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STEERS GOT SOME OF IT.

Inspector Accused of Receiving Money Given to Police for Extra Work.

M'AVOY IS NOW IMPLICATED.

Sergt. Taylor Makes a Clean Breast of Affairs in the Steamboat Squad.

At last the Lexow Committee has Police Headquarters in the net. The investigators have gone higher, and Inspector Henry V. Steers is accused of systematic acceptance of bribe money.

Sergt. John J. Taylor, of the Steamboat squad, testified to-day that he had collected money from policemen who were paid for extra work by steamship and railroad companies.

This money, Taylor said, he took to Police Headquarters and handed over all but 20 per cent. of it to the Inspector. The 20 per cent. he retained for himself.

The money thus collected, he said, averaged about $200 a month.

After Capt. Allaire took command of the steamboat squad, Taylor says Inspector Steers ordered him to pay the money collected to the Captain. The money was placed in an envelope, indorsed "Street Cleaning Report."

Taylor said he supposed the money went to Police Headquarters just the same as when he took it in person.

Inspector McAvoy was also implicated in Taylor's testimony. The Sergeant said that when McAvoy took charge of the district, no change was made in the system of collecting or paying over the tribute thus exacted.

Policemen placed on the stand earlier in the day admitted having shared the money they collected sometimes with Sergt. Taylor, and at other times with Ward Man Vail.

Vail was called to the stand and admitted having collected the money He said he turned it all over to the Captain.

It was after Vail had testified that Taylor was called to the stand, and Mr. Goff proceeded to question him.

The Captain is a big, broad-shouldered man, with a slightly bald head and a heavy under jaw. He wears a dark mustache, with broad wings at each side.

"I want to ask you a few questions this morning, Captain," began Mr. Goff, "and first, what is your wife's name?"

"Barbara," replied the witness.

Q. Have you a bank account? A. No, sir. I had a small account in the Bowery Savings Bank about seven or eight years ago.

Q. Have you any bonds or mortgages or stocks? A. No, sir.

Q. Has your wife? A. No, sir.

Q. Hasn't she a bank account? A. No, sir.

The witness said he had no box in any Safe Deposit Company, nor had his wife.

Told to Send for His Wife.

His eldest child was a son who was twenty-four years old, and employed in a Broadway notion store.

"That will do, Captain. You will send for your wife to be here after recess without fail."

Capt. Strauss said he would do so, and retired after being told not to leave the court-room.

"We may want to ask you some questions about other matters," added Mr. Goff.

Reppenhagen Again Questioned.

Witness Reppenhagen was then recalled to the stand and Mr. Goff questioned him in regard to Capt. Creeden's appointment.

Q When did you first hear of the appointment? A. In the station It was after he had been sworn in. I went up to Police Headquarters and met John Martin there in the afternoon.

Q. You had seen Martin in the morning? A. Yes, sir.

Q. You saw Martin again in the evening at your store. A. Yes, sir; about 9 o'clock.

Q. What did he say? A. He said he thought he would not get the money and that he was being bilked.

Q. What did you say? A. I told him the money was all right and he need not be afraid.

Q What arrangement was made then to pay the money? A. No arrangement was made that night. I told him I would see Snell about it and he would get the money. Snell was ordered to pay the money over to Martin at the meeting of the subscribers four days after.

The money, as the witness already had testified, was paid over to him by Snell in a check, and he deposited it on Jan. 18 in his bank.

Tracing the Money.

Mr. Goff tried to trace the money on from this point. The witness said he drew out some of the money he had deposited, as it was in his private account at the bank.

Q. You showed Martin the check? A. Yes, sir. I wouldn't have drawn against the $15,000 if Martin had not told me that I could keep $5,000 of the money.

Chairman Lexow—But you say you knew this money was raised to meet Sergt. Wiegand's $12,000 How could you get $5,000 of that? A. I don't know. I only took what he gave me.

Q. Well, explain it. A. I can't say more than have.

Mr. Goff—You had no hesitation in accepting the money? A. Not at all. (Laughter.)

Q. How could you take it, knowing it was part of a bribe? A. I had no objection to it on that account.

Did Not Expect a Share at First.

Reppenhagen said that up to the time Martin told him he could keep $5,000 of the fund, he did not expect to get any of it. When he had originally opened negotiations with Martin, the latter told him that $15,000 would be necessary if Sergt Creeden was to be appointed.

Reppenhagen said he drew out $9,950 of the $15,000 and paid it over to Martin in cash The bills were nearly all of large denomination, $1,000 each.

Q. What did Martin do with the money? A. He counted it, said it was all right, and then went off, saying he was going to put it in a safe deposit vault.

The witness said he did not see Martin after that for some time, as the latter went back to Albany, where he was a clerk in the Senate. Martin bought his liquor store at the Bowery and Great Jones street a few months afterwards, and before the Senate adjourned. Part of the $5,000 he received, the witness said, he spent in paying some debts.

Mr. Goff asked Reppenhagen who "Con" Sheehan was "A policeman," was the reply.

Q. I see by your bankbook that you once gave him a check for $250; what was that for? A. I don't remember now.

Q. It wasn't for his appointment? A. Oh, no. It was after his appointment. He had been a policeman four or five years. It was a loan. He wanted the money, he said.

Lent Money to Policemen.

Reppenhagen said he took no note or receipt for the loan, and that Sheehan had paid it back. He had frequently loaned other policemen $5 or $10 at a time and said he found it convenient to do so, because they were not too anxious to enforce the Excise law.

Mr. Goff failed to find out what the "Con" Sheehan loan was for, so he hunted up other checks, one of $250 to Moritz Brockman, and another to Ernest Friede, for the same amount, drawn in December, 1891. They were saloon-keepers on the Bowery.

Assessed by the Police.

Q. Isn't it true that you saloon-keepers were assessed by the police about Christmas time? A. Yes, sir. Every year, but I only paid once.

Q. It was to get a present for the Captain, wasn't it? A. Yes, sir.

Q. What Captain's present did you contribute to? A. Capt. Cassidy. He's dead now, I think. I haven't paid anything since 1891.

Q. Wasn't it Capt. Devery or Capt. McLaughlin? A. No, I think not.

Mr. Goff showed that Capt. McLaugh-

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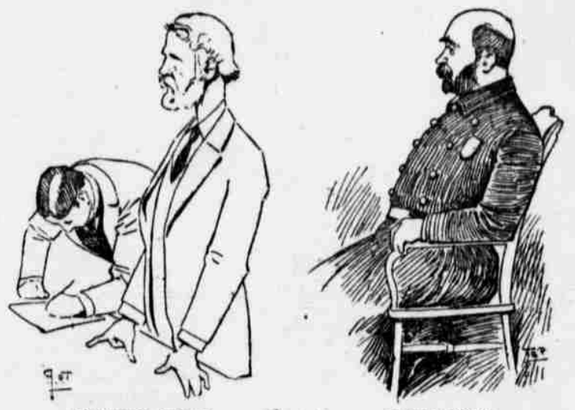
The NIGHT EDITION of the "Evening World" will be issued to-night after the adjournment of the Lexow Committee.

CAPT. ALLAIRE. CAPT. STRAUSS.



POLICEMAN O'NEILL. GOFF LAYING DOWN THE LAW. REPPENHAGEN. HERMAN INTERMAN.

DODGING POLICE SPIES

Mysterious Callers at the District-Attorney's Office.

A Heavily Veiled Woman Closeted with Mr. Lindsay.

Is He Gathering Evidence for the Grand Jury?

The most extraordinary precautions are being taken to prevent the important witnesses against the police now being examined by Assistant District-Attorney Lindsay, in corroboration of the testimony already given by Policeman Thorne, from being recognized by reporters, or the police spies who are thick about the Criminal Court-House.

Shortly after noon to-day a woman entered Mr. Lindsay's office. She was accompanied by an old man of military appearance, and she was so heavily veiled that is was impossible to see her features at all. She was small and slight and dressed entirely in black. She remained in the office about half an hour, and then left the building with her aged companion and proceeded to Broadway, where the two took a southbound car.

The woman was so heavily veiled that she attracted great attention in the street. She and her companion were careful to talk in a low tone, and seemed to regard every one they met with suspicion.

Mr. Lindsay would not say anything about who the people were, but it is known that they were most important witnesses against the police officials now being investigated by the District-Attorney's office.

Capt. Schmittberger, it has been decided, will be the first of the indicted police officials to be tried. The date of his trial will be fixed to-morrow, and it is believed that it will be begun on Wednesday of next week.

There were indications at the District-Attorney's office this morning that something important would be laid before the Grand Jury to-day in the shape of evidence against police officials.

At 11 o'clock Assistant District-Attorney Lindsay's room began to fill up with merchants and others who, it is alleged, have paid tribute for the past four or five years to various captains who have had charge at the Leonard street station.

These men were summoned by subpoena to appear before Mr. Lindsay this morning and tell him what amounts they had paid and to whom.

They are men whose names were mentioned by Policeman Thorne in his confession last Saturday.

Evelyn Bell, the Lexow witness who yesterday gave herself up and deposited $500 bail for her appearance this morning, went to the District-Attorney's office with William M. Thomas, of 109 West Eighty-fifth street, who qualified as her bondsman, thereby permitting the fair Evelyn to recover her $500, which she reluctantly gave up yesterday.

Ex-Sheriff O'Brien, the Anti-Tammany leader, called at Police Headquarters at 3 o'clock this afternoon, and was in consultation with Commissioner Murray for half an hour.

MARTIN SEES LEXOW.

Police Charges Against Creeden May Hang Fire.

President Martin reported to the meeting of the Police Board this afternoon that he and Commissioner Murray, in conformity with the resolution adopted last Friday, called upon Chairman Lexow this morning in reference to the suspension and restoration to duty of Capt. Creeden.

"Senator Lexow," said President Martin, "seems to be of the impression that this Board has no right to proceed against Capt. Creeden, on the strength of the testimony given by him before the Committee. The Senator declared that it would, in his opinion, be an unwarrantable interference. He promised to consult with other members of the Committee and to acquaint the Board of their conclusions."

President Martin refused to state what, if anything further, was said by Senator Lexow. He also refused to discuss the declaration of Mr. Goff that it would be a contempt of the Committee if the Police Board put Creeden on trial at this time.

"We will give the Senate Committee time to discuss the matter a little further," said President Martin, "before we take any action."

CAPT. REILLY A WELL MAN.

At Least So the Board of Police Surgeons Report To-Day.

The Board of Police surgeons reported to President Martin, to-day, that the supplementary examination in the cases of Capt. Thomas Reilly, Patrolman Warren Harrington, of the sanitary squad; Sergt. Horace Wells, of the Union Market Station, and Patrolman William Reilly, of West One Hundred and Fifty-second street, had been completed.

They found that although Capt. Reilly was a sufferer from rheumatism, he was not permanently disabled, and, therefore, competent to do police duty.

In the cases of Wells and the other Reilly, the surgeons reported that both were in good condition, and able to do duty.

Thirty days more were asked in which to report on Harrington's case.

WARRANTS FOR POLICEMEN?

Inspector McLaughlin Will Not Confirm Rumors.

It was said at Police Headquarters this morning that Inspector McLaughlin had received bench warrants for the arrest of a captain and several sergeants accused of bribery and corruption by Patrolman Thorne in his confession.

Just after 10 o'clock several detectives, headed by Heidleberg and Hanley, left the detective office, and there was a hint that these men had the warrants and had started out to get the men. Inspector McLaughlin refused to say anything of the matter further than that there had been no arrests as yet.

Hackmen Gain a Victory.

The Board of Aldermen to-day passed a resolution to authorize one cab to stand at any corner where there is a hotel or office building, or in which such buildings are adjacent. Mayor Gilroy has already vetoed a resolution somewhat similar and the members of the new York Hotel Association expect him to veto this one. The resolution also makes both sides of the tunnel in Park avenue, from Fifty-seventh street to One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, a public hack stand.

INSPECTOR HENRY V. STEERS.

SHE LOVED THE YACHT

Letitia Thompson Fled After Her Mother Had Her Caught.

Her Age Was Seventeen and All Authority Was as Naught.

Dr. Parkhurst Interfered and Mrs. Thompson Went to Court.

The police of this city and Brooklyn have been asked to make a search for seventeen-year-old Letitia Thompson, who, up to the time of her disappearance lived with her widowed mother at 313 West Forty-third street, this city.

Until a short time ago, Mrs. Thompson says, her daughter was employed in a Sixth avenue store. She was taken ill, and applied to the Home for Working Girls, and was sent to the country. While there she met the family of a Dr. Harring, and was employed as a companion to Mrs. Harring. Dr Harring, it is said, owns the yacht Mohican.

Several days ago Dr. Harring told Miss Thompson that he and his wife were about to sail for Europe in their yacht and asked her to go along. She consented, but her mother would not allow it, and apparently Miss Thompson gave up the idea.

Last Tuesday, her mother claims, she took her clothing and went to the yacht, at the foot of Twentieth street, South Brooklyn. The following day Mrs. Thompson went to the boat, and, after a stormy scene, Letitia started home with her mother. They took a street-car when they got to this city, but at the corner of Church and Chambers streets, the girl suddenly jumped from the car and fled.

Mrs. Thompson then, according to her own story, went to see Dr. H. I. Somerville, pastor of the Second Reformed Presbyterian Church, who referred her to Dr. Parkhurst. After listening to her story, Dr. Parkhurst accompanied her to the Thirty-fifth street station. A policeman accompanied Mrs. Thompson to the dock where the yacht was lying, but she had hauled out into the stream.

This morning Mrs. Thompson appealed to Justice Walsh, in the Adams Street Police Court, Brooklyn, and, after listening to the above story, he took a charge of vagrancy against the girl, and sent Court Officer Train after her. When the latter arrived at the foot of Twentieth street the yacht had left, but several people said that Dr. Harring had put the girl ashore before leaving.

It is also said that the steward of the yacht refused to go on the trip unless Miss Thompson was permitted to go, and went ashore with her.

A ROUNDSMAN RESIGNS.

Adrian Forced Out of the Department by Sickness.

Roundsman John S. Adrian, of the Morrisania station, filed his resignation last Saturday with the Board of Police Commissioners, who will probably take action late this afternoon.

Adrian has been on the force about eight years, having been appointed in February, 1887 He has been on the sick list frequently during the last few years, and asked to be retired upon the advice of his physician. His ailment is said to be chronic rheumatism. Not long ago Adrian came into an inheritance sufficient to support him in comfort. There are no charges against him.

HERE IS A LEXOW CRANK.

An Insane Man Makes a Demand on Commissioner Shields.

Commissioner Shields had a visit from a crank this afternoon. He had evidently been an attendant at the Lexow investigations.

Shortly after 3 o'clock a well-dressed, middle-aged man, brushed into Mr. Shields's office and demanded an immediate private conference. His request was granted.

The stranger glowered for a moment and then snarled out:

"Now, what have you to say for yourself? Explain to me at once what you mean by reinstating the police captains? How about Creeden? You have no right to put him back, and I insist you shall suspend him at once. Do you hear? I insist on it."

The Commissioner soothed his visitor and suggested that he go and see Commissioner Sheehan at Police Headquarters.

The stranger left in a hurry for Mulberry street.

Cricketers and Footballists Coming.

TORONTO, Dec. 18.—Acting upon the suggestion of Lord Hawke during his visit here last Summer, it is expected that a team of cricketers and Rugby football players will come over next Fall. New York and Philadelphia will probably be included in the cricket matches.

EX-ALDERMAN HELD UP

Hugo Schmidt Robbed by Three Footpads at Sunnyside.

They Threatened to Kill Him if He Gave the Alarm.

Made Good Their Escape with $550, Leaving His Watch.

LONG ISLAND CITY, L. I., Dec. 18.—A highway robbery was reported to the police of this city early this morning. The victim is ex-Alderman Hugo Schmidt, who resides in Sunnyside, a suburb of Long Island City.

About 1.40 o'clock Mr. Schmidt was walking along Skillman avenue, and when within two hundred feet of the Long Island Railroad tracks three men appeared in front of him. Two of them were of medium build and had their hats pulled down close over their eyes. The third man, who was tall and of light complexion, wore a light overcoat. He asked Mr. Schmidt the time.

Schmidt pulled out his watch and answered that it was 1.40 o'clock. Just as he was about to put his watch back in his pocket, the two small men grabbed hold of his arms. The big man then began to punch Schmidt, and nearly beat him into insensibility, while the two others held him.

The big man searched Mr. Schmidt's vest. In an inside pocket Mr. Schmidt had $500 in $10 bills and one $50 bill. The big man took Mr. Schmidt's watch, and, putting it in his pocket, began to count the bills. He was satisfied and put the money into his pocket. Then he gave Schmidt back his watch, evidently satisfied with the money he had secured. The highwaymen did not search any further. Mr. Schmidt had $50 in bills in one of the pockets of his trousers and this the thieves did not get.

With his face covered with blood and his eyes nearly closed, Schmidt then made his way to the Second Precinct Station-House. There he told the sergeant in charge what had happened, and the latter immediately sent detectives out in search of the highwaymen.

SANDBAGGED NEAR HOME.

A White Plains Lawyer Assaulted on a Thoroughfare.

(Special to The Evening World.)

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Wilson Brown, jr., a prominent member of the Westchester County Bar, was sandbagged last evening on Hamilton avenue, one of the principal residence streets of White Plains. The assault took place within fifty feet of his home and within two hundred feet of five residences. He was struck in the back of the neck at the base of the skull bone, which is slightly fractured. Mr. Brown was found in a semi-conscious condition upon the sidewalk in a pool of blood by an apparent stranger, but who evidently knew him, for he led the injured man to his home.

ROBBERS THREW HER DOWN.

Mrs Rintoul Roughly Handled by Desperate Burglars.

MOUNT VERNON, N. Y., Dec. 18.—The towns and villages in the lower part of Westchester County have of late been overrun with burglars and sneak thieves.

Last Friday night another outrage was perpetrated at the residence of George Rintoul, at 410 South Eighth avenue. Mrs. Rintoul heard a knock on the kitchen door. She opened it and two men wearing masks rushed into the house. They told her to keep quiet and then demanded her money. She replied that she had none, and then the two men threw her on the floor and searched her clothing.

Not finding any money, one of the men ran upstairs and began a search, but he encountered Mrs. Rintoul, sr., who ran into the street screaming and the men, becoming alarmed, made their escape.

STABBED ON THE ELEVATED.

Ticket-Chopper at Forty-Seventh Street Is Cut in the Arm.

Charles Fein, of 206 Lexington avenue, a teacher of music, quarrelled with Charles Wintsheimer, ticket chopper on the uptown Elevated Railroad station at Third avenue and Forty-seventh street, this afternoon.

Fein stabbed Wintsheimer in the arm with a knife and was arrested. The wound is slight.

Red Top, 105 (Blake)..... 7-2 1-2 2 2¼ 2½
Dr. Work, 109 (A. Clayton).. 1-2 out 3 4¼ 5
Sweetheart, 103 (Gardner)..20-1 15-1 5 4 4¾
Trixie, 108 (Warren).....30-1 15-1 4 3½ 5

They got away well together, Rapid Transit taking the lead, followed by Red Top and Dr. Work. Rapid Transit made a runaway race of it, opening up a gap which was never closed, and, drawing away in the stretch, won by four lengths from Red Top, who beat Dr. Work two lengths for the place. Time—1.08 1-4.

FOURTH RACE.

Selling; six furlongs.

Starters, weights and jockeys.	Betting. Straight.	Place.
Midget, 102 (W. Jones)	50—1	10—1
Dollie, 102 (Shearer)	50—1	10—1
Gleesome, 104 (Penn)	3—2	4—5
H. F. Fly, jr., 107 (H. Shields)	3—1	even
Gov. Hogg, 105 (Van Dusen)	30—1	8—1
Lake Parks, 105 (Leigh)	6—5	1—2
John Dunn, 105 (McCue)	6—1	2—1
Ixion, 110 (Elrod)	3—1	8—5

Gleesome won by a neck in a drive, with Ixion second and Gov. Hogg a length back. Time—1.15 3-4.

RESULTS AT ROBY.

RACE TRACK, ROBY, Dec. 18.—The races on this track to-day resulted as follows:

First Race—Six furlongs.—Won by Zaldivar, even and out; Shenandoah Maid second, even place; Mockahi third. Time—1.19.

Second Race—Six furlongs.—Won by Fullerton, 8 to 1 and 2 to 1; Seville second, even place; Sprite third. Time—1.18¼.

Third Race—Four and one-half furlongs.—Won by Hibernia Queen, 6 to 1 and 2 to 1; Mother of Pearl second, 2 to 1 place; John Cowan third. Time—0.56 3-4.

ALEXANDER ISLAND ENTRIES.

RACE TRACK, ALEXANDER ISLAND, Dec. 18.—The entries and weights for Wednesday follow:

First Race—Selling; four and a half furlongs.

Gold Digger 110	Come Home 110		
Outen Lou 110	Commodore Roughan 110		
Woodchopper 110	Padre 110		
Kazan 110	Tedd Gegg 110		
U. U. 110	Lakeview 110		
Venusberg 110	Sextus 110		
Dashing Charlie 110	Reynard 110		
Bobolink 110			

Second Race—Selling; six and a half furlongs.

Half Breed 111	Sweetmeats 103		
His Grace 108	Blizzard 107		
Blue Bird 107	Detriot 104		
Carnalite 104	Cadet 104		
By Jove 104	Flushing 102		
Charlatan 102	Bert 101		
Fredericks 96	Blackfoot 96		

Third Race—Selling; mile and a sixteenth.

Eclipse 112	Mirage 108		
Sam Bryant 108	Fagot 106		
Uncle Jim 105	Tenacious 103		
Prince Klamath 103	Helena g 102		

Fourth Race—Selling; five furlongs.

Elmstone 111	Frank R. Harf 111		
Intimidad 110	Con Lucey 110		
Lithograph 110	Walcott 110		
Frolicsome Lass 106	Sonora 103		
Trailer 104	Jennie T 103		

Fifth Race—Selling; six and a half furlongs.

Adventuress 105	Patti 100		
Irene 100	Dorman 98		
Ben 98	The Clown 95		
Jewel 95	Belgravia 90		
Beauregard 90	Bradley 90		
Forenzo 90	Princess Marie 88		
Danger 88			

A COLLISION IN BROADWAY.

Passengers Piled in Heaps by a Crash of Street Cars.

A Green line car and a Broadway cable car, both loaded with passengers, crashed together at Thirty-fourth street and Broadway at 7.45 this morning. The blame for the collision is charged to both the gripman and the driver, but the one responsible cannot be singled out until an official investigation is made.

The cable car came bowling along at full speed, the gripman stamping the gong incessantly as a warning to the driver of the approaching crosstown car.

The latter, no doubt, considered that he had the right of way, or else that he had plenty of time to cross the cable track.

Seeing that a collision was inevitable, the gripman applied the brakes and the driver whipped up his horses in an effort to escape.

The rear end of the green car was struck with sufficient force to derail it and almost tear the body from the trucks. The passengers in both cars were unseated by the force of the impact, and piled in a heap on the floor.

Ladies screamed, men cursed, and in less time than it takes to tell, the square was blocked with people.

No one was seriously hurt. Several women in the cable car were obliged to return home to patch up their disarranged toilets, and several silk hats were as badly bent as their owners' tempers.

The damage to the cable car was comparatively slight, but the green car was disabled and was taken to the car shops for repairs.

FERRY-BOAT COLLISION.

The Al Foster Crashes Into a Fulton Ferry-Boat on Its Way Over.

A collision occurred in midstream of the East River at 7.30 o'clock this morning between the ferry-boat Fulton and the Fishing Banks steamer Al Foster.

The ferry-boat was making its regular run from Fulton street, New York, to Fulton street, Brooklyn. The officers of the ferry line are reticent concerning the affair, but they claim that their boat had the right of way.

The steamer Al Foster struck the port bow of the ferry-boat just forward of the bitts, carrying away the bumper chock and several feet of the rail.

Only a few people were aboard the boat at the time, and no injuries are known to have been sustained.

The ferry-boat went to the repair shops at the foot of Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn. It is thought that the damage will not exceed $50.

DEBS WON'T APPEAL.

He and Other A. R. U. Officials Decide to Go to Jail.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Eugene V. Debs, President of the American Railway Union, and his colleagues, have decided to take the penalty imposed by Judge Woods for contempt of court, without appeal. They will go to the Cook County jail next Monday.

The officials reached this decision today without the advice of their attorneys, and their decision is positive. The way an appeal would be probably of no avail. The worry and expense were also considerations.

Fire in 22d Regiment Armory.

An over-heated flue caused a fire at 10.45 this morning in the Twenty-second Regiment Armory, Sixty-eighth street and Boulevard. About $2,000 damage was done to the building and $1,000 to contents.

Another Shoe-Trade Failure.

Samuel and Gottschalk Cohn, the firm of Samuel Cohn & Bro., shoe dealers, have confessed judgments for $32,722—to the Rose Hide Bank, $12,854; Salis Cohn, $8,984; Henry Cohn, $8,854. Liabilities are reported at about $400,000.

House Will Take a Recess.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The House will adjourn for the holiday recess at the close of Saturday's session, until Jan. 2.

40 TO 1 AT NEW ORLEANS.

Ben Wilson Leads All the Way and Wins the Second Race.

(Special to The Evening World.)

RACE TRACK, NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 18.—Such perfect weather as the management is being favored with here is remarkable for December. It was clear and cool this afternoon, and 3,000 persons were at the track, which was very fast.

The stables of Thomas Shannon and Ireland & Hopkins arrived here this morning from Lexington.

FIRST RACE.

Selling; six furlongs.

Starters.	Betting.	St.	Hlf.	Fin.
Bessie Nichols, 108, (C. J'son)	even 1-3	5	4½	1½
Merritt, 104 (J. Gardner)	15-1	5-1	1	1½ 2
Elberon, 105 (Flanegan)	6-1	2-1	3	2½ 3
Darwin Wood, 105 (Pearson)	30-1	6-1	4	3h 4h
Marcel, 104 (Penn)	15-1	8-1	6	7 5
Miss Clark, 106 (J. McDonald)	3-1	7-10	2	5 6
Hodgson, 104 (J. Hill)	10-1	3-1	3	6 7
Ora Andrain 104 (Furr)	50-1	15-1	7	3 4

Merritt, Miss Clark and Hodgson got away in front, Merritt showing the way up the backstretch and to the lower turn. There Elberon and Bessie Nichols closed on the leader, and the three made a pretty race in the stretch, Bessie Nichols beating Merritt a short head, with Elberon third, a length away. Time—1.15¼.

SECOND RACE.

Selling; six furlongs.

Starters.	Betting.	St.	Hlf.	Fin.
Ben Wilson, 97 (Harold)	40-1	10-1	3	2½ 1h
Stella M., 101 (Van Dusen)	20-1	6-1	2	1½ 2h
Prince Imperial, 108 (Penn)	2-5	out	10	1h 3½
Panway, 101 (Pinnegan)	10-1	2-1	4	4 4
Promenade, 97 (W. Jones)	10-1	3-1	7	5½ 5
Old Dominion, 107 (J. Hill)	12-1	3-1	11	7 6
Sam Farmer, 107 (H. Shields)	50-1	10-1	6	4 7
Dixie D., 97 (Thomas)	100-1	20-1	5	8 8
Van Cleve, 99 (Gardner)	30-1	40-1	8	10 9
Cyclone, 101 (H. Clayton)	10-1	3-1	9	11 10
Forest Belle, 99 (Gregory)	30-1	40-1	1	9 11

Forest Belle, Stella M. and Ben Wilson were first away, but Stella M. at once took the lead, followed by Ben Wilson, Panway and Prince Imperial. At the lower turn Prince Imperial was leading, with Wilson and Stella M. next. In the race home the three ran almost on even terms, Ben Wilson finally winning by a head in the last jump. Stella M. was the same distance before Prince Imperial. Time—1.15 1-2.

THIRD RACE.

Handicap; five and a half furlongs.

Starters.	Betting.	St.	Hlf.	Fin.
Rapid Transit, 102 (Penn)	9-2	4-5	1	1½ 1½
Push, 105 (A. Moore)	100—1			40—1
Belle Blackburn, 95 (Ham)	6—1			2—1
Revolve, 109 (H. Lewis)	3—1			3—1
Red Cross, 101 (Godfrey)	40—1			10—1
Mask, 105 (Johnson)	5—1			even
Ellen H., 100 (Murphy)	10—1			3—1
Grand Prix, 107 (Manlove)	7—5			1—2

Mask was first.
Grand Prix was second.
Benvolio was third.
Time—1.25.

FIFTH RACE.

Selling; six and a half furlongs.

Starters, weights and jockeys.	Betting. Straight.	Place.
Push, 105 (A. Moore)	100—1	40—1
Belle Blackburn, 95 (Ham)	6—1	2—1
Revolve, 109 (H. Lewis)	3—1	3—1
Red Cross, 101 (Godfrey)	40—1	10—1
Mask, 105 (Johnson)	5—1	even
Ellen H., 100 (Murphy)	10—1	3—1
Grand Prix, 107 (Manlove)	7—5	1—2

Mask was first.
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