SUMMER LETTERS.

NEWPORT.

PECULIARITIES OF THE RESORT—THE HOTELS, BOARDING-HOUSES AND VILLAS—BEAUTY OF BELLEVUE-AVE. — GLIMPSES OF ELEGANT EDENS—THE SEA IN ITS PROSAIC FORM—MRS. RAILWAY ERIE'S FOUR-IN-HAND—MEN ON WHEELS—VARIETIES.

NEWPORT, R. I., July 21.—Newport in Summer is not unlike Nice in Winter—a place of residence during the season, rather than of sojourn or visitation. It is no longer, as it once was, a rival of Saratoga, Niagara, and Long Branch. It has become distinctive in its character, and peculiar in its society. It is more a private than a public watering-place, and is a favorite with families rather than with fast men and fast women. The quality of Newport may be stated by calling it a watering-place in contradistinction to a brandy-and-watering-place, as many of the more miscellaneous resorts are. Bibulously speaking, Niagara is milk-punch; Saratoga, whisky straight; Long Branch, gin-cocktail; Cape May, hock-and-soda; New-London, champagne; Swampscott, burgundy, and Newport, claret of the genuine Lafitte, Château-Margaux, and Haut-Brion cru. Those to whom going out of town for the Summer means merely a prolonged tipple, varied with gambling and coarse jokes do not come here. That class long ago voted Newport "deucedly slow," and undeserving the patronage of high-spirited fellows "who want to see a little life, you know." The consequence is that dissipation is more the exception than the rule; and vulgar vices are regarded with disfavor. There are no races here, and, so far as I am aware, no establishments in which the tiger is exhibited for the benefit of the zoologically curious.

THE HOTELS AND BOARDING-HOUSES.

The habitues of this place dwell in villas and cottages, not in hotels, which have never been numerous or especially flourishing. With the exception of the Ocean House, these are small and rather unpretending. A few years ago the Ocean used to be crowded long before this, and was the scene of a great deal of gayety and fashionable dissipation. But now, though it is reported "comfortably full," it has not, I should judge, half the occupants it might accommodate. The time when the midnight hours echoed with the popping of champagne corks, especially in "The Colony," devoted to roystering bachelors, has passed never to return. The present "guests" of the Ocean are exceedingly staid and decorous in every respect. They look as if they might all have come from Beacon-st., and were concerned with the problem of human destiny and the theories arising from the correlation of forces. Season before last, the proprietor of the Ocean contemplated, as I have heard, the closing of the house, so slender had been its patronage for the two or three previous years. Since then, however, business has improved, but it will never be what it once was. Rates are as of old—$5 at the principal hotel, $4 at two of the others, and $3 at the very small houses.

The number of boarding-houses where persons content with plain fare and tidy apartments can get accommodations at $15 to $20 per week is large. The great disadvantage of nearly all the hotels, and the great disappointment, too, to strangers, is that they are not only not near, but not within sight of the sea. The principal house, for instance, which every one would expect to find on the beach, or at least not far away, is at the south end of Bellevue-ave., altogether inland, with nothing to remind you of the ocean except its name. The Fifth Avenue or Brevoort is quite as accessible to the sea as the Ocean House, and every time I visit it I am more and more amazed at the stupidity of its builders. They might have erected an Ocean House in the midst of Sahara or of our own great Western desert with equal propriety. To suppose that persons seeking the sea-side will stay in houses where nothing but their accurate knowledge of geography enables them to believe they are within a thousand miles of the sea, shows a firm faith in the idiocy of human nature which the facts seem to warrant. The only marvel to me is that the hotels have not been obliged to shut up long ago for lack of patronage. The Fillmore closed after its second year, and a loss of more than $100,000, and no attempt to set up a new hotel has ever been made since.

VILLA LIFE—ELEGANCE AND LUXURY.

The real and characteristic life of Newport is to be found in the villas (there are no more cottages now-a-days) with which Bellevue-ave. is lined on each side for two miles or more. The avenue is by all odds the finest and handsomest street of any American watering-place. The villas merit the name. They are country-seats of wealthy persons, as may be seen from their elegance and the elaborate and beautiful grounds with which they are surrounded. The objection to the avenue, as to the hotels, is that it is removed from the ocean. Its northern end extends to the sea and the cliffs, but most of the residences are toward the south. Of course, one can drive to the beaches, of which there are three; but that is not like being within sight and sound of the surf. Nearly all the villas betray not only the means and liberality, but the taste and refinement, of the owners. They are a little too trim and artificial, perhaps; but their dainty fittings, their elegant furniture and perfect air of luxurious comfort do much to reconcile one to their studied and starched appearance. Many of them are so gracefully embowered amid flower-beds, shaded walks, sparkling fountains and clustering foliage that they seem little Edens of domestic happiness. If Satan ever insinuates himself into the charming garden, it is to be hoped, for the sake of harmony, that he offers his temptations and conducts his wickedness in aesthetic form.

It is pleasant to walk or drive along the Avenue, catching involuntary glimpses among the trees and shrubbery of fair faces which seem fairer for the fall of sweet voices, and lithe forms in flowing white, fluttering and flashing through bright blossoms and green leaves. These half-views are favorable to the poetic eye, enabling it to fill with ideal hues the soft outlines that are made visible, or still better, are only suggested. I have seen there many women playing at bo-peep with nodding blossoms and swaying boughs, who might have fallen out of the open pages of a romance which they had quitted to dream over, so dainty, and delicate, and delicious was their appearance. They seemed to be, and by the law of fitness they ought to have been, beautiful. You who have admired them in their fragrant frames of nature believe they are all your vision painted them. Hang them up in the gallery of your imagination, and give the key to memories that are only bright and blessed.

Bird warbles and feminine songs, piano and harp notes, the voice of children and joyous laughter, ripple through the walks and groves of the Avenue, and make sweet cadences in the hymn of comfort and content. They who spend the Summer there have every external thing to make them happy; and if they are not so, the ordinary terrors of death should be relieved by the assurance that they can afford a fashionable funeral even in New-York.

BATHING UNDER DISADVANTAGES.

There are various places for bathing, but the customary and most popular one, known as the Cove, near the Bath Road, has greatly deteriorated of late years. After going into the surf there ablution elsewhere is rigorously demanded. Unless you happen to have a fancy for sea-weed, old boots, defunct fish, and dead cats, which, however much they may add to the variety, do not usually increase the pleasure of a sea plunge, it would be well not to bathe there. For some reason or other the water is severely soiled, and so far as purity is concerned might have been originally employed by Hercules for cleansing the Augean Stables. Few persons now venture into the feculent surf who have any regard for personal cleanliness. I have heard that an audacious fellow, who braved the briny, as Richard Swiveller would put it, at the Cove, the other day, came out with an original suit of sedge, rags, and rotten wood, crowned with a couple of deceased puppies for a cap, and disported himself for some time on shore in that extraordinary costume. He regarded his marine outfit as a good joke; but when he went in the next day, and saw a drowned horse and two dogs rolling toward him, he declared that the joke had lost its point by repetition.

Driving is considered the proper thing to do here, and the drive over the beaches around by the fort is quite pleasant, though, if they were continuous, instead of being connected by a sandy or muddy road, they would be much more satisfactory.

Mrs. James Fisk, jr., takes the lead in showy turn-outs here, as her loving liege does at Long Branch. She abounds in health and ample proportions, and seems to enjoy the stares and comments she excites as thoroughly as her husband. She is more modest than he however, having four instead of six horses, but of the same colors and arranged after the same checker-board fashion. Her carriage is a high English drag, with a rumble for a footman, and carries two pompously bedizened coachmen on the box. The harness is radiant with silver mountings and monograms, for which the ancestors of the Fisks, dating back 6,000 years, have always been distinguished. She has the family fondness for adornment, and bears on her spacious form the greater part of the contents of several jewelry establishments. If Nature had been less prodigal to her, her passion for displaying gold, and gems, and trinkets on her person must needs have been curbed to something like a normal development.

August Belmont, F. L. Barreda, Robert Travers, Paran Stevens, and C. N. Beach drive superb four-in-hands; while Griswold Gray bursts upon the Avenue with six sleek steeds, and Erastus Corning, G. F. Tyler, Dexter Bradford, James Peabody, the famous Mrs. Rush of Philadelphia, Jay Gould, Col. Robert Banks, Mrs. Geo. Francis Train, Dr. Thomas C. Durant, and many other New-Yorkers are seen in all their four-wheeled glory on the beaches every evening about sunset.

Gens. Franklin and Warren, Manton Marble, F. F. Gunther, A. B. Cooper and family, N. C. Danion and wife, E. D. Morgan, A. S. Hatch, Charles H. Russell, L. P. Morton, and any number of bankers, lawyers, and politicians from Gotham are spending the Summer here.

Every villa and cottage is full and has been, I understand, for a fortnight past, though a number of new ones were put up last year. Real estate has advanced as much here during the last ten years as it has in New-York, and large fortunes have been made by persons engaged in speculative operations. The town itself, albeit it once had a commerce greater than that of the metropolis, is deader than Demetrius Poliorcetes. There is a tradition here that many of the ancient citizens often rise in the night, and wake up their neighbors to inquire why they have not been buried. If sunshine followed the extinction of all ambition and energy, those natives of Newport would have been in their graves half a century ago.

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WHITE MOUNTAINS.

PROF. HITCHCOCK'S SURVEY—THE PROPOSED BOARD OF OBSERVATION—EXPLORING THE DEVIL'S DEN.

CRAWFORD'S, White Mountains, July 26.—Prof. Hitchcock of Dartmouth College, assisted by Prof. J. H. Huntington of the New-Hampshire Geological Survey, is making a survey of the White Mountains this Summer, under the auspices of the State. Six members of the scientific class of the College, and Dr. N. Barrows, a distinguished botanist, accompany the party, and they are now camped within a stone's throw of the Crawford. Circulars have been issued, inviting contributions to aid in establishing a Board of Observation on Mt. Washington the coming Winter. In the circular are set forth some of the most striking discoveries made by the scientific observers who dwelt upon the summit of Moosilauke last Winter, at an altitude of 4,950 feet. The party will be the same as then—Prof. Huntington, Mr. A. F. Clough, and probably one other person. It is proposed to inhabit the new railroad depot, a few rods from the Summit House. Prof. Hitchcock assures me that there is no doubt that the means will be provided, and that the bold sojourners will be enthusiastically supported in their mountain exploration. It is proposed to keep daily telegraphic communication with the world, giving all the weather indications. For this purpose, a cable or insulated wire will have to be supplied—one that can lie upon the ground and resist the elements.

Messrs. Armstrong, Douglass, Pratt, and Woodbridge of the Scientific College class made a daring exploration of the remarkable cave in the side of Mt. Willard, known as "The Devil's Den," to-day. They lowered themselves over the precipice by ropes about 150 feet, and then swung themselves into the cave, which they found to be not far from 15 feet high at the mouth, about the same breadth, and 25 feet deep. It was a perilous undertaking, and has been accomplished but once before, and even the account of that is somewhat apocryphal. The party have found much adventure and will occupy the field of mountain survey some time longer.

Another item of interest is the survey of the Portland and Ogdensburg Road through the notch, which is now ready to submit to the Directors. Mr. Latrobe, the Engineer of the Baltimore and Ohio Road, is to come here and give his opinion of the different plans reported for getting through the gorge some time during the coming month.

The Mount Washington Railway is proving a great success this season. This wonderful structure has been patronized by a great proportion of the Mount Washington climbers, and not an accident or a detention has occurred so far, which, when it is remembered that at many points the grade is 1,900 feet to the mile, is wonderful. The largest party taken up at one time was 84, to-day, who found a perfect day throughout, not a cloud to obstruct the view from morning till night.

This has been a remarkable season, and there is now a severe drouth. Even the mountain cisterns have dried up and

"Heats as of a tropic clime
Have burned our inland valleys through."

At Fryeburg, 30 miles in the Saco valley, on Sunday, the mercury stood at 105°, and for nearly a week it averaged over 100°, which is only a little warmer than the whole region round about the base of the mountains. Unless there are rains soon many crops cannot be saved from utter failure. Mountain travel is rather light, not more than two-thirds as many having come so far as during what they call "good years," which argues that people are a little worn and not so rich as they have been.

NOTES.

There have not been many guests at the Lake George hotels thus far this season. The Fort William Henry House, at the head of the lake, with accommodations for 700 persons, has had an average of about 200 daily during July. The other hotels along the shore to the foot of the lake have had no better fortune. It is somewhat curious that the public has never regarded this beautiful region as a place to find a Summer home, but simply as a place for transient sight-seeing. The "season" is only about a month in duration. ═══ The "Trout Pavilion," on the east shore of Lake George, is a cluster of buildings with piazzas, verandahs, and dancing-platforms, so intermingled with shade-trees that the occupants hardly know whether they are indoors or out. ═══ Lieut.-Gen. Lindsey, Commander-in-Chief of the Canadian "forces," is at Niagara. ═══ The new road connecting Lake Superior and St. Paul is lined with seven or eight new "Summer resorts," which are already appealing for the patronage of travelers making the "grand tour" of the North-West. White Bear Lake is 12 miles from St. Paul, and has been a popular resort for several years. It has 20 miles of shore, with a wooded island of 85 acres. There are five hotels, and numerous sail-boats, which may be had for $1 50 per day. Bald Eagle Lake is two miles beyond. This lake is "lonely, wild, and interesting." Forest Lake is 25 miles from St. Paul, and abounds in excellent fish, with only "moderate" accommodations for visitors. Green and Chisago Lakes are so located that the hotels and "Chisago City" stand between them. Rush Lake is 54 miles from St. Paul, and Trout Lake 150 miles. The latter is famous for the fish from which it takes its name. There are a number of other lakes along the line of the road, but the most famous resort of all are the "Dalles" of the St. Louis, near Thompson Station. The St. Louis River, in a distance of four miles and a half, falls 450 feet by a succession of rapids and cascades. ═══ The "Carriages" of the Put-in-Bay Islands in Lake Erie, are mostly like those of Venice, on the water. Sail-boats and row-boats take the place of the fashionable "turn-outs" at many other resorts. Those which are public are to be had, it is said, on reasonable terms. All prices at these Islands, indeed, are within reach of those who wish to exercise economy. Gibraltar Island, Mr. Jay Cooke's Summer residence, is now deserted, even by the ministers. Among the special attractions of the group is Rattlesnake Island, where rattlesnakes may be seen, we are told, in great variety and large numbers.

CITY GOVERNMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—PRECINCT ROUNDSMEN ABOLISHED—GENERAL ROUNDSMEN APPOINTED.

At a meeting of the Police Commissioners yesterday, the following resolutions were adopted:

On and after August 1 next, there shall be two squads of Roundsmen, numbered 1 and 2, each to consist of 25 men and one Sergeant, and each Roundsman shall be assigned and known as General Roundsmen.

These squads shall have office rooms at the Central Department, and shall do duty as roundsmen under the direction of the Superintendent, where, and as for the time being, he may direct. No roundsman shall, under any circumstances or in any manner, inform any person of his post or his place for duty, to which he or any other roundsman may be assigned, and a violation of this rule will subject the offender to dismissal.

The Sergeant in command of each squad is required to keep a blotter, in which to enter all matters coming within the cognizance of the roundsmen under his command. The Sergeant will report to the Superintendent each morning a statement of all complaints made during the preceding day by the roundsmen under his command. Persons arrested by these roundsmen are to be detained in the nearest station-house.

The roundsmen will do duty in citizens' attire, unless otherwise ordered by the Superintendent. Pay rolls of the members of these squads will be made out by the sergeants in command, and approved by the Chief Clerk.

Vacancies occurring among the sergeants in command of these squads will be filled by the appointment of a roundsman, the grounds of promotion being efficient and meritorious services.

The following roundsmen have been transferred from the precincts in which they have been doing duty, and ordered to report as general roundsmen:

Squad No. 1.—Edward J. McGinn, Joseph Douglass, Peter Melley, Michael Leamey, Corn. C. Bergbold, Michael Purcell, Christopher Boehme, Wm. Quinn, Bartholomew Kenny, John Pigott, Francis O'Rorke, Leon A. Nones, Michael J. Murphy, John Nash, Patrick Dowdican, Michael J. Harte, George S. Croker, M. I. Swift, Francis Fawcett, John McGloin, Edward Bucken, Wm. Thompson, and John Ryan.

Squad No. 2—John R. Groo, Francis McClintock, Charles E. Buddington, John B. Day, Francis B. Randall, Joseph B. Eakins, Patrick Oates, J. G. Westervelt, Wm. McArthur, jr., Sidney A. Rose, Delos Reynolds, Nathaniel Darke, James Hynes, J. A. Croker, F. W. Robb, J. J. Fitzgerald, George L. Suttie, Wm. Griffin, Edward Knight, Thomas L. Hyde, C. W. Schulze, Samuel Campbell, W. H. Glasling, George Davidson, and Benson Lent.

The following roundsmen are remanded to post duty: Wm. F. Conran, Reuben P. Rogers, Michael Flanagan, John R. Carter, Peter McSaily, Michael R. Curran, Oliver Tuns, Owen Maloney, George Little, Wm. Burke, W. J. McMurray, Stephen Hubbard, Wm. F. Fountain, Stephen Cormack, and Thomas Hawkins.

Captains, sergeants, and precinct roundsmen are required to note any derelictions in the men composing their force, and make daily reports as usual to the Superintendent.

During the Summer tours the sergeant who leaves with the section going on duty at 6 a. m. will report at the station-house at 7 a. m., go to breakfast, report again at 8 a. m., and relieve the sergeant at the desk. The latter will then go to breakfast, report back at 9 a. m., and immediately leave the station and patrol the precinct until 12 m., when he will report at the station-house, go to dinner, and report back at 1 p. m. The sergeant then on desk duty will go to dinner, report back at 2 p. m., and then leave immediately and patrol the precinct until 6 p. m.

Sergeants will remain on reserve when their platoons are on reserve in the station-house, except when they have a night off, when the captain will perform their duty.

These rules were passed at the suggestion of Superintendent Jourdan, who believes they will tend to promote the efficiency of the force.

The precincts below Fortieth-st. are left without roundsmen. The grand roundsmen will devote the most of their time to the precincts in this portion of the city.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

This body met yesterday, when an application preferred by Andrew Johnson to erect a slip for the loading and unloading of sand at the foot of West Forty-eighth-st., N. R., was laid over for consideration. A communication was received from Superintendent Turner, of the Second District, East River, suggesting that platforms be erected for the protection of passengers landing on piers Nos. 24 and 37, and that the owners of the passenger boats provide such accommodation. A communication was received from the Executive Committee recommending that piers Nos. 37 and 38 be dredged at the expense of the Board. Superintendent Westervelt reported that piers foot of Forty-seventh and Fifty-ninth-sts., N. R., were in a bad condition, and the Executive Committee was ordered to report as to which piers should be rebuilt.

Commissioner Henry presented a system of penalties to be enforced against all persons refusing to obey the commands of the Board, which was referred for approval and correction.

Mr. Wood related a visit made by him to the piers from Kalight-st., to Pier No. 22 North River. All the piers were in a filthy condition, and offal and filth were piled up several feet on some of the piers, and the stench was unbearable. Some of this filth had been thrown into the water and piles driven in so that the river could not be dredged. The Secretary was directed to notify the parties to remove the piles and to dredge the slip to remove the offal.

Commissioner Wood stated that he regarded the progress of the works going on at Hell Gate with some interest. He paid a visit the other day, and surveyed the blasting operations now going on at Hallett's Point. He thought that the Commissioners should pay a visit to Hallett's Point and examine the work as far as completed. He thought that the visit would be of some benefit, as it would enable them to learn a few things that would be of service to them when dealing with the dock question. He would therefore move the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this Department will visit the United States works at Hallett's Point on the 2d of August, leaving pier —— at 2 p. m., and that the Secretary be instructed to obtain a suitable steamer to Hallett's Point, and that Gen. McClellan be present.

A deputation from the Chamber of Commerce, consisting of Messrs. G. W. Dow, Paul Spofford, and Capt. Snow, was then introduced by Commissioner Hunt.

Capt. Snow said that they had called on the Board at the suggestion of Mr. Hunt, in order to confer upon the best plan and to arrange the details in relation to the construction of the new docks. Some time ago they were informed that the Dock Commissioners desired to meet them to take action upon the question, and at the suggestion of Mr. Hunt a meeting was called to discuss the matter, though Mr. Hunt did not attend. A Committee was formed but no discussion ensued on the question at issue, as Mr. Hunt was not present to explain what the Commissioner wanted.

Mr. Hunt explained that he really could not account for his absence at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, but his idea was that the Chamber could materially assist them in arranging their new water front. They could inform them as to the views held by the mercantile community as to the manner in which the new docks should be constructed to meet the wants of the city.

President Agnew said that the plans for the docks could be sent in up to the 15th of September, and it was designed to set apart different localities on the river front for the transaction of separate classes of business. The steamboat business would be carried on in one section, and the Liverpool trade in another. The commerce of the East would be provided for in one place, and the European merchandise would be unloaded in another section. They intended to carry out such a system of wharves and piers as would facilitate commerce and the commercial community and remove the present inconveniences.

Mr. Hunt trusted that the merchants would consider the question, and help them as far as lay in their power.

Capt. Snow believed that they were now aware of what was required of them. They would endeavor to frame a report bearing upon the requirements of the trade and commerce of this city, and the best means to promote and facilitate the commerce and commercial interests of this metropolis. Whether it could be possible or advisable to construct warehouses on the piers would also be examined by them, and they would report to the Commissioners. The deputation then withdrew, and the Board went into Executive session.

THE CITY HALL SCANDAL.

At the Tombs Police Court, yesterday, before Justice Hogan, an examination was held in the case of George Byrne, a clerk to the Assistant Board of Aldermen, accused of decoying, on Monday last, Margaret Fielding of Morris-st. into the Chamber of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, and there outraged her person. The complainant was cross-examined at considerable length by the defendant, but she detailed the same state of facts that have been already given. Officer Shea of the City Hall Police testified that Sergeant Foreher directed him to accompany the complainant, and arrest the man she would point out; witness went with her to the office of the Clerk of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, and she there pointed out the prisoner as the man she wanted arrested. The accused, who gave his residence as No. 316 West Forty-second-st., was committed to await a trial.

THE COURTS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Before Judge Brady.—Amanda Watkins agt. *John Watkins.*—This was a suit for divorce, brought upon the ground of adultery, in which the plaintiff obtained a judgment of divorce with alimony. The defendant, in accordance with the decree of the Court, paid over to his counsel $1,700 of the $1,740 alimony, to be paid by him in turn to plaintiff's quandom wife. Of this money, the wife affirmed that she received only $800, and the defendant was, therefore, committed to Ludlow-st. Jail in July, 1869, in default of payment. Subsequently, a motion was made for his release, on the ground of ill health and inability to make good the unpaid alimony. This motion was denied, with leave, however, to renew.

Yesterday, the motion was renewed before Judge Brady, who discharged the prisoner on bail for the limit of the alimony, with the stipulation that he should apply for the benefit of the 14-day act within 30 days.

Judge Brady appointed R. C. Beamish assignee of the State.

Roux agt. *Roux.*—The divorce suit of Eliza A. Roux agt. Frederick Roux was to come up yesterday, before Judge Cardozo, but it was postponed until the 8th of August, as counsel was unprepared. The affidavit of the plaintiff sets forth that Mr. Roux married her in September, 1865; that in April, 1867, he deserted her for another woman, and she was compelled to seek the roof of her father, who is the editor of the *Courrier des Etats Unis.* She claims that since she has been separated from her husband she has received no pecuniary aid whatever from him; and now brings suit for divorce on the ground of adultery, which she alleges her husband was guilty of in June and July, 1867, with a woman by the name of Willard, in Crosby-st. in July, 1868, in West Twenty-fifth-st., and in May, 1869, in Bleecker-st., with Louisa Poillon. The defense admits the marriage, and the birth of one child, but denies *in toto* the charges of adultery preferred against him.

Decisions.—By Judge Brady.—Schlessinger agt. Amerin.—Default opened; judgment to remain as security. Sahalka agt. Sahalka. Judgment of divorce granted.

By Judge Barnard.—Rainey agt. Laing et al.—Amendments settled. Lanigan agt. Lanigan.—Judgment granted.

By Judge Cardozo.—Rubber Tip Pencil Company agt. S. D. Hovey.—Notion to dissolve denied, with costs.

SUPREME COURT—KINGS COUNTY—SPECIAL TERM.

Augustus Dalzell agt. *Emma Dalzell.*—The plaintiff in this well-known case yesterday afternoon made an application by counsel, Messrs. Edwin James and P. C. Talman, to set aside all the proceedings which have been filed, on the ground that he had been defrauded and deceived by one William J. Fisher, attorney, who had, contrary to instructions, and without his knowledge, charged the defendant, his wife, with adultery. Several long affidavits were read by counsel in support of the application, asserting most positively that plaintiff's signature to the complaint had been forged, and that Fisher had subpenaed witnesses to prove before the referee the charges of alleged adultery. Counsel claimed that the plaintiff had come from San Francisco for the express purpose of having the case investigated.

The counsel for Mrs. Dalzell, the Messrs. Pray, claimed alimony, and asked for an attachment to enforce the payment thereof and the costs of the suit.

After considerable argument, an order was made by the Court appointing a referee to inquire into the alleged facts, and a stay of proceedings was made until the referee's report should be submitted.

It may be remembered that the attorney above referred to, William J. Fisher, was indicted for stealing the records in this case, and "jumped his bail," and also that his two clerks, Archibald and Holt, are at present awaiting trial, accused of complicity in the abstraction.

SUPREME COURT—KINGS COUNTY.

Elizabeth N. Northrup agt. Calvin N. Northrup.—The defendant in this case, it will be remembered, was tried in Whiteplains, Westchester County, two years ago, for attempting to take the life of the plaintiff, his wife, by poisoning her. On the first trial the jury disagreed, and the case was adjourned to another court, and a second trial was had which resulted in his conviction, and the defendant was sentenced to the State prison for the term of 20 years. In the meantime, while he was serving out the sentence, the case came before the Court of Appeals, and the sentence was set aside on the ground that the Court was adjourned from one place to another. The prisoner was then admitted to bail in a large amount. Mrs. Northrup at once commenced a suit for a divorce, which has been before the Court for some time. Yesterday morning the case terminated as far as the divorce is concerned, the Court issuing the following order: Judgment for plaintiff, decree of divorce. Plaintiff to have custody of child, with liberty to apply for alimony at any time.

COMMON PLEAS—CHAMBERS.

Decisions.—By Judge Loew.—Barnard agt. Ferris.—Notion granted. Fear agt. Meyer.—Proceedings dismissed on payment of $5 costs by defendant to plaintiff's attorney. In re the petition of Harris Levy for his appointment of guardian, &c.—Motion granted. Whan agt. Thompson.—Notion for receiver granted. Keystone State Company agt. Brandt.—Motion denied without costs; order of arrest granted, with $10 costs of motion.

Early yesterday morning a quarrel took place at the foot of East Fifty-fifth-st., between Samuel Gordon and Daniel Fitzgerald of No. 316 East Fifty-ninth-st., in the course of which Gordon shot Fitzgerald in the thigh with a pistol given him by John Maher. Gordon is still at large, but Maher was arrested, and was committed yesterday as an accessory before the act, by Justice Bixby of the Yorkville Police Court..... George White, stopping at the Van Dyke Hotel, quarreled with Matthew Deveren, at the East River Park, on Tuesday evening, when Deveran drew a knife and stabbed White a little below the groin. White was taken to Bellevue Hospital, and Deveran was committed to await the result of White's injuries.....Thomas Twite was brought up charged by Officer Grace with stabbing Thomas Sweeney in the back. Sweeney is dangerously wounded, and is confined to bed at his residence, No. 309 East Thirty-eighth-st. Twite was committed.

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REAL ESTATE.

NEW-YORK, Thursday, July 28, 1870.

The special car on the New-Haven Road today, to carry buyers to the Grand Park Sale, was well patronized. A large number of people from the country around Mamaroneck and Rye were also in attendance at Grand Park, inspecting the improvements, estimating the probable profits of investment, and bidding freely in opposition to those from the city.

PROJECTED BUILDINGS.

The following is a list of plans of new buildings submitted for approval the past week to Mr. James M. MacGregor, the Superintendent of Buildings:

Plan No. 767—1st-ave and 59th-st, s e cor, two 4-story brick stores and tenements, 25x50 and 19x50. Owner, John Kamorcas.

Plan No 768—53d-st, n s, 100 ft w of 4th-ave, four 4-story and basement brown-stone fronts, 20x52. Owner, W F Smith.

Plan No 769—36th-st, n s, 150 ft w of Madison-ave, one 4-story brick, first-class dwelling, 25x67. Owner, Paran Stevens.

Plan No 770—2d-ave and 1st-st, n e cor, one 5-story iron and brick public building, 84x75. Owner, Jno Schappert.

Plan No 771—143d-st and 8th-ave, s w cor, one 2-story frame, second-class dwelling, 25x45. Owner, Phil Smith.

Plan No 772—60th-st and 4th-ave, s e cor, ten 4-story and basement brown-stone fronts, 20x54. Owner, Peter Decker.

Plan No 773—56th-st, n s, 280 ft w of 5th-ave, three 4-story and basement brown-stone fronts, 25x53. Owner, David Robbins.

Plan No. 774—3d-ave, w s, 51 ft. s of 75th-st., two 5-story brick stores and tenements, 25x55. Owner, Jacob Rudolphy.

Plan No. 775—57th-st., w s, 95 ft. w of Madison-ave., three 5-story Ohio st. front first-class dwellings, 16.7x65. Owner, S. W. Hopkins.

Plan No. 776—58th-st., s s, 341ft. w of Avenue A., one 4-story iron front tenement, 20x50. Owner, N. J. Burchell.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE.

NEW-YORK CITY.

Chatham-st, s s, 209.4 ft e of Frankfort-st, 30.10x111x25.6x127.7.. $60,000
Chatham-st, s s, 233.11 ft e of Frankfort-st, 31.5x92.10x26.4x109.7, h and l..... 70,000
Essex-st, e s, 51.4 ft s of Grand-st, 19.11x50..... 8,500
Grand-st, n s, No 226, 25x100, h and l..... 23,500
Lewis-st, w s, bet 7th and 8th-sts, 18.3x80.7..... 10,000
Madison-st, s s, 75.5 ft e of Scammel-st, 20x37..... 7,200
Norfolk-st, w s, 175 ft s of Grand-st, 25x100 (¼ share)..... 5,250
Union-square, e s, No. 6..... 1,500
29th-st, n s, 191.8 ft e of 11th-ave } no dimensions.....
16th-st, n s, 117 ft w of 6th-ave, 20x65..... 11,700
16th-st, n s, 100 ft w of 7th-ave, 17x75..... 11,000
23th-st, s s, 425 ft w of 6th-ave, 25x98.9 (1867)..... 500
37th-st, n s, 225 ft e of 10th-ave, 25.6x98.9..... 3,700
53d-st, n s, 291.8 ft w of 8th-ave, 16.8x76.9..... 20,000
59th-st, n s, 425 ft w of 10th-ave, 75x100..... 11,000
59th-st, n s, 100 ft e of Lexington-ave, 21.10x99, irregular..... 11,000
206th-st, n s, 200 ft e of 10th-ave, 100x99.10..... 3,040
5th-ave, e s, bet 86th and 87th-sts, 7.9x102.2x84.10x128.5..... } q. c. 10,000
86th-st, n s, bet 4th and 5th-aves, 24.6x12x100x25.6x100.8.....
8th-ave, w s, 24.5 ft s of 143d-st, 0.6x100..... 110
Butler-st, n s, 200 ft w of Hoyt-st, 19x100..... } $43,000
Butler-st, n s, 125 ft e of Hoyt-st, 50x100, 6 h's and l's.....
Caton-place and Poplar-st, s e cor, 130.4x125x100x100x100x25x70.7x175x43.2x100.6..... 5,000
Carroll-st, n s, 108 ft w of Columbia-st, 20x100, h and l..... 2,500
Chancer-st, s s, 325 ft e of Reid-ave, 25x100..... 500
Chestnut-st, s e s, about midway between Johnston and Knickerbocker-aves, 20.4x39x43.6, gore..... 80
Columbia-st, e s, 80 ft s of Mill-st, 20x100..... Nominal
Dean-st, n s, 133.4 ft e of Grand-ave, 16.8x100, h and l, foreclose. 2,400
Herkimer-st, n s, 150 ft w of Utica-ave, 25x100 (Aug, 1869)..... 1,000
Herkimer-st, s s, 100 ft w of Lewis-ave, 125x100..... 3,300
Jefferson-st, s s, 423.1 ft n e of Irving-ave, 27x100x54.4x—..... 366
Leonard-st, w s, 175 ft s of Meserole-st, 25x100, h and l..... 5,500
President-st, n s, 200 ft w of Columbia-st, 20x100..... 4,000
Prospect-st and Hudson-ave, s w cor, 35x125..... 8,000
Sackett-st, n s, 35 ft e of Van Brunt-st, 19x70, foreclose..... 2,250
Webster-pl, n w s, 210.4 ft n e of Middle-st, 18.3x36.11, foreclos. 2,000
3d-st, n e s, 320 ft n w of Bond-st, 20x90, foreclos..... 1,500
45th-st, s w s, 150 ft n w of 8th-ave, 100x100.2..... 1,200
Baltic and Schenck-aves, s w cor, 50x100..... 3,550
Central-ave and Centre-st, easterly 60x, 200x150..... } 3,200
Knickerbocker-ave and Starr-st, westerly cor, 97.5x77.4x104.3.....
Johnson-ave, s w s, 100 ft n w of Suydam-st, 16.6x100x32.3x—..... 275
Wythe-ave, n e s, 13 ft s e of Rodney-st, 19x60, foreclosure..... 2,500

NEW-UTRECHT.

Waters-ave, s s, westerly extremity of avenue, 15 acres 3 roods 26 perches..... 5,000
Meadow land adjoining Cortelyou's, 3 acres 2 roods..... 1,600

QUEENS COUNTY—HEMPSTEAD.

Henry-st, e s, adjoining Baldwin, 10x250..... $275

SEAFORD.

Turnpike road, s s, adjoining Smith, 1 acre..... $250

FLUSHING.

Washington-st, s s, 268 ft e of Garden-st, 32x120..... } $6,050
Washington-st, s s, 268 ft e of e line of Garden-st, 32x110.....

WOODSIDE.

Lots Nos 865, 866, n s of Anderson-ave, bet 4th and 5th-sts..... $600

ASTORIA.

Lot No 244, e s of Ninth-ave, map of Section 1, Coöperative Building Association, 25x100..... $307
Lot No 243, e s of Ninth-ave, map of Section 1, Coöperative Building Association, 25x100..... 307
Lot No 509, w s of 13th-ave, map of Section 1, Coöperative Building Association, 25x100..... 307

JAMAICA.

Plot No 1½, s s Brooklyn Central R R, Napier prop, 19 acres... } $28,000
Plot No 3, s s Brooklyn Central R R, Napier prop, 19 acres...

WESTCHESTER COUNTY—EASTCHESTER.

9th-ave, e s, lot 122, Central Mt. Vernon, 50x100..... $200

OSSINING.

Sing Sing and Peekskill road, e s, about 11 acres..... $11,000

MORRISANIA.

Edsall-st, s w s, adjoining J. Green, 45x100..... $5,000
Morse-ave, s e s, part lot 69, Melrose, 25x200..... 2,050

MAMARONECK.

Lot No 43, Map Grand Park..... $700

WEST FARMS.

Marion-ave, s e s, Lot No 124 Fox Tremont, 75x127..... $270
West Farms to Kingsbridge Road, s e s, Lot No 3, Belmontville, 60x100..... 800

YONKERS.

Woodbine-ave, w s, 202 ft n of Wills-ave, 50x100..... 2,600

NEW-JERSEY—ESSEX COUNTY—NEWARK.

Broome and Montgomery-sts, s w cor, 25x100..... $1,000
Dickerson and Hudson-sts, cor, 50x100..... 1,300
Hawthorne-ave, n s, 72 ft from Chadwick-ave, 144.4x70.2..... 1,400

EAST ORANGE.

Stephen-st, e s, 55 ft from Sussex-ave, 37.6x100..... $4,500
Maple-ave, e s, 174 ft s of William-st, 30x177..... 350

WOODSIDE.

Belleville-ave, 50 ft s of Carlaret-st, 50x150..... $6,000

City Real Estate for Sale.

FOR SALE—The valuable LEASE of premises, No. 9 Broad-st. It has three years and nine months to run from August 1 next. Address, or inquire of C. F. WOODS, Chairman Executive Committee, National Stock Exchange, 9 Broad-st.

Brooklyn Real Estate for Sale.

FOR SALE.—The 3-story high stoop HOUSE, No. 278 President-st., opposite Carroll Park, Brooklyn; a fine location, desirable in all respects. Price, $9,000. E. R. KELLOGG, No. 3 Broadway, N. Y., or No. 18 Second-place, Brooklyn.

Westchester County Real Estate for Sale.

A GREAT BARGAIN.—For SALE, at Tarrytown, a Gentleman's RESIDENCE, one mile south of the depot. The House is