Are the Alleged Receivers of Stolen Tobacco.

August Geertz and Frank Holman, who were arested a week ago, charged with receiving stolen goods, were discharged by Justice Walsh in the Adams Street Police Court, Brooklyn, this morning.

They were immediately rearrested by Detective Freel, of Inspector McLaughlin's staff, and taken to Police Headquarters in New York. They are now charged with grand larceny in the first degree.

At the hearing last Saturday it was proven that eight packages of tobacco belonging to S. Gans, of 341 Eighth street, had been stolen from Eighth street and Third avenue on Jan. 9. A witness also testified that he saw Geertz driving the truck rapidly through East Twenty-second street towards the ferry. No testimony was introduced, however, connecting Frank Holman with the case, except that he had been seen with Geertz at 367 Pearl street, Brooklyn, and had sent a truckman to 42 Division street, New York, to bring over certain packages alleged to have been stolen. Holman has been out on bail since Saturday, and Geertz has been in jail.

When the prisoners were arraigned before the bar this morning, Justice Walsh said:

"From the testimony that was given here there is no doubt that Geertz is the man who drove away the truck. The most damaging evidence against Holman is that he was in Geertz's company in Pearl street and his apparent familiarity with the proceeding with the truckman.

"There is a question whether the charge of receiving stolen goods can be sustained, but it is easy to dispose of the matter by sending both of you to New York to answer this charge of grand larceny. Both of you are now discharged, but you will have to go with the officers to New York."

BOUND FOR SANTO DOMINGO.

New Yorkers to Build Railroad and Reorganize Currency.

A party consisting of President Smith M. Weed, of the Santo Domingo Improvement Company, accompanied by his son and daughter, Vice-President Charles W. Wells, Prof. Laughlin, the political economist, and several others will leave here to-morrow on the Florida special train of the Atlantic coast line on their way to Santo Domingo.

The steamer Niagara, of the Ward line, which has been chartered to carry the party from Fernandina, Fla., left this port several days ago with a considerable stock of supplies, including a bridge and materials for carrying on railroad construction.

"We are going to Santo Domingo," said a prominent member of the party, "to continue and look over the work we began a year ago there. From Fernandina we will go by steamer to Puerto Plata. The Santo Domingo Improvement Company is constructing a railroad from Puerto Plata to Santo Domingo which was begun by the Dutch banks under a concession. We bought them out and are completing the work. The road is now built up the Bajabonico River.

"Incidentally we will take up the question of reorganizing the currency of Santo Domingo. Our Company has charge of the customs of the island, which means the whole revenue of the island. The President of Santo Domingo is desirous of getting the currency into harmony with that of the great nations of the world.

"We will endeavor to get a gold and silver currency on a treasury note system based on gold for the Mexican silver dollar."

The party expects to be away six weeks on this trip.

WANTS $2,000 FOR A DOG BITE.

John Hattich Sues Louis Gort for Heavy Damages.

Justice Conlan and a jury, in Part II. of the City Court, to-day began trial of the suit brought by John Hattich against Louis Gort to recover $2,000 damages for a dog bite.

Hattich testified that Gort was the owner of a "ferocious and mischievous dog," that was accustomed to attack and bite persons.

The dog was kept by the defendant at his home, 319 Fifth street.

Hattich said that on or about Dec. 31, 1892, the dog jumped upon him while he was passing the defendant's house and bit him severely on the right arm. He also said that since that time he had been unable to work.

Hattich claims to have expended large sums of money for medical treatment.

Mrs. Dr. Mary Schelerith, of 56 St. Mark's place, testified as to the injuries sustained by the plaintiff. Charles Steckler and Alfred S. Katzenstein appeared for the plaintiff. Roesch & Fennell were the defendant's lawyers.

AT WORK CUTTING WIRE.

City Employees Continue the Task Begun Yesterday.

The work of cutting down the overhead wires was continued this morning by men under the direction of Chief Inspector Brown, of the Board of Electrical Control. The start was made on the roof of the Fifth Avenue Hotel, and the men will work down as far as Twelfth street to-day.

The district to be taken in on the way is between Fourth and Sixth avenues. Inspector Brown says that he would leave a few wires overhead. These belong to people who have permits from the Board of Electrical Control.

Inspector Brown denied that a falling cable had struck a passer-by yesterday. It was cut over the railway office at Twenty-third street and Broadway, and a lineman on the street fell down while trying to catch it.

The work of cutting the wires will be continued until the men reach the Battery.

SENATE AND HAWAII.

Foreign Affairs Committee Adopts the Morgan Report.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Senator Morgan submitted the report he has been preparing on Hawaii to the full membership of the Committee on Foreign Relations to-day, and it was adopted by a majority vote.

The four Republican members of the Committee voted for Senator Morgan's report. The four Democratic members voted against it, and will prepare a minority report next Monday morning.

The Republican members of the Committee do not fully concur in the report, though it does not criticise Minister Stevens, leans towards annexation and generally favors the policy of the late Administration. It does not criticise, in as vigorous terms as the Republicans wish, the policy of the present Administration.

A Barrel of Flour Fell on Him.

Patrick Fitzpatrick, a longshoreman, of 516 Henderson street, Jersey City, while unloading the City of Brooklyn last night at the Erie docks, was severely injured by having a barrel of flour fall on him. He was taken to the City Hospital for treatment, and will not be able to appear on the stage again for several months.

NEW JERSEY.

SEARCH FOR THE MORGANS.

Escaped Jailbirds Were to Have Gone to Trenton Prison To-Day.

MORRISTOWN, N. J., Feb. 21.—George and Henry Morgan, who escaped from jail last night, have not yet been captured, although the prison authorities have men out in all directions searching for them.

The Morgans' escape was a sensational one. When Keeper Munson went to lock the men up in their cells last night as usual, George Morgan suddenly pulled out a revolver and covered Munson with it, while Henry went to the keeper's desk and took out his revolver. George still kept Munson covered with his revolver, while he and his brother backed out of the corridor. Then the two brothers walked out of the front door of the Court-House.

Munson was afraid to follow them at once, because the door of the jail was open and he feared the other prisoners would escape. As soon as he could lock the door he did so and summoned help. By that time the Morgan brothers had secured a good start. A close search of the surrounding woods failed to discover the whereabouts of the missing men.

The Morgan brothers were convicted of burglary and sentenced yesterday to a long term in the State prison. They were to have been taken there to-day.

DR. HOFFMAN RESIGNS.

One Result of the Scandal in Newark's Health Board.

NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 21.—Dr. James Hoffman, one of the physicians attached to the Health Department, resigned from office this morning, and his resignation was accepted by the Board. Dr. Hoffman was charged with neglecting his duty in attending patients.

Last week a man by the name of Brady made a complaint to the Health Board that his wife was ill, and he sent for Health Doctor Hoffman to attend her. Hoffman did not call until several hours had passed. When he did call Mrs. Brady was so low that Hoffman could not save her.

Brady claimed that had the doctor responded quickly his wife's life would have been saved. The Health Board exonerated Hoffman from all blame, and he then resigned.

EMIL SCHMIDT DEAD.

John Boetcher Will Now Be Held for His Murder.

HACKENSACK, N. J., Feb. 21.—Emil Schmidt, of Woodbridge, who, two weeks ago, was stabbed by John Boetcher with a butcher knife, died in the Hackensack Hospital this morning from his wounds.

John Boetcher was arrested at the time of the stabbing and will now be held for murder.

Boetcher and his brother, both of them being butchers, had a quarrel, which resulted in the two men fighting a duel with butcher knives. They had slashed each other with the knives until both men were covered with blood.

Schmidt, stepped between them to act as peacemaker, when John turned upon him with the fury of a lion and stabbed him several times with the butcher knife, with the above result.

ASSAULTED CAPT. BORASTOS.

Levett and Friends Interfered with a Salvation Army Parade.

John Levett, eighteen years old, of 364 Grand street, was arraigned before Justice O'Donnell in Jersey City this morning, charged by Capt. Samuel Borastos, of the Salvation Army, with assault.

Last night, Capt. Borastos was leading a parade of his corps along Newark avenue. Levett and some of his friends blocked the way. Borastos tried to get them to move aside, and a quarrel ensued, in which Levett struck the Captain over the head with a club.

Justice O'Donnell fined Levett $5.

Fell from a Trapeze.

NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 21.—While Charles Lord and a contortionist named Lawton were giving exhibitions in the Grand Opera-House last night, Lord, who was performing on a trapeze, fell to the stage, breaking his left arm. He was taken to the City Hospital for treatment, and will not be able to appear on the stage again for several months.

Diphtheria in Flemington.

FLEMINGTON, N. J., Feb. 21.—The nine-year-old daughter of Sylvanus Corkoff, living on the outskirts of this city, died of diphtheria last night. Last week Mr. Carkoff lost an infant from the same disease, and another child is dangerously ill with the disease and not expected to live. There were no more new cases reported this morning.

DIDN'T LIKE THE MUSIC.

So Buck Refused to Pay and Struck Halober in the Eye.

Samuel Buck, twenty-four years old, of 141 Attorney street, was held by Justice Hogan in the Essex Market Police Court to-day for trial on a charge of assaulting Samuel Halober, of 214 Stanton street.

Halober has a store at the above address, and keeps a nickel-in-the-slot phonograph. Buck had two tunes last night from the phonograph, and as the songs did not suit him, he refused to pay. In a quarrel that ensued Buck discolored Halober's right eye.

USED KNIFE IN SELF-DEFENSE

Boy Arrested for Stabbing Another Lad Is Discharged.

Justice Walsh in the Adams Street Police Court, Brooklyn, to-day discharged Henry Charlton, aged fourteen years, of 259 Pacific street, who was arrested last night for stabbing Louis Lelpsky, of 631 Third avenue, in the back with a pocket knife.

The boys, who are district messengers, got into a dispute on Montague street, and Louis threw his opponent into a snow bank. Henry, in defending himself, struck Louis with his knife. The wound is not serious.

TO STOP THE PROGRESS of Consumption, you will find but one *guaranteed* remedy—Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. In advanced cases, it brings comfort and relief; if you haven't delayed too long, it will certainly cure. It doesn't claim too much. It won't make new lungs—nothing can; but it will make diseased ones sound and healthy, when everything else has failed. The scrofulous affection of the lungs that's caused Consumption, like every other form of Scrofula, and every blood-taint and disorder, yields to the "Discovery." It is the most effective blood-cleanser, strength-restorer, and flesh-builder that's known to medical science. In all Bronchial, Throat, and Lung Affections, if it ever fails to benefit or cure, you have your money back.

A permanent cure for your Catarrh—or $500 in cash. This is promised by the proprietors of Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy.

"RUBY" IN COURT AGAIN.

Rumor that Miss Hasbrouck Scolded the Giddy Young Man.

Weather Forecaster Dunn Testifies in the Pettit Case.

The Equity Term of the Common Pleas Court was again crowded this morning, when Judge Bischoff took his seat to listen to the testimony in the case in which the pretty fair-haired and red-checked Estelle Pettit-Fried seeks to have her marriage with Isidor Fried annulled.

Miss Pettit and her mother and a party of Far Rockaway friends were in court early. The Pettits were looking pale and worn, the strain having told on them. For the first time during the course of the trial, Mabel Hasbrouck, the close friend of the plaintiff, was not present. George Cannes, who testified yesterday that Mabie called him "Ruby," was also absent. It was rumored that these two had anything but a friendly meeting after the young man gave his testimony. "Ruby" is said to have had decidedly the worst of the argument.

There was a silent denial of this when about three-quarters of an hour after the trial opened they entered court. "Ruby" was gotten up in the giddiest Long Island style and Miss Hasbrouck blushed a brighter red than the big bunch of roses she wore.

Mrs. Ida O. Pettit, a sister-in-law of the plaintiff, was the first witness called in rebuttal. She was asked to tell about Miss Pettit's condition the morning after the alleged drugging. Lawyer Fromme objected and Judge Bischoff sustained the objection.

When she stepped down from the witness stand a ripple of excitement went around as Weather Forecaster Dunn smilingly took the stand. He carried a big record book. Mr. Fromme asked him to refer to his book and state the condition of the weather on Aug. 26. He said it was cloudy in the morning, but clear in the evening. There were no indications of a fog.

Stephen S. McDonough, a clerk in the Brooklyn Health Department, was next called and produced a marriage certificate of Isidor Fried and Estelle Pettit on Aug. 26.

This closed the evidence in rebuttal, and Lawyer Fromme began summing up for the defense. His argument was a bitter arraignment of the Pettit family, and mother and daughter shifted nervously throughout. He referred to Miss Pettit as a self-confessed perjurer, and characterized her evidence throughout as a tissue of falsehoods, calling to mind several instances where she had been corrected. He roundly accused Miss Hasbrouck and "Ruby" Cannes, referring to the latter as something in the form of a man. Mr. Fromme called to mind the fact that it was an elopement, and said: "This is a characteristic of the family and is in their blood. The father and mother eloped, why not the daughter?"

Lawyer Honeymoon spent more than an hour summoning up, during which time he picked out for Judge Bischoff what he considered the weak points of the defense's case.

It was by no means complimentary in his remarks regarding Fried, and accused him of swearing falsely.

At the conclusion of his speech, Judge Bischoff gave the attorneys until Friday to file briefs.

ACCUSES HER ESCORT.

Lottie Leonard Missed Diamonds After the French Ball.

Lottie Leonard, aged twenty-one, who has a flat at 250 West Thirty-ninth street, visited the French ball on Feb. 5 last. Besides a striking costume she wore also a pair of 11-4 carat diamond earrings, which she says are worth $200.

Wine buyers were generous at the ball, and Lottie admits that she did not decline any invitations. Her earrings and her wine-inspired vivacity attracted the attention of William Ross, twenty-eight years old, of 244 West Twenty-first street, who was also at the ball, accompanied by Mollie Allen. Ross is said by the police to have no occupation. He attached himself solely to Lottie, with whom he was acquainted.

He offered to go home with her and she accepted, but before she left the ballroom she felt for her earrings and found they were still there. Ross stopped the cab on Sixth avenue and Thirty-first street, and got out, leaving Lottie asleep in the cab. When Lottie got home she found that the $200 diamonds were gone. She at once suspected Ross. She told Detective Kast, of the Nineteenth Precinct, of her loss, and Kast arrested Ross in a Broadway billiard-room last night.

Lottie told her story to Justice Ryan, in the Jefferson Market Police Court, this morning, and Ross denied taking the earrings. Justice Ryan held Ross in $1,500 bonds for examination to-morrow morning.

UNDERTAKER PONTASSI SUED.

Minnie Robert Asks $25,000 Damages for Breach of Promise.

Minnie Robert, twenty-two years old, of 512 West Fiftieth street, has begun an action in the Superior Court to recover $25,000 from Nicholas Pontassi, an undertaker on First avenue, near One Hundred and Fourteenth street, for breach of promise and betrayal.

Pontassi was arrested to-day by Deputy Sheriff Walgering, and held in $500 bail on an order signed by Judge Freedman, before whom the suit was begun.

In her complaint Miss Roberts, who is described as a very pretty and accomplished young woman, swears that on Aug. 15, 1893, Pontassi proposed marriage. During October, 1893, she swears that by repeating his promise of marriage he accomplished her ruin at the Harlem Hotel, One Hundred and Fifteenth street and Third avenue.

BARKER DIDN'T SAY IT.

Didn't Announce that the Seventh Regiment Had Paid Its Mortgage.

President Barker this afternoon authorized this statement for publication:

"Several newspapers, 'The World' and 'Evening World' not being among them published articles yesterday purporting to have been announced by me as Secretary of the Armory Board, that the Seventh Regiment had paid the last dollar of the mortgage on its armory.

"I wish to say, that so far as that statement relates to me, it is false. The Seventh Regiment owns the armory it occupies, and the Armory Board has no control over it. I know nothing about the mortgage on the building, or that it had been paid. I made no such announcement."

CHILDREN ROB AN ALTAR.

Church Thieves Who Are Too Young to Be Prosecuted.

The thieves who have been stealing candelabra from the altar of the Church of St. Francis Assisi, in West Thirty-fourth street, are too young to be prosecuted, according to Detective Kash, of the West Thirtieth street station, who apprehended the guilty ones last night.

He found four boys, each under seven years of age, who admitted that they had taken several pieces of candelabra from the altar, and had sold them to a junk dealer for pennies to buy chewing gum. The boys are the children of communicants in the church. Steps toward recovering the property will be taken to-morrow.

4 LOTS THIS WEEK!

A Collective Sale Which Will Waken the Town.

(LOT NO. 1.)

10,000 pure SOUTH AMERICAN HORSE HAIR DRAWINGS, MATTRESSES, full size, 4 feet 6 inches wide by 6 feet 2 inches long, made in the best A. C. A. TICKING, FINEST WORKMANSHIP $11.00

Second Quality Mattresses, very special, 10,000 the same make, full sizes, with, also, full size WEIGH HAIR BOLSTER $3.90

(LOT NO. 2.)

Greatest Show of Blankets on Earth!

1,000 full size FLEECE WOOL BLANKETS, 10-4, with handsome borders, fit the largest bed ..... 98c.

Fine CORDED FLEECE WOOL, 10-4 size in borders, BLUE, PINK and OLD GOLD $1.12

The GOYA LILY, white soft fleece, 10-4, best selected wool, rich colored borders $1.39

The OHIO, a PURE WOOL, 11-4, with handsome borders, size large enough for any bed $2.35

The PRINCESS, a Pure Wool, 11-4 Blanket, the finest and best selected fleece wool blanket, with handsome borders $3.47

5,000 BEDSPREADS.

Fine Crochet Honeycomb Pattern, pure white bleach, full size, fit any bed ..... 66c.

MARSEILLES BEDSPREADS, double honeycomb pattern, double hex borders, pure white bleach, full size guaranteed ..... 70c.

CROCHET FLORENTINE SPREAD, scroll and box pattern, with handsome borders, 11-4 ..... 95c.

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(LOT NO. 3.)

250 5-piece TAPESTRY PARLOR SUITS, mahogany, cherry or oak finished frames $12.00

250 5-piece BROCATELLE PARLOR SUITS with mahogany, oak or cherry finish $14.00

250 5-piece TAPESTRY or BROCATELLE SUITS, white and gold frames $15.00

250 5-piece PARLOR SUITS, in Wilton Rugs, mahogany, oak or cherry finished frames $17.00

(LOT NO. 4.)

CONTINUATION OF THE WINTER'S GREATEST SUCCESS, OUR GRAND WHITESALE! DEALERS CORDIALLY ASKED TO ATTEND THIS SALE, AS IT WILL BE TO THEIR ADVANTAGE.

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White Enamelled Picture Frames ..... .15
White Enamelled Mirrors 2.75
White Enamelled Baby Carriages 5.00
White and Gold Toilet Sets 1.75
White and Gold Porcelain Dinner and Tea Sets 3.25
White Enamelled Clocks 2.50
Onyx and Silver Lamps, white shades 4.25
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White Enamelled Iron Beds (all kinds) 4.75
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CONSPIRED TO ROB HUTKOFF.

The Glass Manufacturer Has 7 of His Employees Arrested.

Says He Has Lost Between $20,000 and $40,000 by Their Schemes.

Detective O'Connor and Slawson, of the Central Office, arrested seven employees of Nathan Hutkoff, glass manufacturer, at Pittsburg, with warehouses at 109 and 111 Wooster street, this city, yesterday afternoon and this morning. With Morris Wernberg, of 1533 Second avenue, they are charged with conspiracy.

The employees were charged with larceny, and Wernberg was charged with receiving stolen goods.

Mr. Hutkoff thinks he has lost between $20,000 and 40,000 in the last year, through the dishonesty of his workmen. Hutkoff sells glass to the plate insurance companies, replacing broken show-window lights. In cases of breakage, by his contract, it is his privilege to have the smaller pieces of glass.

This salvage, it is claimed, he has been repeatedly and continuously swindled out of by the employees cutting off large pieces of the glass and selling them.

Morris Wernberg, it is said, was the receiver of the stolen glass. He had a shed on Eighty-sixth street, between Avenues A and B, where he had a quantity of the stolen glass stored.

Mr. Hutkoff was compelled to make general arrests among his employees several years ago, when a similar state of affairs was in existence. He calculates that he has lost upward of $75,000 since he has been in business by the larceny of broken plate glass on the part of his employees.

The prisoners were remanded in Jefferson Market Court this morning.

ROBBED HIS BENEFACTOR.

Islip Took Hawley Home, Fed and Lodged Him.

Lee Hawley, a good-looking young man, twenty-two years old, who says he lives at 48 East Fourth street, was held for trial in the Tombs Police Court this morning on the charge of larceny.

The complainant was a young man named Fred Islip, of 151 West Fifteenth street. He is a salesman in the millinery establishment of James G. Johnson on Broadway.

On the night of Sunday, Feb. 11, Islip says he met Hawley, who was a stranger to him, at the corner of Fifth avenue and Twenty-second street.

Hawley was in rags and told a touching tale. He said he had been out of work for a long time and had been evicted from his room on account of being in arrears for rent. He said he was cold and hungry, and without a place to sleep.

Islip took Hawley home with him, fed him and shared his bed with him.

When Islip awoke next morning Hawley had disappeared with Islip's clothing, watch, jewelry and a sum of money.

Islip reported the matter to the police and yesterday Policeman Ludwig, of the Mulberry street station, arrested Hawley.

NEW BONDS ARRIVE.

First Batch Sent to the Banks and Other Subscribers.

The first installment of the Government new 5 per cent. bonds arrived here from Washington this morning.

They were sent directly to the banks and other subscribers, and did not go through the Sub-Treasury.

The bonds are of a neat design, and their appearance pleased the subscribers.

The Chase National Bank received a big batch of the bonds. They were all of coupon denomination.

CRUISER CASTINE HERE.

The Dolphin May Replace the Wrecked Kearsarge at Nicaragua.

The United States cruiser Castine arrived at the Brooklyn Navy-Yard this morning from Portsmouth, N. H., to be overhauled.

She will be put in a dry dock, as will also the Machias.

During the work on both vessels their officers and crews will be quartered on board the receiving ship Vermont.

It is expected that the Dolphin may be ordered to Nicaragua to take the place of the wrecked Kearsarge.

FOUND TALKING TO A DUMMY.

Flannigan Steals an Effigy from a Clothing Store.

Tries to Make a Policeman Think It Is a Man.

James Flannigan, twenty-three years old, of 194 Park Row, was held for trial in the Tombs Police Court this morning on the charge of larceny.

Last night Flannigan grabbed a dummy in front of the "South Street Clothing Store," at 54 South street, and fled. The dummy was attired in a suit of winter clothes, an overcoat, shirt and underclothing and a hat, all of the best material.

Clerk in the store pursued the thief, but Flannigan was too quick for him and disappeared up an alley with his booty.

Soon afterwards the attention of Policeman Sullivan, of the Old Slip station, was attracted to a man who was earnestly talking to a "man" on a corner. The policeman noticed something peculiar about the "man" and investigated. He proved to be the clothing store dummy. Flannigan had seen the policeman approaching, and setting the dummy down had commenced to talk to it earnestly in the hope that the policeman would pass by in ignorance of the trick.

When he saw that the game was up he threw the dummy into the arms of the policeman and started to run, but was captured.

NEW COURSE FOR JUMPERS.

Plans for the Sheepshead Steeplechase Track.

The Executive Committee of the Coney Island Jockey Club met in its rooms at the Cumberland, corner of Twenty-second street and Fifth avenue, this morning.

After the meeting President Lawrence said no business of interest to the public was transacted.

It was supposed that the Conference Committee would report to the Executive Committee the nature of the agreement arrived at with the new Jockey Club. President Lawrence stated that no such report would be submitted, the Committee having been appointed with power.

Frank Clark, Superintendent of the Coney Island track, was a visitor at the rooms of the Association while the meeting was going on. Supt. Clark has completed his plans for the laying out of the new steeplechase course.

The new course will start on the turf track in front of the grand stand. The horses will cross the dirt track, go across