LOCAL MISCELLANY.

TEN MILLIONS MORE FOR THE SYNDICATE.

THIRTY-FIVE MILLIONS IN FOUR AND A HALF PER CENT BONDS TAKEN IN A MONTH.

The sales of 4½ per cent bonds by the Syndicate were so heavy last week that orders were sent to Washington on Saturday, as already published in THE TRIBUNE, for bonds, in anticipation of the August option. These bonds found a ready sale, the orders from New-England and the West being especially large. On Monday a statement of sales and bonds on hand was furnished and the Syndicate decided to make a subscription for $10,000,000, thus anticipating both the August and September options. Formal announcement of this was made yesterday. This makes a total of $35,000,000 in bonds issued to the Syndicate and leaves only $15,000,000 of the contract for $50,000,000 of April 11.

The total sales of 4½ per cent bonds yesterday were $1,130,000 out of aggregate sales of all issues of $2,175,000. Members of the Syndicate state that if the average sales of over $1,000,000 4½ per cent bonds per day are kept up they will dispose of the remaining $15,000,000 by June 10.

SEEKING RELIEF IN BANKRUPTCY.

JAMES MEAGHER, BUILDER, A BANKRUPT WITH $405,000 IN DEBTS—OTHER EMBARRASSMENTS.

Register Dwight has adjudicated James Meagher, builder, a voluntary bankrupt. His liabilities amount to about $405,000, of which $380,000 is secured. Nearly all the debts are for mortgage deficiencies. The assets are nominal. Among the creditors are the following.

Baxter, George	$10,000
Buhler, Magdalena	7,000
Davis, Charles H.	24,800
Deitz, Benjamin	12,000
Ford, Almira	10,000
Goldschmidt, George	6,500
*Goldschmidt, George B.	3,100
Hawkins, A. M.	8,000
*Heineman, M. J.	2,500
Heu, Edward	8,000
Judah, Samuel B. H.	68,000
Kimberly, Annie	10,000
Kimberly, David T.	10,000
*Livingston, John	6,500
Manufacturers' and Builders' Bank, Receiver of	8,100
Manufacturers' and Builders' Bank, Receiver of	2,638
McDonald, Anthony B., jr., Estate of	10,000
New-York Life Insurance Company	127,700
Somerindyck, E. T.	10,000

*Unsecured.

Register Dwight has received a voluntary petition in bankruptcy by Leopold Schmidt, of the firm of Leopold Schmidt & Co., merchants, formerly at 68 Broad-st. The liabilities, which are nearly all partnership debts, amount to $87,500, all of which is unsecured, and due in Europe. W. H. Ricketts was recently appointed receiver. The value of the assets is not given in the schedules.

In the bankruptcy proceedings of Jean C. DeMier, merchant, formerly at No. 71 William-st., Diego de Castro & Co. are not creditors for $75,283, but hold, as attorneys, the following claims: Mrs. A. Taylor, Boston, $51,500; Mrs. Emma Caswell, $22,563; Washburn Manufacturing Company, $874; W. Fulle, $364. The total liabilities are $262,539, and the assets are $188,203.

The application for discharge from bankruptcy of Mrs. Dr. Clemence S. Lozier, was granted yesterday.

The schedules of George Eoblinghausen and George A. Widmayer, state their liabilities at $23,448 61, and their assets at $13,266 76.

STARTING FOR FRANCE.

PASSENGERS TO-DAY BY THE LABRADOR.

The steamship Labrador, of the French Line, which will sail for Havre to-day, has a saloon list of nearly two hundred passengers, among whom are the Marquis de Valero de Urria, of Havana, Robert Lenox Kennedy and Henry L. Hoguet and family. The following is the complete saloon list:

FOR HAVRE—*By Steamship Labrador.*—E. Rigand, Mrs. Rigand, Miss Shepard, W. Shepard, A. F. Miller, the Marquis de Valero de Urria, Carlos Valdes, W. R. Foster, A. Fullerton, C. Franks, Mr. Forester, Mrs. Forester and infant, M. Maller, José Cubria, T. Wilkens, Miss A. Wilkens, F. Brugeman, Miss L. F. Brugeman, J. Cahn, Antonio Deband, Jacob Ebling, Ferdinand du Pasquier, Mrs. C. E. Sexton, Miss Schiff, Mrs. de Uriarte and infant, L. A. Vionnet, J. B. Labuenca, P. Mosquera, J. Causi, J. Shepard, Mrs. Shepard, Chas. Zurez, Mrs. Zurez, J. G. Coltier, Manuel Regis, Mr. Caraballo, A. Lionet, Mr. Bonsserve, Charles Koch, Mrs. Koch, Henry Warret, Eugene Vaillant, Mr. Schiff, Mrs Schiff, H. J. Thomasson, S. Dietz, Robert Lennox Kennedy, Sidney V. Shatton, Mrs. William H. Carv, Miss H. B. Cary, Miss Charlotte Spring, Mrs. E. R. Durkee, Charles Licktenberg, Mr. Petard, Mr. Hoguet, Mrs. Hoguet, Mrs. M. Pierrot, D. A. Chaffraix, Mrs. Chaffraix, Miss Marie Desmontelx, Miss L. Chauborn, Mrs. Ferrer de Couto, Mrs. L. Blois, J. Lange, Mrs. Lange, R. Butler, Leon J. Gilsenier, Mr. and Mrs. Cahn, Miss Cahn, Thos H. O'Connor, Mrs. O'Connor, Miss Marie O'Connor, Miss Angela O'Connor, John O'Connor, James O'Connor, William O'Connor, A. Tilmont, Mrs. Tilmont, Mr. French and servant, Edward Morrison, Mrs. Morrison and three children, Miss J. Cæsar, Miss Louise Morrison, E. A. Morrison, M. G. Cohn, J. P. Viguerie, Mr. Perrin, J. Pierrot, A. Pierrot, J. Cavanna, Mrs. French, Miss French, F. de Funiak, Mrs. Stephany, Mrs. Postele, Mrs. J. Duste, Mrs. Arreuf, Mrs. J. Rasnaux and infant, Mrs. A. Abadie, Mrs. Lietz and child, Mrs. Montanday, J. B. Marsan, Mrs. Marsan, P. Levy, Mrs. Levy, Miss A. Levy, Miss G. Levy, E. Ranson, J. Daste, T. Lellemand, J. Baseraux, G. Levy, S. Levy, Louis Seitz, Ricardo Banfi, Mr. Stephany, B. Finale, Leon Vial, E. Rouch, J. Moutandan, L. Willard, D. Jannot, M. L. Lioni, Mr. Abadie, F. Mermain, J. Marsan, P. Hankey, G. Benz, G. W. Becht, Miss M. Acosta, Sisters Stilonie, Augustine and Xavier, Mrs. Sabah, Miss Webster, Mrs. Vernoran, Mrs. Letang, Mrs. T. De Marrimarde, Mrs. Leplathener, H. Rembold, the Rev. Father Boudard, the Rev. Father Faure, Mr. Saumer, Mrs. Saumer, Mr. W. Pinsan, Mr. Labarere, George Schonberger, J. J. Strauss, Mr. Rollier, R. Montroussous, J. P. Durand, J. B. Marsan, M. Castellanos, Mr. Letung.

THE STOCK EXCHANGE'S NEW OFFICERS.

The new officers of the Stock Exchange were installed yesterday. Brayton Ives, the president, made a brief address, which was received with very hearty applause. He thanked the members for the honor of his election, and spoke of their relations with their officers. "I have thought often," he said, "that there is a tendency among our members to draw away from their officers, a disposition to regard them mainly as objects of criticism, more or less friendly. It is unnecessary for me to try to prove that an honest and intelligent man is none the less honest and intelligent after you have chosen him as a member of your Governing Committee. He lays aside neither his sense nor his honor when he leaves this floor and goes upstairs to act as a legislator. The questions which your Governors are called upon to decide are often grave and perplexing to the last degree, and that their decisions are generally wise is sufficiently proved by the prosperity of the Exchange. We should not be as we are, the largest and richest association of the kind in the country, if our affairs had not been, in the main, well managed.

"For myself," Mr. Ives said further, "if there is a single element of success in my position, it is the fact that I believe myself to be in hearty accord with each and every one of you. Hampered by no pledges, a partisan of no class, but in sympathy with all, I stand determined to retain your regard as I have won it by doing the work before me with honest singleness of purpose and with all the intelligence I possess."

Addresses were made also by other new officers.

ATHLETIC GAMES ON NEW GROUNDS.

The Manhattan Athletic Club held its opening games on its grounds at Eighth-ave. and Fifty-seventh-st. yesterday. There was a large attendance and much interest was shown. The grounds possess unusual advantages for athletic games, are very convenient of access, and have been improved by a liberal expenditure. The first contest was for a club handicap (220 yards) with four trial heats. H. L. Rutter won the first in 25¾ sec.; W. C. France the second in 25¾ sec.; S. Rothschild the third in 26 sec., and E. G. Gurney the fourth in 27¼ sec. Mr. Gurney won the deciding heat in 25 sec. Then came a mile walk, G. D. Parmly gaining the victory in 8m. 40½ sec. An open quarter-mile run followed, free to representatives of various friendly associations. There were five trial heats, won successively by Mr. Hastings in 62¾ sec.; E. L. La Montagne in 59½ sec.; Mr. Duffy in 57 sec.; Mr. Hough in 62 sec.; and W. C. Wilmer, of the Short Hills Athletic Club, in 59 sec. Mr. Wilmer the decisive heat in 57 sec.

A half-mile run for members of the Dauntless Boat Club was won by C. E. Trotter in 2m. 32¾ sec. Thomas H. Armstrong, of the Harlem Athletic Club, amateur champion, walked an exhibition mile against time, accomplishing it in 6m. 56 sec.

CHARLES MORGAN'S WILL FOUR LINES LONG.

The petition for proof of the will of Charles Morgan was filed yesterday. Mrs. Mary J. Morgan, the widow, is the sole executrix. The heirs and next of kin are the petitioner (Mrs. M. J. Morgan), Frances E. Quintard, wife of George W. Quintard; Marie Louise Whitney, wife of Charles A. Whitney, of New-Orleans; Richard J. Morgan, only surviving son of the testator's son Charles W. Morgan, who died before the testator; Laura Louisa Morgan, Montague Morgan, and William Henry Morgan, children of Henry R. Morgan, another son of the testator, who also died before him; Henry Wilson Harris and Marie Louise Harris, children of Charles Morgan Harris, son of the testator's daughter Emily Ann, wife of J. C. Harris, both of whom died before the testator; and Henry Harris Wilson, son of Emily Frances Wilson, daughter of Emily Ann Harris.

The manager of Mr. Morgan's business drew up the will. He says it is about four lines in length and simply bequeaths all his property according to the laws of the State of New-York in case of intestacy.

A REFITTED STEAMBOAT'S FIRST TRIP.

The steamboat Drew, of the People's Line, running between this city and Albany, made her first trip of the season on Monday. Among the passengers on this trip were many guests who went to Albany at the invitation of W. H. Drew, president of the company. The vessel has been much improved since last season. During the Winter she was newly painted. Her engines were taken out and remodelled. New decks were built, and the saloons were newly upholstered, and new carpets, chandeliers, and pictures were placed in them. On the main deck were laid new floors of narrow strips of ash and black walnut. The ladies' saloon was supplied with new arrangements for comfort. The saloons were painted in white, gold, and lavender, giving them a bright and cheerful appearance.

DISCORD IN AN EX-ALDERMAN'S FAMILY.

Ex-Alderman and ex-Fire Marshal Thomas McSpedon was yesterday at the Fifty-seventh Street Police Court, to answer a charge of assault preferred by his wife, Hester. In her complaint, Mrs. McSpedon alleged "that on the 13th inst. the said Thomas did pull deponent's nose, and spat in deponent's face," and that she is in constant fear of bodily harm at the hands of her husband. Justice Kilbreth held McSpedon in $300 bail for good behavior, and paroled him until to-day, to obtain the necessary surety. Husband and wife are advanced in age, and for several years have lived an inharmonious life, and a suit for divorce instituted by Mrs. McSpedon was recently decided adversely to the petitioner.

GENERAL DAKIN'S FUNERAL.

The arrangements for the funeral of General Thomas S. Dakin have been completed. The body will be taken from the house, at No. 376 Pearl-st., Brooklyn, to the City Hall, about 8 a. m., to-morrow, in charge of Company H, 13th Regiment. The body will be dressed in the full uniform of a major-general. The remains will lie in state from 9 a. m. until noon, when they will be conveyed back to the house, where a private service will be held. At 2:30 p. m. the body will be taken to the Church of the Redeemer, at Fourth-ave. and Pacific-st. The 13th Regiment will parade as a special escort, and the other Brooklyn regiments have been invited to parade without arms and without music. Invitations have been extended to the major-generals of the National Guard of the State to act as pallbearers. The interment will be in Greenwood.

The American Rifle Association yesterday adopted resolutions of respect to the memory of General T. S. Dakin, and Colonel Wingate and Judge Gildersleeve made addresses. The Team took appropriate action. The First Division Staff, with the members of the above organizations and North American Schuetzen Bund, will attend the funeral.

EXPECTED ADVANCE IN FREIGHT RATES.

The Wall-st. rumor that the trunk lines have advanced rates about 25 per cent between New-York and Chicago, both east and west, was positively denied in railroad circles last evening. It was stated, however, that probably some advance would be made on east-bound freight, owing to the general railroad war which exists in the West. If such an advance has been made the intelligence has not yet reached the city.

RECEPTION AT THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM.

The Spring reception to annual members of the American Museum of Natural History was well attended yesterday afternoon, and considerable interest was manifested in the collection. Several ladies from Boston were among the guests. Among those present were Cyrus W. Field, Clarence King, Sanford R. Gifford, the Rev. Drs. Prime, Vermilye and Tiffany, Dr. Daniel Draper, Professor D. M. Martin, Professors Eaton and Crittenden, of the Packer Institute, Brooklyn, Hugh Auchincloss, James M. Constable, Robert L. Stuart, Dr. E. W. Davis, Mrs. W. E. Dodge, sr., and Mrs. W. E. Dodge, jr., Mrs. Dwight L. Moody and Mrs. Albert S. Rickmore.

SUFFERERS FROM STENCHES.

INVESTIGATION BY THE HEALTH BOARD.

ANSWERS OF PROPRIETORS OF VARIOUS ESTABLISHMENTS TO THE COMPLAINTS MADE—PERSONS WHO WERE CERTAIN THE SMELLS DID NOT COME FROM HUNTER'S POINT.

The Board of Health yesterday took testimony and heard reports regarding the origin and extent of the uptown stenches, taking up complaints which had been made against establishments on both sides of the city. President Chandler said that complaints had been made against the following establishments: Speer & Lounsberry, proprietors of the rendering boat Algonquin, at the foot of West Thirty-ninth-st.; Rafferty & Williams, of the rendering establishment at Forty-fourth-st. and the East River; C. C. Parsons, owner of the ammonia works at Twentieth-st. and Avenue-B; and Lombard, Ayres & Co., of the North River Oil Works, at Sixty-third-st. He hoped that the facts would be shown to the board demonstrating that these places had been recently offensive, if such was the case. The board could not act on rumor or on vague and indefinite complaints, further than to use them as indications of special localities to which investigations should be directed. In conclusion he said: "Permits are not now, and never have been granted, except in accordance with the sanitary code and after careful investigation into the merits of the application, and they will not be revoked except upon clearly established facts justifying such action."

The charge against the rendering establishment of Rafferty & Williams was first taken up, and Mr. Williams described the apparatus and said that no better could be had in the world. Not a pound of sludge acid was ever used upon the premises, nothing but fresh sulphuric acid, and only fresh fat was bought for their use.

Dr. Henry Tuck, of No. 15 East Thirty-first-st., in a letter to the Board, attributed foul odors to this establishment, while Dr. Hadden, of East Fifty-first-st., said that he found little evidence of smell from this source, but had traced the stenches to Hunter's Point.

Judge Fullerton, who appeared for the firm, said he had been through the place, and had found nothing offensive. No one could deny the foul odors in the city, but no honest man would attribute them to this place.

Jackson S. Schultz remarked that he knew the difference between the smell of fat and that of kerosene. A person could as easily mistake a skunk for a woodchuck, as to mistake the two. He had been to the place fifty times, and fully investigated the matter, and knew the odors came from Hunter's Point. At this point Mr. Rafferty began to speak against Thomas B. Musgrave and THE TRIBUNE, but was stopped by President Chandler, who said they were not there for that purpose.

Mr. Speer replied to the complaint against the rendering boat Algonquin. He said the business was that of drying blood and scrap, which was all done in covered tanks, and the vapors were condensed. No acid was used and no odors escaped. The blood was in a merchantable condition, twenty-four hours after it was received. The system of work was fully described by Superintendent B. E. Stanard. He attributed the offensive odors partly to the offal and bone boats and manure yard at the foot of West Thirty-seventh-st., and in contradiction of Mr. Musgrave's report, said that the Lister Brothers did not manufacture at all in this city, having their factory in Newark, N. J.

F. B. McIntyre, of No. 514 West Forty-second-st., contradicted these statements, and said that he and his tenants had suffered very much from these odors. He had made several complaints to the Board of Health, but to no purpose. These odors were very strong two weeks ago, when the wind was from the west.

OTHER COMPLAINTS FROM THE WEST SIDE.

William Livingston, of No. 451 West Thirty-fourth-st., said that Monday evening, with the wind from the west, the offensive odors were clearly detected in Ninth and Tenth-aves., and he believed they came from the Algonquin. He had made complaints repeatedly, but he believed there "was too much money there to do anything."

Testimony to this effect was also given by C. E. Sturgis, of No. 325 West Thirty-fourth-st., and William B. Dick, of No. 219 West Thirty-eighth-st. The former said that in his investigations he was told at the precinct station house, that it was a matter of political influence, and could not be touched. "I can distinguish between fat and kerosene," said Mr. Dick. "The kerosene smell is a perfume to the other."

President Chandler invited these persons to telegraph to him the next time they detected this nuisance, and promised a prompt remedy.

M. Lombard, of Lombard, Ayres & Co., answered the complaint against the North River Oil Works, and said they were willing to adopt any precaution the Board might suggest. Persons not thoroughly experienced, he said, could not distinguish between the smells of fat and sludge acid, and a great part of the offensive smells he attributed to the latter. That from their establishment was sent to Newtown Creek and Barren Island. With an easterly wind he had detected sludge acid smell at Sixth-ave. and Twenty-seventh-st., and with a wind from the southeast even in Harlem.

The proprietors of the ammonia factories at Twentieth-st. and Avenue-B, and in West Eighteenth-st. near Twelfth-ave., were next heard, and claimed that with their improved machinery, no offensive smell could escape.

The reports of sanitary inspectors were then read, and were to the effect that in only a small number of the families visited were the offensive odors attributed to the fat-rendering establishments. Dr. Bryant recommended that the permit of J. Van Iderstine & Co., at Thirty-eighth-st. and Eleventh-ave., be revoked. They often received fat from Hoboken in a very offensive state. He also recommended that the rendering of mutton fat by M. Donohue & Co., and the oil refining by Cook Brothers, at Nos. 504 and 506 West Thirty-eighth-st., be stopped.

Dr. Day was asked in regard to the petition sent in by Mr. Musgrave, and said that he had sent a circular to the skinners asking for more definite information. In this manner he had found that several names had been used without the knowledge or authority of the persons.

President Chandler said the Board of Health had been extremely anxious to obtain evidence by which to trace these odors, and wanted more. No effort would be spared to free the city of these stenches.

GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

VENEZUELAN AFFAIRS.

SIX HUNDRED PERSONS KILLED BY AN EARTHQUAKE.

HAVANA, May 14.—An earthquake at Cua (Coro), in Venezuela, killed 600 persons. Heavy shocks were felt at Caracas. The heat at La Guayra is intense, and the health of the city is bad. There are but few vessels in port. Business is stagnant.

HODEL'S ATTEMPTED CRIME.

LONDON, Tuesday, May 14, 1878.

"The indignation and excitement," a Berlin telegram to *The Daily News* says, "over the attack on the Emperor on Saturday last has increased rather than subsided; but, except *The North German Gazette*, all the newspapers counsel calmness, and avoidance of rash measures of reprisal upon the Social Democrats. This tone fairly represents public sentiment. In the Reichstag to-day (Monday) two Socialists openly invited rebuke by refusing to join in loyal cheers which the President of the Chamber proposed, but no attention was paid to them. All attempts to establish Hodel's insanity, as well as his independence of the Social Democrats, have utterly failed. His crime is proved by numerous witnesses. The trial will be a mere formality, and the efforts of the police are directed to finding the threads of a general conspiracy, if such exists, of which, as yet, no evidence seems to have come to light. It is reported that one accomplice is suspected, and a detective is now in Leipsic looking him up."

THE BRITISH STRIKE TO CONTINUE.

LONDON, Tuesday, May 14, 1878.

The meeting at Manchester to-day between the cotton masters' and operatives' representatives failed to accomplish anything. The masters declined all the operatives' proposals, which were to submit the dispute to arbitration to work four days per week at 10 per cent reduction, or five days at 5 per cent reduction, or to submit outright to a reduction of 5 per cent. The masters' committee adhered to their original demand of 10 per cent reduction outright.

PARLIAMENT IN SESSION ALL NIGHT.

LONDON, Tuesday, May 14, 1878.

The House of Commons sat from 4 o'clock yesterday morning until 9:35 o'clock this morning. The House was most of the time in committee on the Irish Sunday Closing Bill, which various Irish members opposed.

HOME NEWS.

THERMOMETER YESTERDAY AT HUDNUT'S, NO 218 BROADWAY.

9 a. m., 49°. Noon, 56°. 3 p. m., 59°. Midnight, 49°.
Highest during the day, 59°. Lowest, 42°.
Average, 50½°. Same day, 1877, 65½°.

PROMINENT ARRIVALS.

Westminster Hotel—Captain Avellon, Captain Alexeieff, and Captain Gripenberg, of Russia, and Jerome B. Parmenter, of Troy.....*Fifth Avenue Hotel*—Professor Benjamin Peirce, of Harvard College; General James Craig, of Missouri; S. H. H. Clark, General Superintendent of the Union Pacific Railroad, and Harvey G. Eastman, of Poughkeepsie.....*Metropolitan Hotel*—Congressman E. K. Hart, of Albion, N. Y., and ex-Governor A. P. K. Safford, of Arizona.....*Everett House*—United States District-Attorney Calvin G. Child, of Connecticut.....*Grand Central Hotel*—Judge Charles Daniels, of Buffalo.....*Windsor Hotel*—James A. Roberts, Victorian Commissioner to the Paris Exposition, and Hiram Sibley, of Rochester.....*Hoffman House*—Pay Director John S. Cunningham, U. S. N., and Colonel T. T. S. Laidley, U. S. A.....*New-York Hotel*—Ex-Governor Andrew G. Curtin, of Pennsylvania, and Judge E. H. Grandin, of Mobile.....*St. Nicholas Hotel*—James F. Joy, President of the Detroit, Lansing and Northern Railway Company, and Bishop John Sharp, of Salt Lake City.....*Sturtevant House*—Colonel John V. Du Bois, U. S. A.

NEW-YORK CITY.

A lady's toilet is no longer complete without a bunch of natural or artificial flowers.

Cream-tinted muslin pleatings, around the neck and wrists, replace those of pure white.

In ladies' lingerie, combination suits are the newest, and promise to be the favorite style.

Black satin ribbon, faced with different colors will be used in trimming grenadines.

Dinner cards made in the shape of plates, beautifully painted, are among the novelties.

Polonaises are still worn to a great extent, notwithstanding the predictions to the contrary.

A noteworthy feature at the late openings was the scarcity of buttons on the imported dresses.

English twills in gray and fawn colors will be the favorite materials for waterproofs this Summer.

New styles in furniture have painted panels, which work is done in a large measure by young ladies.

Spiral bracelets are among the latest novelties, some so large that they extend from wrist to elbow.

The Police Board transferred, yesterday, Roundsmen T. J. Craeder from the Twelfth Precinct to the Fourth, and Herman Weiss from the Sixteenth to the Ninth.

H. G. Stebbins, E. S. Bowen, E. M. Clymer, E. T. Saltonstall and C. F. Dending were elected yesterday directors of the Pennsylvania and Erie Coal and Railway Company.

Captain Trudelle, of the steamship France, of the French Line, has presented to the Pilot Commissioners a plan, which is well received by shipping men, by which vessels may find their way into New-York harbor during a dense fog.

The Produce Exchange has been considering the advisability of constructing a private telegraph line between this city and Chicago, and a committee is to investigate the subject. It is believed the cost of running five wires to Chicago will not exceed $500,000.

At a meeting of the piano-box makers yesterday it was stated that thirty-one men, employed in Behr & Peck's manufactory, were yet on strike, owing to a reduction of wages. A mass-meeting of the different branches of the trade is to be held to raise means in aid of the strikers.

The steamship Wyoming, which sailed for Liverpool yesterday, took sixty-eight horses for the English Government. Fifty more will be shipped by the National Line to-morrow, and thirty on Saturday. One hundred and five were shipped last week, mostly farm horses purchased in various parts of the country.

John McGlynn, a contractor, was charged at the Tombs Police Court yesterday with having obtained blue stone of the value of $735 from Francis Reynolds, of No. 1,568 Third-ave., and drain pipe of the value of $116 from the Salamander Works, by fraudulent means. He was detained for examination in default of $2,000 bail.

At the annual meeting of the Petroleum Exchange yesterday, the following officers were elected: President, William Jay Ives; vice-presidents, H. C. Ohlen and Clinton Roudebush; treasurer, H. M. Curtis; secretary, S. F. Strong. The young members placed an opposition ticket in the field, but it was defeated by about four to one.

The following is the specification in a charge submitted to the Board of Police, yesterday, against Roundsman Patrick F. Byrnes, of the Ninth Precinct, by Owen Shuler, of the same precinct: "That said Roundsman Patrick F. Byrnes did use abusive and improper language and wanted to fight me a duel, either with pistols or clubs, at 11 p. m., May 12, 1878, while on patrol duty near Hudson-st.

The Seaside Sanitarium at Rockaway Beach, its managers expect, will be opened June 1. Subscriptions of $213 are acknowledged, among them the following: the Rev. Dr. Dix, $50; Edward Tatum, $50; D. Talmage's Sons, $25; A. Guiterman, $25. Further contributions are solicited, to be sent to Henry Bergh, Twenty-second-st. and Fourth-ave.; Caswell, Hazard & Co., No. 1099 Broadway, or Henry King, No. 304 West Twenty-eighth-st.

The annual convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians opened in this city yesterday. About seventy delegates were present, and the business consisted, for the most part, of preliminary organization. The following officers were elected: Patrick Gibney, national delegate; Patrick Campbell, national Secretary; James Langdon, national treasurer. The convention will probably continue three or four days.

BROOKLYN.

Thomas Romans, age seventy-eight, has been missing from his residence, No. 262 South Fourth-st., since Sunday. The missing man is five feet eight inches in height, has gray hair, and wore a gray suit and silk hat.

The Rev. Dr. Joseph T. Duryea, of the Classon Avenue Presbyterian Church, has been confined to his room by sickness since last Friday. The Session of the church has given him leave of absence for three months.

At a Sunday-school temperance conference, Monday evening, a committee was appointed to wait upon the Police Commissioners, and urge them, in behalf of the Sunday-schools, to lessen the temptations which exist in the shape of liquor-saloons, by refusing licenses to those who apply for them.

The dry-goods store of E. Lewis, No. 275 Fulton-st., Brooklyn, was robbed Monday night. The burglars made their entrance into the store by cutting a hole from the adjoining hall. Silks valued at $1,500 were stolen. A small safe was cut open by means of a cold chisel, and its contents, $130, were taken.

An investigation in regard to the death of Margaret Clary, of No. 25 Prince-st., which was supposed at first to have been caused by her husband, showed that alcoholism led to death. Mrs. Clary and her husband for years had spent all the money they could earn and all the articles they could pawn for drink. They have frequently been in jail for intoxication.

ACCUSED OF WIFE POISONING.

TRIAL OF THE REV. MR. VOSBURGH.

CROSS-EXAMINATION OF THE DEFENDANT'S BROTHER-IN-LAW—DR. CORNELL'S TESTIMONY AS TO MR. VOSBURGH'S REMARKS ABOUT HIS WIFE.

The trial of the Rev. George B. Vosburgh, of the Madison Avenue Baptist Church, Jersey City Heights, was very largely attended yesterday. Many of the members of the church were present. Mrs. Vosburgh, the mother of the defendant, and Mrs. Hattie Vosburgh, his wife, whom he is accused of poisoning, were present. The Rev. Phebe A. Hanaford, pastor of the First Universalist Church, Jersey City, the Rev. H. Eddy, D. D., the Rev. George K. Allen, of the North Baptist Church, Jersey City, the Rev. Dr. Peddie, of Philadelphia, the Rev. Dr. Parmly, of the First Baptist Church, the Rev. D. B. Faulks, and others, were in attendance.

The cross-examination of James N. Sickles, the defendant's brother-in-law, was continued by Charles H. Winfield. "I saved some of the tea prepared by Mr. Vosburgh on February 17, and afterward saved some liquid, which Professor Doremus said contained nux vomica and belladona, which had been left by Dr. Cornell. On February 19, when Mrs. Vosburgh was very sick, I saw a powder in a glass of water. I put the water in a vial and gave it to my father, who took it to Professor Doremus. Professor Doremus wanted to ascertain if there was any antimony in the system of Mrs. Vosburgh, and the bottle which I procured from him I put through a hole in Dr. Cornell's fence, as Mrs. Cornell said Mr. Vosburgh was watching me. The letter I sent to the deacons of the church explaining my reasons for taking Mrs. Vosburgh to my home, was dictated to me by Dr. Cornell, but Mr. Vosburgh persuaded his wife not to go. I told Dr. Cornell not to leave liquid medicines, and he said if he did he would cork them up so my wife and I could carry them on our persons. I do not remember that any medicine was given to Mrs. Vosburgh on February 19, but I think she vomited that afternoon. She began to mend that day. I do not remember saying that Mr. Vosburgh had gone to New-York to get some poison."

William H. Bumsted, a deacon of the church, who sat within the bar, shook his head at the jury, as if he believed what Mr. Sickles was saying, and was rebuked by Mr. Winfield.

Mr. Sickles continued: "I asked one of the deacons to stay with me that night, as I was afraid. I do not remember telling the deacons that Mr. Vosburgh had gone off to commit suicide. Mr. Vosburgh was kind to us sometimes and sometimes was not. He called us blockheads and fools when we said his wife would get well. When Mr. Vosburgh said, 'What do you think of the old gal now?' I think he was out of his mind; he must have been out of his mind half of the time. I did not tell the deacons all, and I have not told you (the Court and counsel) all, for I am a reluctant witness. The morning I swore out the warrant for Mr. Vosburgh's arrest before Judge Davis, I told him I wanted to see Mrs. Vosburgh before it was served."

Dr. George B. Cornell, the homœopathic physician who attended Mrs. Vosburgh, was the next witness. His testimony was as follows:

"I was called to attend Mrs. Vosburgh, January 21, 1878. She had been suffering for some time with rheumatic affections, but I was called to treat her for derangement of the stomach. She was not confined to her bed, but was able to walk about the house. She complained of nausea, vomiting, and cramps in the lower part of the body. Mr. Vosburgh told me that his wife could not live and that she wanted me as her physician. On February 19, Mrs. Vosburgh was very low, and Mr. Vosburgh wanted me to give her something which would make her sleep. I told him that an opiate given to a person so prostrated would kill her. After Mr. Sickles told me that he suspected that Mrs. Vosburgh was being poisoned, I told him to save the tea and water prepared for her by her husband, and I sent them to Professor Doremus for examination. Mr. Vosburgh often referred to his wife in the most unfeeling manner, and showed a lack of affection."

Mr. Winfield objected to this testimony on the ground that Dr. Cornell was not an expert in affection, which caused considerable laughter. The objection was sustained.

Dr. Cornell continued: "When I told Mr. Vosburgh that his wife was much better, he answered: 'A watched pot never boils.' In describing the fickleness of his wife in changing physicians, he said: 'She is like a rooster dancing on the top of a red-hot stove.' He also said that she had produced two abortions upon herself, assisted by her mother. He often spoke of her death, and asked me about the proper funeral arrangements. One day I told him that his wife might live for some time, as I had known persons with the same disease to live for years. He answered: 'Doctor, why do you talk so; you are enough to drive me crazy. I am under heavy expense; I am paying for my sermons, and if she should be sick for any length of time, a servant would be very necessary, and I am already $1,000 in debt.' One morning I called at the house and found her very low. I asked who watched with her, and they told me her husband. The next morning she was greatly improved, and I ascertained that Mr. Sickles had sat up with her the night before. I noticed a few days previous to February 19 that the medicines which I gave her caused her to vomit. Mrs. Vosburgh wanted to go to her father's, and I told her she was so much better that she could go, and she cried for joy." The Court was adjourned at this point until to-day. Mr. Vosburgh was very cool during Dr. Cornell's examination, while his wife showed great uneasiness several times.

POSTSCRIPT

3:45 a. m.

LATEST FOREIGN NEWS.

DESPERATE RIOT AT BLACKBURN.

A HOUSE BURNED DOWN—TROOPS CALLED OUT.

LONDON, Wednesday, May 15, 1878.

Serious rioting began at Blackburn yesterday evening. Thousands of the lowest class of operatives, including women, paraded the streets, making violent demonstrations.

The residence of Colonel Jackson, Chairman of the Masters' Association, was burned to the ground.

The same mob attempted to burn Jackson's mills. The residence of Alderman Hornby was partially wrecked, and the windows of all the mills in the town were demolished.

A strong force of infantry from Preston and a troop of cavalry came and cleared the streets, but great destruction was committed before their arrival.

Colonel Jackson and his wife barely escaped in a cab. Alderman Hornby was injured, being struck by stones while remonstrating with the rioters.

CAPTURE OF VERA SASSULITCH.

LONDON, Wednesday, May 15, 1878.

The correspondent of *The Daily News* at Paris says a telegram received from St. Petersburg asserts that Vera Sassulitch, the woman who attempted to assassinate General Trepoff, and was recently acquitted, has been discovered hiding in the suburbs and was arrested.

EXPLOSION IN PARIS.

PARIS, Tuesday, May 14, 1878.

A terrible explosion has occurred at an ammunition manufactory in the Rue Berenger. The building was completely shattered. A serious fire ensued in the neighboring houses, and is still uncontrolled. The number of victims by the explosion is unknown, but believed to be considerable.

ASSASSINATION IN JAPAN.

YOKOHAMA, Tuesday, May 14, 1878.

M. Ohubo, Minister of the Interior, has been assassinated. The murderer was arrested.

[*For other Foreign News, see First Page.*]

ONE WATCHMAN SHOT BY ANOTHER.

PROBABLY FATAL RESULT OF RIVALRY.

James Merrick and Peter Wilmont are watchmen employed on the East River front, and for some time there has been ill-feeling between them. Merrick's beat is between Rivington and Stanton-sts., while Wilmont patrols the river front from Rivington-st. downward. Last night they met near Grand and Tompkins-sts. They had some words and a scuffle followed. Wilmont states that Merrick knocked him down several times and at last, in self-defence, he drew his pistol and fired. The bullet struck Merrick just in the left breast, in the region of the heart, and he fell. A saloon-keeper and several men who were near, hearing the report, disarmed Wilmont, who flourished the pistol and cried out that he would shoot again. The weapon, a large Colt's revolver, was taken from him, and Patrolman Rowland took Wilmont to the Thirteenth Precinct Station-House, while the wounded man was carried to the residence of Dr. Nelson Place, No. 307 East Broadway. The wound appeared to be fatal, and an ambulance was telegraphed for.

Wilmont was evidently under the influence of liquor, and said, at the station-house, that he knew nothing of Merrick's presence until, on going across the street, he was knocked down twice, and in desperation he fired, and then found himself seized by several men. Merrick, when picked up by the officer, swore and raved as if drunk. They had known each other several years, and though Wilmont denies that he has had any previous quarrel with Merrick, it is said by those who know both well that considerable ill-feeling exists between them on account of business rivalry.

A young minister was preaching in Seabrook, N. H., from "I am the light of the world," and made poor work of it, stammering and stuttering, and almost stopping, when an indignant huckleberry-picker, a sort of masculine woman, shouted out: "If you are the light o' the world, you needs snuffing."

"Didn't you guarantee that that horse wouldn't shy before the discharge of a cannon?" said a cavalry officer to a horse dealer. "Yes, I did, and I'll stick to it," replied the dealer. "He never shies until after the cannon is fired."

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