PAID DOCTORS TO HELP SALES OF MAGIC BOOTS

Nurse Parker Testifies that Commissions to Physicians Were 25%.

The trial of Matthew Hilgert, maker of the "magic boots," was resumed today before Justice Fitzgerald in the Criminal Branch of the Supreme Court.

Hilgert, who has an immense establishment at No. 21 West Twenty-sixth street, is accused of grand larceny in having represented unheard of curative properties for his shoes. It is asserted that he claimed to be able to cure diseases ranging from rheumatism to locomotor ataxia.

The County Medical Society, through its attorney, Champe S. Andrews, has been active against Hilgert, alleging his representations were made to deceive the public and then defraud the people who bought his shoes. Mr. Andrews says the "magic boots" have no curative properties and are frauds.

Lawyer Abraham Levy, who with former Deputy Attorney-General Joseph Rosalsky, is conducting the defense of Hilgert, claims that the shoemaker is a wizard.

Mr. Levy said that the defense of Hilgert would call to the stand a number of prominent people, men and women, who have been benefited by the "magic boots." Among these will be a woman who for years was bedridden with inflammatory rheumatism. Hilgert's shoes, Mr. Levy says, relieved her, and she is now able to walk without even the assistance of a cane.

Miss Mabel Parker, a trained nurse, who attended Mrs. Samuel Jacobs, was the first witness to-day. Samuel Jacobs, husband of the patient, made the formal complaint. He had paid $100 for a pair of magic shoes for his wife, who was suffering from locomotor ataxia.

Miss Parker said she had accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs to the "magic boots" emporium. She corroborated the testimony given by Jacobs and his wife as to representations made by Hilgert. She heard the defendant say that the shoes would relieve Mrs. Jacobs.

"Mrs. Jacobs complained of the excessive price of the shoes," Miss Parker said, "and the defendant said he fixed the price to suit his customers."

"Did you hear Hilgert say there was an electrical appliance in the shoe?" Mr. Levy asked Miss Parker on cross-examination.

"I did," was the reply. "He said that that was the secret—that all the nerves were centred in the feet and when he supplied to the feet what nature had omitted, ills were cured. I asked Mr. Hilgert why he did not make his discovery known to the world, and he told me he had not mastered English sufficiently to explain the matter."

She admitted that she demanded and got a commission of $10 from Hilgert in the Jacobs purchase of shoes. Miss Parker said she had asked for the commission at the instance of a physician who called Hilgert up on the 'phone and said he wanted 25 per cent. commission for Miss Parker.

"Hilgert told me," Miss Parker told the jury, "that it wasn't customary to allow nurses commission; that only doctors got commissions, but in my case he would allow me $10."

Dr. Henry G. McAdam, a specialist, testified he had attended Mrs. Jacobs, the wife of the technical complainant, and said she suffered from locomotor ataxia.

"Is that disease incurable?" asked Assistant District-Attorney Hart.

"It is," replied the witness.

"Can locomotor ataxia be retarded or arrested?" Mr. Levy asked on cross-examination.

"It can in its early stages," was the reply.

Dr. Emil Altman, a specialist in diseases of the nerves, testified he had dealt with many cases of locomotor ataxia, among them that of Mrs. Jacobs. He, too, said locomotor ataxia was incurable.

Mrs. Jacobs Again Testifies.

Mrs. Jacobs, the wife of the complainant, was recalled to the witness stand for cross-examination.

In reply to Mr. Levy's questions, Mrs. Jacobs said she did not know that her husband had tried to get the money he had paid for her shoes back from the defendant.

The shoes she got from Hilgert, she said, caused a burning sensation about the ankles, and a month after she wore the shoes she complained to her husband about them as being unsatisfactory.

Mrs. Jacobs said she had no faith in the shoes from the very start. She said she had not worn the shoes every day as Hilgert had told her to do.

Dr. Graeme M. Hammond testified that he had examined Mrs. Jacobs at the request of Mr. Andrews, counsel for the County Medical Society, and found that she had been suffering from that disease for a period of more than five years.

Dr. Hammond said he had treated one hundred cases of locomotor ataxia. The disease was progressive. It could be retarded, but not by mechanical means. Strychnia was the only medical remedy, Dr. Hammond said.

MONEY AND GEMS GONE.

And So Is Boy from Grandfather's Home at Coney.

The police of Brooklyn were asked today to look for Philip Perry, the fifteen-year-old grandson of Solomon Perry, of No. 2859 Cortland avenue, Coney Island.

The boy disappeared on Jan. 9 and so did $200 in gold, $50 in bills and about $2,000 worth of jewelry belonging to his grandmother, Mrs. Eva Perry. It is believed that the boy set out for San Francisco, as he talked much about paying a visit to the Pacific coast. The police of other cities will be asked to look for him.

NEW ORLEANS ENTRIES.

(Special to The Evening World.)

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 14.—The entries for to-morrow's races are as follows:

FIRST RACE—Six furlongs; selling.—Duchess of Montebello 110, Miss Bertha 110, Quinge 110, June Time 110, Entre Nous 110, Lady Vimont 110, Lucie Marie 110, Agra 110, Attention 110, Masker 110, Anna Rusk 110, Eva Iser 110, French Empress 110.

SECOND RACE—One mile and one-sixteenth; selling.—Gay Minister 100, Mrs. Annie 103, Dekaber, 103, Bullfinch, 105, Bernie Cramer, 105, Old Hal, 105, Brockston, 105, Bulwark, 107, Grosgrain, 108, Sanction, 108, Big Boot, 109.

THIRD RACE—Six furlongs.—Lens, 89, Vinegar Hill, 89, Sink Spring, 89, Paxon, 89, Kemp Ridgely, 92, Tieling, 92, Buford, 92, Hera, 92, Penrhyn 104, Belle Strome, 105, Elenap, 107, Harry Scott, 107, Minnie Adams, 107, Gentine, 107, Pekadens, 110.

FOURTH RACE—One mile; handicap.—Athlete 97, Peter Sterling 106, Alma Dufour 105, *Missouri Lad 107, *Minnie Adams 110.

*Coch entry.

FIFTH RACE—One and a sixteenth miles; selling.—Merry Belle 98, Gold Coin 102, Isle 103, Willie Newcomb 103, Brilliant 105, Heart of Hyacinth 105, Delmore 107, Torchello 107, King Ellsworth 110, Arthur Cheaney 112, Seaglock 112.

SIXTH RACE—Five and a half furlongs; selling.—Lady Carol 93, Miss Leeds 93, Rough Head 93, Butinsky 99, Hebo 100, Father Royal 101, Rusk 101, Alencon 105, Toboggan 111.

SEVENTH RACE—Seven furlongs; selling.—Western 99, Refined 92, Impertinence 92, Sir Vagrant 93, Sagebrush 95, La Cache 99, Mahonia 100, Goldway 101, Foreigner 105, Beecher 107, Tom Mankins 107, Retreat 107, Gay Boy 108, Consideration 110, Quinn Brady 111.

JUSTICE JENKS UNDER PROBE OF BADGER RUSSELL

Man Seeking Freedom from Insane Asylum Is Having Lots of Fun.

Supreme Court Justices Almet F. Jenks and Josiah T. Marean, of the Brooklyn district, were the sacrifices on the altar of "justice" to-day in the trial of Edward F. Russell, blackmailer, badger and paranoiac, with himself as his own lawyer, before Justice Truax in the Supreme Court.

Russell has been having the time of his life on the trial of his own writ of habeas corpus to get himself liberated from the asylum for insane criminals at Dannemora.

He has been kept at the Manhattan Hospital on Ward's Island during his trial, and he began to-day's proceeding by charging that he has been made ill by medicine administered by the physicians and poisoned food served by the keepers at the hospital.

He called loudly first for Almet F. Jenks and then for Josiah T. Marean. There was no response, and Russell said: "These eminent judges have been subpoenaed and they should be here. They are no better, no higher than the humblest citizen."

Russell was about to ask for bench warrants for their arrest when the two justices walked into court together, and Justice Jinks too the stand.

Russell's last term in prison was for attempting to extort blackmail from Justice Jenks, the na lawyer, in 1897.

"I want to ask only two questions of Judge Jenks," said Russell.

"First, do you know a private detective named John E. Donnely?"

"I do," replied the justice.

"Second, what was the charge on which I was tried and convicted?"

"It was extortion, I believe."

"That is all!" exclaimed Russell, glaring about him triumphantly.

"That corroborates my contention that the record was falsified to represent that I was convicted of blackmail. This is the man on whose testimony I was sent to prison for ten long years. But I will show right here that I am no paranoiac. The paranoiac's most prominent characteristic is vindictiveness. But I am not vindictive against Judge Jenks. On the contrary, I have none but the kindliest feelings for him, and I dismiss him from the stand."

Then he called Justice Marean.

Justice Marean Annoyed.

Justice Marean had adjourned his own court in Brooklyn to cross the Bridge and submit to the vagaries of the criminal lunatic, and he was not in a pleasant frame of mind. He had sat in one of Russell's many habeas corpus proceedings in 1904, and at the end dismissed the writ and sent Rusell back to prison.

"Justice Marean is not in this conspiracy, too, is he?" asked District-Attorney Clarke, of Brooklyn.

"Justice Truax, this witness is one of the most desperate and disreputable of the conspirators to take away the liberty of a helpless man," shouted Russell.

"Did you not dismiss my writ and send me back to prison to help Charles F. Murphy and Benjamin B. Odell, Jr., and the other conspirators?" he demanded.

Justice Marean said: "I don't know what you are talking about."

"Did you not unlawfully dismiss that writ to help the men I have named?"

"No such thought was on my horizon."

"Would you admit it if it were true?"

"I believe I would. I am accustomed to telling the truth."

"Even if it would consign you to political oblivion and smash your judicial honor?"

"My judicial honor is safe," returned Justice Marean, smiling for the first time.

Mr. Clarke objected to any more questions along this line, and Justice Truax sustained the objection.

"Your Honor, you are protecting this witness, although I have proven that he was protecting Charles F. Murphy. Mr. Jerome has said that almost all the Supreme Court Justices in this county are corrupt, but I had hoped that you would not be one of them, but when the crucial point comes, you fail me."

"Go on with your questions!" thundered Justice Truax.

Why Murphy Was for Hearst.

"Don't you know that Murphy was for Hearst at the Buffalo Convention because the facts about Murphy's blackmail of Odell was in the hands of Mr. Hearst?"

Justice Marean didn't know it.

"Don't you know that the reason Mayor McClellan will have nothing to do with Murphy is because he knows of his duplicity?"

"I don't know that either," and Justice Marean almost laughed. Then he was excused while telephonic messages ordered over from Brooklyn the records in the old habeas corpus proceedings. When he was recalled, and with the records before him, he said he dismissed Russell's writ because there was no certificate from the Governor that Russell had earned a commutation of his sentence, adding "and my ruling was sustained by the Court of Appeals."

DELAY FOR DR. FLOWER.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 14.—Gov. Pennypacker to-day declined to take action on the requisition of Gov. Hughes, of New York, for the extradition of Dr. R. C. Flower, who was arrested in Philadelphia a few days ago on charges of swindling in New York.

After two hearings on the protest against the requisition the Governor decided that this was a matter which should not be disposed of hurriedly and he concluded to turn the case over to his successor, Edwin S. Stuart, who will be asked to give a hearing next week. Gov. Pennypacker's term as Governor expires to-morrow.

HOCH DER SIMPLE FOOD!

The Kaiser's got dyspepsia
Or some other stomach ills,
For in regulating diet now
He jumps from soup to pills.

GIRL ADVENTURESS SAYS SHE IS A VICTIM OF HYPNOTISM

Her Strange Tale of Gagging by Italian Laborers Leads to Discovery of Robberies She Has Committed.

If information that has reached Police Headquarters from an anonymous source concerning Margaret Maillard is true, the girl is a much more remarkable character than the police have imagined. Since she caused the arrest of two Italians Friday night on a charge of assaulting, binding, gagging and tying her to a rock in Macomb's Dam Park she has herself been placed under arrest, a self-confessed thief, and has admitted that the stories by which she enlisted the sympathies of policemen on duty at Headquarters for a month or more were lies.

What purports to be a true history of the young woman was received at Headquarters to-day in the shape of an anonymous postal card in a man's handwriting. The card was posted in Brooklyn yesterday, long before the fact that the police had exposed the girl became public. Detectives are investigating the accusations made by the anonymous writer. The epistle reads as follows:

Purports to Give Her History.

Gentlemen: With all due respect to your conduct in the robbery case about the Margaret Maillard Rodey the writer knows for a fact that you have been seriously deceived by a very designing, notoriety-loving woman. She is also a home-stroyer, a drug fiend, a doer of unconventional things, now purposely trying to effect the sympathies of one Rodye, a liquor man in this city, chiefly.

This adventuress, whose real name is Margaret Veronica Quirein, and whose parents reside at No. 241 East One Hundred and Twentieth street, Manhattan. Her father works in a meat market at One Hundred and Twentieth street and Third avenue. This modern Ananias figured in a case involving these same tie-up features only a year or so ago, but only as a defendant, and the event culminated in her disappearance from the parental home. She subsequently became known as Muriel Marshall at No. 11 Pell street, where she and Lorraine Clifton posed as wives of Celestinla and were in the limelight in a shooting affray involving the name of one Chink, a noted member of one of the societies of Chinatown.

She is now twenty-nine years old, about 5 feet 7 inches in height, weighs 147 pounds, pale face, large gold tooth in upper jaw; very showy. Victim of drugs. Very moody. Celebrated performer on several instruments, particularly string, dances, skates and good talker. The woman is known in a dozen cities, is an all-around confidence expert, has at all times kept several addresses, far apart generally, and her companions are chiefly criminals. Some one will cash up. Perhaps Rodey's sympathies will be touched.

Father Confirms Letter.

Frederick Quirein, the father of Margaret Veronica Quirein, lives at the present time at No. 208 East One Hundred and Twenty-second street. He is quite convinced that the girl giving the name of Margaret Maillard is his daughter.

The girl was wayward from the time she was able to take care of herself. At the age of seventeen she passed entirely out of the control of her parents. Her father has not seen her save intermittently for five years. In his opinion she is not quite right mentally, but she has a cunning cleverness that serves to conceal her mental deficiency. The father says he has no further interest in her, and will not trouble himself to go and see her. The mother of the girl is dead, and Quirein has another wife.

The girl admits that her name is not Maillard. She says she is Clara Bosse, of Muncie, Ind., and Chicago, but she will have to prolnce proof. She accuses a man of hypnotizing her and using her as a tool in blackmail schemes for years. No trace has been found of the man.

First Appeared in December.

Getting back to the Police Headquarters end it will be recalled that Margaret landed at the Information Bureau early in December with a tale of having come to New York to search for her wealthy father who had left his palatial home in Chicago because she was engaged to marry a commercial traveller from Louisville. She found many kind, sympathetic friends on both sides of Mulberry street, between Bleecker and Houston, and got her picture in the paper nearly every day. There is ill-concealed joy in certain quarters over the prospect of her picture adorning the Rogues' Gallery.

The girl appeared at Headquarters Christmas eve with the information that she had found her father and married her Louisville drummer. She displayed a ticket for Muncie, Ind., but there is reason to believe that she never left New York until she was found with her hands tied in Macomb's Dam Park. The Italians who were arrested on her complaint after that adventure were released from custody to-day.

When taken to Headquarters to-day by Capt. Liebers and lined up with the regular run of crooks and suspicious persons to be looked over by Inspector McLaughlin's men, she volunteered no information, but sat quietly by while Capt. Liebers rehearsed her confession to the Inspector. When she was asked by the captain if she would talk with the reporters, she said angrily:

"I don't want to see them. The papers have made most of this trouble for me."

She was taken back to the Morrisania station and will be arraigned in court to-morrow.

Forced Her Own Detection.

It was the "bound and gagged" act of last Friday night that got this mysterious young person behind the bars. Her scheme was, it is said, to be found tied hand and foot, then to identify some Italians she had induced to compromise with them for cash. The first two sections of the plan worked, but the third section broke by wire. She was too certain. She just could not be mistaken, she said. Capt. Liebers and Detective Sergeant Curran did not take to the story, and began secretly to investigate her.

Curran followed her to her room, at No. 19 Waverly place, and discovered that she was about to move from there to No. 157 West Tenth street. She was said to be carrying out a number of mysterious-looking packages. About the same time William Kelly, of No. 119 East Ninety-sixth street, went to the High Bridge Police Station, where the two Italians the woman had identified as her assailants were held, and said he thought he knew the girl, he said, he believed she was the servant who had worked for his family in December and walked off with $300 worth of clothes and other goods.

Detective Curran took Kelly with him, routed Margaret out of bed and had her confronted with her accuser. The police say she confessed when she saw the former employer.

Hypnotized by Crook.

No sooner was she in custody than she told a strange story of having been hypnotized by a professional crook, who beat her and made her lead a life of crime.

She was arraigned yesterday in the Westchester Court and Kelly appeared against her. She said she had fallen under the hypnotic influence of a pickpocket whose name was given out by the police as William Teller, who was now playing a piano in a Bowery music hall under the name of Hegan. The girl said she had travelled with Teller under the names of Margaret C. Maillard, Clara Le Mosse and Lillian De Voe. Teller, she said, beat her in Yonkers, and she was found unconscious in the street there.

She was a good girl, she said, until she met Teller. They came to New York last fall. According to Capt. Liebers, he has evidence to the effect that "Margaret Maillard" robbed Eva Fergus or Ford, a servant with a family named Ahearn at No. 425 West One Hundred and Fifty-third street. He said he would have in court at her examination on Tuesday two other witnesses, Mrs. Suffman, of No. 101 First avenue, and Mrs. Donohue, of No. 5 Sutton place.

In the young woman's room, the police allege, they found a considerable quantity of fine wearing apparel and a gold cut-glass opener. They allege she told them she had sold some of the things she took at second-hand shops in Sixth avenue.

Meantime the identity of Margaret is practically as much of a mystery as ever. She is a very tall, heavy-set young woman, with large feet and black eyes.

On Oct. 31 a young woman who said she was Lillian De Voe, of Chicago, collapsed at Riverside avenue and Locust street, Yonkers. Nobody was seen to strike her. She told those who rushed to her aid she was starving.

Detective-Sergt. Sam Price, in charge of the Bronx Detective Bureau, is under the impression that Margaret has done time in a prison, probably Joliet, in Illinois. This impression was strengthened by a story told him to-day by James Donohue, of No. 5 Sutton place, who employed the girl as a servant two months ago.

Sutton place runs from Fifty-seventh to Sixteenth streets and the rear windows of No. 5 overlook Blackwell's Island and the East River. Mrs. Donohue noticed that the girl was greatly interested in Blackwell's Island and talked a great deal about life in prison, betraying a surprising familiarity with the subject. She explained that she and her mother had paid frequent visits to Joliet prison out of curiosity.

In the absence of Margaret from the house one day Mrs. Donohue found in her room a quantity of jewelry belonging to members of the family, packed up ready for removal. The Donohues did not have the girl arrested because she made a pitiful plea for mercy. They allowed her to depart after giving her a lecture and then discovered that she had annexed a gold watch and a quantity of silverware. Mr. Donohue will subject himself to any inconvenience to prosecute her.

WHITE WIFE OF LI CHING GIVEN FINE FUNERAL

Brothers of the Deceased Carry Body to Hearse in Chinatown.

Li Ching, mandarin and the head of the Chee Kung Tong and Lun Gee Tong, branches of the Chinese Masonic Order, to-day gave his white wife, Katherine, a fine funeral. It was the most magnificent burial turnout Chinatown has seen in years. Bacigalupo's steel gray hearse with the great black tassels was followed by four carriages filled with relatives of Mrs. Li Ching and important Chinese Masons.

"She was much good wife," said Li Ching, before the brothers of the deceased and their friends, William Riley and Frank O'Brien, carried the handsome casket containing Mrs. Li Ching's body from her rooms on the third floor of No. 18 Pell street.

"She my wife four years," added the mandarin, pointing with pride to an engrossed testimonial certificate on the wall. "See American writings."

Thomas Kelly, father of the deceased, and his four sons, Thomas, jr., Michael, James and William, were the principal white mourners.

"My daugater married Li Ching against the wishes of her family, but he made her a good husband," was the comment of the older Kelly, who lives in Brooklyn.

The cortege proceeded to the Holy Cross Cemetery in Brooklyn, where there was the customary Roman Catholic burial service held in the chapel.

Katherine Kelly was a tall, dark-haired young woman when she met Li Ching at one of the mission services conducted under the auspices of the Church of the Transfiguration at Mott and Park streets. His courtship ended in their marriage and the installation of Mrs. Li Ching in one of the premises of No. 18 Pell street, where she has since kept charge of the books of the Chee Kung and Lun Gee tongs.

Katherine Kelly-Li Ching is said to be the only white woman who was ever intrusted with the secrets of the Chinese Masonic Order.

WM. WALDORF ASTOR TO WED ENGLISH PEERESS.

(Continued from First Page.)

The Countess is a sister of the Countess of Warwick, the Duchess of Sutherland and Lady Angela Forbes. She is brilliant, a splendid horsewoman and rather advanced in her ideas. She married Lord Westmoreland in 1892.

William Waldorf Astor was born in the city in 1848. He is the eldest son of John Jacob Astor 3d and a great-grandson of the founder of the Astor family on this side of the Atlantic.

As a young man he took a great deal of interest in politics. In 1877 he was elected to the Assembly and in 1879 to the Senate. He made two attempts to be elected to Congress and was defeated both times. In 1886 President Arthur appointed Sim Minister to Italy. Mr. Astor, embittered at America, the land of his birth, and particularly sore at the disposition of the authorities of the city to make him pay taxes, moved to England in 1891. He renounced his American citizenship in 1899.

He owns Cliveden, one of the show places of England, for which he paid $1,250,000. Besides he has other big estates. He is owner and editor of the Pall Mall Gazette and Magazine, and never misses a chance to say mean things about the United States. At one time he wrote that this is no country for a gentleman to live in longer than a week.

Lord Westmoreland has a longer and more distinguished ancestry than William Waldorf Astor, but he has no money, comparatively speaking. When he married the combined incomes of himself and his wife did not amount to over $12,000 a year. He was compelled to sell his ancestral estate, Anthorpe Hall, to get money enough to live on.

JUMPS FROM WINDOW.

Ill Brooklyn Woman Dodges Nurse to Take Plunge.

Mrs. Bridget Foy, of No. 194 Concord street, Brooklyn, jumped from a window on the second floor of her home to the sidewalk this afternoon and sustained injuries that will probably prove fatal. She had been ill for three weeks. While her nurse was absent from the room for a few minutes she raised the window and took the leap to the street.

When buying tea, look for the brand—
White Rose Ceylon Tea
Like the Sterling mark on Silver.

THE ENGLISH LAW IN DIVORCE CASES BARS COLLUSION.

It is no easy matter to obtain a divorce absolute under the English law. The amendment of 1856 to the Divorce law makes the suspicion of collusion by the parties to the suit an excuse for the intervention of the King's Proctor, a functionary of the divorce court, in the suit. As the divorce, if granted, is not made absolute for six months, there is ample time for intervention. The law says:

"If from any such information, or otherwise the said Proctor shall suspect that any parties to the suit are or have been acting in collusion for the purpose of obtaining a divorce contrary to the justice of the case he may, under the direction of the Attorney-General and by leave of the Court, intervene in the suit, alleging such case of collusion, and retain counsel and subpoena witnesses to prove it."

GREGG ELEMENT TO BACK JEROME.

ALBANY, Jan. 14.—The element represented at the Capitol by A. S. Gregg is preparing to get behind Jerome in his movement to extend the penalty of the gambling law to race track inclosures.

CHILDREN'S BANK ACCOUNTS

NO Trustee or Guardian is necessary in opening an account in our Children's Department, if the child is able to sign his own name.
$1.00 will open an account.
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They comprise plain and figured nets, handsomely trimmed in neat and stylish designs, chiffon lined, and are exceptional values.
Sale Starts Tuesday
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DIED.

JACOBSON.—On Sunday, Jan. 13, at her residence, 1467 Bedford av., Brooklyn, ANNIE S., wife of J. Frederick Jacobson, and daughter of William and Jane McCutcheon.

Services 8 P. M. Tuesday, Jan. 15. Funeral, private, Greenwood Wednesday, Jan. 16. Please omit flowers.

TAX BOOKS OPEN, DODGERS BEGIN SWEARING OFF

Office Crowded with Persons Seeking to Have Reductions Made.

The carnival of the tax-reduction shark began to-day. The personal books were opened and 40,000 people are assessed at ten to twenty times what they ever hope to own, while a small fraction of millionaire tax-dodgers are assessed on their incomes instead of their capital.

The Tax Office was thronged all day with tax-reduction people making up lists of over-assessments to get cases for swearing off.

They found many curious things. One thing that stands out in all the lists is that estates which have passed through probate pay much more than was ever paid by the owners when alive.

The Sage estate escaped the general fate, and only pays on $2,000,000.

Men pay on $50,000 who get more than that on their dividends every year, but women who were never heard of before, and are not so free in swearing off, are assessed from $150,000 to $500,000 each.

Seth Low, who paid $25,000 to the conscience fund a few days ago, is not in the list of those assessed at $50,000 and over.

Hannah Elias is assessed at $71,000, while George W. Vanderbilt pays on only $50,000.

Phoebe Lawrence, Mary Kelley and Mary Lewis are asked to pay on $500,000 each.

Here are a few of the assessments on personal property:

John Jacob Astor	$300,000
Harriet M. Arnold	200,000
Oliver H. P. Belmont	200,000
James Gordon Bennett	200,000
Mary E. Blagden	300,000
Frederick Billings	200,000
Andrew Carnegie	5,000,000
R. Fulton Cutting	200,000
Russell Sage Estate	2,000,000
August Belmont	100,000
Hannah Elias	71,000
John W. Gates	250,000
Frank J. Gould	[illegible]
Alfred R. Goslin	50,000
George Eliot	200,000
Samuel Aaronson	50,000
Cornelius N. Bliss	100,000
J. Pierpont Morgan	400,000
Babette Meyer, care Kuhn, Loeb & Co.	300,000
Mary L. Parsons	250,000
Oliver H. Payne	200,000
Alice G. Vanderbilt	1,000,000
Alfred G. Vanderbilt	250,000
Cornelius Vanderbilt	150,000
William K. Vanderbilt	1,000,000
George W. Vanderbilt	50,000
Anna Woerishoeffer	200,000
Henry Clews	100,000
William E. Corey	100,000
Morris K. Jesup	100,000
Chauncey M. Depew	50,000

FEARFUL ITCHING BURNING SORES

Boy in Misery 12 Years—Eczema Spread Over Body in Rough Scales, Cracked, Inflamed, and Swollen—Case Pronounced Incurable, but Completely Cured by Two Sets of Cuticura Remedies.

HIS SKIN NOW FINE AND SMOOTH AS SILK

"I wish to inform you that your wonderful Cuticura has put a stop to twelve years of misery I passed with my son. As an infant I noticed on his body a red spot and treated same with different remedies for about five years, but when the spot began to get larger I put him under the care of doctors. Under their treatment the disease spread to four different parts of his body. The longer the doctors treated him the worse it grew. During the day it would get rough and form like scales. At night it would be cracked, inflamed, and badly swollen, with terrible burning and itching. When I think of his suffering, it nearly breaks my heart. His screams could be heard down-stairs. The suffering of my son made me full of misery. I had no ambition to work, to eat, nor could I sleep.

"One doctor told me that my son's eczema was incurable, and gave it up for a bad job. One evening I saw an article in the paper about the wonderful Cuticura and decided to give it a trial.

"I tell you that Cuticura Ointment is worth its weight in gold, and when I had used the first box of Ointment there was a great improvement, and by the time I had used the second set of Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment, and Cuticura Resolvent my child was cured. He is now twelve years old, and his skin is as fine and smooth as silk. Michael Steinman, 7 Sumner Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., April 16, 1905."

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Funeral from his late residence, 503 9th ave., Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 11 A. M., thence to Church of St. Raphael, where a solemn mass of requiem will be offered for the repose of his soul. Interment Calvary.