

WHITE SLAVE TO TELL OF WOMEN SLAIN IN DIVE

Inmate of Raided Broadway House Agrees to Aid District-Attorney.

BERTHE CLAICHE TOLD

Jerome Now Running Down Her Story of Two Women Being Murdered.

Further disclosures regarding the strange disappearances of white women from the prison-like houses of "Bob" Spriggs, the negro now under \$8,500 bail, were expected to-day when five inmates of the flat at No. 1009 Broadway were arraigned before Magistrate Wahle, in the Centre Street Court, to-day.

The alleged proprietors of the Broadway flat were John A. Smith and Marie Smith. The inmates, besides the Austin woman, were Nancy Allen and William Atkins, a negro. The Austin woman has lived for many years in Berwick's houses, and it was said to-day she is ready to tell all she knows.

Before they were arraigned to-day Mr. Garvan had a short conference with Magistrate Wahle and it was decided to hold the women until to-morrow. The men were discharged and Marie Smith was held in \$1,500 bonds as the keeper of the flat. The other women were made under \$500 bonds as vagrants and sent to the Tombs. The prosecution feared that if they were held simply as witnesses with bonds of \$100 somebody would furnish the money and they would be spirited away. Although the Austin woman is counted upon to testify, it is feared that if released she would disappear.

After the cases had been disposed of Assistant District-Attorney Garvan and Murphy went to the Grand Jury with several negroes and white women. They would not discuss the matter, but it is known these were witnesses in the attempt to secure indictments against other keepers of white slave resorts.

Speaking of the crusade and the investigation of the story that two white women had been murdered in one of the dens controlled by negroes District-Attorney Jerome said:

"We are doing everything we can to investigate the charge that two white women were murdered in the gas-light open. Burns occupied a furnished room in the house of Mrs. Catharine Clancy. Burns had not worked for three years, living off his savings and a pension. Mrs. Clancy says James Burns, a brother of the dead man, lives somewhere in this city.

"Spriggs' arrest has opened up so many channels that there is a large amount of work to be done, and we are at it as hard as we know how. For the present I would prefer not to divulge what information has come to us, for it might have the effect of warning those who may be flourishing in the net before long."

Mr. Jerome made a discovery yesterday which may double any punishment to be given to Spriggs. The man has been in prison before and in all probability he will be reindicted on charges of abduction, assault and keeping a disreputable resort, this time as a second offender. He served three years in prison for having attacked Chinese in a saloon at No. 12 Grand street in 1889.

It was also learned that he was arrested only a few weeks ago charged with maintaining a disreputable resort and when he was released on bail in special Sessions Court he was declared guilty and fined \$100, which he paid.

Warts Legislature to Investigate. ALBANY, March 13.—A resolution calling for a legislative investigation of the traffic in "white slaves" in New York City was handed up last night by Assemblyman Harvey, of New York, but Speaker Watson refused to receive it under the rule which provides that no resolution can be offered unless there is unanimous consent. The resolution provided for the appointment of three Senators and five Assemblymen. Mr. Harvey says that he will put his proposition before the Legislature in the form of a bill.

WOMEN'S FANCY NOW TURNS TO SPRING HATS.

And to Find the Newest Creations, Just Naturally, She Goes to Bloomingdale's.

In the spring a woman's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of hats. The violets may bloom unheeded in the woodland hollows. The birds may carve their hearts out in the country hedgerows. But what are violets or birds to a woman—unless they're on a new spring hat.

The place to see these harbingers of the season in all their glory is at Bloomingdale's. The array of spring millinery. The array of charming new hats, fresh from Paris and the clever fingers of the millinery originators are enough to tempt every woman to loosen her purse-strings and buy.

Chief adaptations of the season appear to be the pointed crown and lace, ribbon, feathers and dainty flowers. A hat with a captivating air quite its own is of the black Neapolitan style shape tilted very high on the side and filled in with choux of malle. The trimming above is of the machine and a sweeping cluster of black tulle. Another is a new color—beige—trimmed with a row of black ribbon and shaded rose plumes.

But such hats are more lovely than the latest and must be seen to be appreciated.

News Nuggets

Blizzard in Salt Lake.

SALT LAKE CITY, MARCH 13.—This city to-day was in the grasp of the worst storm in years. Beginning with a drizzling rain, a wind which attained at one time a velocity of sixty miles an hour soon followed. Much damage was done and all wire communication cut off. After the rain one of the heaviest blizzards ever known here set in, and street travel was almost impossible.

New Archbishop Welcomed.

BOSTON, MARCH 13.—The White Star line steamer Roman, with Most Rev. William H. O'Connell, recently appointed Archbishop of Constance and Coadjutor to Archbishop John J. Williams, of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston, on board, arrived here to-day from Naples. Dr. O'Connell was met at the dock by a large delegation of churchmen and professional men.

Final Appeal for Tucker.

BOSTON, MASS., MARCH 13.—In a final effort to obtain a new trial for Charles L. Tucker, now under sentence of death for the murder of Miss Mabel Fage at Weston, March 31, 1904, his counsel to-day appeared to the United States Supreme Court in Washington for a writ or error.

TORTURED MAN DIRECTS RESCUE

Workman Pinned Down by Car Encourages Men Who Come to His Aid.

Francesco Cunello, twenty-five years of age, of No. 119 Broadway street, Brooklyn, employed by the O'Rourke Construction in the cut being excavated for the New York Central Railroad, at Fifty-first street and Park avenue, had his leg cut off at the knee by the front trucks of a constructive dumping car early to-day and will probably die. Although pinned under the heavy weight of the car for fully fifteen minutes, suffering agony, Cunello directed his fellow workman in the work of extricating him.

VETERAN DIES FROM GAS.

Charles Burns, a veteran of the civil war, was found asphyxiated by illuminating gas in his room, No. 236 West Forty-fourth street to-day. The old man on going to bed last night had accidentally left the gas-light partly open. Burns occupied a furnished room in the house of Mrs. Catharine Clancy. Burns had not worked for three years, living off his savings and a pension. Mrs. Clancy says James Burns, a brother of the dead man, lives somewhere in this city.

HUNYADI JANOS The Best Natural Laxative Water FOR CONSTIPATION On Arling 1/2 Glass

Used Pianos We are selling—going away would be more appropriate—the following pianos, taken in exchange for our Temple pianos: These pianos must be sold to-morrow to make room for our new stock. Look at Prices and Don't Delay : : : Steinway \$800; now \$100 Weber \$500; \$175 Ivers & Pond \$425; \$175 Miller \$425; \$175 Walker \$375; \$95 Sohmer \$500; \$90 Terms, \$1.00 a Week. 6th Ave. & 23d St., New York.

HANGED HIMSELF IN WEST SIDE PRISON

Louis Buncone Was About to Be Arraigned on Charge of Stabbing Wife.

Louis Buncone, who was to-day arraigned on a charge of stabbing his wife, attempted suicide a few hours before he was to be brought into court. Keeper Madden, of the West Side Court prison, found Buncone hanging from a rail. After cutting him down Madden succeeded in resuscitating him. Mrs. Buncone has been in a precarious condition in Roosevelt Hospital ever since Sunday morning. Her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Bamberg, told the police that while sleeping with her mother Sunday morning she was awakened by a slight sound to see her mother covered with blood and unconscious, while the father was plunging a knife into his wife. Mrs. Bamberg says she jumped up and struggled with the man, cutting her hand in wrenching the knife away from him.

Buncone's arraignment has awaited his wife's recovery. He was to have had a preliminary hearing to-day. The prison attendants took him into court, but Mrs. Buncone was too weak to be carried in to testify. The case was again postponed to await the result of the woman's injuries and Buncone was held in \$3,000.

ROBBED A SAFE IN RECORD TIME

Tailor Gives Change to Customer and Then Discovers He Has Lost \$1,714.

Charles Cohen, a tailor, of No. 706 Third avenue, is \$1,714 poorer to-day because he forgot to close the door of his safe when he made change for a \$20 dollar bill last evening. Cohen told the police that a man who gave him the name of Henry Isaacs walked into his store and ordered a new suit of clothes. After selecting the goods Cohen asked for a deposit. The man tendered a \$20 bill, from which Cohen deposited was to be taken in order to change it when he had to open his safe and display the money in it. Some hours later Cohen discovered his \$1,714 missing. He believes that the man took the money from the safe when he had his back turned.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of

Hackett, Carhart & Co Broadway at Thirteenth St. Image of a woman's face.

Cause and Effect of This Greatest Fur Sales Which Involves High Grade Fur Garments and Small Furs for Women and Misses. Cause:—The mild, open Winter has played fast and loose with the makers of fur garments. At the close of their season a great many of them had tremendous stocks of high grade fur garments and small furs on their hands. It was imperative for them to turn this material into cash. Three of the greatest of these fur merchants clubbed together to seek some store with the purchasing power, the capacity and the outlet to relieve them of their entire stocks. It was a natural sequence that the furs should find their way to Hackett, Carhart & Co.—and at radical price concessions. An added incentive for us to enter into this movement was furnished by a late report from London, where the yearly auction sales of the finest fur pelts take place; this report predicts a famine of the higher grades of furs for America. Those that do find their way here will be sold at an advance of 50 to 100 per cent. over the past season's prices. Effect:—When the doors were thrown open on Monday morning an eager crowd of women took possession of our fur department; the hum and bustle of brisk buying lasted until the closing hour. The exclamations of delight, the enthusiastic admiration which the furs called forth, was in itself intense gratification for the effort and energy expended arranging this sale. It will go down in the annals of fur selling as the most classic event ever conducted. The very bigness and magnitude of it warrants that. Here's a brief summary of the furs on sale: Persian Lamb Coats, Nerebral Coats, Blended Squirrel Coats, Natural Squirrel Coats, Fur-Lined Coats for Women and Girls, Motor Coats, Mink Sets, Squirrel Sets, Lynx Sets, Marten Sets, Hudson Bay Sable Sets, Russian Sable Sets and odd pieces of every description. Those who wish to invest in these furs may do so upon paying a Fifty Per Cent. Deposit and we will store the furs free of any charge until Oct. 1, 1906. Hackett, Carhart & Co

BICYCLES—"Sly Fox" Bicycles, with Conster Brakes, \$20 Values, at \$12.98. The 14th Street Store New York 6 Ave's Busy Corner HENRY SIEGEL, Pres. Wednesday, 10 A.M. to 1 P.M. NO MAIL ORDERS will be filled, and to prevent Competitors and Dealers from availing themselves of prices lower than those at which they can purchase we must limit quantities.

The Following Specials on Sale ALL DAY Wednesday: \$1.69 For a 55-Piece White Porcelain Dinner Set. Similar Sets Were Advertised Several Weeks Ago, and 700 Sets Were Sold in One Day. 55 Pieces for \$1.69. \$24.39 Fine Axminster Rugs, 9x12, \$12.98 and \$13.98. Dress Trunks. Housefurnishings for Spring. Blue Flame Wickless Oil Cooking Stove. \$29.98. We are forcing the furniture business by offering constantly many extraordinary bargains.

Housefurnishings for Spring. Floor Brooms, Step Ladders, handy Stepladder Chairs, Brooms, Mops, and hundreds of other household contrivances that will make your Spring cleaning easy or will help in your Spring moving. Everything that the home needs at this season is here in broadest abundance and at prices so small that you can replace broken and lost articles at a trifling expense. Blue Flame Wickless Oil Cooking Stove. Made by Silver & Co., makers of the famous "Brooklyn" Oil Cooking Stove. This NEW Stove is very similar to the "Brooklyn." Because it is a new Stove, and because we took the first large order, the price was made very low. In the height of the season you will find this same stove selling for \$4.50. Burns with an intensely hot, pure, Blue Flame. This stove to-morrow... \$29.98. We are forcing the furniture business by offering constantly many extraordinary bargains. Parlor Table, Pedestal Extension Table, China Closet, Sideboard, Hall Stand, Parlor Rockers, Morris Chairs.

On Sale All Day. Groceries. Doing the biggest grocery business in New York means giving the purest, most nutritious, most delicious groceries at prices that are positively known to be less than the same groceries are sold for in any other store. That's what we are doing. COFFEE—Harmony blend—It's the best coffee all New York is talking about. The 20c coffee with the 30c flavor. Fresh roasted every morning—delicious flavor—pleasant aroma; 5 pound sealed canister 1.00. FLOUR—Washburn-Crosby's Gold Medal, three varieties direct from the mill, barrel, \$5.45; Blue Bird, extra fine with every grain, 5 pound sealed canister, 68c. BUTTER—Willow Farm Fresh Cream Butter; 5 pound package, 1.29. FRESH EGGS—Not cold storage eggs; 12 fresh, strictly fresh (None delivered), 17c.