TO TALK ANTI-PLATT.

Fassett Will Probably Take Part in a Conference To-Night.

Opposition to Morton May Soon Assume Tangible Shape.

Combination on Depew or Choate Said to Be in Order.

The opposition to the candidacy of Levi P. Morton, which has been crystallizing throughout the State, may assume some tangible shape in a day or two. Candidate J. Sloat Fassett will be in the city this evening, and there will undoubtedly be a conference between him and the anti-Platt leaders, Chairman Brookfield, of the Republican State Committee, and the supporters of Choate, Bliss and Depew.

Hamilton Fish, of Putnam, is here, too, and may take part in the pow-wow. He is a candidate for Lieutenant-Governor, and will champion the cause of any candidate for Governor who will champion the cause of Hamilton Fish. In fact, Fish sprung into political prominence through opposition to Platt. He likes to tackle big game, and nothing would please him better than to assist in the defeat of Platt.

"The Evening World" informed its readers on Tuesday last that the anti-Platt leaders were taking a census of their forces. They hope to be able to make a combination strong enough to beat Morton in convention. The conference between Warner Miller, State Treasurer Colvin and others in Albany yesterday was in connection with this subject.

The antis believe that the name of Depew would be one to conjure with and to draw votes away from Morton. Mr. Depew knows that the next Governor of New York will probably have the call on the Presidential nomination, and those who favor his candidacy for Governor think that he may be induced to give up the $50,000 Presidency of the New York Central Railroad for the possible honor of being Governor of New York and the chance of being nominated and elected President of the United States.

Nothing has been heard on the subject from Mr. Depew since he expressed his views in "The World" a few days ago.

It is said to be the intention of the antis to combine on Depew or Choate if a sufficient number of votes can be secured to assure either of those gentlemen of success.

Neither Warner Miller nor William Brookfield is yet ready to talk. They do not want to make a losing fight. Neither are they given to boasting. Therefore, they are keeping discreetly silent.

If Platt's man should be defeated it would mean the downfall of Platt as leader, and if his candidate is notwithstanding the Governorship and the Presidency Platt will not get that coveted Secretaryship of the Treasury.

His downfall is a consummation devoutly wished for by Warner Miller and Brookfield, and they are doing all they can in that direction.

DIDN'T CALL ON CORRIGAN.

Does Dr. Burtsell Intend to Ignore the Archbishop?

There is every indication of a struggle for supremacy between Apostolic Delegate Satolli and Archbishop Corrigan. The Rev. Dr. Richard Lalor Burtsell, who returned to this city yesterday, after an absence of nearly a year, seems to have defined the attitude he will take in the ecclesiastical strife by his failure to pay the customary visit of respect to the Archbishop.

The enemies of Dr. Burtsell will not fail to attribute this omission on the clergyman's part as a studied affront to, and an open defiance of, his clerical superior.

At the Episcopal residence, 452 Madison avenue, the archbishop's major domo said that His Grace was not in, nor was it known when he would return. He admitted that Dr. Burtsell had not yet paid the customary visit of courtesy to his superior.

The Rev. Father Connolly, who frequently speaks for the Archbishop, was also out. At the residence of Vicar General Farley, demonstrators that he, too, had gone out and would not return until late in the afternoon.

The Rev. Father Fay, who had called on the Vicar-General, but failed to see him, was asked as to the custom of priests when returning from long vacations. He said that the different priests in th diocese had so long been in the habit of paying their formal respects to the Archbishop upon returning from long vacations, that such visits had practically become the rule. When asked whether Dr. Burtsell should have paid such a visit to the Archbishop immediately upon his return, he refused to say anything concerning Dr. Burtsell, adding:

"That is a subject on which you will find all priests loath to talk."

Dr. Burtsell's conduct in this instance is the more significant in view of the fact that he brought with him the information from Rome that hereafter Mgr. Satolli, the Apostolic Delegate, would be absolutely supreme in church

When Mgr. Satolli first came to America there was an evident intention on the part of priests close to the Archbishop to question his authority. In fact the coolness manifested by certain prominent Catholic clergymen toward the Pope's representative led the Holy Father Ducey to assert that priests who were supposed to represent the Archbishop had deliberately insulted the Apostolic delegate.

TABLES TURNED ON SPRUNK.

Complained of His Wife and Was Himself Arrested.

The tables were turned on Jacob Sprunk, of 30 Columbia street, who appeared in the Essex Market Police Court to-day as complainant against his wife Rosa, whom he charged with disorderly conduct.

The couple were married by Alderman "Soger" Flynn about three years ago. Since then each has declared war against the other.

According to the testimony of Detectives Shaivey and Hussey, of the Delancey street station, it is hard to tell which one is the worst. The detectives say that the woman uses her apartments for disorderly purposes and resists their efforts to drive her out of the precinct.

Mrs. Sprunk said her husband beat her unmercifully about the face, arms and body with a club.

Sprunk produced witnesses to prove that his wife was disorderly, but Justice Simms became disgusted with them and ordered them from the court.

He then dismissed the charge against Mrs. Sprunk and held her husband for trial on his wife's charge of assault.

WIFE ADMITTED HER GUILT.

Insurance Agent Neidlinger Granted an Absolute Divorce.

Judge McAdam, of the Superior Court, to-day heard the suit of George Neidlinger, an insurance agent at 506 Tenth avenue, for an absolute divorce from his wife, Mary. The couple were married April 20, 1890.

"Have you any children?" asked Judge McAdam.

"I supposed I had one," replied Mr. Neidlinger, "but my wife confessed to me that I was not the father of the child."

Mrs. Neidlinger was next called. She corroborated her husband.

"Then you plead guilty to your husband's charges?" asked the Judge.

"I do," replied Mrs. Neidlinger.

The decree was granted.

SWINDLED HIM WITH GOATS.

Poundkeeper Smith Said Owners Combined to Beat Him.

He Paid $2 for Nannies That Sold for a Few Cents.

Poundkeeper Henry W. Smith complained to Mayor Schieren, of Brooklyn, this morning, of a new industry which has sprung up recently among the residents of Brownsville. Under the law the poundkeeper pays $2 each for all goats brought to him.

These goats are redeemed by the owners at $5 each. If they are not redeemed within a given time they are sold at auction to the highest bidder. There are a number of people in Brownsville who own goats. The scheme is to have a neighbor take the goat to the pound and collect $2. Then when the "billy" is put up at auction the owner buys it back for 15 or 25 cents, and makes a profit of the difference.

The pound-keeper says everybody in that part of the city is in the goat traffic now, and he hasn't sufficient money to pay for the animals. It is no uncommon thing, he said, to have the same goat brought in two or three times a week and the "finder" collect $2 each time. The Mayor told him to stop paying for the goats.

CAPT. STEPHENSON'S CASE.

May Be Decided at a Meeting of Commissioners This Afternoon.

There will be a meeting of the Commissioners of Police some time during the day. None of the Commissioners could say this morning at what time during the day the meeting would be called.

Commissioner Kerwin said this morning that as far as he knew, the only matter that would be discussed to-day would be the decision in the case of Capt. Stephenson.

There might possibly, he thought, be some discussion as to whether any further charges would be entertained against police officials prior to the convening of the Lexow Committee; and if such charges were entertained, whether trials would come off while the Investigating Committee was in session.

An atmosphere of deep mystery pervaded Police Headquarters this forenoon. Supt. Byrnes wore the expressionless countenance of the Sphynx and Complaint Clerk Peterson looked careworn. Neither of these officials would say what the day might bring forth.

Commissioner Murray was the first of the Board to arrive on the scene. He said:

"The Board will meet till this afternoon, but I would advise the reporters to remain here. No one can tell what might happen.

Then the Commissioner re-enveloped himself in an air of deep mystery.

One by one the Police Commissioners appeared and Deputy Commissioner Sheehan arriving last. It was 1 o'clock when he arrived.

The Board spent fifteen minutes in discussing the sheet iron polling booth that had occupied space in the courtyard of Police Headquarters ever since the new quarters building. After that they all gathered in the office of Commissioner Murray, preliminary to an open meeting.

The ostensible purpose of to-day's meeting is to decide the case of Police Capt. John Thomas Steele. Assistant District-Attorney Francis A. Wellman, the special counsel to the Commissioners in the trials of the police captains, has been making strenuous efforts the past three days to prevail upon Mr. John W. Goff, counsel to the Lexow Senate Committee, to ask the Commissioners, in the name of that Committee, to suspend their trials of police officers during the sessions of the Committee, which begin next Monday.

Mr. Wellman has been unsuccessful, Mr. Goff replying in effect:

"Oh, no; this is your ice. We asked you not to begin cutting till the Committee had concluded its labors. You would not heed us, but went on cutting ice. Now you say you are tired and want to take your postponed vacation, that the Commissioners are anxious to quit.

"If you want to quit why don't you? It's none of our funeral. You have begun cutting ice, and we expect you, the Lexow Committee, now we don't care whether you continue or not."

The logic of this is that if the Commissioners of Police need the request of Mr. Goff and Chairman Lexow to quit business, they may continue to try the trials of the four captains against whom cases are already prepared, four more whose cases are nearly prepared, and twenty ward men against whom there are the strongest kind of cases," as Mr. Wellman said to a group of reporters.

Who will be first?

It was stated on authority a month ago that he Bohemian Liquor Association had put up an impregnable case against Pantalz Wilhelm Strauss, of the East Sixty-seventh street station. But Mr. Wellman says that that case fell through.

Many witnesses have been examined by Mr. Wellman's assistants, who told things at out Capt. Max Schmittberger, and, it is said, that one set of witnesses put up an exceedingly stiff case against the late commander of the Tenderloin precinct.

Mr. Crouther stated positively that he has one sure thing case in which $1,500 was paid before witnesses to a Captain.

CROSS WANTS TO GET BACK.

With Ex-Ward Man Smith He Asks for Writs of Certiorari.

Justice O'Brien, of the Supreme Court, to-day issued writs of certiorari compelling the Board of Police Commissioners to show cause why their action in dismissing Capt. Adam A. Cross, of the Fifth street station, and his former ward man, George Smith, should not be reviewed by the Court.

The application sets forth that Cross and Smith were dismissed from the police force Aug. 31, last, after having been tried on charges of neglect of duty and accepting bribes.

The applications state that "the dismissals were not founded upon substantial, just or reasonable cause, but were illegal and without just cause." The writs are returnable in twenty days.

Policemen Who Seek Promotion.

Fifty applicants for promotion as roundsmen were examined at Police Headquarters this morning.

BETRAYED BY HIS POCKETS.

Nicolay Tried to Smuggle a Lot of Diamonds and Meerchaums.

A quantity of meerchaum pipes, diamonds and other precious stones were seized from George Nicolay, a cabin passenger on the North Grman Lloyd steamship Lahn when she docked at Hoboken yesterday afternoon by Customs Inspectors Brown and Donohue.

Nicolay made a declaration to the effect that he had no dutiable goods in his possession, and was leaving the dock, when the inspectors thought his coat pockets looked rather bulky. A search brought forth the following articles, which were taken to the seizure-room at the Barge Office to-day: 21 meerchaum pipes, 11 diamonds (unset), 3 opals and 4 pearls.

ERBEN RETIRES TO-DAY.

Many Promotions in the Navy in These Parts in Consequence.

The retirement of Rear Admiral Henry Erben from the United States Navy to-day promotes a number of officers in these parts.

The next important retirement is Rear Admiral Bancroft Gherardi, who will leave the Brooklyn Navy-Yard Nov. 10.

MISS BEAUDET TO STAR.

A New Opera Has Been Written and Perugini Is in It Also.

Possibilities of Stage Speechmaking—Other Dramatic Items.

"It appears that Miss Beaudet is not going to appear in 'Cliquette,' as originally intended," said Sig. Perugini yesterday. "A new opera is on the programme, and it has loomed up within the last week. Yes, I am going to be a member of the organization, but Miss Beaudet is the star. I am going to avoid notoriety of any sort; I don't want stellar honors. I have had enough of that kind of thing." Perugini raves about "La Navarraise," the new one-act opera in which Calve appeared this season at Covent Garden. "I never had such a treat in my life," said the tenor. "I simply revelled in it. Anything more superb, more soul-inspiring, I have never heard. You know what the phlegmatic, aristocratic patrons of Covent Garden are. Well, they were worked up to such a pitch of excitement that, if the strain had been kept up, I think they all would have been carried away to a lunatic asylum. Ah! Calve is a great artist, and it requires an absolutely artistic temperament to manage her properly. Sir Augustus Harris understands her and gets along very well with her, but she did not finish her engagement in London. You see, they are trying so hard to push Melba that they devoted all their energies to that task. Tickets at Covent Garden were sold at a premium during the Calve engagement. Even artists had to pay their way in. I am sure, however, that nobody regretted the outlay." Sig. Perugini would discuss no other matters.

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"This after-performance speechmaking is assuming alarming proportions," said a manager yesterday. "Della Fox's kind words about Hopper, and Hopper's beautifully charitable remarks anent Fox and Francis Wilson will undoubtedly bear fruit. We must hope that when Steve Brodie appears at the Fourteenth Street Theatre next week he won't forget to remind his audiences of the merits of John Drew at the Empire, and of a few other people who have made all the better for his patronage. I'm sorry that Corbett forgot to say a few kind words for Sothern at the Lyceum. It must have been an oversight."

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The Professional Woman's League is being boomed in both "The Little Trooper" and "Dr. Syntax," and the announcements always roar up the fact that the institution is mention d. The League is a capital, sound institution. It remains to be seen what Francis Wilson will do for it.

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It seems pretty hard work to get a leading lady of renown, although one hears so much about unemployed actresses. Manager Brady has been negotiating with both Minnie Seligman and Julia Arthur for his production of "The Cotton King" in Boston next month. He has secured neither. They both want the earth, he says. Miss Amelia Summerville is to be the substitute, and Miss Jennie Fernandez the ingenue.

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The New York craze for living pictures is not relished by the out-of-towners. The pictures have been utter failures in a number of towns. It is said that the Kilanyi series used in the "Railroad Ticket" in Brooklyn met with a very chilly reception; in fact the tableaux are looked upon with some contempt everywhere but in New York. Here the craze is as colossal as ever. Sir. Hammerstein declares that it is not a craze, but simply a new epoch. "We shall have living pictures for ever," he said, "and it is absurd to say that nude figures have anything to do with their success. My tableaux at Koster & Bial's contain many nude figures, but I am seriously thinking of doing away with them. The audiences like the draped ones much better. 'The Angelus,' 'Under Cover' and '1776' are immense hits. Living pictures are a beautiful and artistic rest for the mind and the eye. A man goes there, and gloats over the ever-changing beauties. The scope of the pictures is unlimited. We have but just begun."

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There are a number of the late Dion Boucicault plays in the market, and Mrs. Louise Thorndyke-Boucicault is trying to turn them to account. The list is an impressive one, but it is a very small part of what Boucicault wrote during his prolific life. It includes "The Shaughraun," "The Colleen Bawn," "The Cherry-Tree Inn," "Pin MacCool," "Foul Play," "Jessie Brown," "Forbidden Fruit," "Led Astray," "The Jilt," "Daddy O'Dowd," "Lost at Sea," "Arrah-na-Pogue," "Griffith Gaunt," and "Hunted Down."

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The Columbus Theatre, Harlem, is forging ahead as a combination house for novelties. Most of the combination houses are satisfied with plays that have been seen, and upon which the Columbus has already had two novelties, "Shaft No. 2," and "Slaves of Gold." "Old Glory" will have its first metropolitan hearing at this house. Not so very long ago Harlem was looked upon with veritable scorn by theatrical managers.

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Hoey in his new play, "The Flams," seems to have been rather severely roasted in Chicago. One writer declares, hysterically, that "The Fams" is a composition that has neither common sense nor coherency. Yet Hoey, when in partnership with Evans, was never censured for his work in "A Parlor Match," and that farce was not a classic by any means.

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Miss Ada Gray, our good old friend, who has been playing "East Lynne" since we were little laughing boys and girls, has not met with success in England. She went over there to show the Britishers her idea of Lady Isabel and Mme. Vane. It appears that she made a tour of the English provinces that lasted but three weeks.

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Miss Hattie Delaro-Barnes, of comic opera renown, has been engaged to play the part of Madge Brierley in one of the "Old Kentucky" companies—there are three of them. It has been years since Miss Delaro appeared out of burlesque or comic opera. She sang Lillian Russell's part in "The Queen's Mate" at the Broadway Theatre a few years ago, and sang in several of the Gilbert and Sullivan productions. Now she is to be the heroic Madge, swinging over a precipice to rescue the hero. Laura Burt and Lulu Tabor are the Madges of the other companies.

CARS CRASHED TOGETHER.

Cable Car Ran Into a Crosstown at Eighteenth Street.

North-bound cable car No. 85, of the Third avenue line, ran into west-bound car No. 14, of the Central Cross-town line, at Eighteenth street at 11 o'clock to-day.

Thomas Carraher, of 330 First avenue, and Cornelius Hayes, of 420 Cherry street, the driver and conductor of the cross-town car, were thrown off the platform by the shock. They were not seriously injured and went to their homes.

There were but few passengers in the cars, and none of them were injured. Both cars were slightly damaged.

The Wrong House Reported.

The arrests in a disorderly house, reported in these columns from the Yorkville Police Court yesterday as having been made at 216 West Forty-third street, occurred at 240, the same street, and were erroneously reported. The house at 216 West Forty-third street is occupied by Mrs. Thomas W. Smith, who conducts a respectable furnished-room house there.

BASEBALL CHAT.

Unless Connie Mack and Pat Donovan have sufficient influence with Jupiter Pluvius to bring down a steady rain, it is entirely probable they will be as soundly beaten to-day as yesterday and the day before. Mike Tiernan could only knock flies to short and second base, but pretty nearly everybody else placed neat singles when the situation was auspicious and Van Haltren, as usual nowadays, whanged a home run. It did seem a little touch for New York to score two runs on three hits in the second inning, while Pittsburg, with two hits in the second, sixth and ninth, could not get a man past third.

Should bad weather prevent a game to-day yesterday's contest will have wound up the local League season. Lots of cranks would dearly love to see the aggressive Pirates walloped once more at the Polo Grounds, but if this is not to be, all will look upon yesterday's shut out as a good augury on the eve of the last Westward trip. New York has done better work away from home than Baltimore, and when Boston is deprived of the untoward benefits of that celebrated nearby left-field fence, which has yielded so many home runs in the Hub city, it is self-satisfying to view the prospect with confidence based on past records and New York's present condition.

Treasurer Talcott, who had prolonged his stay in town day after day, felt so calm and confident that he went up to Lake George yesterday; but Marshall Wilder, Judge Cullen and Bob Hilliard were on hand. The Judge said after the game: "I feel sure we'll win every game from now on." Wilder just chuckled. Hilliard and Harry Stevens looked into each other's eyes soulfully, and Harry delivered some stentorian rooticisms, which Hilliard reinforced in his convincing way. Briefly, the cranks, fans and rooters are in good spirits.

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Fournier, who was so soundly whacked here, pitched again for Cincinnati yesterday, at Philadelphia. He was hit for only four triples, five doubles and three singles, with a total of twenty-five, which resulted in 15 runs.

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Brooklyn braced up in good style yesterday and took a game from Cleveland, not an error being scored on either side.

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When the crowd filed out of the Polo Grounds yesterday, the Boston-Louisville score was bulletined only up to the conclusion of the eighth inning, when the Kentucklans had tied the score, and the hopes of many ran high, but we are not elated for second place yet.

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Yesterday's game being called at 5.30, as "The Evening World" has persistently hoped, was finished in good time. If Tuesday's game had been called at the same hour it would not have been finished in darkness and anger.

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Allentown is down on the cards to furnish fun and practice for the New Yorks to-morrow, and probably will draw a fair crowd, who will want to see the local team's final game here this year. Business, perchance, a series of games between New York and Boston or Baltimore should be necessary.

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On Saturday afternoon, Sept. 8, the Orange Athletic Club will have the famous Cuban Giants for opponents on the Orange Oval, Grove street, East Orange. The Orange team have defeated nearly every strong team in this country this season, and were only defeated by the St Louis League team on Friday last by a score of 3 to 2, after a hard and exciting game, so the Cubans will surely move all the can possibly do to win. The game will be called promptly at 3.45 o'clock.

The standing in the League this morning was:

Clubs.	W.	L.	P.C.	Clubs.	W.	L.	P.C.
Baltimore	74	36	.672	Pittsburg	54	57	.486
Boston	75	39	.658	Chicago	50	62	.446
New York	71	40	.640	Cincinnati	47	65	.420
Philadelphia	64	47	.577	St. Louis	46	65	.414
Brooklyn	61	50	.550	Washington	39	74	.345
Cleveland	56	53	.514	Louisville	32	80	.286

VANDALS AT POLO GROUNDS.

Caterer Stevens's Supplies Maliciously Ruined During the Night.

Caterer Harry Stevens, who supplies the hungry and thirsty at the Polo Grounds by virtue of the authority of the New York Baseball Club officials, was this morning the victim of an outrage, which apparently originated in malice.

On entering the lunch room and bar a scene of confusion presented itself to the astonished gaze of the caterer. Mingled in anything but a picturesque grouping were sandwiches, juicy and rich pies, lemon and apple associating in the most intimate relations, beer glasses, and above all a classically constructed omelet, which cast its eggstatical component parts about the floor like a sunset landscape, shredded.

The damage, fortunately, could be repaired in time for the cranks at this afternoon's game. Nothing was stolen.

The privilege now enjoyed by Stevens was until recently possessed by "Dasher" Troy, who was removed for assaulting a grand stand gatekeeper who had the audacity to refuse to pass a friend of Troy without a necessary ticket.

MILES WILL NOT RETRACT.

Grand Jury to Be Asked to Indict the Millionaire for Perjury.

The case of William Miles, the aged Brooklyn millionaire, who is charged with perjury by his nephew, William S. Hurley, of 36 Wallabout Market, Brooklyn, will be brought before the present Grand Jury.

The last Grand Jury was asked to take no action in the matter pending an amicable settlement of the case between Miles and Hurley, and Assistant District-Attorney held the case over under these representations.

The action grew out of a suit tried in May, 1890, before Judge Barrett in the Supreme Court, in wich Hurley alleges that his uncle committed perjury. Since that time Miles is alleged to have made many disparaging remarks about Hurley's father, and hence the bringing up of the perjury complaint.

The basis of settlement was to be a sworn retraction on the part of Miles of all the remarks about Hurleys father, which it is said the former promised to comply with.

Mr. Hurley visited Assistant District-Attorney Davis this morning and stated that Miles had refused to make the retraction, and that he (Hurley) wished the case pushed.

He will see Assistant District-Attorney McIntyre again later in the day.

GAVE UP THE FIGHT.

An Able-Bodied Man Begs to Go to the Poorhouse.

Terence Wallace, an able-bodied man of middle age, who said that he was a piano polisher, and had been employed by the Haines Piano Company for twenty-two years, appeared before Justice Voorhis, in the Jefferson Market Police Court and said that he was out of work, couldn't find any, and was ready to throw up the sponge and go to the poorhouse.

The man seemed decent and was so evidently suffering from want that the Court took his case seriously and remanded him to jail, subject to disposition by the Commissioner of Charities and Correction.

Wallace said that a hard Winter was before him, work seemed impossible to obtain, and he would rather spend the season in the poorhouse than upon the streets.

You read The Evening World! Do you read the Sunday World?

SPORTING MISCELLANY.

The laying up of Vigilant marks the close of a disastrous racing season in English waters. Through it all may be seen disappointment after disappointment, due principally to a misconception before the beginning of the season of what was to be expected abroad. From talk and boasts of British yachtsmen heretofore, the Goulds were led to believe that deep waters, strong, steady winds and rough, choppy seas were the regular diet of English yachtsmen, and that Vigilant's frail (?) construction and light sails would not avail against these tempestuous conditions which would be encountered in every race abroad. The yacht was therefore constantly menaced by this bugaboo, which, as the sequel proved, was as big a myth as the Flying Dutchman. A record of the races proves that never were such conditions met with and that Vigilant's preparations were made the wrong way.

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And now, as in many years heretofore, there is talk of challenging again for the America's Cup, and as in the aforesaid years that are gone, the talk has a tail to it that calls for a competent upetting of the conditions which govern the holding of that trophy. All that British yachtsmen, in their extreme modesty, ask, is that the dimensions clause be set aside, that the naming of a challenger be waived, that a limit to water-line length be fixed, and that the races take place off Newport. It should be remembered that the deed of gift calls for certa n conditions on the part of the challenger, whether that challenger be English, French, German, or of any other nationality, and that these conditions alone govern the holding of the Cup. Vigilant asked for no changes in conditions governing trophies for which she was entered, but sailed against far heavier odds and over much less favorable courses than are provided by the deed of gift. She did not ask for the Cape May Cup and a glass case in which to exhibit the trophy.

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At the A. A. U. championship competition on Saturday, Sept. 15, at Travers Island, a number of athletes will be seen with whose faces and figures track patrons here-abouts are not very familiar. Cary F. Spence, a Chattanooga sprinter, will compete in the 100 and 220 yard dashes. Champion Stage will probably compete in the sprints if the Committee concludes that his umpiring League baseball has not turned him into a professional athlete. The Bank Clerks' Association of Philadelphia will enter a young team, comprising Buchholz, Ramsdell, Morris and others. From New England will come C. H. Beam, the five-mile runner; James Brushworth and D. Loomis, vaulters. The Boston A. A. will have no less than eight representatives, namely, H. D. Carr, the sprinter; T. Griffiths, the half-mile man; T. Watson, the vaulter, and A. C. Waldron, in the quarter, will uphold Canadian records. Entries close Saturday, Sept. 8, with J. E. Sullivan, 241 Broadway.

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The Columbia Athletic Club is again in the field, and announces an amateur boxing tournament to be held at Grand Central Palace, Forty-fourth street and Lexington avenue, Oct. 4 and 6. The managers hope with the profits of the shows last year and this to be able to fit up a comfortable club-house. Handsome gold watches will be awarded the first-and second men in each class. Here are the weights: 110, 120, 140 and 158 pounds. Entries close Oct. 1 with James T. McMahon, Secretary, 132 East Twenty-sixth street.

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The twentieth annual regatta of the Varuna Boat Club will be held on Saturday afternoon. The Varuna is a working club and can turn out a bigger fleet of boats in every class than perhaps any single club of this vicinity. Competition for club honors is always strong and the regatta should prove a most successful one. The race will be started at 2 P. M. The course is off the boathouse foot of Fifty-seventh street, Brooklyn. The usual provisions for a most enjoyable entertainment of guests have been made. Nuff ced!

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The Mercury Wheel Club will hold a race meeting on the Flushing Driving Park track Saturday afternoon. This meeting has been delayed and postponed several times, as no date could be secured with certainty. The entry list is a splendid one, consisting of a grand series of races, contestants having registered from all over Long Island. The races will be started at 2.30 P. M.

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Jack Dempsey and Billy McCarthy fought twenty rounds at New Orleans last night before the Olympic Club, the decision being a draw, amid great "chaff." The match was "agreeting," as showing whether the "Nonpareil" had retained anything of his famous skill. McCarthy put up a very clever bout, but was clearly out-pointed by Dempsey all the time. Although the latter is a Australian, and could have put him out, Jack will find many friends, and perhaps strong odds, for his showing.

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In a letter to a St. Louis paper Jack Everhart, champion light-weight of England, who is in Iberia, La., authorizes the pounce of a challenge to fight Jack McAuliffe, at 133 pounds, for $2,500 a side and the light-weight championship of America. If McAuliffe refuses to meet him, Everhart says the challenge will apply to Horace Leeds, of Philadelphia, or any 133 pound man in the world.

CHARGED WITH SWINDLING.

Max Lefkowitz Said to Have Worked the "Bond Game."

Max Lefkowitz, thirty years old, of 319 East Twelfth street, a well-dressed German, was arraigned before Justice Simms, in the Essex Market Police Court to-day on a charge of swindling Mrs. Dora Shittinger, of 75 Suffolk street, out of $2. About a month ago Mrs. Shittinger purchased a foreign bond from the German-American Banking Company, at 40 and 42 Broadway. On Aug. 24 last the defendant called upon her and stated that her ticket had won $500. He demanded $15 for expenses to get her winnings for her. She did not have $15 and Lefkowitz accepted $2 from her, all that money she had at the time. When Lefkowitz called he was accompanied by another man, who has not yet been arrested.

Mrs. Shittinger went to the German-American Banking office and was informed that the men who called upon her were swindlers, and that she should have them arrested when they called again. Last night Lefkowitz called alone. She kept up a pleasant conversation with him while she sent a neighbor to the Delancey street station, who returned with detectives, who placed him under arrest. Several bonds were found in his possession. He declared in court that he was an agent for E. H. Horner.

Justice Simms held Lefkowitz for examination.

BROCKWAY INDICTED ALSO.

Davenport's Pal Charged with Passing Bad Checks.

William L. Brockway, forty-five years old, an engineer of 260 West Twenty-first street, was this morning indicted by the Grand Jury for passing fraudulent checks.

Brockway's pal, Ambrose Davenport, was indicted yesterday, and was to have pleaded before Recorder Smyth in Part I. of General Sessions this morning, but he was not present, and the officials in the Tombs prison say he has not been there.

A Salutary Rebuke.

(From the Philadelphia Record.)

Boy (who has lost his way)—I say, mister, how far is it to Camptown Creek?

Man (surlily)—Find out. I ain't no city directory.

"No, you ain't; you're a volume on good manners, you are."

FALSE FEARS FOR NEW RULES.

Football Cranks Quaking in Advance of Practical Tests.

College Enthusiasm Will Be Lacking in Professional Games.

Last year seemed the zenith period in intercollegiate football history. The popular victory of Princeton over Yale on Thanksgiving Day, after four sucessive seasons of defeat, ended the campaign with a boom at the New Jersey college and spurred the New Haven men to greater efforts next time. The fact that the Yale-University of Pennsylvania match was decided in this city drew an unwonted crowd and boomed the Philadelphia "Varsity not a little, and, altogether, interest in football was deep and pervasive.

This year the new playing rules veto in advance all prophecy as to the relative chances of the leading college teams, and even the eminent band of experts who devised them do not pretend to know how they will stand practical demonstration.

The fact so often repeated by the gentlemen themselves that they were unanimously agreed upon, severally and collectively, relieves each member of individual criticism. It is foolish to suppose that even the astute Walter Camp could "work" the Committee, when it is remembered that John C. Bell and Dr. W. A. Brooks, Penn's and Harvard's representatives, are considered as shrewd as any men in the football-political world, and both duly suspicious of "Yale's dodges."

It is not at all unlikely that the first few preliminary matches between Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Pennsylvania, &c., and the minor teams will show unexpected applications and constructions of the new playing rules that may necessitate a reconvening of the experts and supplementary or entirely new legislation.

There is a popular misapprehension that mass plays were wiped out of existence by the committee, because paragraph C, of rule 30, is generally read without due reflection of its intents and purposes. "Momentum-mass plays shall be allowed," does not by any means preclude such momentum interference as Woodruff's flying interference, although it does prohibit such atrocities as the Cornell flying wedge, which proved such an effective stay of last season. In short, till the new rules have been actually tried prophecy is futile and speculation is as bad.

Secretary George Stackhouse, of the New York Baseball Club, speaks most confidently of the prospects of the League's football scheme. New York, Brooklyn, Boston, Baltimore, Philadelphia and Washington will be in it. The players are to report Saturday, Sept. 15, and an "exhibition" game will probably be played at the Polo Grounds that afternoon.

Since "Bucky" Vail, the plucky quarterback of the University of Pennsylvania eleven, ataced a game of "Association" football last Fall and enthusiastically uttered it, the college men have not viewed the Association game so disdainfully, and the belief in many quarters that it is less rough and wearing than the Rugby game has popularized it considerably.

Still, football is essentially an amateur sport with this country, unlike England, where both Rugby and Association players are engaged at regular salaries, and it is doubtful whether professional football would be a paying institution here. The tremendous attendance and wide interest in intercollegiate games last Fall very probably led the baseball magnates to believe that they could gather in the dollars after the baseball season closed by diverting their players' energies in the direction of goals and touchdowns during October, November and December.

The naivest thing in football this season is Capt. Frank Hinkey's remark that he "thinks there is hope for Yale this year." Surely Walter Camp will scourge guileless youth from uttering such innocent comments.

Yale plays its first game at the Yale field Sept. 27, the day college opens, and a full week earlier than usual.

Phil King begins coaching the signs at Quogue this week.

The Denver Athletic Club's championship team was so badly treated at some of last season's matches that football has received a temporary setback in Colorado.

The Royal Arcanum Football League is undecided whether to play under inter-collegiate or association rules.

Trafton, the big centre from Fall River, who will captain the Lehigh team this year, is going to have a good deal of men under him from present indications.

The Naval Academy is going to be badly off for coaches this year.

GOSSIP OF THE TURF.

The decision of the Stewards in the cases of J. P. Korn, J. J. McCafferty and Duke Bros. will not find favor with the racing public. The Stewards may have had strong evidence against Korn to warrant the refusal of that owner's entries. Nevertheless, St. Michael's race on Saturday was certainly not bad enough to take such summary action. The race can be dissected, and it will be found that St. Michael's performance was not so inconsistent after all. There is a doubt about the matter, and that doubt should be in favor of the owner of St. Michael. The horse has run consistently all season, and it seems harsh to refuse his owner's entries on this one race. The races of Buckrene were glaringly inconsistent, and nine out of ten men believe that Buckrene was not trying in his first race. Yet the Stewards excuse the owner of this horse from any blame. Watterson, who has run four times during the present meeting, was deemed too inconsistent, because after two wins he was beaten two heads by Void and Miss Dixie. Therefore his entry in future is to be refused. If there is any inconsistency displayed, it is on the part of the Stewards, and a most be said that these decisions are the queerest yet made by a body of men supposed to be gifted with good sense.

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The driving finish between Henry of Navarre and Banquet yesterday was one of the best seen this year. For three furlongs it was a red-hot drive, and Henry of Navarre won purely on his courage. The race served as an excellent illustration of Henry of Navarre's prowess as a three-year-old. Good as he is, he hardly classes with Lamplighter, when that colt was a three-year-old. Lamplighter gave weight to Banquet several times and beat him easily. Banquet gave Henry of Navarre the race of his life yesterday at even weights. There is a question, of course, as to whether Banquet has improved or not. It is not probable, however, that he is any better that when Lamplighter was a three-year-old.

The Stewards made the discovery yesterday that Mike Daly was an unlicensed trainer. This fact may lead to unpleasant complications, as Daly's horses won several races during the Spring meeting.

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Foxhall Keene was indignant because the Stewards did not disqualify Roche for fouling Hornpipe. There was considerable crowding at the finish, but Dobbins was the one at fault.

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Pittsburg is responsible for another plunger. Shad Gwilliam is the newest plunger on the scene, and he is credited with running a button into 10,000 good American dollars inside of a week.

The Long Island City Jockey Club and Pony Riding Association will hold a thirty day meeting on their track on the old Recreation Grounds, Steinway avenue, in Long Island City. The Queens' County Jockey Club, capital $50,000, was incorporated yesterday. Next!

POUNDED IN HIS OWN ROOM.

Young McBetry Battered In Reardon's Door with an Axe.

Then He Used a Potato Masher on the Old Man's Head.

John McBetry, twenty-four years old, of 502 West Fifty-sixth street, was held for trial in $1,000 bail to-day by Justice McMahon at the Yorkville Police Court for assaulting John Reardon, fifty years old, of the same address, with a potato-masher, after he had broken in the door with an axe.

Reardon's head was swathed in bandages. He occupies the second floor, while McBetry lives on the top floor. Early last evening they had words, but were parted by the other tenants before blows were struck.

This did not satisfy McBetry. He waited until everything was quiet again, and then, arming himself with an axe, he descended to the second floor and smashed Reardon's door. Before he had time to do further mischief his brother-in-law pulled him back into his own apartment.

McBetry was still dissatisfied. An hour later he secured the potato masher and rushing into Reardon's room pounded him several times on the head before the neighbors could drag him away. Reardon ran to the West Forty-seventh street police station with the blood streaming from cuts on his head.

Sergt. Dunn despatched Policemen Wagner and Kear to the house, and they arrested McBetry, after using force to subdue him.

TO MAKE HOUSES HEALTHY.

Circular Issued for People Returning from the Country.

A circular was issued to-day by Health Commissioner Emery, of Brooklyn, instructing householders who have been absent from the city during the Summer how to prepare their homes for occupation, so that they will not breathe impure air. The instructions are in part as follows:

Water should be run in all the basins to close the traps underneath, and thereby prevent further escape of sewer gas into the rooms. Hot water and chloride of lime should also be used in all the basins to cleanse and disinfect pipes, and washing soda should be used in the kitchen sinks. The furnace fire should be lighted to assist in the airing and drying of all the parts of the house, especially the cellar.

It is a well-known fact that after a season of drought, such as has prevailed during the present season, a greater proportion of cases of diarrhoeal diseases are apt to prevail throughout the country than usual, and the present is no exception to the rule.

This is due in a large part to the fact that the supply of water has so far diminished that all wells and springs which are not already dried up are forced to draw their supply from every available source—at times from surprisingly foul sources, thereby collect an unusual amount of impurities.

Many physicians are in the habit of advising their patients to boil the drinking water, and a subsequent cooling prior to use at all times, and such procedure is especially in order during the present season.

UNCLE SAM CAN'T LOSE.

St. Louis Postal Clerk Must Make Good an Overpaid Money Order.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 6.—Thomas Owen Berry has been receiving from relatives, at regular intervals, post-office money orders, the amount each time being $25.

Yesterday Berry went into the Post-Office to cash one of these orders. The amount, $25 as usual, was not written plainly; the first word looking more like "seventy" than "twenty."

Clerk Skidmore, after glancing at the paper, gave Berry an order on the cashier of the department for $75, which Berry promptly cashed.

Some time afterward the discrepancy was noticed, and in the afternoon searchers who had been s