

BROOKLYN NEWS.

CAMERAS FOR DETECTIVES.

New Departure in Hunting Evidence of Corruption in Cities.

Brooklyn Public Departments to Receive an Overhauling.

The Law Enforcement Society, of Brooklyn, took the first steps this morning towards executing its plans for purifying the city by swearing in a number of detectives. They will begin at once gathering evidence. Money is pouring into the Society's treasury. Last night, at a mass-meeting, over \$500 was subscribed.

The most novel feature of the Society is the employment of snap shot cameras for collecting evidence. At the meeting the value of the camera was demonstrated by stereoscopic views of policemen standing in a line. Money is pouring into the Society's treasury. Last night, at a mass-meeting, over \$500 was subscribed.

Saloon-Keepers Will Use the Ballot

The resolutions of the Brooklyn Excise Commissioners to increase the license fees to nearly double the present rates has caused consternation among the small saloon-keepers. This morning the action of Mayor Schieren's Commissioners would hurt the Republican party at the next election.

A Detective Fined for Contempt.

In the Brooklyn Court of Sessions to-day, Judge Moore fined Detective Sgt. John C. Cochran \$5 for contempt of court, to stand committed until paid. Cochran failed to appear on time as a witness in the trial of John Grover, charged with running a policy shop.

Pooh Bah Ferguson at It Again.

Supervisor Cornelius Ferguson, of Brooklyn, of New Utrecht, resisted upon selling Bath Beach.

CURES OTHERS

Trinity Station, Morgan Co., Ala. Dr. E. V. Pierce's Dear Sir—In the fall of last year I suffered from rheumatism in my left shoulder and elbow. I tried a great many medicines but they all failed to afford relief. From the time I began Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, until I felt that I was cured, was a period covering four or five months. While the cure lasted, I suffered a great deal, but could not dream of giving up or of giving up my health as splendid. I had spent a great deal of money previously, in various kinds of medicine, but the "Discovery" from the day I commenced until I was well, cost only FOUR DOLLARS.

Accept my gratitude, and I beg to subscribe myself,
Your friend,
REV. WILSON WILLIAMS.

WHY NOT YOU?

DICK NEWTON'S TIME UP.

He Will Be Free To-Morrow and Will See His New-Born Babe.

A complete new suit of clothes, including underwear, shoes, stockings and shirt, was received by Warden Hayes, of the Crow Hill Penitentiary, this morning for Richard V. B. Newton, John Y. McKane's pal and ex-justice of the Peace of Gravesend, who will have served out his sentence of nine months to-morrow.



RICHARD V. B. NEWTON.

Newton began counting the hours to-day until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning, when he will walk out of the prison a free man. He is anxious to see his young son, who was born a few weeks ago. Some of Newton's friends from Coney Island sent word to Warden Hayes this morning that they would call with a carriage for the convict. The next Gravesender to be released from the penitentiary is ex-Constable Jamesion.

Another Trolley Suit.

Mrs. Maggie Miller sued the Brooklyn Heights Railroad in the City Court, Brooklyn, to-day to recover \$10,000 damages for personal injuries while attempting to alight from a car on the Flatbush avenue line her dress caught on a button used for fastening the awnings, and she was thrown to the ground. The jury decided to go to the depot and examine the car.

Policemen Want to Retire.

Police Commissioner Welles of Brooklyn to-day received applications of three policemen to be retired on Jan. 1 under the twenty-year law. The applicants are Detective Sgt. Edward Noonan, Sgt. James C. Ryan and Patrolman James Cain.

Murderer Stefano Under Arrest.

PERTH AMBOY, N. J., Dec. 20.—Word was received in this city at noon to-day that George Stefano, the murderer of Stephen May, a Swede, was under arrest at Blackwood, Pa.

COOLNESS AVERTED A PANIC.

200 School Children Marched Safely from a Burning Building.

A fire in St. Anthony's Parochial School, 60 Macdougal street, at 11:45 o'clock to-day created some little excitement among the teachers and pupils, but the presence of mind of the Sister in charge of the room in which it occurred happily averted a panic.

The fire was discovered in a classroom on the top floor of the building, in which there were about 100 children, between the ages of ten and fourteen years. Smoke was seen issuing from a crack in the floor about two feet from the register which connects with the furnace in the basement. The Sister in charge quietly dismissed the scholars before any of the ordinary had happened and then notified the other teachers throughout the building.

The 200 pupils fled out in good order, with the exception of the smaller children on the ground floor, who smelled the smoke and rushed out, leaving their coats and wraps behind them. No one was injured. The fire was extinguished in a short time by the Fire Department. The damage amounted to not over \$25.

Fine Food for John Burns.

A dinner will be tendered by Dr. Parkhurst and Mr. Goff to John Burns on the latter's return from the West. This is to be done with the idea of giving the labor agitator pleasanter views of America and hoping that he has not had more than twenty guests will be present.

Brodie's Christmas Gift.

A large express package for Steve Brodie, delivered yesterday, contained a gold-headed cane for Steve, and a diamond brooch for Mrs. Brodie.

Letter from Mr. R. G. Butler, President of the Detroit Newsboys' Association, explained that the gifts had been bought for Brodie's present at a recent meeting in Detroit for the benefit of the Association. When "the boys" were in Detroit, Steve gave the newsboys a Thanksgiving dinner.

Midnight Treatment Fire.

Just before midnight fire started on a fourth-floor tenement, 114 Union street, and was discovered by Mrs. Goldstein. His wife was arrested, charged with setting the place on fire with her husband's aid. He escaped. She was held in Essex Court this morning.

Mr. Strong to Be Non-Ferocious.

It is reported that Mayor Strong will appoint one Republican and one Democrat as Commissioners of Accounts. Ex-Mayor Grace wants Cal Robert Giff; Monroe to be the Democrat; selected. Marvett W. Cooper is the likely Republican.

Ex-Gov. Alcorn Dead.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 20.—Ex-Governor and ex-Senator James L. Alcorn died this morning of his estate, at Eagle's Nest, Miss.

"BUY OF THE MAKER"

NEW JERSEY DECKER BROTHERS

NEWEST arrivals: Fin de Siecle Toilet Articles, real Delft, Royal Dresden Groups and Figures, Porcelain Paintings, new styles of Cut Glass in great variety, Game and Fish Sets, large assortment of goods suitable for Holiday Gifts to gentlemen. Early visitors will find most complete assortment.

Wilhelm & Graef,
Broadway and 26th Street.

PIANOS

DECKER BUILDING, Union Square, W.

IN THE DIVORCE COURT.

Judge Dugro Kept Busy by Many Ill-Assorted Couples.

Judge Dugro, of the Superior Court, was kept busy to-day listening to the tales of woe of unhappy married couples who wanted their marriage vows judicially annulled. By 12:15 o'clock he had heard five suits for absolute divorce.

The first suit was that of Elizabeth Mesmer against Emil Mesmer, who runs the "Managers" saloon, at Crosby and Spring streets, where Capt. Creedon's \$15,000 for the purchase of a carajinsky is said to have changed hands between Martin and Reppenhagen. Judge Dugro reserved decision.

The next case was that of Mary Dunn against James Dunn.

Bertha Jackson, who was named as correspondent by Mrs. Dunn, admitted having lived with Dunn. Decision reserved.

Herbert E. Gibson asked for an absolute divorce from Alice M. Gibson. The complaint was dismissed.

The next case was that of Hannah Cook against George Cook. A witness swore to having been introduced to the woman not the plaintiff by Cook as his wife. Decision reserved.

Albert E. Royal sued his wife, Grace J. Royal, for a divorce on a charge of improper conduct at the Hotel Royal in 1909. Judge Dugro dismissed the suit on the ground that more than five years had elapsed since the offense was committed.

Judge Gierich, of the Court of Common Pleas, to-day heard the suit of John E. Nickerson for an absolute divorce from Alice M. Nickerson. Nickerson is attached to Hook and Ladder Company No. 4, and was married in September, 1878, and has three children.

Mrs. Eva Hickey, of 306 West Eleventh street, testified that in April, 1902, Mrs. Nickerson rented a room from her. She said that Mrs. Nickerson at that time told her that she was a widow. The following letter from Mrs. Nickerson to her husband was offered in evidence:

My dear husband: I now make this appeal to you. Will you give me another chance? I will be to you the perfect wife I was first. I have suffered for my mistakes in thinking I was not your love and respecting the best wishes from you in killing me, and it is so far worse since the Saturday I took Lydia to Greenville. I think my heart will break if you do not for give me. I will make all amends for the past. Believe me, your affectionate wife,
ALICE M. NICKERSON.

Must Support Wife and Children.

Charles H. Hanson, of Columbia Heights, Brooklyn, formerly a wealthy jeweler of this city, was arraigned in Morrisania Police Court this morning, charged by his wife, Emily, with desertion and failure to support her and their four children. Hanson's defense was based on

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Tillie clung to the woman, and in the struggle that followed she was bitten on the right arm. Oestreicher then came to her rescue and arrested the shoplifter. The gloves were found on her when she was searched.

THE WEBER PIANO CO.

A German-American Establishment of Over Forty Years' Standing.

"The Weber Piano business is one of the oldest of the kind in New York City. It was established on a modest scale over forty years ago by Albert Weber, the inventor, who, being a thoroughly skilled manufacturer and an able business man, achieved a high reputation, owing to the marked degree of excellence—musical, artistic and mechanical—with which he endowed the noble instrument still bearing his name. This reputation, both of man and piano, yet still undiminished, but it was attained only by great mental and physical strain to the founder of the business resulting in his death at a comparatively early age; and, however, such was his regard for the future of his work, which was to be the matter of the best piano in America.

"After Mr. Weber's death the development of the business continued without interruption, and the corporation law preserving the business of the Weber Piano Company, looking upon his achievements with the highest regard, determined that the inherited fame of the Weber piano shall be not only kept intact, but augmented.

"The managers of the Company include men who have had a technical training commensurate with their wide commercial experience, and they continually avail of every means to uphold the traditions of German canton, ability and attitude embodied in the name of Weber, which is forever secured in the Company.

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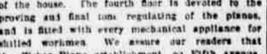
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Extra brass and steel nails on soles of shoes (as per illustration) make the shoes wear as long as three extra pair of half soles.

With the new Waterproof Shoe made by Bloomingdale Bros. there is no wet or damp feet. Between the inner sole and the outer sole is placed a full layer of waterproof material; between the upper part of shoe and the regular lining there is another full lining of heavy oilskin; the edges of both are so closely cemented that no snow or water or dampness can penetrate. Made in lace only.

Youths' sizes, 12 to 2, widths D 2.24 and E, in 2 grades, at 1.98 and 2.48

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(HEYL'S BRAND.) For Street or Evening Dress Wear.

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Slippers, 89c.

Men's Fancy Holiday Slippers: Included in this set are real alligator slippers, in all colors; regular value \$2.00 to \$2.50, at 89c.

Also Boys' Calfskin School Shoes, suitable for skating, all sizes, 11 to 1-12; actual value \$2.00, at 1.29

Holiday Confectionery

Pure American Mixture, per lb. .10
Special French Holiday Mixture, per lb. .19
Cornucopia, per dozen. .08
Cornucopia, large (big bargain), per dozen. .20

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Upholstery Dep't

(Third Floor) will offer Friday and Saturday Two Special Lots of

Lace Curtains

Reduced for Holiday Presents

Renaissance, Brussels, Phrygiens, Colberts and Point Marguerites, at

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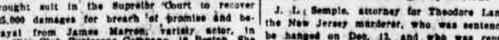
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CLOAKS.

To-Morrow

We shall close out remainder of our stock of \$3.50 cloth finished, rain-proof garments for ladies, at

1.98.

Ladies' Stylish Gossamers, made with short double capes, in plain and mixed colors, and in all sizes, arranged in fancy boxes, suitable for Xmas gifts, worth 5.00, special price, 2.98

Ladies' Separate Dress Skirts in extra quality English serge, lined throughout, former price 4.50 9.00

Ladies' Handsome Black Cheviot and French Beaver Coats, in 2 lengths, half-lined, new plated backs, very large sleeves, former price 17.75, at 8.98

Ladies' Handsome Circular Capes of best English seal plush—full sweep—medium length—trimmed in rich sable and Marton furs. A very expensive garment, at half-price to-morrow.

Ask to see them.

CLOAKS and SUITS.

MISSIE'S and CHILDREN'S.

Highest grade garments at less than half-price to-morrow.

Missie's fine Beaver and All-Wool Cheviot NEWMARKETS, cape and collar—fur and braid trimmed—sizes 12 to 18 years—now 6.98 earlier in season 18.00, price 6.98

Children's All-Wool BEAVER COATS, handsomely trimmed, deep capes and plaid hoods, for 6.98 mer value 14.00, at 6.98

Children's ALL WOOL DRESSES, handsomely trimmed, silk-shirred front, velvet revers, sizes 6 to 14 yrs., formerly 6.50, now 2.98

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Our own importation "Prince George" Jackets, from Virgoe, Middleton & Co., London, value \$10.98, at 7.97

English and German Plaid House Coats, closing out odd lots, worth \$3.98 to \$10.00, at 2.98

Special lot DRESSING GOWNS—English and German Velours, also full-quilted Tricot gowns, ranging in value from \$11.98 to \$16.98, your choice at 8.88

Men's Hats.

Men's Double Band Yacht Caps, for Winter, in plain and fancy colors at 49c, 69c and 98c

Men's Fine French Coney Fur Caps, in the Driving, Gotham and Polo shapes; worth \$2.00... 1.69

BIG SPECIAL—Men's Rea's Caps, in the Gotham and Polo shapes; worth \$2.00; special at \$4.98

In cases Men's Fine Quality Fur Felt Alpines, satin lined, the latest shapes, in black and brown; sold in stock for \$2.25, at 1.48

Men's Best Quality Derbys, in the new winter shapes, colors, black and brown, sold in stock for \$4.00, at 2.90

Harmony, \$195.00.



Also Violins, Mandolins, Banjos, Zithers, Autoharps, Music Boxes, and everything in the way of Musical Instruments at strictly Dry Goods prices. Full guarantee with everything sold.

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Latest Novelty in Silk Crepon, round shirred yoke, stylish sleeves, velvet collars, gathered belt 3.69

Changeable Surah Taffeta Silks, short and long effects, all well made and lined throughout, 4.49, 4.75, 4.98

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Black and White Check Taffeta Silks, Black and White Striped Satins, all made in the newest styles, 5.98 and 6.98

Complete assortment of Fine Waists, chiffons and light shades, for house and evening wear, all-wool flannel waists, six plaits and full front, .98 and 1.29

Fine All-Wool Assabeth Flannel Waists, yoke-back, both gathered and yoke front, all with fitted linings, 1.69, 1.98 and 2.69

Cashmere Waists, in a variety of styles, yoke backs, gathered fronts and round shirred yokes, trimmed with sou-tache braids and lace insertions, 1.39, 1.49, 1.69, 2.25, 2.93

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Stylish JACKETS of excellent beaver, double-breasted, full sleeve, coat back, worth \$7.50, at 4.98

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