WEST POINT.

THE DELIVERY OF DIPLOMAS TO THE GRADUATING CLASS BY GEN. GRANT—ORATION BY DR. VINTON—PARADES AND CEREMONIES.

From our Special Correspondent.

WEST POINT, June 17, 1867.

To-day opened inauspiciously for the closing exercises of the graduating class. From dawn, and long before, torrents of rain descended, and the morning gave no promise of a cessation of the pluvial infliction. But the god of storms listened to the prayers of the fair young maidens whose brothers and loving swains were to emerge from their four years of grub-like life of cadets into a butterfly existence of army officers upon this eventful morn. If Plavius had no pity, these anxious girls would be "maidens all forlorn," house-bound and pitiful. But just before the time at which the hard-won diplomas were to be delivered to the boys in gray by the Commander of the army, the rain ceased, though still the clouds remained and threatened. Anxious looks were cast upward, and on every side was the query repeated, "Will it rain?" Oh, for the prophet of the daily papers that we might know will it rain. Much reason there is for doubt.

For on the mountain tops the storm clouds brood,
Like some great vulture poising ever her prey.

Timidly, but in large army, the ladies gathered on the beautiful sward where the important ceremonials were to be observed. A slight postponement of half an hour having been necessary to complete the arrangements, at 11 o'clock the ceremony commenced, in accordance with the following order of the day:

HEADQUARTERS U. S. MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, N. Y., June 10, 1867.

SPECIAL ORDERS No. ——.—The presentation of diplomas to the Graduating Class, will take place on Monday morning, at 10½ o'clock. The class, with side arms, will be escorted by the battalion of cadets under the command of Brevet Col. Black, to the general parade, where the ceremony will be as follows: 1. Formal order of the parade ground; 2. Music; 3. Awarding of diplomas to the Graduating Class of cadets by U. S. Grant, General of the Army; 4. Music; 5. Address and benediction by Senator Vinton, S. T. D., of New-York, President of the Board of Visitors; 6. Federal salute, 13 guns, from the score battery, and return to quarters; 7. Academic exercises will be suspended until 1 o'clock p. m.

By command of Brevet Brig.-Gen. PRECOTT.
EDWARD C. BOVEROX, Brevet Major and Adjutant.

The Cadets marched upon the ground in beautiful order to the music of the Grand March in Faust. In forming upon the parade ground the Graduating Class advanced to the front and stood facing Gen. Grant and the other officials of the occasion. There were gathered in this group the General commanding the Army, Inspector General Edmund Schriver, and the Board of Visitors. When the class first came upon the ground the visitors kept scrupulously at a distance upon the gravel path surrounding the green, but as the great features of the day, the presentation by Grant and the oration by Dr. Vinton drew near at hand, their interest would not permit them to remain out of earshot, and before Gen. Grant had commenced the few words he permitted to himself, the officers were surrounded upon three sides by a bevy of bright and eager faces. As the names of the cadets were called they advanced one by one, saluted, and received from the hands of Gen. Grant the diplomas of their graduation. When Cadet Reffner, who has carried off the first honors, approached, Gen. Grant, addressing him as the representative of his class, complimented him in warm language upon the proficiency exhibited by the class, and told him to convey to them the expressions of his pleasure at their good scholarship and soldierly appearance. The General addressed Mr. Reffner in tones that were inaudible to any but those immediately in his circle, and, as usual, made no speech.

After the delivery of the diplomas, strains of the "Star Spangled Banner," sent stirring amid such associations, discoursed by the fine band of the Academy, fell grandly upon the ear.

DR. VINTON'S ADDRESS.

After the sixty-three graduates had received their diplomas, Dr. Vinton, President of the Board of Visitors, addressed the graduating class as follows:

Young gentlemen of the graduating class and of the corps of cadets of the United States Military Academy, we are gathered together on an occasion of peculiar interest; there is a kind of solemnity in this hour. You remember with what elation you have anticipated the close of probation, and now that the moment is come you are subdued and saddened. You will remember this hour forever through life. The past tells you of scenes hitherto that are connected with this spot, consecrated by revolution. Here treason was first unmasked, here the virtues of patriotism, honor, and truth have been inculcated. These hills have echoed back no tones but those of loyalty and honor. Here a discipline has been enjoined and preached—a discipline of self-control. The self-discipline of this military education is indeed the mightiest thing you have acquired; it is the best acknowledgment you can give of your country's favor. Your example will be the guerdon to repay your country for your training. Some persons have argued that the word loyalty is not properly applicable in a republican government, that it should only be used in reference to attachment for a single person, but the etymology of the word will not bear them out. Loyalty is allegiance to government and law, and the soul of loyalty has its embodiment and throne in allegiance to the nation. The oath you have taken and called upon God to witness has bound you to be loyal unto death to the Constitution of the United States. This occasion of your receiving your diplomas is a crisis of peculiar sacredness. It is a point of light on which the soul poises herself. By an august consciousness of duty the hour should be signalized. These diplomas of accredited superiority have been presented to you by the General commanding the Army, who has come here to dignify the ceremony. Heretofore the presentation of diplomas has been a simple thing, and it has seemed as though the ceremonies by the military [illegible] to those of courts, collapsed at the crowning act of the scholar's career. But to-day the man whom [illegible] delights to honor for his valor comes to present the diplomas. From the towering height of his station he looks back to these scenes as his starting-place, and expresses his appreciation of the honor of a West Point [illegible] by being here to present them to you. Not [illegible] are you honored with his presence, but by that Inspector-General of the Army, Major-Gen. Schriver. Another propitious circumstance attending the day is that it is the anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill, the record of which is graven on the rock at the landing, and is the first thing you see on coming here—the last on departing. On that day men determined to be free and independent, and the glorious struggle commenced. Let us accept the omen as indicating to you the lesson of that day. The occasion is further signalized by the presence of the Board of Visitors appointed by the President of the United States to testify to the efficiency of the school. What pride they take in your efforts I am authorized to state to you. Your commandant is here [illegible] his duties, has so tempered severity into love as to [illegible] your respect and affection. A charming result [illegible] West Point training is the personal relations [illegible] cadets and officials. Here are parents and [illegible] waiting to escort you back to familiar scenes, [illegible] called for a cadetship when war enveloped the land. [illegible] you were here from the battle-field with records [illegible] agements that a field marshal might envy. Blessed be God, you are graduating to-day in the school of peace; the clouds have vanished, a more perfect union of heart and good will established. Here the Doctor pronounced an eloquent eulogy upon the Union, and continued, let this national school have national scholars. The time is [illegible] come to part, and the thought of what you have acquired here demands utterance. That you have been taught the duties of a citizen lifts you far above the common soldiery of the world, with whom war is a trade, and places you in the double category of soldiers and citizens. Let me caution you, however, not to think too highly of yourselves. In the world in which you are entering, you will meet men of literary culture, students of the belles-lettres, who in these pursuits will be far beyond you. But you have secured the foundations, by the aid of which you can aspire to any learning. You have been taught to be soldiers, and with the strength of science and art, to defend our flag against domestic insurrection and foreign invasion. Be kind to your inferiors, considerate to private soldiers, and polite to junior officers.

Graduating cadets go further to realize these hopes. Guard well your character. Remember that character is above reputation. Character is built up by a life time of care. Reputation, in comparison, is a bubble of the moment. Cherish your character; be loyal to the Constitution; cherish the National Union; defend the flag, that emblem of liberty and law; learn to live and learn to die. The common admiration of soldiers and sailors in the human heart arises from the fact that they carry their lives in their hands, ready always to die for fidelity and God. Life is like Nature. It is Summer now, but Winter may come. Disease and death may quench your young life. The Indian's arrow or the cannon ball may lay you low. One thing is certain; you will never meet all together again in the world. Dr. Vinton then closed his eloquent oration with a benediction, to which the cadets listened with uncovered heads.

After the delivery of the benediction the exercises of the morning terminated with the firing of a federal salute of 13 guns, and the gratified spectators wended their way slowly along the cool paths to their homes and hotels. Scarcely had the last of the strollers got safely ensconced, however, when again the clouds discharged their waters, and apparently the remainder of the day was to be moisture condensed. But West Point clouds seem to be deceptive, and soon they broke away, and retired to the surrounding hills, on to which they rested—spectators grander than military chieftains of the afternoon parade. To one, indeed, unaccustomed to West Point scenery, the clouds are not the least part of the wonders with which his mind is awed—brooding upon and after obscuring the hill-tops, they seem a grander continuation of earthly summits aspiring to heavenly heights. The sun that now blazed from their midst, however, reflected so torrid a heat upon the unshaded walks that it almost became a question whether the rain were not preferable. In the afternoon the corps of cadets was reviewed by Brevet-Major-Gen. Edmund Schriver, U. S. Army, Inspector of the Military Academy. The usual evolutions of a review were executed with the precision for which the Cadets of West Point are noted, and which could not, in war time, have been excelled by the best drilled veterans of Grant or Sherman. At 7 p. m. another parade was had, and as this was the last occasion upon which the graduating class would drill together upon the fields which four years' acquaintance had made the most familiar spots on earth to them, the occasion had a peculiar solemnity, and while the band played slow and sad music this thought seemed to be with every one. The manual of arms and the marchings were exhibited however with matchless precision. As the Cadets marched to their quarters there were not many in that graduating class but regretted the severe Alma Mater they were on the point of leaving. Special orders No. 72, read on parade this evening, had the following paragraphs of interest:

1. After turning in all public property in their possession, and concluding a settlement of their accounts with the Treasurer, the graduating class will be relieved from duty at the Military Academy to-morrow morning at reveille, and granted leave of absence until the 30th day of September next.

2. The appointments heretofore occurring in the Battalion of Cadets are hereby revoked, and the following arrangements will take effect at reveille to-morrow morning:

To be Captains.—Cadets Clark, W. D. Dennison, D. S. Knights and Barnett.

To be Lieutenant and Adjutant.—Cadet Dahlgren.

To be Lieutenant and Quartermaster.—Cadet Savage.

To be Lieutenants.—Cadets Howe, Mackall, Whipple, Bass, Morrison, J. Robet, Thompson, Haskins, Roe, C. F. Redman, Farragut and Willard.

This evening there is a hop at the hotel, and the usual graceful dancing in the halls and pleasant coquetry in the "window-niches" is occurring to the mutual delight of cadets and damsels. To Brevet-Major and Adjutant Boynton I have to express my thanks for many courtesies courteously rendered. To-morrow the graduates leave for their homes, and until Friday, when the cadets go into Commencement, West Point will be dull.

METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT.—Gen. Shaler, President of the Board of Police Commissioners, has issued an order that hereafter all charges preferred against any member of the Department must be first examined by the firemen of the company in which the accused is serving, or if the charges are made by an officer or member of another company, then by the District Engineer.

OUT-DOOR SPORTS.

AQUATIC.

THE ATLANTIC YACHT CLUB REGATTA.

To-day, the second annual regatta of the Atlantic Club of Brooklyn will take place from the anchorage off the Club House, South Brooklyn, to the south-west spit, just inside of Sandy Hook, and back to the place of starting, rounding the spit, in all a distance of about 23 miles. The officers of the Club for the year 1867 are Commodore S. C. Lyman; Vice-Commodore, W. M. Brasher; Secretary, William Peet; J. R. Maxwell, Treasurer, and William Harvey, Measurer. Sixteen yachts have been entered—all sloops. The entries and rules are given below:

First Class Sloops.

	Tonnage.	Owners.
1. Whitewing	54	Shepard Hassams.
2. Addie	45	William Peterbis.
3. Alarm	40	T. W. Sherman.
4. Psyche	45	Finch Taylor.
5. Agnes	35	Edward Harvey.
6. Dolphin	21	J. R. Waller.
7. Lotta	18	Commodore Lyman.
8. Galatea	10	Gen. H. Prime and others.

Second Class Sloops.

1. Salsa	34 feet	H. G. Walton.
2. Leopard	31 feet	F. C. Foster.
3. Martha	28 feet	Vice-Com. Brasher.
4. Carrie	27 feet	J. R. Maxwell.
5. Hector	26 feet	Wm. Peet.
6. Aurelia	25 feet	H. A. Gouge.
7. Imp	23 feet	H. W. Robbell, jr.
8. Harry Schell	23 feet	H. Seymour Schell.

Judges—Oliver G. Carter, Samuel R. Stewart and Wm. C. Fowler.

Regatta Committee—John T. Mason, Charles Condin, Charles P. Low, Wm. McMonnies, Isaac L. Miller.

REGULATIONS OF THE REGATTA.

Classes.

1.—The yachts shall be divided into first-class sloops and second-class sloops.

Before the Start.

2.—The yachts must be at anchor in two lines (second-class sloops to the Southward) at 9 o'clock a. m., with the down: the smaller yachts to windward, in the inverse order of their numbers. The judges reserve the right in their discretion to order all sails down.

The Start.

3.—The yachts will be started by signal, as follows: At 12 o'clock, noon, the yacht signal on the signal-staff at Navesink will be dropped to half mast, when all the yachts must be prepared for the start. Fourteen minutes thereafter it will be run up, and one minute after dropped to half mast, which will be the signal for the second-class sloops to start. It will be again hoisted, and one minute after (sixteen minutes past 12 o'clock) again dropped, which will be the signal for the first-class sloops to start.

The Course.

4.—The course will be from the anchorage through the Narrows to the stake-boat off the southwest spit, turning the Sound from east to west, and the same going, passing the home stake-boat to the west. All the buoys on the west must be passed to the east bank going and returning.

Allowance.

5. All yachts must carry their working sails on spars which they shall be pledged to carry during the season, and the allowances shall be for difference in length of yacht or waterline from forward part of stem to after part of sternpost. If the first yacht home shall arrive at or under

	1st Class Sloops.	2d Class Sloops.
3h. 30m	20m. a foot	30m. a foot.
Between 3:30 and 4	1m. a foot	2m. a foot.
Between 4h. and 4:30	45s. a foot	1m. a foot.
Between 4:30 and 5h.	30s. a foot	30s. a foot.
Between 5h. and 6h.	None	None.
Over 6h.	No prize	No prize.

Signals.

6. Each yacht must fly the club signal above and her private signal beneath it at her peak or masthead, or one at either place, and, if the latter, the private signal must be carried at the masthead.

BASE BALL.

NEW-YORK VS. BROOKLYN.

The Empire Club of this city visited Brooklyn yesterday to play the Powhattan Club, who defeated the Unionville Club so badly last week, it being the first match the Empires have played this season. They had their new nine out, and played a fine ball game, winning by the score of 45 to 31 in a full game. The game was played in the presence of a large crowd, who greatly incommoded the players. We give the score below:

POWHATTAN.	O.	R.	EMPIRE.	O.	R.
Brown, c	4	4	Hosford, s. s	2	6
Bergen, 2d b	3	4	Duncan, 2d b	5	4
McCarthy, 1st b	2	4	Wilson, l. f	3	6
Snediker, s. s	4	5	Hart, c. f	2	6
Shields, r. f	4	3	M. Neetler, 1st b	5	6
Hicks, p	3	3	McBie, c. f	4	5
Clarke, 3d b	3	3	Schirig, p	2	4
Earle, c. f	1	4	Quinn, c	3	4
Farr, l. f	3	3	E. Neetler, 2d b	4	5
Total	27	31	Total	29	45

INNINGS.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th.	8th.	9th.	—Total.
Powhattan	3	5	0	9	1	1	4	8	0	31
Empire	4	7	4	7	7	1	3	5	7	45

Umpire—Mr. Lawrence of the Mutual Club.
Scorers—Messrs. Gellatt and Gaunt.
Time of game—Three hours.
Fly catches—Empire, 9; Powhattan, 7.
Outs on Fouls—Empire, 6; Powhattan, 4.

STAR VS. MOHAWK.

These South Brooklyn Clubs had a close game together yesterday, the Mohawks winning by two runs after a free hitting game of 10 innings, the score being a tie at the close of the ninth innings. We append the score:

STAR.	O.	R.	MOHAWK.	O.	R.
Gordon, 1st b	5	4	Sillick	3	7
Leland, p	2	7	Kelly	4	3
Sterling, r. f	5	4	Hoagland	5	4
Sharp, c. f	5	4	Mulford	5	5
Macdiarmed, c	1	6	Clayton	3	5
Archer, 3d b	3	4	Smith	1	4
E. Hammett, l. f	4	2	Jos Flos	7	2
Bell, 2d b	3	5	Kytc	4	5
D. Hammett, s. s	2	5	Howe	0	8
Total	30	41	Totals	30	43

INNINGS.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th.	8th.	9th.	10th.	
Star	5	4	0	3	3	2	13	8	2	—41	
Mohawk	12	2	2	1	0	1	2	1	2	4—43	

Umpire—Mr. A. Miles of the Mohawk.

ATLANTIC VS. ECKFORDS.

On account of the wet grounds this game was again postponed yesterday until Thursday. About a thousand people were present.

MISTAKE IN PRINTING THE RULES.

Mr. A. P. Gorman, President of the National Association, has received a communication from Dr. Jones, Chairman of the Committee on Rules, which states that the Printing Committee has committed an error in giving rule 10 as it now reads. The published rule was in reality rejected, and the one which follows adopted, and it ought properly to govern all ball play this year. Unless, however, the President authorizes the correction the rule must stand as mistakenly printed. The rule really adopted reads as follows:

SEC. 10. If a batsman strike a ball on which "one ball" has been called, no player can make a base on such a stroke; nor can any player make a base if the batsman strike a ball on which "two balls" have been called; nor if he strike a ball on which "three balls" have been called, can more than one base be made by any player occupying a base; in the latter event, however, the batsman shall also be entitled to one base. If he strike a ball on which a balk has been called, then sections 8 and 9 of the Rules shall apply. In either case the ball shall be considered dead and not in play until settled in the hands of the pitcher, and in neither case should he be considered a striker. If the batsman "wildly strike at a ball out of the left reach of his bat, for the purpose of striking out, it shall not be considered a strike."

THE NEW-ENGLAND JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

A match game of base ball was played on Boston Common Saturday afternoon between the Beacon and Upton Clubs of Boston for the championship of the junior clubs of New-England and the possession of the silver ball. About 3,000 spectators were present, and the interest and excitement proved nearly as great as at the senior matches. The game was the third match between these clubs for the championship; all the games have been closely contested, but in each case the ball has been borne off by the Uptons. The first game standing 25 to 24, the second 25 to 30. The game on Saturday, which was equally hard fought, was given to the Uptons again by the score of 30 to 29.

THE CONNECTICUT CHAMPIONSHIP.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

NEW-LONDON, Conn., June 17.—The second of three games for the championship of Connecticut was played in this city to-day by the Charter Oaks of Hartford, the present champions, and the Pequots of New-London. The latter won by 28 tallies to 27. Each club has now one game.

The game was very even, and was not called till 3:30 o'clock, owing to the bad condition of the grounds on account of the heavy rain. Another game will be played to decide the championship. The Charter Oaks chartered the steamer Granite State for the excursion to New London, and about 800 persons came from Hartford to witness the match.

BASE-BALL AT FORTRESS MONROE.

FORTRESS MONROE, June 17.—An interesting game of base-ball was played here this afternoon, between the Severn Club of Annapolis, Md., and the Ordnance Club. The score stood 32 to 15, the former winning the game.

IROQUOIS "LA CROSSE" PLAYERS COMING TO NEW-YORK.

MONTREAL, June 16.—The Montreal LaCrosse Club have undertaken to send 15 Iraquois Indians in full costume to New-York, in about two weeks, to show that city the great field game of "La Crosse," which has been adopted as the field game of Canada. Many American gentlemen who have witnessed this wonderful and amusing game have expressed a desire to see it introduced into the United States, and, as these Indians are the finest players of this game—which has been played by them long before Jacques Cartier discovered Canada—one of the greatest and most exciting treats may be expected which has ever been seen in New-York. The wonderful variety, constant excitement, skill and beautiful play in this game cannot be equaled by any other. It is very different from cricket, and gives every man just as much or as little play as he prefers. It is played with a "crosse," each player carrying one, and a sponge rubber ball. Thousands come into the city whenever a match is played, and the intense excitement is proof of its attractiveness. Every instinct and quality of the Indian is exhibited in the play. They leave for New-York in about eight or ten days.

BRIEF NOTES.

At a special meeting of the Scandinavian Society of New-York, last evening, President C. A. Steen in the chair, arrangements were made for celebrating the Society's twenty-third anniversary (July 9), by a picnic excursion.

A boat on the Morris Canal, yesterday morning, knocked away one of the supports of the Warren-st. bridge, in Newark, and, at about 10 o'clock the sidewalk fell into the canal, and a policeman, a woman, and two or three lads were immersed in dirty water. No other damage.

At 3 o'clock p. m., yesterday, in a Third-ave. car, beside those who managed to stand or sit erect, were two drunken men who served as lounges on the front platform, and one held by a friend to keep him from falling off the rear end.

Edward Apple, 14 years of age, employed in putting up gas fixtures in the new Congregational Church at East Orange, N. J., on Saturday afternoon last, was very seriously burned by the explosion of an alcohol can which he was trying to fill while the wick in it was burning.

Mrs. Reid appeared before Justice Dunne of Brooklyn, yesterday, and charged that her son George, aged about 23 years, had stolen a horse valued at $75. The youth is to be heard to-day.

Napoleon's costly toy, the Dunderberg, was moored at the cob pier, near the old sunk North Carolina, at the Brooklyn Navy-Yard yesterday.

Theodore E. Allen, who was arrested some time ago on a charge of collusion with one Wood in New-York in defrauding the Government of tobacco revenue, was discharged by the United States Commissioner at Newark yesterday morning, it having been shown that Wood, who has gone to Europe, was solely responsible.

Mr. L. Pike of the Irvington (N. J.) Base Ball Club, who was on Friday made a member of the Eureka Club, has published a card informing the people that he will play through the season with the Irvingtons. An effort is to be made to consolidate the Clubs under the style of the Eurekas.

The New-York Court of General Sessions calendar for to-day embraces the following: Thomas Solomon, indicted for forgery in the third degree; Eldoph Smith, for keeping a disorderly house; Wm. R. Merriam, for counterfeiting trade-mark, and Israel Marks, for receiving stolen goods.

Warden Thomas S. Brennan received at the New-York Morgue, yesterday, two bodies, which are described thus: Man, about 30 years, 5 feet 8 inches, sandy hair, black suit, and blue undershirt. Boy, about 15 years, 5 feet high, brown hair, and had books and slate.

The New-York City Hall and other public buildings were appropriately embellished with American bunting yesterday, in commemoration of the battle of Bunker Hill.

Antoine Janne's heirs are to meet in this city, to take action with respect—or rather disrespect—to Trinity Church.

The Rev. Wm. S. Clarke, and the Rev. W. R. Stetson, of this city, Rev. A. P. Putnam, of Brooklyn, and the Rev. G. H. Hepworth, of Boston, spoke last evening at the Beecher-st. Universalist Church, in favor of Liberal Christianity.

The Excise Law has transferred the Louvre Concert Saloon in this city into a fashionable restaurant.

Mr. William Dodworth, financial editor of the Commercial, while building at his abode, in Greenwich-st., Brooklyn, on Sunday, was struck in the head by Edward V. Hoffman, one of a number of boys who were throwing at a mark with revolvers, was apprehended and held to await the result.

Admiral Farragut's flag-ship, the Franklin, is in the port of New-York, but will depart for Europe with the Admiral and staff on or near the 24th inst. She will steer direct to Cherbourg, where Rear Admiral Goldborough will deliver to Admiral Farragut the command of the European squadron.

Capt. John G. Kearney, commander of a steamboat, charges that on Friday last his son John, aged 23 years, stole from his house in Morris-st., Jersey City, $822 and a gold watch valued at $60. The young man was arrested in New-York yesterday and taken to Jersey City.

The first section of the Greenwood Cemetery, in Westchester, the last five from McComb's farm in Woodhaven, has been finished, and the Commissioners, who accepted it yesterday, adopted resolutions complimenting Mr. Leonard W. Jerome, the contractor.

A strawberry and cream festival is to be given at the New-England Church, in West Forty-fourth-st., on Wednesday evening.

The Mountain Union Express Company commences to receive freight at 48, Jacob's Pier, today. A railway track has been laid across the pier, running by the side of a large frame building which has been erected, one story high and 400 feet long by 70 in width.

On Thursday the New-York Firemen's Association will throw up their rooms at the Exposition of Stationary and Fourth-st., and there exhibit the ornate and expensive new hose-carriage which they intend to present to Independent Fire Engine Company No. 1 of Columbia, S. C. The Association will sail for Charleston on board the steamer, in Manhattan on the 23d inst.

The annual raid upon unmuzzled dogs commenced yesterday in this city, and resulted up to 3 p. m. in the capture of over [illegible] wanderers, which were taken to the Pound, where they are to be drowned if not redeemed by their owners.

Four European steamships which arrived in this port yesterday brought 1,327 passengers.

The second Biennial Convention of the Empire State Association of Deaf Mutes is to be held on the 20th and 29th of August next at the New-York Institution for Deaf and Dumb at Fanwood. On the 30th of August services for deaf mutes are to be held in St. Ann's Church, Eighteenth-st. During the convention a testimonial is to be presented to the venerable Dr. Peet, who will resign on account of advanced age.

Charles Publick's stable at Westford, Hudson City, N. J., was fired by an incendiary on Sunday evening, and slightly damaged.

Nicholas D. Vreeland, of Jersey City, was arrested on Sunday evening, on the charge of keeping a disorderly house, and was held to bail. Hoosick especially had complaint against Dennison, who was arrested on a similar charge of breaking into a house, and he was also held to bail.

The rain of Sunday night flooded the Hoboken Meadows, and two or three hundred houses were surrounded by water, 12 to 18 inches in depth.

The bodies of two drowned boys, about nine years of age, were discovered in the Hackensack River on Sunday afternoon. One of the bodies was left on the bank, and had mysteriously disappeared when Justice Heslan arrived to take it in charge.

Matthew Lee and John Fitzgerald of Jersey City have been committed to trial for threatening to shoot the conductor of a West Hoboken car who ejected them on Sunday for refusing to pay their fare.

The Rev. William A. Darlington, who was thrown from his carriage while riding in East Forty-first-st., on Saturday, is confined to his bed, one of his legs having been fractured.

CITY ITEMS.

VERY HARD CASH.—On Friday last the driver of a stage on the Twenty-third-st. line received in payment on fares a silver quarter and two silver dimes.

SCHUTZEN CORPS.—The annual shooting festival of the New-York Schutzen Corps will be held at Jones's Wood for three days, beginning to-day. The target element on the first and second days will be circulating. The Austrian double-headed eagle, and on the third day the Schutzen King will be crowned.

FIRST CASE OF CHOLERA.—Yesterday Capt. Greenlook to Bellevue Hospital George H. Cass of Trenton, N. J., a painter, aged 23 years, who had been suddenly taken ill at the foot of Chambers-st. The attending physicians decided that it was a clear case of cholera. The board of Health were notified.

QUICKEST PASSAGE ON RECORD.—The Percire arrived at Sandy Hook at 6 o'clock last evening, after the unprecedented passage of nine days and two hours from Brest. The passengers—among whom were Messrs. Theodeus Hyatt, Morris K. Jessup, R. T. Babbitt, and the Rev. Joseph F. Duryea—passed complimentary resolutions, which were presented to Capt. Duchesne last evening.

BULL'S HEAD.—The cattle market closed tame yesterday, and a few small lots were taken out rather than suffer loss, as would be the case if forced off. Butchers buy sparingly while the people are luxuriating on strawberries and cream. The 1,476 head on sale yesterday, proved more than wanted at the old figures, even with a decline of more than 700 head for the week, making the supply 700 below last year's weekly average. Mutton is very plenty, and that is one of the causes of the slow beef market. Live sheep fell up nearly 22,000, being the largest receipts since last February. They sell slowly at 1c. decline. Hogs have dropped 1c., with a little gain in numbers. Prices range from 12c. to 7c.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE JUDGE WHITE.—The funeral of the late Hon. John E. White was attended yesterday morning in the Church of St. Francis Xavier, Sixteenth-st., a large congregation being present. The church was draped in mourning. The following gentlemen officiated as pall bearers: Col. James A. Hamilton, Judge Brady, John S. Patterson, James Brooks, ex-Judge Roewith, Robert Miller, Thomas E. Walker. A High Requiem Mass was sung, after which a eulogy on the deceased was pronounced by the Rev. Father O'Reilly. The remains were subsequently deposited in the family vault of the deceased in St. Patrick's Cathedral.

POLICE MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION.—This Association has been in operation about six months, and has disbursed $1,350 to the families of members of the Police force who have died during that time. Our entire expense thus far has been $117, but $20 per year will probably cover all future expense, as there are no salaried officers to pay. The plan of relief is very simple. Upon each pay-day each member has deducted from his pay 50 cents for every death which has occurred from among the members during the month. This amount is paid by the Precinct treasurer to the heirs of the deceased. It will be seen that this is no accumulation of capital, and no collection, unless the occasion for it has occurred within the month.

BOARD OF CONCHMEN.—By resolution, yesterday, the Croton Board was requested to inform the Common Council whether hydrants, stop-cocks, &c., for the city, were supplied by contract or otherwise. A Committee of Five was appointed to expend $20,000 in celebrating the Fourth of July; but the resolution appropriating $1,000 for a regatta on that day was laid over. Councilmen Murray, Long, and others indulged in a spirited and rectriminative debate over Councilman Gilmore's resolution to authorize the Hudson River Railroad Company to continue running their locomotives to Thirtieth-st., and to run dummy engines down to St. John's Park, paying $50 annual license for each dummy. The resolution was lost by a vote of 12 to 10.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.—Alderman Shannon was in the chair yesterday afternoon. Alderman Norton, who said that the Controller had, without authority, recently paid $18,290 for public printing, introduced a resolution calling upon that officer to publish the details of this unauthorized expenditure, and the Board adopted the resolution. On motion of Alderman Cushman, it was ordered that the Controller report the city's receipts from Washington and West Washington Markets in the years 1865 and 1866, and the expenditures thereon. The board referred to a Committee a resolution giving the New-York Firemen's Association $500, the same to be used in purchasing a new hose carriage for the firemen of Columbia, S. C. Aldermen Coman, White, Hardy, Vignier, and Moore were appointed a Committee on the Celebration of the Fourth of July, but the resolution appropriating $20,000 therefor was laid over. Alderman Ely's resolution prohibiting the sale of small berries except by the quart or pint was lost.

A PRETTY SIGHT.—A new attraction has been added to the already delightful streets of our city in the arrival, from some where or other, of a man with a family of exceedingly well-bred and accomplished birds. He has a board covered with green cloth and supported on a stand, and on one end of it is a cage containing the birds—a half-dozen canaries, a mossy goldfinches, and eight or ten parroquets or love-birds. The man himself is a pleasant fellow, with a bright eye, a ready smile, a flow of wit not to be despised, and such pleasant ways with him that the birds lay aside all their prejudices, and seem to think there is no fun in life but in doing as he bids them. Inside the cage they sit in the most orderly fashion, side by side, occasionally turning the head to make low criticisms on the crowd—we mean, criticism on the crowd in a low tone of voice, for all that these birds do is marked by at elegant refinement—and ever ready, at the slightest intimation from their friend and master, to go through their several parts in the entertaining programme. The remarks of the proprietor are nicely adjusted to the locality where he happens to place his stand, and as, when we saw him, he had chosen a spot in front of a bar room, we were delighted with his tact in calling out for Gen. McClellan and Andrew Johnson to go to the Philadelphia Convention. Two very pretty birds—a love-bird and a canary—immediately signified their willingness in the most amiable manner to go through the celebrated arm-in-arm performance, and, accordingly, locking wings in a way to draw tears from the very billiard markers in the doorway, they marched along the platform, and while Andrew Johnson mounted a light wagon, Gen. McClellan, after a good deal of hesitation, put his head through a yoke attached to it, and dragged that "great chief," as Mr. Seward calls him, back to his perch. Admiral Farragut then appeared the very instant his name was called, and, with a proud sailor-like air, walked up a rope to the top of a high mast, and, with scorn and defiance in every feature of his countenance, tore from its place a flag supposed to be that of the late lamented Confederacy, though not having the remotest resemblance to that delusive rag, and hurled it to the green baize platform beneath. We regret to add that this noble feat of patriotism was performed under the immediate inspiration of the offer of a gin cock-tail from his master, an offer, no doubt, intended to please the frequenters of the adjacent bar, and to make amends for the insult offered to the flag of their friends. On descending the rope the Admiral looked around for the promised cock-tail, but not finding it, he wiped his mouth with his wing, and retired with a disconsolate air to his cage. The ready proprietor then produced a pack of cards, and invited Gen. Grant to play a game with him. The General not being engaged in smoking at the time, promptly accepted. The six of spades having been put face down at the bottom of the pack, he immediately picked it out, and held it up for the inspection of the audience and the gentlemen of the bar, who were moved to such a state of enthusiasm that they immediately gave him enough currency to support him for three days in his natural life. He, in his turn, was cheered to the echo upon his retiring, he rushed at the pack and picked up every spade in it, and then walked off to his perch with steps of conscious pride. The docility of these birds is really astonishing, and by the readiness with which they respond to their master's petitions for a kiss before each performance, we are convinced that their education has been obtained without the discipline of tears or torture, but that they have been seduced into science by the sweetness of sugar and the savoriness of seed.

CORONER'S INQUESTS.—Coroner Schirmer yesterday held inquests in the following cases: Over the body of an unknown drowned man at Pier No. 4, N. R. The body was sent to the Morgue for identification. Also, at the Greenwich-st. Police Station, over the body of a male infant found in the water off Leroy-st. Dr. Leo made a post mortem examination and found that the child had been born alive, death by visitation of infanticide was received. On the body of Jacob Erhardt, who, on Saturday night, fell into a cellar at the intersection of Eighth-st. and Ninth-ave., died at the Mount Sinai Hospital. The body of an unknown boy, aged about 14 years, who was found at the foot of Chambers-st., was removed to the Morgue. The jury rendered a verdict of accidental death in the case of Joseph Brock, of No. [illegible], who died on the New-York Hospital from injuries received on Saturday by being run over by Fire Engine No. 12. The driver was exonerated.

[Announcements.]

THE LAY OF A KNOCK'S HAT.—Upon the Bridge he turned to take a last fond look of the gutter where his old hat in jest forsook—beside the mammoth sign-board that told about "Black Knox." His face was full of anguish, and his spirits full of shocks, when suddenly he turned around and saw the sign of KNOX—of KNOX, the hatter, of No. 212 Broadway, when we save at once his countenance from worrying cry. So, jumping from the Brooklyn bridge as nimble as a cat, in less than 10 minutes he wore a new Knox hat!

A GENTLE WHISPER TO MOTHERS.

If unfortunately you have had your sons teeth by neglect or unwarrantable carelessness, or be sure that your daughters do not suffer from the effects of early loss of teeth. See to it that they brush their teeth regularly and thoroughly with SOZODONT, and thereby you will insure them sound and serviceable teeth as long as they live.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

FROM LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN, June 17—In steamship City of Antwerp—Miss Bewley, T. A. and S. Bewley, Miss Blackiston, H. and M. Bonnet, F. Reid, W. Fitzsimons, A. Webb, Capt. W. H. Jones, W. A. Bonnell, Miss Ames, Mr. Burke, Mr. Jones, J. Patchett, W. Clark, Mrs. Milner, J. E. Marshall, Mrs. Leslie, Mr. Stevenson, Mr. Arbuthnot, N. Brooker, Mr. and Mrs. Leland, Thomas Wright, Thomas Jones, Wm. Davis, Miss Ann Davison, Mrs. Lister, Mr. and Mrs. Wilder, Mr. Nash, Mr. Wright, Dr. F. Wheaton, A. H. Bowers, A. H. Bowers, and Mrs. Bowers, W. Tomes, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, W. Beal, C. Foster, Mr. Foster, Wm. Hill, Miss Wilder, B. Fletcher, Henry Dunlap, Geo. Meredith, George Morgan, Mr. Drake, Mr. Earthbrooker, Miss Mary A. Morgan, L. Weekman, Charles Pegram, Mrs. Eastman, sr., Mrs. Eastman, jr., and child.

FROM NEW-ORLEANS AND HAVANA, June 17—In steamship Nebraska—Miss Baker, Miss Mary Brown, Mr. Jones and son, Mrs. N. C. Bell, Miss E. Bell, Miss E. Bell, Mrs. W. P. Bell, Mrs. Burgell and child, Miss Ann E. Collins, Miss S. Schenck, T. J. Towell, Mrs. M. Towell, A. Gossett, W. M. Towell, jr., Amil Montmonant, wife and child, H. McPeton, W. T. S