BROOKLYN NEWS.

WALKED 25 HOURS.

Kneeling Made His Wife Accompany Him About the Streets.

When She Complained of Hunger He Offered Her Paris Green.

She Had Hoped His Promise of Suicide Had Been Kept.

A policeman of the Lee Avenue Court, Williamsburg, is looking for Henry Kneeling, who is wanted on a charge of threatening to kill his wife. The complaint also charges that he kept her walking up and down the streets of Williamsburg from 10 o'clock Saturday night until 11 o'clock Sunday night.

Mrs. Kneeling, who is a bright, intelligent-looking woman, lives at 1067 Myrtle avenue. Her husband could be briefly described as a tramp.

He was one of the men who occupied ex-Congressman Archie Bliss's deserted house, and whose presence gave rise to the belief that there were ghosts in the place.

One day last week a bottle was left at the Oak street station by a man who said he had picked it up. It contained a message from Kneeling to his wife, stating that he had decided to kill himself. When the woman was seen, all she had to say was that she was afraid it was not true.

On Saturday night she went to visit some friends, and did not return until after 10 o'clock. In the doorway she was confronted by her husband, who told her that if she did not go with him he would kill her.

"I knew he would keep his word," said Mrs. Kneeling, "for he is a perfect fiend. He led me up and down streets all that night, but before we had been out half an hour he made me accompany him into a drug store, where he bought some Paris green. This he said he wanted to have so that we could both die together, and every little while he would say that it was about time we went to heaven."

According to the story told by Mrs. Kneeling her husband kept her walking about the streets all day Sunday without food or sleep. When she told him she was hungry he offered her Paris green.

About 11 o'clock at night Policeman Collins noticed the couple walking through one of the worst sections of Williamsburg, and believing that some thing was wrong, he started over to investigate. At the very first question he asked Mrs. Kneeling cried, "Save me!" and fainted, while Kneeling took to his heels.

Collins took Mrs. Kneeling to the Vernon avenue station. Twice she revived and was sent home.

The warrant for Kneeling's arrest was taken out in the Lee Avenue Court yesterday. The clerk, who made out the papers and embodied the charge of keeping the woman walking up and down the streets from 11 P. M. Saturday to 11 P. M. Sunday, says that the man is guilty of disorderly conduct.

CHASE FOR A PICKPOCKET.

Two Women's Pocketbooks Found in Morris Goodman's Pocket.

Morris Goodman, of 45 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn, was arrested in Williamsburg to-day after an exciting chase and held in the Lee Avenue Court on two different charges of picking pockets.

While Detectives Holland and Dolan were standing at Bedford avenue and Broadway a woman, named Mrs. Brewster, jumped off a South Fourth street car and told them she had just been robbed of a pocketbook containing $20. She pointed out the thief, who had just boarded a Broadway car going uptown.

The detectives sprang into a buggy and followed the car. When they finally caught up with it three blocks away they saw Goodman jump off and run down a side street. It appears that he had also stolen a pocketbook from Frieda Pendorf, of 181 Ten Eyck street, while on the Broadway car.

The detectives overhauled Goodman after a run of seven blocks in a saloon at South Eighth and Berry streets. In his possession were the two pocketbooks.

UNDER A TROLLEY CAR.

Conductor Vandenburg Badly Mangled and Will Probably Die.

Thomas Vandenburg, forty-nine years old, of 522 State street, Brooklyn, a conductor on the Brooklyn, Bath and West End Railroad, fell between two trolley cars late last night and was so badly mangled that the physicians say that he will probably die.

Vandenburg was making his last trip from Coney Island last night, when the accident occurred. The train, which was composed of two cars, had just passed Thirty-sixth street and Second avenue, and was going very rapidly. He attempted to step from the rear platform of the first car to the front platform of the trailer. Just as he did so the car swayed. Vandenburg lost his balance and was thrown down, falling between the two cars. Vandenburg was dragged along several feet before dropping to the ground.

Then, as the motorman slackened the speed of the car, one of the wheels passed over his body, crushing his left arm and left leg. He was unconscious when dragged from beneath the wheels. Ambulance Surgeon Schoenjahn removed him to the Norwegian Hospital.

She Identifies Her Husband's Hat.

The man who was seen struggling in the East River, off the foot of Gold street, Brooklyn, yesterday morning and drowned before help arrived, is believed to be Robert McCann, twenty-four years old, of 4 Phillips alley. Mrs. Catherine McCann called at the lower Police street station last night and identified the straw hat which was found as having been worn by her husband. She said he had been sick several weeks, and she thought he had lost his mind. The body has not been recovered.

A Raid at Coney Island.

The police of the Coney Island station late last night descended upon Inman's Concert Hall, Ocean avenue and West End Walk, and arrested John F. Rowe, the bartender, on a charge of keeping a disorderly resort. Nine women and nine men were also captured and locked up. One of the female prisoners was accompanied by her ten-year-old daughter, who was placed in care of the Children's Society.

Threw a Stone Into a Car.

Harry Drummond was held for trial in the Lee Avenue Court, Williamsburg, to-day on a charge of assault. Last evening while riding on a Bushwick avenue car Drummond had some trouble with the driver. Jumping off he picked up a cobblestone and hurled it at the car. He missed the driver, but Seifert Cohen was hit on the head and Harry Hardell on the nose.

Brooklyn Brevities.

John E. Dickinson, of 836 Greene avenue, Brooklyn, told the police to-day that he had been robbed of a diamond pin valued at $50 while he was standing on the Bridge street station of the Union "L" road last night.

Louis Delbano, thirty-five years old, of 157 Twenty-fifth street, Brooklyn, was arrested this morning, charged with stabbing Michael Fahey, twenty-seven years old, of 739 Third avenue, in the leg with a pocketknife.

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BROOKLYN'S PLAGUE OF BUGS.

Caterpillars and Other Insects Working Havoc with Foliage.

Dry Weather and Absence of Sparrows Responsible for It.

Brooklyn is in the throes of a plague of bugs, caterpillars and insects of all kinds. During the past few months, or in fact, since the latter part of Spring, the trees and plants throughout the city have suffered from the influx of insects to such an extent that the foliage has been almost completely destroyed. Old residents say that for thirty years they have never seen so many bugs.

The plague is partly accounted for by the dryness of the atmosphere and the drought. Aside from the destruction of trees, the people of Brooklyn have been particularly annoyed by the large numbers of caterpillars.

Brooklyn is truly a city of homes, and its streets are shaded by long lines of trees. A large number of the houses have piazzas where it is the custom of the residents to sit and enjoy the breeze.

This year, however, the caterpillars have driven the people from their piazzas. They drop from the overhanging foliage, the roofs of the piazzas or from the twining vines onto persons' clothes and creep about their necks.

Real estate men say that the influx of caterpillars this year has driven into the country people who would otherwise have remained in the city during the Summer.

In every portion of the city the trees, plants and fences are covered with these creepers or their cocoons.

While everybody is talking about the plague of insects few persons are doing anything to exterminate them.

Some of the trees have a band of cotton about the trunks and are smeared over for several feet under the lower branches with axle grease. This is supposed to prevent the bugs from crawling back into the foliage when washed down by a heavy rainstorm.

As there have been but one or two storms in two months this scheme is almost valueless.

Along Fourth avenue an "Evening World" reporter counted fifteen trees in a dozen blocks dying from the attacks of the insects. They were no longer of any use as means of shading the street.

One reason given for the great numbers of insects, and especially the caterpillar, is the disappearance this year of the English sparrow. About the only place in the city where they are to be found is in Prospect Park.

The trolley, it is said, is responsible for their exodus. As to just how electric locomotion affects the sparrow opinions differ. One theory is that the birds have been killed by the overhead wires, while another is that the cars have frightened them from the city.

However, there is no doubt that the sparrow has practically gone from Brooklyn.

About the only person in the city who is taking any pains to rid the trees of insects (not excepting the members of the Tree Planting Society) is Mr. Ulrich, Superintendent of Prospect Park.

His men, armed with wire brushes on long handles, make daily rounds among the trees in the park, brushing down the bugs. One of the latest additions to the plague is a small fly which devotes its destructive ability almost exclusively to the Scotch elm.

Scientists, Mr. Ulrich says, have as yet been unable to identify the ancestor of the new discovery. It resembles the horsefly, and kills trees by drawing the sap from the branches.

About the only plant in the city whose foliage has not suffered from this fly or the caterpillar, is the ailanthus tree.

HEAD BROKEN FOR A PEACH.

Rhatigan Helped Himself and the Clerk Knocked Him Down.

Henry Aldrich, twenty-six years old, of 12 Fleet place, Brooklyn, was locked up in the De Kalb avenue police station this morning on a charge of assault. James Rhatigan, twenty-four years old, of 115 North Elliott place, with whom he had quarrelled, is at the point of death at his home suffering from a compound fracture of the skull.

Aldrich is employed as a clerk in a grocery on the southwest corner of Myrtle avenue and Navy street. Late yesterday afternoon Rhatigan, who was passing the store with some friends, stooped over and helped himself to some peaches.

Aldrich ordered him to drop the fruit, and being refused a fight ensued. The men clinched.

Finally Aldrich, suddenly releasing his grasp, sent his opponent to the sidewalk. As Rhatigan fell his head struck the stones with great force and he lay there in a dazed condition.

After a while he recovered, and complained of having a severe pain in the head. His friends offered to call an ambulance and have his injuries attended to, but he refused. He then went home.

Later on he became very ill. Dr. Bodkin, of Clinton and De Kalb avenues, was called in. He found the young man had sustained a compound fracture of the skull. The injury, said the doctor, might prove fatal.

Capt. Eason, of the De Kalb avenue station, sent an officer to arrest Aldrich.

AIMED THE BLOW AT HAYES.

But It Struck His Young Child and Doremus Was Arrested.

Charles Doremus, a builder, sixty-five years old, of 854 Knickerbocker avenue, Brooklyn, was held by the police this morning, charged with striking a ten-year-old girl on the head with a club. The police say that the girl is in a serious condition, and that her injuries may prove fatal.

The victim is Mollie Hayes, who lives with her father, John Hayes, at 249 Sheffield street. Last night Hayes and his daughter went out for a walk, and while on their way home Hayes called upon Doremus to discuss some business.

Hayes says that they had only been in conversation a few minutes when they quarrelled. Doremus, it is alleged, grabbed a club and swung it about in a threatening manner. Hayes and his daughter retreated toward the vestibule. Hayes declares that Doremus followed them and struck at him with the club. He missed his aim, and the weapon descended upon the girl's head, knocking her down.

Dr. Applegate, of 81 Cooper street, attended her, and found that she had sustained a concussion of the brain. Doremus was arrested and locked up in the Cedar street station.

FRACTURED HIS SKULL.

John Aschofsky Badly Injured in a Tenement-House Row.

John Aschofsky, thirty-four years old, of 65 Freeman street, Williamsburg, is in a critical condition at Eastern District Hospital to-day, suffering from a compound fracture of the skull.

The Freeman street house is a big tenement with four families on each floor.

At 6 o'clock last night, Aschofsky met Mrs. Jennie Murray in the hallway, and it is said that he struck her. The woman screamed for help, and James Murray, John Barrett and Frank Bock ran to her assistance.

They threw Aschofsky down, and Murray, it is said, hit him on the head with a stone, fracturing his skull.

The three young men were arrested, and in the Ewen Street Court, this morning, Justice Murphy held them to await the result of Aschofsky's injuries.

TO HELP THE LIVING.

The Work of the Hour in the Fire-Visited Northwest.

Governors of Minnesota and Wisconsin Appeal for Aid.

Rains Check the Flames—Threatened Cities Out of Danger.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PAUL, Sept. 4.—Gov. Nelson has issued a proclamation appealing for contributions for the relief of the fire-stricken localities and appointing the following a committee to receive and disburse the same: C. A. Pillsbury, Minneapolis; Kenneth Clark, St. Paul; Matthew C. Morton, Winona; Hastings Hart, St. Paul, and a Duluth man yet to be named.

The most complete relief arrangements are being carried out by the people of this city and every town and city in the Northwest.

The St. Paul and Duluth road is running relief trains and carrying all supplies offered.

The American Express Company has announced that it will carry free any supplies for any reliable relief committee in Northern Wisconsin and Minnesota.

The St. Paul and Duluth, the Eastern Minnesota, the Omaha and the Northern Pacific railways spent one of the busiest days of their existence yesterday in repairing roadways, scheduling trains to meet emergencies, connecting lost wires and carrying provisions for sufferers.

Even the Wisconsin Central, which is but slightly interested, has voluntarily agreed to transport provisions free of charge to all points on its line where relief is sent.

MARQUETTE, Mich., Sept. 4.—The South Shore road got its Saturday night train through from Duluth, yesterday morning, twenty-four hours late. Trains are going around by Ashland and Saxton on account of the burned trestles at Bibon and Marengo. The trestle at Bibon will probably be finished to-night. That at Marengo was an overhead crossing and not a bridge, and will be easily replaced by a grade crossing.

Reports of last evening from all towns along the South Shore said they were safe, though there were hundreds of fires in the vast belt of timber.

The dense pall of smoke which has overhung the city for two days has largely disappeared before a brisk southwest wind. There have been no great calamities in these regions, but scores, if not hundreds, of homesteaders have lost all they possessed and the damage to timber has been enormous.

Competent and conservative men estimate the pine over which the fire has run at not less than 150,000,000 feet. Of this about two-thirds belonged to the Diamond Match Company and about one-sixth to the Nestor estate. This timber is not all destroyed, but the rest will have to be cut this year to save it from worms. This fact has already operated to raise wages of experienced loggers about one-fourth, and will make this season a very active one in the woods.

Advices from Nestoria report heavy rains yesterday afternoon there and westward. This will materially check the forest fires, and in general, will put the whole section out of danger.

IRON MOUNTAIN, Mich., Sept. 4.—There was a heavy downfall of rain throughout the fire belt yesterday afternoon and last evening. Trainmen arriving from the North report the fires under check, and that the danger to towns is passed.

ASHLAND, Wis., Sept. 4.—The anxiety felt at Ashland for the safety of Northern Wisconsin towns is somewhat eased by reports of rain at nearly every city where the fires had been worst. Queries sent out from Ashland have brought back many responses regarding the rain, which has to a great extent checked the flames. From Ironwood came the following response: "This city is in no danger from forest fires. Rain fell for nearly two hours."

An unknown steamer and consorts have gone ashore in the dense smoke on Sand Island, which is about fifty miles from here. The tug Britain went to the rescue.

MADISON, Wis., Sept. 4.—The Governor has issued an appeal for the relief of the burned-out people at Barronette, Granite Lake and Comstock, where a hundred families are suffering. No fatalities are reported to him. He goes to the scene with a carload of food and clothing to-day.

Big Crop of Crawford Peaches.

(By Associated Press.)

ALBION, N. Y., Sept. 4.—An unprecedented crop of Crawford peaches is being picked in Orleans and Niagara Counties, and prices have dropped this week as low as 25 cents per basket. Many growers will pick 5,000 to 6,000 baskets of first quality fruit from their orchards.

Fire in a Basement.

A single alarm of fire was sent out at 10.30 this morning from the corner of Eighth avenue and Fiftieth street. A heap of refuse in the basement of the apartment-house 328 West Forty-eighth street was discovered ablaze, and dense smoke poured into the street. It was quickly extinguished, with trifling damage.

Fire in a Frame Building.

Fire broke out in the basement of the three-story frame building in the rear of 252 West Twentieth street at 2 o'clock this morning, in the apartments of J. Miller. The damage amounted to $400.

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LAWYER CODDING'S DENIAL.

He Declares that A. H. Wilcox Was Not His Partner.

Lawyer Charles N. Codding, of 25 Broadway, when seen to-day regarding a despatch from Chicago, that A. H. Wilcox had been arrested in Buffalo, charged with having embezzled $100,000 from Mr. Codding and F. S. Pusly, of Philadelphia, who were his partners in business in Chicago, said:

"The facts reported in the despatch are untrue. I was never a partner of Wilcox, and so far as I know he has not been arrested. I am the counsel for Mr. Pusly and some other Philadelphia gentlemen who have claims against Wilcox. As I was unable to locate him I employed detectives to do so. The detectives found him in Buffalo, and I went there and had a business talk with him, but I did not have him arrested.

"It is probable that the matter will be satisfactorily settled."

Young Men's Social Outing.

The members and a few guests of the Young Men's Social of St. Michael's Church, on High street, Brooklyn, took advantage of the holiday yesterday to give the annual outing of the Society. They went out in a tally-ho coach, leaving the church at 1.30 in the morning and returning at 7 in the evening.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria,
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria,
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria,
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

KABYLE BUTCHERIES.

Denmat and Other Moorish Towns Looted by Barbarians.

Men Killed, Women and Children Sold at Auction.

Morocco City Besieged and the Garrison May Have to Yield.

(By Associated Press.)

TANGIER, Sept. 4.—The Kabyles around Denmat, a town northeast of Morocco City, are killing Hebrews by wholesale, looting their shops and houses, selling their women and children by auction and defiling their synagogues.

Similar outrages are reported at Kalba, Sadirahel, Tanai and Tantlat.

The Kabyles are also besieging Morocco City, and it is feared that the garrison may be unable to resist much longer.

IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM I.

Monument at Konigsberg Unveiled by the Emperor.

(By Associated Press.)

KONIGSBERG, Sept. 4.—Emperor William, accompanied by the Empress, arrived here at 11 o'clock this morning in order to unveil the monument erected to the memory of his grandfather, Emperor William I. The town is in holiday array, crowded with visitors and handsomely decorated. Emperor William was on horseback and the Empress rode in a carriage. Upon their arrival at the gates of the city all the bells were set ringing and the Mayor read an address of welcome from the people of Konigsberg. The Imperial party then proceeded to the main square, where the monument stands.

On the square a guard of honor was drawn up. Count Von Eulenberg, as President of the Memorial Committee, received Their Majesties, and in a speech of welcome dwelt upon the memorable services which William I. had rendered to the Fatherland. A prayer followed, after which the Emperor unveiled the monument. Then came a march past of the troops, after which the Imperial party took lunch at the castle.

GIVEN UP TO CHINESE.

American Consul Surrenders Alleged Japanese Spies.

(By Associated Press.)

SHANGHAI, Sept. 4.—The Chinese having claimed control over the Japanese residents in China, asserting that Japan claims control over the Chinese residents in Japan, the American Consul, acting under instructions from Washington only to intervene with friendly offices, yesterday delivered to the Taotai, outside the settlement limits, two Japanese who were recently arrested, accused of being spies, and who have been under the protection of the United States.

The Chinese authorities pledged themselves not to torture the prisoners and to give them a fair trial.

Steamship Terminus at Brean.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Sept. 4.—It is reported that the terminus of the projected fast steamship line to Canada is to be at Brean, Bridgewater Bay, Somerset, almost opposite Cardiff, on the other side of the Bristol Channel.

SUNK BY CARELESSNESS.

A Deck-Hand Caused the Sinking of the Tugboat Goodwin.

The tugboat Goodwin, of the Barrett Towing Company, was sunk at the White Star line pier at the foot of King street at 4 o'clock this morning, because of the carelessness of a deckhand.

The Goodwin was moored to the pier last night and her fires drawn. The deckhand was ordered to open the sea cock and let the water escape from the boiler. He obeyed the order, but neglected to again close the valve. The result was that the tug slowly filled with water and sank.

This morning the Chapman Derrick and Wrecking Company anchored a huge derrick alongside of the sunken tug, the smokestack of which was the only part visible. A diver was sent down, and by noon he had succeeded in twisting huge hawsers around the tug fore and aft, and it is expected that the vessel will be raised before evening.

The water will then be pumped out, after which it is said the Goodwin will be as serviceable as ever.

GLASS ROOF CRASHED DOWN.

Singular Accident to the Office of a Chicago Hotel.

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, Sept. 4.—Shortly before 4 o'clock this morning, the glass roof which covered the entire office of the Brevoort House, on Madison street, fell with a crash. The clerk was the only person in the office at the time, and he barely escaped being crushed by the falling glass, iron and woodwork.

There was something of a panic in the corridors of the hotel, when the noise was first heard, but the night clerk quickly assured the guests there was no danger and their fears subsided.

The accident is supposed to have been caused by a heavy exhaust pipe falling from the roof to the skylight.

GAS PIPE FOR TWO.

McCready and Atchison Hurt Through Plumbers' Carelessness.

At 9.45 this morning Walter H. McCready, thirty-two years old, of 403 West Fifty-fourth street, and W. H. Atchison, forty years old, of West Brighton, S. I., who worked as bookkeepers at 40 White street, were struck on the head by a piece of gas pipe dropped from the fourth floor of that building by plumbers.

Both received scalp wounds, which were attended to and they left for their homes.

Boys Drowned While Rowing.

(By Associated Press.)

PEMBROKE, Mass., Sept. 4.—Thetford P. Blakeley, aged eighteen, and John P. Humphrey, six years old, both of Boston, were drowned in Monponsett Pond, near here, yesterday. The boys were out rowing, and in changing seats Humphrey fell overboard. He was unable to swim. Blakeley plunged in after him. He caught the drowning boy, but became exhausted and both went down together. The bodies have been recovered.

William Mullens Drowned.

William Mullens, twenty-eight years of age, driver for W. A. Gahagan, of Jersey City, fell into the canal there last Saturday and was drowned. Th body was recovered and taken to Speer's Morgue at Jersey City. Mullens is said to have relatives in Newark, who are supposed to be ignorant of his death.

NEW JERSEY.

U. S. HOTEL CLOSED.

Famous Hostelry of Long Branch in Charge of the Sheriff.

Thirty Servants Left Without Food or Means to Leave Town.

Proprietor Jackson Said to Have Skipped, Leaving Many Creditors.

LONG BRANCH, Sept. 4.—The United States Hotel is in charge of the Sheriff, and about thirty servants are quartered in apartments in the rear of the hotel without means to take them to their homes in New York and other cities. There is very little food for them, and their condition is pitiful.

Warren Jackson, who managed the hotel, is said to have left town suddenly to escape the numerous creditors, principally tradesmen, who have bills against him for supplies. He is said to be at the Abingdon Square Hotel in New York.

The servant say the amount due them is about $1,000, in sums ranging from $10 to $75. The tradesmen's bills are estimated to aggregate $1,500.

In the height of the season the hotel employed about seventy-five servants. Owing to dull business the force was reduced to forty, a short time ago. All the discharged people were paid in full. Yesterday about ten of the remaining employees managed to secure enough money to take them to their homes.

The servants say Jackson did a fair business this Summer, and at one time had 217 guests in the house, which is able to accommodate 400.

He advertised to keep the hotel open until Sept. 10, but on Saturday afternoon Sheriff Woolley seized all the property belonging to Jackson, on account of the claim of B. L. Burtt, the butcher, who supplied the hotel with meat. Shortly after the Sheriff's arrival, Jackson disappeared and it is said he took the next train for New York.

Robert Combs, the chief clerk, is still at the hotel looking after Jackson's interests. There were thirty guests in the hotel up to yesterday, when they all cleared out. The male servants took up a collection yesterday to send the women help to their homes, but only succeeded in raising $3. Threatening talk is freely indulged in, and there is said to be a good prospect for trouble.

The United States Hotel is well known among the sporting fraternity, and during the racing season at Monmouth Park did a prosperous business. Mr. Jackson had a lease of it for one year, with the option of renewing it to five years.

At the Abingdon Square Hotel it was said Mr. Warren Jackson's whereabouts were unknown. He had not registered there, although he had called there yesterday.

The day clerk had not the slightest idea where Mr. Jackson could be addressed, and simply "guessed" he had not returned to Long Branch.

KOCCIS ESCAPES THE ROPE.

His Sentence Commuted to Life Imprisonment.

TRENTON, N. J., Sept. 4.—The Court of Pardons to-day, by a unanimous vote, commuted to imprisonment for life the sentence of John Koccis, who was condemned to be hanged on Thursday for killing his mistress, Mary Magolis.

Koccis left a wife and three children in Hungary, came here and lived with the wife of his boyhood friend. She was Mary Magolis, middle aged and good looking. Her husband was out West. When he returned the woman wanted to leave Koccis and return to her husband. This made Koccis insanely jealous, and on Aug. 5, 1892, he shot the woman in the heart without a word of warning. By hard work Koccis's lawyers obtained many signatures to a petition for the commutation of his sentence to imprisonment for life. Koccis has been very religious.

This leaves only two murderers to be hanged in New Jersey on Thursday. They are Bernard Altenberger, who killed his sweetheart, Katie Rupp, of Rome, N. Y., and Wesley Wathen, who is to hang for the murder of Lizzie Peak.

GUESTS NARROWLY ESCAPE.

Get Out of the Burning Guernsey House Just in Time.

ASBURY PARK, N. J., Sept. 4.—Another disastrous fire occurred here this morning. At 4 o'clock the Guernsey House was consumed by flames. There were 40 guests in the house at the time. All were asleep. The alarm was given, and they were aroused from their slumber to find the hotel filled with black smoke.

They were almost choked with the smoke, and the flames threatened to cut off their escape. They had no time to save anything. Many of them escaped only in their night-clothes. There were many thrilling rescues.

The prompt service of the firemen saved the adjoining property, but although the men worked heroically, they could not save the hotel. The loss on the building is fully $15,000. The loss on the furniture is estimated at $5,000. The building was fully insured, but the furniture was only partially insured.

The loss of the guests can only be estimated. They lost everything they possessed, with the exception of the few articles of clothing they could snatch up in their hasty flight. Only four trunks were saved in all.

A lamp which exploded in the kitchen caused the fire.

CAUGHT ON THE JAIL ROOF.

McCarthy Had Tobacco for a Prisoner, He Said, but Was Held.

Daniel McCarthy, twenty-four years old, of 66 West One Hundred and Forty-second street, New York, who was yesterday afternoon discovered on the roof of the extension at the rear of the county jail by Prosecutor Winfield, was arraigned before Justice Douglass to-day.

McCarthy said he was passing some cigarettes and tobacco to John Donohue, a prisoner in the jail. He was remanded to await an investigation to determine whether he was telling the truth.

Prosecutor Winfield was in his office looking over some papers yesterday, and happening to look out of the window he saw the form of a man on the roof. With the assistance of Constable Mitchell, McCarthy was caught and locked up.

AN OFFICER AWAITED HIM.

John Cunningham Arrested as He Stepped from a Train.

John Cunningham, thirty years old, of 1210 West Second street, Wilmington, Del., was arrested as he stepped from an incoming Pennsylvania train in Jersey City at 4 o'clock this morning, on a charge of burglary.

Cunningham is accused of robbing his sister of $100 worth of jewelry and money. After he got the money he took the train for Jersey City.

Cunningham was taken before Justice Potts to-day, who held him to await extradition papers.

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BROOKLYN.

WANT LOWER ASSESSMENTS.

Brooklyn Property Owners Think They Are Taxed Too Highly.

Case of the Germania Bank Lost by Default.

Assistant Corporation Counsel Yonge, of Brooklyn, this morning argued a motion in the Supreme Court, before Justice Cullen, for the vacation of certain writs of certiorari in alleged excessive assessments by the Board of Assessors.

Marx & Rowolle, chemists, secured a writ to have the assessment on their property in the Sixth Ward reviewed. It is assessed at $140,000. They claim that $110,000 would be about right.

The trustees of the Jeremiah P. Robinson estate say that the warehouse property of the estate in the Sixth Ward was taxed at $969,000, when $455,000 would have been just.

William M. Bresher says his oilcloth factory property in the Twenty-second Ward was assessed at $64,000, and wants it reduced to $35,000.

Joseph Wostl declares that an assessment of $23,000 on his five-story house in the Third Ward is $8,000 too much.

Mr. Yonge based his motion on the technicality that the dissatisfied property owners did not show in their petitions for relief that their assessments were disproportionate to the property on the same assessment rolls.

J. Stewart Ross appeared for the petitioners. He said that the assessments were grossly excessive, and that the assessments had been levied without a majority of the Board being present. Judge Cullen took the papers.

When the case of the Germania Bank against the Board of Assessors was called, there was no response and the case was dismissed.

The bank wanted the assessment on its Fulton street property reduced from $130,000 to $100,000.

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WAS THERE FOUL PLAY?

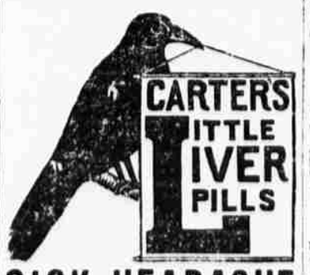
Ernest Hoppensack's Family Worried Over His Disappearance.

All efforts to find any trace of Ernest Hoppensack, the wealthy silversmith, of 49 East Eighth street, who disappeared Aug. 22, have proved unsuccessful, and his family are beginning to think that he has met with foul play or a serious accident.

Mr. Hoppensack has a large business at 116 and 118 Wooster street. On the day of his disappearance he left his office early, saying he would return. He did not do so, neither did he return to his home during the night.

His son, John, who works at the office, has spent the last few days searching for his father, but the only thing learned was at Maspeth, L. I., where one of two acquaintances said they had seen Mr. Hoppensack since his disappearance, but had not talked with him.

According to his son, Mr. Hoppensack has been acting strangely of late, and he may have wandered off and met with foul play around Maspeth. He did not carry much money, and wore no jewelry to speak of.



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10,000 More Pupils Accommodated This Year Than Last.

There Are 102 Schools, 2,416 Teachers and 110,000 Scholars.

The doors of the eighty-nine public schools in Brooklyn and the thirteen in the annexed wards were thrown open this morning.

The attendance of scholars on the first day after vacation is always less than at any other time of the year, and to-day was no exception to the rule. The absentees this year were increased by the vaccination rule, by which every pupil must file a certificate from a physician before being permitted to enter.

At 9 o'clock this morning the children assembled, and from the number who were registered yesterday it is estimated that the attendance this year will be increased by more than 10,000. This would bring the total number of pupils in all the public schools in Brooklyn up to 110,000.

The School for Manual Training commenced its first actual term to-day and was well attended.

There are 2,416 teachers employed this year, an increase of 189 over last year.

Many of the old schools have been enlarged, and all have been thoroughly renovated. Before the term is ended several new schools now in course of construction will be completed.

School No. 45, on Johnson avenue, has had twenty rooms added to its capacity; eighteen rooms have been added to No. 26, on Quincy street; twenty-five rooms to No. 55, on Ellery street, and twenty rooms to No. 23, on Humboldt street.

BLAMES NEWTOWN CREEK.

L. I. Railroad Says Offensive Odors Are Not from Engines.

LONG ISLAND CITY, L. I., Sept. 4.—E. B. Reynolds, the General Manager of the Long Island Railroad, was placed on trial to-day before Judge Ingram. Mr. Reynolds represents the Long Island road as defendant in the complaint made against it by the authorities of Long Island City, who charge that the engines on the railroad burn soft coal, which gives a thick, black smoke, that is offensive to the nostrils and injurious to health. It will be remembered that a wholesale arrest of firemen was made some weeks ago on this same charge.

Mr. Reynolds was not present in court in person, but was represented by Lawyer William J. Kelly, the counsel for the Long Island road. Long Island City was represented by Lawyer Blackwell, counsel to the Board of Health.

Health Officer Burnett stated that the black smoke was injurious to health. In cross-questioning Dr. Burnett, Lawyer Kelly outlined the defense of the railroad company, which will probably be that the offensive smell charged to the black smoke from the engines does not come from them at all, but proceeds from the offensive factories on Newtown Creek. Furthermore, that factories and other concerns along the creek and in Long Island City burn soft coal, just as well as the locomotives. The case will occupy the entire day.

Watersport Causes a Flood.

(By Associated Press.)

GUTHRIE, O. T., Sept. 4.—A watersport coming up suddenly last evening swelled Skeleton Creek out of its banks, flooding the surrounding country for quite a distance. While endeavoring to cross the stream at a point near here, in a hack, the occupants, Mrs. Jack Miller, her two children and Miss Mabel Hill were thrown into the water and drowned.

Overcome by Gas.

Nicola Ruffalo, thirty-eight years old, of 276 Hudson street, was overcome by gas at 4 o'clock this morning while sleeping in a fruit stand. He was taken to Chambers Street Hospital.

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