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# BASEBALL

## Giants Brace Up After First Inning and Play Good Ball Against Brooklyns.

(Special to The Evening World.)

POLO GROUNDS, July 25.

**Giants Loop the Loop.**

We're weary of shooting the chute,
We're sick of tobogganing down,
So now with a whoop we're looping the loop
And soon will be owning the town.

Get on to us stand on our heads,
Now aren't we a beautiful group?
Just look at us skip at a ninety-mile clip,
The Giants a-looping the loop.

"Looping the loop in baseball park," said Manager George Davis to his assembled pupils to-day, "means get there, and get there quick, understand?"

We do, we do,
It's P D Q,

warbled the playful boys, and all promised to keep up the gait they struck over in Gowanus yesterday.

**Contrast in Temperatures.**

For a study in peculiar climates and quick change in atmospheric conditions commend me to this town of Gotham and to see it illustrated go to the ball games. Yesterday in the Washington Park sweat-box it was hot enough to fry eggs on the planks, and the only man with a coat on was carried off in an ambulance. Everybody else wore shirt-waists.

To-day up at Coogansville a right chilly fifteen-knot gale whistled over Freedman's pasture that drove the ice-cold drink venders to thoughts of suicide. Shirt-waisted women shivered and turned blue about the lips, and three men wore overcoats. The change was agreeable for players and spectators alike, but it promised to make trouble for the fielders if the teams got their batting clothes on.

**Threatening Clouds.**

But there was a threatening prospect of rain in the black-looking clouds that hovered over the Polo Grounds and the rooters did not come as fast as usual, holding off till the last minute to avoid risk of rain checks.

**The Batting Order.**

| New York. | Brooklyn. |
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| Van Haltren, cf. | Kelley, lb. |
| Strang, 2b. | Keeler, rf. |
| McBride, rf. | Sheckard, lf. |
| Davis, ss. | Daly, 2b. |
| Selbach, lf. | Dahlen, ss. |
| Ganzel, 1b. | McCreery, cf. |
| Hickman, 3b. | Irwin, 3b. |
| Warner, c. | McGuire, c. |
| Mathewson, p. | Kitson, p. |

Umpire—Dwyer.

**New Pitcher Signed.**

William Deegan, a new find in the pitching line, signed a contract with Davis to-day. He is said to be the best ever, and the captain expects he will turn out to be a second Matty. He is a Vermont boy and has pitched for the Tarrytown nine all summer and has shut out every team opposed to his this year.

He pitched a fourteen-inning game on July 4 at Tarrytown, which was stopped by darkness, with the score nothing to nothing. Deegan's share of the work was to strike out eighteen men and allow only three hits. Schenectady and Utica were both after Deegan, but he refused their bids.

Davis watched him toss 'em up yesterday in practice and offered to sign him right off. Deegan was coy, though, and refused his signature until to-day, when he decided to join the Giants.

**What Will Deegan Do?**

If as good as he is said to be, this lad will be a tower of strength to the team. Deegan is curly headed, with a sharp, smooth-shaven face, and his 5 feet 9 inches are well set up and all muscle.

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# MOTHER'S STORY WILL DECIDE FATE OF FOSBURG.

## Hearers Moved to Tears by the Recital of the Tragedy and Both Sides in the Celebrated Murder Trial Rest — Detective Hazen's Startling Testimony.

Mrs. Fosburg, the mother of Robert Fosburg, on trial at Pittsfield, Mass., for the murder of his sister, took the stand this afternoon to testify in behalf of her son.

Compelled to leave court by a sudden indisposition two hours before, she had somewhat recovered herself, but it was apparent that she was bearing up by a most determined effort. Her evidence was given in a low, sweet voice which at times trembled.

When she told of her daughter lying bleeding on the floor she burst into tears and many women in the court began to sob. The whole story was one of intense dramatic interest and held all hearers spellbound.

The defense rested at 2.30 o'clock without putting the defendant or his wife on the stand.

William B. Hazen, ex-Chief of the United States Secret Service, and one of the cleverest detectives in the world, gave testimony for the defense.

The detective's statement was brief, but it proved a setback to the State, which contends that one of the alleged burglars at Fosburg's house could not have got out through the eleven-inch opening between a screen and the window-sill, as claimed by the defense.

Hazen went to the house, rehearsed the shooting as described by the Fosburgs, and, running down the hallway, got out through the window to the balcony in five seconds. Two men with him did it in less time. This testimony was considered most vital.

Miss Bertha Sheldon, who was visiting the Fosburg home at the time of the tragedy, corroborated the story told by the elder Fosburg, and cross-examination did not shake it.

At 4.15 o'clock both the State and the defense rested with the understanding that the State should have an opportunity to place Col. Whitney on the stand in rebuttal to-morrow morning, to which time the court adjourned.

### MRS. FOSBURG WEEPS ON STAND.

(Special to The Evening World.)

PITTSFIELD, Mass., July 25.—Mrs. Robert E. Fosburg, mother of the accused, told her story on the witness stand during the afternoon session.

She and Mrs. Mattie Beverly were sworn immediately at the reopening of court.

Mrs. Fosburg took the stand at 2.25 o'clock. There was a stir in the courtroom. She said she came to Pittsfield from Buffalo to live in June, intending to remain for a month. She told the names and ages of her children and of her daughter-in-law.

Her son and his wife had lived with his father and mother here three days when Mrs. Fosburg, sr., was called to

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# WARRANT FOR BROOKLYN CORONER DELAP.

## Witnesses Say He Took Money for Death Certificates.

The charges against the Brooklyn Coroner, George W. Delap, of manipulating death certificates for a consideration, were heard by Magistrate Naumer in the Adams Street Court this afternoon, and a warrant issued for the Coroner's arrest.

District-Attorney John F. Clarke asked for the warrant after examining a half-dozen witnesses.

Delap's counsel, Frederick E. Crane, promised to have his client in court to-morrow morning.

The taking of testimony before the Magistrate began at 2.30 P. M. The court-room was filled with interested politicians and those immediately concerned in the case against the Coroner.

The first witness was William Lewis, whose story presented Delap in a bad way. Lewis resides at No. 60 Conselyea street, and in 1898 was a clerk in the Coroner's office. Upon his own admissions Lewis was the go-between for Delap. "I collected the money," said Lewis, "and turned it over to him."

Lewis testified that in November, 1898, Bella Barron, the wife of Theodore F. Barron, died at No. 578 Bedford avenue, apparently a suicide.

"I was sent there," Lewis went on, "and was told by Coroner Delap not to take the $100 the family offered. He wanted $250. I got that amount and the death was ascribed to natural causes. I saw the Coroner place five $50 bills in his pocket. I gave them to him in a sealed envelope."

The witness also testified that William Lentz drank carbolic acid at his home, No. 205 Huron street.

"I met Undertaker McGuckin at the house. He got $75 from the family and gave it to me.

"I visited the Coroner at his home that night and gave the money to him."

The case of Philip Kachel, of No. 26 Hamburg avenue, who committed suicide by inhaling gas, was also cited.

"Coroner Delap received a check from Kachel's wife," said Lewis, "and I accompanied him to the Broadway Bank, where he got the paper cashed."

Mrs. Kate Lentz testified that the Coroner had told her that she could not get the insurance on her husband's life unless she had the proper death certificate. It cost her $100 for the Coroner.

It was after hearing the last witness that the District-Attorney asked for the warrant.

It will not be served provided Mr. Crane produces his client in the Adams Street Court to-morrow morning.

### FIREMAN'S INJURIES FATAL.

**Joseph Dooley, Scalded in Boiler Explosion, Dies in Hospital.**

Joseph Dooley, of No. 321 Tenth avenue, a fireman, who was scalded in a boiler explosion in the candy factory of the Poyet Manufacturing Company at 208, 402 to 406 Tenth avenue to-day, died this afternoon in Bellevue Hospital.

### FOUND $9,000 CHECK.

**Police Look for Owner of One Picked Up in Central Park.**

The police of the Central Park Station want an owner for a $9,000 check of the Colonial Bank, drawn to the order of Edward Murray and signed by Geo. E. Cross. The check was found to-day in the park.

# TO PROBE BRIDGE.

## Grand Jury Will Make Inquiry—Investigation Shows Structure in Bad Shape.

*A close examination of the Brooklyn Bridge this morning showed it to be in a deplorable condition with ironwork rusted, woodwork neglected and vital parts of the structure practically rotting away. This was true particularly of where the suspenders from the cable entered the girders.*

*Acting District-Attorney Le Barbier sent a communication to Police Commissioner Murphy to-day calling for an immediate report on the bridge. He said that if, as reported, the breakages had been known and no steps were taken to repair them, this constituted criminal negligence and would be at once called to the attention of the Grand Jury.*

*Further breaks in suspenders and other weaknesses were discovered to-day.*

*All traffic on the north roadway was suspended to-day and will be until repairs are made. Only light trucks and a few cars are allowed on the south roadway.*

*William H. Morrell, of No. 34 West Twenty-fifth street, went to the offices of the Commissioner of Bridges to-day and declared that the north roadway of the bridge had sagged six inches.*

*Assistant Supervising Engineer Probasco says that traffic on the bridge may be resumed in full to-morrow morning.*

An Evening World reporter secured a pass from Assistant Supervising Engineer Probasco to-day and visited the north roadway of the bridge. There he found several workmen busy constructing a slight scaffolding below and alongside one of the fractured rods.

A hasty examination showed that the bolts had been eaten away by corrosion and that the decomposition of the hard steel must have been progressing for a long time. As one of the workmen put it: "It has just simply rotted away."

**BRIDGE MEN NOT ON DUTY.**

Commissioner of Bridges Shea is on a yachting cruise.

Deputy Commissioner Beam, of Brooklyn, off fishing.

Chief Engineer Martin is in Tewksbury, Mass.

A more critical examination also showed that the molecular make-up of the steel had evidently changed. The fractured edges were not firm but crumbling. The rust extends to an appreciable depth beneath the surface of the fracture.

**Fractured Suspenders.**

The fractures of the suspender bolts are eight in number. Five are located on the Brooklyn side of the bridge centre. The remaining three are on the Manhattan side of the sliding plate. This plate is in the exact centre of the structure and is eighteen inches in width. It compensates for the expansion of the bridge girders. The suspender bolts, each pair of which supports one of the flooring beams, are fastened to the big wire cable above by a strap of steel five inches in width and half an inch in thickness. The bolts hang from this strap by a hinge joint, which was placed there to allow for any motion of the flooring beams, either lateral or longitudinal.

It certainly could not have been an expansion of the metal that snapped two of these bands. The fractures in both these cases are not new. The edges are corroded with rust, although here and there may be seen the sparkling glint of the steel. The particles, however, are not fine nor sharp-edged, but seem to be rounded as if by some strange force.

**Corroded by Water.**

Hour after hour and day after day this action has continued, until the weakened bolt, no longer able to stand its share of the load, broke. Its neighbor, also weak, followed suit, and perhaps a month followed before one or two more also parted. How long this might have continued had not an observant citizen made the discovery of the broken strap, can only be conjectured.

The parting of a half dozen or half

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**London Has Great Storm.**

LONDON, July 25.—A phenomenal thunderstorm, accompanied by hail and incessant lightning, raged for a couple of hours in London this afternoon.

The streets were turned into rivers. The underground railroad was flooded and trains were stopped.

**Mr. Kruger at The Hague.**

THE HAGUE, July 25.—Mr. Kruger arrived here this afternoon and proceeded to the residence of Mr. Wolmarans, one of the Boer envoys, at Scheveningen, a watering place on the North Sea.

# BRIGHTON CUP FIZZLES OUT.

(Special to The Evening World.)

BRIGHTON BEACH RACE TRACK, July 25.—The race for the $10,000 Brighton Cup has fizzled out and will practically be no race. Tom Welch announced this afternoon that he would not start Bounibert or Blues. This leaves only Prince of Melbourne and Rochester to go in the big stake, and makes it a practical walkover for the Prince.

### KIMBERLY WON'T SERVE.

**Admiral Will Ask to Be Taken Off Schley Board.**

WEST NEWTON, Mass., July 25.—Rear-Admiral L. A. Kimberly said today that owing to ill-health he would ask to be relieved from serving on the Schley Court of Inquiry.

He has been in poor health since his retirement from the active list.

# PRIZE HORSES AT HOLLYWOOD.

Hollywood Park, at Long Branch, N. J., presented a festive appearance today when the annual midsummer exhibition of the Monmouth County Horse Show Association was opened.

The grounds and track were in superb condition, and some of the finest roadsters, four-in-hands, saddle horses, jumpers and ponies, which will compete for the premiums offered by the association, were shown on the course.

The hotels and cottages are thronged with horse-show folks and the boxes and park spaces have been well rented, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington being represented among the patrons of the show, which will continue until Saturday.

This afternoon's card comprised thirteen events.

# DEVERY RAPS TWO SERGEANTS

## Heavy Fine for Petty—Hulburt May Be Dismissed.

It is evident that Deputy Commissioner Devery does not think much of the qualifications as an expert on gunshot wounds of Sergt. William E. Petty, of the Madison street station. He said so this morning.

Petty testifies in murder trials. He was a star witness in the Myles McDonnell case, and on July 13 failed to report at the station-house until late at night, although Inspector Cross had ordered him to be on duty at 8 o'clock in the morning.

Petty was put on trial before the Deputy Commissioner to-day. He said in his own defense that he had been on service for the District-Attorney in the McDonnell case.

"Since when was you an expert on gunshot wounds?" queried the Deputy Commissioner.

"Six years," replied Petty.

"I never knowed you to be huntin' around for any real shootin'," volunteered the Deputy Commissioner. "You'd do better if you'd pay more attention to your duty as a sergeant and less to tellin' about somethin' you don't know anything about. Twenty days' pay for you."

Sergt. Hulburt, of the Macdougal street station, was charged with failing to make proper entries in the blotter, and with having a patrolman fill out bail bonds.

"You never did this when I was your Captain," said the Deputy Commissioner to Hulburt. "Now, as a warning to all sergeants in this line of making out bail bonds—squeezing people—I'm going to recommend to the Commissioner that you be dismissed from the department."

# BROOKLYN MAN STABS HIMSELF.

## Young Armstead Cut His Throat in Car at Butte, Mont.

Confirmation was received here to-day of the report that Henry A. Armstead, who lived with his father, Henry H. Armstead, at No. 511 Third street, Brooklyn, had attempted suicide in a Pullman car at Butte, Mon.

George William Fletcher, of Philadelphia, a young man who accompanied Armstead on his trip West, sent word that while Armstead was in the toilet-room he was suddenly overcome by heat and made several jabs at his throat.

Late to-day Mr. Armstead received this telegram:

"Unavoidably delayed in Butte. Everything all right. Love to all."

According to the report, when Armstead came from the toilet-room with blood streaming from his throat he staggered toward Fletcher, saying:

"Harry, I did this to save you."

The elder Armstead is a broker at No. 5 Beekman street. He is heavily interested in mines in the West and his son is associated with him in business. Young Fletcher is the son of a millionaire. Both the young men were firm friends. No explanation could be had as to Armstead's remark after he hacked his throat.

### WEATHER FORECAST.

**Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Friday for New York City and vicinity: Cloudy, with showers and moderate temperature, to-night and Friday; fresh north to east winds.**