

BROOKLYN NEWS.

CAUGHT A BURGLAR AT WORK.

Neah Smith Attacked the Intruder with a Club.

Paullist Jerry Barnett Arrested on Suspicion, but Discharged.

Neah Smith, of 21 Canton street, Brooklyn, was rudely awakened from a sound sleep at 2:30 o'clock this morning by the noise of somebody trying to force open a window in the back parlor, a few feet from the head of his bed. Peering cautiously over the headboard, he saw a man about 5 feet 8 inches in height, with a black mustache, at work at the window with a jimmy. Smith dropped over the other side of the bed, crawled across the room and secured a big club. Then he started for the window to receive his visitor. As he swung the club over his shoulder he brought it down with all his strength. The club crashed through the glass, and the burglar was seen to fall.

Then he jumped over the ground. Then he jumped up and ran away. The noise of the window breaking was heard by Sgt. Crow, Roomman Matthews and Policeman Conway, and they all went to the house on a run. Smith explained the cause of the burglar's fall.

The balcony was spotted with blood and a small patch of hair hung to Mr. Smith's waist. He then went to a diligent search gave up the pursuit of the burglar. The police think it remarkable that the burglar did not strike Smith's life.

When the case was reported at the stationhouse a general alarm was sent out warning all policemen to keep a lookout for the burglar. An hour later Police Officer Hoyer, of the Fulton street station, who was on duty at the "charlie" Jerry Barnett, who had just been taken aboard the boat.

One of the men was badly cut about the face and head. They followed them, suspecting that the man who was cut was the burglar who had tried to enter Mr. Smith's house. He intended to arrest them, and searched the cabin, but both men had vanished.

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NAVY-YARD WORKMEN BACK.

Five Hundred Return to Work This Morning.

Admiral Skerrett's Retirement Will Cause Several Promotions.

Five hundred of the 1,000 mechanics in the Brooklyn Navy-Yard who were suspended about a week ago owing to a lack of funds resumed work this morning.

At the time of their temporary discharge the men did not think they would be taken back for at least a month, but the prompt action of Congress in passing the Naval Appropriation bill, which was signed by the President yesterday, made it possible for them to resume work on the new cruisers this morning.

The order to take the men back was not received at the Brooklyn Navy-Yard until late last night. During this morning messengers from the construction department were kept busy notifying the men to report for duty. The good news was received with glee by the families of the mechanics.

By tomorrow morning it is expected that all of the 1,000 men will have returned to their work at the Brooklyn Navy-Yard, this morning.

At the station, at 10 o'clock, the men received the congratulations of their friends and the attention of a reporter. The promotion is made possible by the retirement of Admiral Skerrett, now in charge of the C. B. station.

Admiral Skerrett's retirement before reaching the country is the result of an arrangement made for the direct benefit of Commodore Erben, formerly of the Brooklyn Navy-Yard, who is now in charge of the C. B. station.

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FIRE AT THE DOG CATCHERS.

O'Keefe and His Assistants Were After Hessler's Pets.

When He Used a Shotgun They Took to Their Heels.

Dog Catcher Florence O'Keefe, of 221 York street, Brooklyn, and two assistants had a narrow escape from being shot full of holes at an early hour this morning.

Shortly after 4 o'clock William Hessler, of Park place and Ralph avenue, was awakened by the barking of several valuable dogs which he kept in a yard adjoining his stoop, and on going to the window he saw three men going through a hole in his dog house.

"We've got cats here," was the reply. "Well, you go away from here or I'll fill you full of shot," Hessler yelled.

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STANDARD OIL'S POVERTY.

Asks Brooklyn's Assessors to Reduce Its Taxes Nearly \$500,000.

Says Its Property on Newtown Creek Has Greatly Depreciated.

The enterprise of the Standard Oil Company in attempting to control the market was again demonstrated this morning when W. B. Emerson appeared before the Brooklyn Board of Assessors to protest against the assessments levied on the property of the corporation in the Seventeenth Ward.

Mr. Emerson requested reductions in the assessments be made by the board, and said that the property of the corporation in the Seventeenth Ward had been greatly depreciated.

President Harkness and the Board were completely taken by surprise when Mr. Emerson presented his figures. Had he asked to have the corporation exempted from all taxation on the ground that it was a charitable institution the Board would have been obliged to accede to his request.

Mr. Emerson asked to have the Corporation's assessment of \$450,000 reduced to \$100,000. The assessment of \$450,000 was made in 1905, and the assessment of \$100,000 is based on the value of the property in 1904.

The excuse for such enormous cuts, Mr. Emerson said, was the depreciation of the property of the corporation. Somebody suggested that property had been depreciated by the fact that the Standard Oil Company had been in the business of selling kerosene.

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NEW JERSEY.

ALTENBERGER ON THE STAND.

Admits He Shot Katie Rupp, but Does Not Know Why.

He Will Probably Know His Fate To-Night.

The Hudson County court-room in Jersey City was crowded this morning when the trial of Bernard Altenberger for the murder of his sweetheart, Katie Rupp, was resumed before Judge Lippincott.

The prisoner when he was taken into the court-room looked very pale and careworn. He had passed a very restless night in his cell.

For the present, the opening address this morning for the defense, and said that he expected to prove that Altenberger was insane at the time he committed the murder.

Mary Kraft, the half-sister of the prisoner, who lives in Jersey City, said that her brother had for some time been in the habit of talking to himself, and that when he was in the old country he attempted to commit suicide by jumping from a cliff.

The witness said that insanity ran in the Altenberger family, and that a full brother of the prisoner became insane in the old country.

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\$1.68, 2.95

STRIKE DEPRESSES STOCKS.

Bears Attack the Market on News from Chicago.

Little Trading Done and Outside Interest Small.

All eyes here naturally turned towards Chicago, and stocks fluctuate in accordance with the tenor of the despatches from that centre in regard to the progress of the strike. The determined attitude of the trades unions and the refusal of outgoing to let the arbitration board settle the matter, has caused a less confident this morning, and the bears succeeded in depressing prices anywhere from 1/4 to 1/2 cent.

The selling was almost entirely by the local traders, who yesterday bought on a fall on the local market, but had about exhausted.

Commercial paper fell 1/4 cent to 82 1/2. Foreign exchange continues firm, Hills being in limited supply, owing to the freight blockade, which makes bankers cautious. The dollar is 147 1/2.

Long sterling sold at 4.97 & 4.97 1/4 and slight at 4.98 & 4.98 1/4. It is not yet definite whether the dollar will be shipped this week to Europe or not. Inquiries have become more plentiful if it is necessary to export the yellow metal.

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ROCKAWAY BEACH.

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GOES HIS WIFE TWO BETTER.

She Names Three Co-respondents and Capt. Gully Five.

He Retaliates in Kind When She Sues for Divorce.

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NOT TO BE MARRIED TO-DAY.

But Phil Daly and Jennie Joyce Will Wed in the Near Future.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., July 10.—The report that Miss Jennie Joyce is to be married to Phil Daly, to-day is untrue. Miss Joyce has been at the Branch for a few days, but returned to her home last night.

RIOT IN A TENEMENT.

Half a Dozen Italians Injured at Avondale.

NEWARK, N. J., July 10.—A riot, which might have resulted fatally, occurred in the Italian colony at Avondale on Sunday afternoon. As it was, half a dozen persons were hurt. The trouble occurred in a large tenement opposite the Avondale milk milk, a J. was participated in by about one hundred Italians, who are employed in the city quarries.

TROLLEY MEN APPROACHED.

Them on Strike Prospects.

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80,000 FINE AT LONG ISLAND CITY.

LONG ISLAND CITY, L. I., July 10.—Early this morning fire broke out in the frame occupied by Henry Hirsper, on Potter avenue, Astoria. The flames communicated to the three-story frame house of Hirsper. There was a heavy fire, and the house was almost completely destroyed. The fire was extinguished by the fire department. The damage was estimated at \$80,000.

WELCAME WORDS TO WOMEN.

Many women came out on their usual morning walks, and they were greeted by the men with the words "Welcome to you."

Wanted to Show He Was Armed.

CONY ISLAND COWBOY HELD FOR "MAKING."

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