

PISTOL FIGHT WITH CAR THIEVES

Plunderers of N. Y. C. Freight Open Fire When Found at Robbery.

Twenty shots were exchanged between two policemen, a watchman and a gang of nine railroad thieves in a running fight early to-day along the tracks of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad. The fight started at Ninety-sixth street and continued to Eighty-eighth street, where the thieves fled in different directions. None of them was caught.

Frank McCarthy, a watchman, discovered the thieves plundering a freight car at Ninety-sixth street. He got the assistance of Policemen Hickey and Vertner, of the West One Hundredth Street Station.

The trio surrounded the car, but before they had proceeded far the thieves opened fire. The policemen and the watchman drew their revolvers and returned the shots. The plunderers fled down the track, with the policemen and the watchmen in hot pursuit. The

gang fired back at their pursuers as they ran south on the track, but nobody was struck. When they reached Eighty-eighth street they had outdistanced the policemen and disappeared over Riverside Drive.

It was later discovered that the thieves had prepared a case of shoes and a case of silk to cart away. The goods were found outside the car.

Later the police of the West One Hundredth Street Station arrested Louis Thompson, eighteen years old, of No. 181 West End avenue, on suspicion. They said they believed he was with the gang and knew something about the intended robbery.

Within the past few weeks the New York Central Road has had stolen from its freight cars in the vicinity of Ninety-eighth street more than \$1,000 worth of goods that were about to be shipped.

Have You Seen Him?

Who? Why, New York's Tallest "Cop."

He Is 6 Feet 6 Inches in Height and Can Be Seen Any Day—Where?

You Will Find Out All About Him in

Next Sunday's World.

\$2,000,000 ESTATE TO BOY OF TWELVE

Grandson of Jesse Billings, Twice Tried for Murder, Is His Heir.

(Special to The Evening World.) SARATOGA, Dec. 15.—Billings Sherman, twelve years old, son of John C. Sherman, of Greenwich, Washington County, by the death of his grandfather has inherited \$2,000,000, making him the wealthiest lad of his age in Northern New York, but his mental condition is such that he can hardly appreciate the big fortune.

His mother, Mrs. Jeannie E. Billings Sherman, who died several years ago, was a daughter of Jesse Billings, a millionaire, of Northumberland, Saratoga County, who died last week at the age of seventy-eight. His wife, Mrs. Eliza Harris Billings, was murdered twenty-seven years ago. Billings was tried twice for his life, but no conviction was reached. He left no will, and consequently his entire estate

valued at \$2,000,000, passes to his grandson, Billings Sherman.

Surrogate Lester appointed Billings's son-in-law, John C. Sherman, the boy's legal guardian, as administrator of the estate. Billings several years ago on being advised to make a will observed: "I make my will now everybody will expect me to lie down and die."

Telephone Exhibit

At Madison Square Garden Electrical Show now open.

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A working exchange illustrating the efficiency of private branch exchange telephone service.

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Banner Bargains Make Banner Business in the Wonderful World of Toys and Dolls.

Yes, it is a truly wonderful world for the little ones. Exclamations of delight can be heard on all sides as one passes through the mammoth department in the basement. Everything is there to make the little ones merry and the prices are just right in every instance. Don't delay; select your requirements Saturday.

- Jointed Dolls, with fine bisque faces, worth up to 39c, for 25c
- Jointed Dolls, with shoes and stockings, exceptional value at 50c
- Jointed Dolls, 22 inches tall, handsome curly wigs, auburn, blond and dark hair, moving eyes, and shoes and stockings, 1.00
- Jointed Dolls, with natural hair, eyelashes, extra fine glossy hair wigs; all with shoes and stockings, worth \$2.00, for 1.25
- Jointed Dolls, genuine Kestner and Handwerck, with beautiful curly wigs parted on the side and large ribbon bows, faced patent leather shoes and openwork socks, some with natural hair, value \$2.75, for 1.98
- Handwerck Jointed Dolls, with natural eyelashes, 25 inches tall, with shoes and stockings, value \$5, for 2.98
- Rag Baby Dolls, that were 50c, for 25c
- Dressed Jointed Dolls, with dainty dresses and hats, moving eyes, large assortment, special at 59c
- Dressed Jointed Dolls, 69c
- Dressed Jointed Dolls, large assortment, all daintily dressed in light colors, with hats and shoes to match, for 1.00
- Jointed Baby Dolls, with long slips and dainty caps, trimmed with ribbon bows, 2 sizes, 25c and 50c
- Dressed French Dolls, chubby bodies, jointed, elaborately dressed, large picture hats, for 50c
- Jointed Novelty Dolls, German, Indian, Gypsy and Negro Dolls, dressed in native costumes; special, 10c and 25c
- Dressed Unbreakable Dolls, with celluloid heads and stuffed body, with neat dress and hat, for 25c
- Worsted Dolls, large assortment, boy and girl dolls; the 50c ones for 25c, and the \$1.00 ones for 50c
- Bissell's Toy Carpet Sweepers, with good brush and rubber wheels; special 10c
- Faba Baga Games, large polished board, with two pockets and ring post; special 1.00
- Ring Toss, fancy painted, with 5 posts and 3 large rings; special at 25c
- Bowling Alloys, with 10 pins and 2 balls; two sizes; for 50c and 75c
- Games, in fancy boxes, worth up to 25c, at 10c
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- Alphabet Picture Blocks, embossed and nicely colored in fancy box, special 39c
- Shooting Galleries, with rubber balls, corks and guns, 9 figures, special 89c
- Animal and Doll A. B. C. Blocks, in large box, special 25c
- The Game of Crazy Traveller, a new and exciting game, in wooden box, special at 98c
- The Battle Game, with pistol and ammunition, special 69c
- Black Cat Dominoes—special 25c
- Parlor Baseball, 100 inning game, special 69c
- Target and Pistol, with rubber vacuum arrow, special 50c
- Desk Chairs, fancy wire back, solid oak seat, value \$1.25, for 79c
- Dolls' Trunks, large size, with partition tray and hat box, worth 98c, at 59c
- Rubber Balls, extra large size, fancy painted colors, regular \$1.10, for 89c
- Children's Rockers, perforated seat and wide arm rests, special 50c
- Soldier Suits, 5 styles, such as policeman, fireman and soldier, special 50c
- Soldier Suits, large sizes, assorted styles, all in fancy display box, for 1.00
- Jointed Baby Dolls, with long slips and dainty caps, trimmed with ribbon bows, 2 sizes, 25c and 50c
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- Bowling Alloys, with 10 pins and 2 balls; two sizes; for 50c and 75c
- Humpty Dumpty Circus Sets, with 3 clowns, 2 ladders, 1 chair and barrel, special 98c
- Humpty Dumpty Circus Set, with clown, ladder, chair and barrel, special 39c
- Tricycles for girls, handsome red leather upholstered seat and back rest, adjustable seat, rubber tired wheels, value \$5.50, for 3.98
- Genuine Skin Rocking Horses, galloping position, in black and white and brown, regularly \$7.85, for 6.75
- Hair Rocking Horses, good size, adjustable saddle, unbreakable rockers, removable platform with iron wheels, value \$5.50, for 4.50
- Pianos, upright style, special at 50c
- Genuine Skin Cows, with natural horns, special 50c
- Genuine Hair Goats, large hard wood platform, iron wheels, special 1.00
- Large Woolly Sheep, the kind usually sold at \$1.25, for 89c
- Iron Train of Cars, large iron locomotive, two cars and tender, special 1.00
- Printing Presses, complete with roller, type and ink, special 89c
- White Enamelled Beds and Cradles, with wire spring, special 25c
- Brass Wire Beds, nicely draped canopy, complete with pillows and spread, special 50c
- Dolls' Bureaus, in wicker oak finish, with mirror and 3 large drawers, special 89c
- Folding Wash Stands, consisting of 2 large tubs, washboard, wringer and folding wash bench, 50c
- Dolls' Upholstered High Chairs, satin upholstery, willow frame, special 50c
- Doll Houses, large size, exceptional value for 1.25
- Stables, with 2 horses hay cart, bay rack and upper loft, special 1.00
- Combination Blackboard and Desk, with rolling chart, oak frame, large size, regularly \$1.25, for 89c
- Roll Top Desks, complete with handsome oxidized wire back chair, solid oak seat, the latest novelty, value \$3.50, complete for 1.98
- Dolls' Folding Co-Carts, green enameled gearings, rubber tired wheels, regularly \$2.98, for 1.98
- Dolls' Folding Co-Carts, steel wheels and gearings, 2 styles, worth \$2.25, for 1.59
- 79c China Tea Sets at 50c
- 89c China Tea Sets at 69c
- \$1.50 China Tea Sets 1.00
- ICE SKATES.
- Women's Ice Skates, gray finish, all strap, regularly \$1.25, for 98c
- Boys' and Men's Ice Skates, full clamp, gray finish, regularly \$1.00, for 79c
- Men's and Boys' Hockey Skates, full clamp, nickel plated, value \$2.25, for 1.50
- Skin Rocking Horses, bent wood rockers, removable iron leather saddle, value \$3.98, for 5.98
- Swinging Hobby Horses, carved wood, removable iron leather and bridle, glass eyes, value \$6.85, for 5.85
- Rocking Horses, carved wood, heavy mane and tail, removable saddle and bridle, glass eyes, special 3.98
- Standard Flyer, for boys and girls, all steel runners and braces, heavy oak frame and top—30 inches long, \$1.50; 42 inches long, 2.98
- Boys' Coasters, Paris make, solid oak, round iron runners, 33 inches long, special 69c
- Girls' Sleighs, Paris make, oval steel runners, handsomely finished, set 1 braced, for 98c
- Shoofly, with willow back rest, nicely painted 1.25
- Large Horse and Wagon, such as milk wagon with cans, large truck and sand wagon with hair horse, special 98c
- Hair Horses, on heavy wood platform, nicely harnesses 5c; 6c; 8c; 10c; 12c; 15c; 18c; 20c; 25c; 30c; 35c; 40c; 45c; 50c; 55c; 60c; 65c; 70c; 75c

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Solid Gold Watch and Pin, fine jeweled movement, \$7.75	Solid Gold Knot Scarf Pin, set with 6 cut diamonds, space for picture inside; sold elsewhere \$15; our price, \$22.50	Solid Gold Chain Bracelet, set with genuine diamond (no chip), diamond, actual value, \$35.00; price, \$2.00	Solid Gold Brooch, set with 45 Oriental pearls and 1 genuine diamond, our price, \$10.75
Solid Gold Masonic Emblem, set with 6 cut diamonds, space for picture inside; sold elsewhere \$15; our price, \$9.75	Solid Gold Lock-set, set with genuine diamond in star setting; sold elsewhere \$15; our price, \$4.75	Men's Gypsy Ring, heavily carved and set with two large and brilliant diamonds and emerald or ruby centre. Sold elsewhere, \$20. Our price, \$10.75	Snake Ring, head set with genuine diamond and ruby. Sold elsewhere, \$8.50. Our price, \$4.50
Solid Gold Ring for lady, set with perfect diamonds; sold elsewhere for \$15.00; our price, \$9.75	Solid Gold Ring for gentleman, set with genuine diamond; sold elsewhere for \$15.00; our price, \$9.75	Solid Gold Ring, 2 perfect and white diamonds; sold elsewhere \$15.00; our price, \$9.75	Hoop ring, set with five perfect diamonds; sold elsewhere \$40; our price, \$24.50
Solid Gold Link Buttons, set with genuine diamonds in star setting; actual value \$6.50; price, \$1.75	Genuine Diamond Ear Screws or Ear Drops, very brilliant, pure white. Sold elsewhere, \$40. Our price, \$22.50	Genuine Diamond Ear Screws, no chips, solid gold settings. Sold elsewhere, \$8.00. Our price, \$4.75	Genuine Diamond Ear Screws or Drops, weighing 1 1/4 karats. Sold elsewhere, \$120.00. Our price, \$73.50
Solid Gold Heart Earrings, with large size diamond; actual value \$15.00; price, \$5.75	Genuine Diamond Fancy Studs, actual value \$3.50; price, \$3.75	Solid Gold Case, with Straus movement; sold elsewhere for \$19.50; our price, \$14.75	

Holiday Stationery.

Cabinet of fine Oriental Line Stationery, 60 sheets and 60 envelopes, nicely boxed makes a good holiday gift; regular price 99c, for 25c

Children's Holiday Boxes of Stationery, 10c, 12c, 15c and 18c, for 19c

Pearl Handle Pen Holders, in new lined box; value 39c, for 15c

Gold and Silver Pencils, assorted designs; value 9c, for 25c

Large assortment of Leather Tablets, Desk Sets, fancy inkstands, etc.

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Furnishings for Men and Boys.

Boys' and Girls' Stockings, fine grade and fast black cotton, ribbed, seamless feet, double toes and high spliced heels, strong and good wearing kind the regular 20c Stockings, for 12 1/2c

Boys' Suspenders, extra good quality, assorted colors, all sizes, different combinations, well finished and good fitting, worth \$1.50, for 1.25

Men's Suspenders, extra good quality, fancy colored webbing, all improvements, full length, strong and durable, the 40c kind, for 25c

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Pyrography.

Pyrography Outfit, with guaranteed platinum point, good rubber built in neatly designed wood box, complete 1.49

Pipe Racks, a very suitable gift for a gentleman, assorted styles and designs, regular price 79c, for 59c

Panels, with beautiful figure and head designs, 3-ply wood, regular price 99c, for 45c

Fine quality Rubber Bulbs, for 69c

Pyrography Stains, Lacquers and Rubbing Powder, per bottle 15c

We carry a large assortment of wood, Polishes, Bulbs, etc., at lowest prices.

Men's and Boys' Winter Overcoats.

We've sold Overcoats all along, of course, but the sales of the past two weeks have been phenomenal. We have been surprised somewhat, but when one sees the quality, style and general make-up of the garments and then the price mark, one ceases to wonder why the Brooklyn men and boys have rushed here to get one of the prize Overcoats. If you need a new one, why not come in Saturday?

Men's Overcoats, black and Oxford gray frieze, heavy quality, strong, lasting linings, good lengths, velvet collars; all sizes for men and young men; a good value for \$8.50. Saturday 4.98

Men's Winter Overcoats, heavy quality, in black and Oxford frieze, cut full length, strong, serviceable linings, well made, broad shoulders, velvet collars, cut in men's and young men's sizes; good Overcoat at \$13.50, for 7.98

Men's Overcoats, hand tailored, beautifully made, black and Oxford frieze, fancy long belted styles, Venetian and serge linings, concave shoulders, 46 and 52 inches long, collars that fit perfectly, well made throughout, cut in men's and young men's sizes; an \$18.00 Overcoat, for 9.98

Men's Overcoats, hand made, the swiftest Coats in the city, long and medium length, fine black and Oxford Irish frieze and heavy coatings, worsted serge linings, satin sleeves, silk velvet collars, broad concave shoulders, thoroughly hand tailored; made in men's and young men's sizes; value \$22.50 and \$25.00; Saturday, \$16.50 and 14.98

Boys' Overcoats, long belted and Russian styles, long Coat, 9 to 16 years; Russian Overcoats, 3 to 10 years, gray and Oxford frieze, made strong, full sizes; Russian Overcoats, brass buttons, velvet collars, emblem on sleeves; good value at \$3.50, for 1.98

Boys' Overcoats, long belted and Russian styles, long Overcoats, 9 to 16 years, in black and Oxford frieze and fancy mixed chevrons; Russian Overcoats, 3 to 10 years, in black, blue and Oxford frieze and fancy wool mixtures, velvet collars, emblems on sleeves, brass buttons, all well made; perfect fitting; good value \$5.50, for 2.98

Boys' Overcoats, long Tourist and Russian styles, Tourist style to 16 years, cut long, with belt, double or single breasted, of black and Oxford frieze and all-wool Scotch mixtures; Russian Overcoats, ages 3 to 9 years, of fine all-wool frieze, blue, Oxford and brown, beautifully trimmed, cords, belts and emblems, velvet collar, value \$8.00, for 3.98

Boys' Overcoats, long Tourist and Russian styles, Tourist style, 9 to 16 years, all-wool Irish frieze and Scotch mixtures, beautifully made; Russian Overcoats, ages 3 to 9 years, blue kerseys, black and Oxford frieze, red flannel serge linings, emblems, silk velvet collars, belts, and beautifully made; good value \$9.00, for 4.98

Note.—Big reductions of all fancy Suits for men and boys. New styles in boys' Winter Caps at 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 to pull down over ears. Golf, Auto, Tams, Touques, etc.

Boys' Overcoats, long, belt style, ages 9 to 16 years, dark Oxford gray frieze, velvet collar, belt, and strongly made, extra good value, limited quantity; worth \$2.75, for 1.29

Boys' Blouses and Waistcoats, made of flannel, ages 3 to 16 yrs. Russian styles and regular cuts, with and without collars, blue, gray, red and stripes; the regular 75c kind, for 39c

Boys' Winter Hats and Caps, all the newest styles; worth 75c and 25c, Saturday 48c, and 19c

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Child's 5.00 Coat, 3.98.

Children's Cloth Coats, red, brown and blue, lined throughout with red flannel, emblem on sleeve, double breasted, loose back, belted, cuffs and collars of contrasting colors, prettily braided, fancy buttons, 2, 3, 4 and 5 years, value \$5.00, for 3.98

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Holiday Gloves.

Women's Kid Gloves, 2 clasps, a new shipment of our German kids, made from selected skins, soft and pliable, perfect fit, all colors, black and white, sizes 5 1/2 to 8, per pair 75c