LOCAL MISCELLANY.

ORGANIZING TO AID IRELAND.

FORMATION OF THE IRISH LAND LEAGUE OF AMERICA—EXCITED DEBATE IN REGARD TO THE POWERS OF THE TREASURER.

A preliminary convention of the Irish Land League of America was held at Thirty-second-st. and Broadway Tuesday, for the purpose of forming a permanent organization. Delegations attended from many parts of the States. J. C. McGuire was elected temporary chairman, and stated the object of the gathering to be to consider the best and most practical means by which Irishmen in this country could assist their kinsfolk in Ireland. There was nothing at present before the Irish of Ireland but starvation or emigration. Thousands had already had to leave their homes and country, and soon a real Celt in Ireland would be as rare as a real Indian in America. What they in this country had to do was to assist their countrymen in obtaining from the British Government such a reform of the laws relating to land tenure in Ireland as would enable the tenants to live on the fruits of their labor.

Committees on credentials, on organization, and on rules were then elected. The officers chosen were P. A. Collins, of Boston, as chairman, Patrick Madden, Rochester, treasurer, and D. R. Shields, Westchester, recording secretary.

The first business yesterday was to receive the report of the committee on constitution and by-laws, and this having been read and received, its recommendations were discussed seriatim. The article in reference to the election of treasurer contained a clause requiring him to receive subscriptions from the various branches and transmit them to Ireland. To this clause great objection was raised. Father Walsh, of Waterbury, said that if the funds were forwarded by a central treasurer it would be taxation without representation. Several speeches followed on the subject of sending the funds from New-York, one of the speakers, Mr. Shields, the secretary, being interrupted by a cry of "Moffat." John Devoy immediately called the chairman's attention to the fact. They did not intend, he said, to erect a Moffat mansion either at New-York or Yonkers with the money collected, and he asked that such damaging allusions be repressed. Mr. Dillon, M. P., said he regretted that this discussion had arisen. He strongly deprecated the insinuation and suspicions that had been uttered, and asked, if one man could not be found sufficiently honest to transmit the funds to Dublin would it not be more difficult to find 100 men sufficiently honest to transmit the money from the various branches to Dublin? His remarks had very little apparent influence, for the discussion still went on. A vote was at length taken on a substitute offered by Father McKenna, which was lost by a small majority. It was then charged that some had voted twice, and the ayes and nays were taken. This was not satisfactory, and a division was called, but the substitute was ultimately declared lost. The chairman declared the article to be adopted "almost unanimously."

John Boyle O'Reilly, from the Committee on Resolutions, then reported resolutions declaring that it is the duty of every Irishman to aid to the utmost of his ability every honorable effort made by the Irish people to free themselves from the ruinous laws under which they live, and pledging the earnest cooperation of the organization to the Irish Land League. Mr. Dillon then made a brief speech upon the Land League movement, and was followed by Michael Davitt, who was loudly cheered. The constitution having been adopted, the following were chosen permanent officers of the organization, the secretary alone being entitled to compensation:

President—James J. McAfferty, Lowell, Mass.
Vice-President—William Purcell, Rochester, N. Y.
Treasurer—Lawrence Walsh, Waterbury, Conn.
Secretary—Michael Davitt.
Council—Thaddeus Flanagan, San Francisco; Lawrence Harman, Peoria, Ill.; W. Carroll, Philadelphia; James Gibson, Paterson, N. J.; J. V. Reddy, Richmond, Va.; P. K. Walsh, Cincinnati, Ohio; M. E. Welch, Providence, R. I.

EXCELLENT SCORES AT CREEDMOOR.

SHOOTING FOR PLACES IN THE INTERNATIONAL TEAM, AND FOR PRIZES.

The final competitions for places on the American Team, which will go to Ireland next month to shoot in a match with the Irish Team, were begun yesterday at Creedmoor, and will be continued to-day and to-morrow. The following eleven men competed: W. J. Jackson, H. T. Rockwell, W. Gerrish, J. F. Brown and J. S. Sumner, representing the Massachusetts Rifle Association; W. M. Farrow, R. Rathbone and Homer Fisher, of the National Rifle Association; L. C. Bruce, of the Amateur Rifle Club; Colonel A. F. Clark, of Poughkeepsie, and S. I. Scott, of Washington. From this number will be selected the six members of the team and two alternates.

The annual match for the Leech Cup, which was given by Major Leech, captain of the Irish Team, after the match in 1874, was also shot for yesterday. J. S. Sumner, of Boston, won the cup last year, with a score of 215. Thomas Lamb took it yesterday, his score being 218. There were twenty-six entries, and seventeen of the men made a score of over 200, and two men retired. The competitors for places on the team entered in the match, and their scores, will be used in selecting the team. Following are the scores of the twenty-four competitors:

	800 yds.	900 yds.	1000 yds.	Total.
T. Lamb	73	75	70	218
W. M. Farrow	73	73	70	216
W. H. Jackson	72	74	69	215
H. F. Clark	73	74	68	215
J. S. Sumner	74	75	64	213
Dr. Dudley	74	73	65	212
A. H. Cobb	74	69	67	210
J. P. Waters	74	72	63	209
John Bodine	75	73	60	208
L. C. Bruce	73	67	67	207
Homer Fisher	73	66	66	205
S. I. Scott	66	69	69	204
H. T. Rockwell	73	68	63	204
F. H. Holton	73	74	56	203
C. J. Falco	69	69	64	202
H. S. Jewell	69	67	65	201
William Gerrish	75	66	60	201
J. L. Allen	70	71	68	199
G. L. Morse	73	65	61	199
R. Rathbone	69	68	58	195
J. F. Brown	65	61	64	190
N. D. Ward	68	59	59	186
J. W. Todd	71	73	39	183
S. H. Hubbard	69	61	46	176

There were twenty-four entries in the Ballard rifle match. The distances were 100 and 200 yards. Four prizes were offered, the first being a Ballard mid-range rifle, and the others a percentage of the entrance money. The leading scores were as follows: W. M. Farrow, 66; E. B. Barker, 65, and J. L. Paulding 65.

L. C. Bruce received a letter this week from Major Leech, stating that the Irish riflemen were trying to get up a team, but that from present indications it would probably be a weak one. It is not yet known at what range the contest will be held, but it is thought that the one at Dundalk, which is used by the riflemen of Ulster County, will be selected.

BARNUM AS A MENAGERIE EXPERT.

HIS ESTIMATES OF THE VALUE OF WILD BEASTS IN A SHOW.

P. T. Barnum, in a suit in the Superior Court yesterday, told something of what he knew about menagerie animals. The United States Rolling Stock Company sues James Reilly, claiming that both were creditors to large amounts on December 7, 1878, of J. J. Parks & Co., lessees or owners of a menagerie and circus at that time in Georgia. The defendant, it is alleged, agreed that he would sell the property at Philadelphia, at the best attainable price, and divide the proceeds with the plaintiff; but he sold the property at Richmond, Va., for a very inadequate price, and the plaintiff claims $9,500 damages.

Mr. Barnum was examined before trial. Mr. De Costa, for the plaintiff, asked him: "What, in your opinion, was the fair market value in 1879 of the following property: 100 work and ring horses, 29 ponies, 5 elephants, 5 royal Bengal tigers, 8 hyenas, 2 lionesses and 3 cubs, 1 lion, 1 jaguar, 2 panthers, 1 eland, 2 peccaries, 1 hartebeest, 2 antelopes, 1 lama, 1 sacred cow, 1 elk, 1 zebra, 1 camel, 1 emu, together with 16 cages for animals in which said animals were kept, 3 cages for birds and small animals, 2 tableau cars, 2 railroad cars, 1 band wagon, 1 small chariot, 1 dragon chariot, 1 ticket wagon, 6 truck wagons, 8 circus wagons, 9 circus tents, with seats, and clothing for five sleeping cars?"

Mr Barnum said that he had seen the property, "having at one time negotiated for its purchase. Its minimum value was $60,000, "there being those educated elephants." Such property, he said, could be sold to much better advantage at New-York or Philadelphia than elsewhere; Richmond would be "a good place for the buyers, but by no means for the sellers."

On cross-examination, Mr. Smith asked if the value of that kind of property did not depend somewhat upon the age of the animals.

"Certainly, with horses," was the answer, "and might possibly with elephants; but as far as elephants are concerned, they have got to get along to about seventy-five years before you talk much about their ages."

"What is the limit that naturalists fix to the age of the tiger?"

"I don't know what naturalists would say about it," said Mr. Barnum, "but they do live, to our knowledge, in this country fifteen or twenty years, and I believe they are a good deal like a donkey."

A HOST OF SCANDINAVIAN IMMIGRANTS.

The arrivals of immigrants from three steamships at Castle Garden yesterday were 3,550—by the Gellert from Hamburg, 1,224; the Canada form Liverpool, 1,182; the City of New-York, from Liverpool, 1,143. This makes a total of 36,620 since May 1, against 22,357 for the corresponding period during April, and a total since January 1, of 116,873, or only 17,034 less than the total arrivals for the year 1879, and 38,072 more than during 1878.

Colonel Coonan, superintendent of the landing department, remarked yesterday that it was surprising to notice the large percentage of Scandinavian immigrants, and if it were not for these the immigration would be not much greater than usual. In his talks with them he had learned that there was such a mania among them to get to the United States that they really sacrificed their property to come. They said that they had become tired of their slavish efforts to obtain a living, and hearing so much of the advantages of America, they had determined to get rid of their property at any sacrifice, and come here in hope of bettering their condition on the Western lands.

INSPECTING FORTS AND GUNS.

THE SECRETARY OF WAR AND GENERAL SHERMAN VISITING THE DEFENCES OF NEW-YORK.

The fortifications of this port were inspected yesterday by Secretary Ramsey and General Sherman. They arrived in Jersey City at 6:30 a. m. from Washington. General Sherman was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Rachel Sherman. The party was taken from Jersey City to Governor's Island on the tug Henry Smith, and the salute of seventeen guns for the Secretary of War was fired from Castle William upon the arrival at Governor's Island at 7 a. m. The visitors were received by Major General Hancock, commanding the Department of the East, Generals C. C. Augur, Fry, Clark, McKeever, and Crittenden, Captain Ward, and Lieutenants Hubbell and Runcie. An inspection of the defences of the island was made, and the soldiers' quartered there were reviewed. The party then breakfasted with General Hancock. At 9 o'clock the Secretary accompanied by Miss Sherman, Generals Sherman, Hancock, Augur, McKeever, and Perry, Majors Sanger and Barr, Captain Wharton, and Lieutenants Ward and Runcie, went on board the Henry Smith. She steamed down to the Narrows, and the first landing was made at Fort Wadsworth, upon Staten Island. The customary salute was fired, and the party was received by General Gibson and staff, and taken in carriages to the fort. After the visitors had climbed to the top of the walls and looked about, the two companies of soldiers quartered there were reviewed. Lunch was taken at General Gibson's house, and the party proceeded across the strait to Fort Hamilton, upon Long Island. While the salute of seventeen guns was sounding, Colonel De Russey, who was in command, received the Secretary and his companions, and escorted them to the interior of the fort, where the Third Artillery was on parade. The drill ground in the rear of the fort was visited, and the evolutions of the artillery corps in field practice were witnessed. Afterward the 20-inch Rodman gun on the earthworks was looked at. Its weight is 115,100 pounds, and it fires a shot weighing 1,080 pounds, 200 pounds of powder being used.

Upon reembarking, the party went to the artillery practice ground at Sandy Hook. A collation was served on board. Colonels Crispin and Baylor received the guests after landing. They then visited the cannon undergoing tests. From a Gatling gun, two hundred rounds were fired in a few seconds. The Hotchkiss rifled cannon, a mountain howitzer, a field piece of three-inch calibre, and two pieces of heavy ordnance, a rifled breech-loading gun of eight-inch calibre converted from a ten-inch smooth bore muzzle loading Rodman gun, and a twelve-inch rifled muzzle-loading Rodman, were also fired. The working of the device for testing velocity was noted. Both Secretary Ramsey and General Sherman made many inquiries. After refreshments with the officers of the post, the party returned to Governor's Island, where General Hancock and his staff were landed. Secretary Ramsey and General Sherman were taken to the foot of West Twenty-third-st., and went to the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

This morning the party will start at nine o'clock from Twenty-third-st., East River, and visit Fort Schuyler, David's Island and Willet's Point. The Secretary and General Sherman will be the guests of the Union League Club this evening and will leave town Friday.

FINING VESSELS ON TRIVIAL PRETEXTS.

The brig Mary E. Thayer, N. Hand managing owner, and the schooner J. P. Anger, owned in Long Island, were recently fined by the Custom House officers of the Mexican port of Campeachy, on the most trivial pretexts. Captain J. V. Whitman, of the Thayer, now lying at the Empire Stores, Brooklyn, yesterday told the following story to a TRIBUNE reporter: "I left Aspinwall in ballast on March 11 for Campeachy. There was no Mexican consul at Aspinwall, and my manifest had therefore to be made out and certified by the American consul. On my arrival at Campeachy, on March 24, I handed my papers to the officer who came aboard. A very strict search was made of the vessel, but no question was raised until next day, when I was informed that I had been fined $50 because my manifest was not clean. I explained exactly how it had been made out, and asked what was wrong with it. I was then shown the paper, and found that the word 'brig' had apparently been traced over, without, however, altering the word. For this I was to be fined. I asked the custom house people to look at the rig of my vessel, and see whether she was or was not a brig, and asked what they had to complain of. The only satisfaction I could get was the simple statement that I was fined $50, and that I must stay there until I paid it. There was no American consul at Campeachy, and I paid the fine under protest. The next day I learned that the schooner J. P. Anger had been fined in a similar way, although her manifest was certified by the Mexican consul in New-York. It is my impression and belief that the tracing was done in the custom house, in order to create a pretext for imposing the fine, for on receiving back my manifest before leaving Campeachy, I found that it was nearly worn through at the spot where the tracing had been done. A close look showed that the word 'brig' had been scratched out, the word 'schooner' written in and then scratched out, and the original word again plainly written. I think this was done to make out a case for the custom house people, in the event of an investigation. I have written to the American consul at Aspinwall to-day to ask him regarding the manifest, and until his reply is received nothing will be done about the matter."

A SHARP NOTE TO MR. DUDLEY.

The Mayor on April 23 directed Superintendent Dudley, of the Department of Buildings, to furnish him with all the original papers in the case of the Madison Square Garden. Mr. Dudley sent what purported to be copies of the papers. Colonel Tracy, the Mayor's chief clerk, yesterday sent to Mr. Dudley this sharp note:

"The Mayor directs me to say that he has reason to believe that one of the 'sworn copies' of the documents relating to Madison Square Garden, which you sent to him in reply to his direction to send him the originals, is not a true copy, but differs in an important respect from the original. He wishes to examine personally the original papers referred to in his letter to you of April 23, and requires you to bring them to him at the Mayor's Office, on Friday the 21st instant, at 3 o'clock p. m., for such examination. The Mayor instructs me to say that he gives you this direction so that no pretence that you cannot part with the custody of records of your department when they are demanded by the Mayor, may be made an excuse to prevent his examination of them."

BRUTALITY IN AN OCEAN RACE.

John Morrisey, first assistant engineer of the steamship City of Washington, was arrested yesterday, on a charge of assaulting Patrick McGuire a coal heaver, who has since died. The trouble arose out of the recent race between the steamships City of Washington and Saratoga from this port to Havana. The men on the City of Washington, it is alleged, were called on to do extra duty and McGuire was kept at work for six hours at a time instead of four. The work was terribly exhausting, and it is said that notwithstanding that he was a healthy man when he went on board the ship, he broke down completely. In his weakness he was unable to stand the strain, and Morrisey, believing that he was shirking, caught him by the throat and choked him. He died before the arrival of the steamship at Havana, but it is not claimed that the beating caused his death. United States Commissioner Shields held the prisoner in $1,000 bail for examination. J. Henry Alexandre, one of the owners of the steamship, became his bondsman.

VIOLENCE BY POLICEMEN.

Mrs. Catharine Wallington, of No. 249 Hudson-st., reported at the Charles Street Police Station on Tuesday night that her son Joseph, a boy of nine years, had been struck with a stone, while playing ball in the streets, by Officer Michael Dugan. The boy's head was bleeding. She was directed to make a complaint to the Chief of Police.

Officer Benjamin Waters, of the Eighteenth Precinct, was on trial yesterday at Police Headquarters, charged with beating Thomas A. King, while attempting to arrest him, on May 4, at Twenty-third-st. and First-ave. Sergeant Thompson, whose wife had caused King's arrest on a charge of assault and battery, was tried for looking on without interfering. J. H. Draper, of No. 112 Pearl-st., and J. W. Vandinet, of the New-York Hotel, testified to the assault. The Commissioners reserved their decision.

SHOT BY A PIER WATCHMAN.

Robert West, who is employed to watch Pier No. 47, North River, surrendered himself to Inspector Murray last night. He said a man had got on the pier without his permission, and had knocked him down. He then shot his assailant. Inspector Murray sent the watchman to the Charles Street Police Station, where the wounded man, Captain Philip Lansing, of the tugboat J. F. Winslow, had told a different story. Lansing said he visited the pier with Charles Van Buren, captain of a barge, which he had engaged to tow from the pier to-day. The watchman tried to cast off the lines of the barge, and this led to a quarrel. Lansing had received a severe pistol wound in the cheek. West, who is sixty-four years old and lives at No. 9 Weehawken-st., was locked up.

PREPARING FOR DECORATION DAY.

A meeting of the division marshals and staff officers of the Grand Army of the Republic was held yesterday afternoon at the Hotel Monico, to make arrangements for the celebration of Decoration Day. General John Cochrane presided, and opened the meeting with a speech. He invited suggestions from the officers present, and the meeting assumed an informal character. Instructions were issued regarding uniforms and equipments, and the formation of the columns. The men were requested to wear their army corps badges. Strict orders were issued to keep all advertising elements out of the line of march. The committee will meet again at the same place next Monday at 4 p. m., to make further arrangements.

PRIZES TO ART STUDENTS.

The Art Schools of the National Academy of Design closed yesterday, and last evening prizes were awarded to the most successful students, at a reunion which was held in the large lecture room of the Academy, in which hung the portraits of the Academicians elected since its foundation, and where were also displayed the competitive drawings of the students.

In the absence of President Huntington, who was kept at home by illness, T. W. Wood, Vice President of the Academy, presented the prizes, after a brief address, in which he spoke in high terms of the character of the work done the past season, the excellence of the instruction, and the prospects of the Academy schools. The prizes were distributed as follows:

In the Life School, the first prize, the Suydam silver medal, was awarded to Conrad Freitag; the second prize, the Suydam bronze medal, was given to Miss Marie Koupil; Honorable Mention was given to S. Levi, Miss Addie J. Albright and F. Deitrich.

In the Antique School, the first prize, the Elliott silver medal (which was awarded for the best drawing of an antique figure), was given to William S. Allen, and Honorable Mention was conferred upon Miss Ella G. Condie, J. W. Hays, and Miss Luella Walter. The second prize, the Elliott bronze medal (given for the best drawing of an antique bust), was awarded to Edward C. Corbin, and Honorable Mention was given to Miss L. Goodwin, H. M. King, and Miss Alice Le Fevre, and A. D. Latting.

After the prizes had been delivered, William S. Allen, with a brief address, presented Professor L. E. Wilmarth, instructor in the Academy, a handsome gold watch, on behalf of the students. The Professor thanked the students for their gift.

The audience then adjourned to the Antique School-rooms, on the lower floor, where dancing began early, and continued until late. At about 11 o'clock a collation was served in the Life School-room, after which there was music by a quartet of the students. The alcoves were handsomely decorated with flags and flowers.

STUDYING OLD COINS.

A meeting of the American Numismatic and Archæological Society was held last evening, with President Anthon in the chair. A paper was read by G. L. Fenardent on the want of artistic taste shown in the designs for American coins, postage stamps and bank-notes. A paper was read by Dr. William Lee, of Washington, D. C., on the allusions made to physicians on ancient coins. Dr. Anthon exhibited a medal having on the obverse a bust of the Electress Sophia of Hanover, through whom the present reigning family in England came to the throne; and on the reverse was a bust of Matilda, daughter of Henry II., of England, and founder of the House of Brunswick. Dr. Anthon also exhibited a medal struck on the death of the Electress Sophia, which took place June 18, 1714.

THE FORTY-SECOND STREET RAILROAD.

It is said that the Forty-second Street, Manhattanville and St. Nicholas Avenue Railroad Company, organized in 1878, is about to begin the construction of a surface railway, and in order to raise the necessary funds has decided to borrow $1,200,000 in first mortgage bonds of the denomination of $1,000 each, and payable in the year 1910, with interest at 6 per cent. In order to secure the bonds the railroad company, on March 10, 1880, executed to the Union Trust Company a mortgage on its franchise, real estate, road bed, tracks, cars, horses, etc. This instrument was recorded in the Register's Office yesterday afternoon.

NEW PIERS ON THE NORTH RIVER.

Owing to the many applications for berth room on the North River front for steamship companies, the Dock Commissioners have been considering the question of constructing additional piers further up the river. The Atlas line yesterday complained of lack of room.

DEMANDING HEAVY DAMAGES.

TRIAL OF JOHN T. HARROLD'S SUIT AGAINST THE NEW-YORK ELEVATED RAILROAD COMPANY—A PHYSICIAN'S ESTIMATE OF THE VALUE OF HIS SERVICES.

The suit of Major John T. Harrold against the New-York Elevated Railroad Company, to recover $50,000 damages for injuries caused by the collision at Third-ave. and Forty-second-st., on March 25, 1879, came to trial yesterday in the Kings County Supreme Court, before Judge Pratt and a jury. The plaintiff says in his complaint that by the collision he was "greatly bruised and injured on his body, arms, hands, legs, feet, lungs, stomach, bones, sides, and in his entire body and person"; two of his ribs were broken, his lungs were lacerated, and he became "sick, sore, wounded and lame," and was permanently injured in person and health. Chauncey Shaffer and ex-Surrogate Dailey appeared for the plaintiff, and ex-Governor Dorsheimer and Dudley Field for the company.

Mr. Field said that the defence would admit the fact of the collision, and that Mr. Harrold was injured. J. Hobart Ward and Robert H. Shannon testified that the plaintiff was in perfect health previous to the accident. Mrs. Mary E. Barber, the plaintiff's sister, described her brother's injuries, and gave an account of his sickness. Previous to the injury he was always well, but since then he had been sick all the time, and was growing worse. Mrs. Barber said that her brother was the first man sworn in on the Metropolitan Police Force and that he was on the Broadway Squad before going to the war. She admitted that on January 6, this year, he answered a ring of the front door bell although he ought not to have done so. On that occasion a clerk from Mr. Field's office called to serve a paper on him.

After Dr. Lassar Stern, who was on the down train which came into collision with the up train at Forty-second-st., had testified, Sidera Chase stated that he had known Mr. Harrold for four or five years, and had seen him frequently. On the day of the accident he saw him between 11 and 12 o'clock; Mr. Harrold seemed to be in perfect health. He was a very active man, and the witness never knew him to be sick. The witness saw him after the accident; he was holding his side, and his left arm seemed useless. The next morning he was sick in bed, and had been spitting blood. The witness said that he had seen the plaintiff nearly every day since then, and he had been sick all the time. In August last he recovered sufficiently to take short walks with assistance; these were continued until November. Mr. Harrold complained of constant pain in his back, head and lower limbs, and he acted like a man whose limbs were a dead weight. On the cross-examination the witness said that he tried to secure a settlement of the case, and had gone frequently to the company's office for that purpose.

Dr. Jonathan T. Deyo, of No. 217 Seventh-ave., this city, testified that Mr. Harrold received fractures of two ribs, and suffered from great nervous prostration. A few days after the accident he was in such a critical condition that a consultation of physicians was held. The witness had made about 125 or 130 visits to the plaintiff, and considered $20 a visit a fair charge for his services. He believed the injuries to be permanent.

At the morning session Mr. Harrold was brought to the Court House in a carriage, and carried upstairs on a chair by several Court officers. He was then taken into the court-room on a sofa. He seemed utterly exhausted, and his condition aroused much sympathy.

The trial of the case will be continued to-day.

MR. COWLEY'S APPEAL.

The appeal from the conviction of the Rev. Edward Cowley of wilful cruelty to Louis Victor, one of the little inmates of the Shepherd's Fold, was argued yesterday before the Supreme Court, General Term, by Charles W. Brooks and Clark Bell for the prisoner, and District-Attorney Phelps for the people. Mr. Cowley is now serving the sentence of one year's imprisonment imposed by Judge Cowing. His counsel yesterday contended that the indictment was bad because it charged "neglect" rather than an affirmative act of cruelty. It was also urged that the evidence of physicians who had examined Louis Victor at the hospital was not competent to show that in their opinion the condition of the child was owing to starvation. Other technical questions as to evidence and the Judge's charge were raised, and Mr. Phelps replied to all of them. Decision was reserved.

BASE BALL.

The fourth league championship game between the champion Providence Club and the Boston Club was played at Boston yesterday. The game was witnessed by 1,500 persons and resulted in a tie after eleven innings had been played. Both clubs scored five runs.

President Root, of the Providence Club, has written to Secretary Young demanding the expulsion of the Troy Club from the League Association for violation of section 3 of article 12, in refusing to remain at Providence and continue the game which was interrupted by rain on Thursday.

James White will join the Cincinnati Club at Worcester on June 1. He will play at first base, Leonard will play as short stop, and Carpenter at third base; Samuel Wright will act as a substitute.

The following table will show the work done by the eight clubs in the league up to date. The forfeited game between the Providence and Troy clubs, which was given to the former, is not included, as the league does not recognize forfeited games. It will be seen that the Chicago, Cleveland, Worcester and Troy clubs lead in fielding and batting:

Clubs.	A. B.	R.	1 B.	T. B. B.	P. O.	A.	E.
Boston	346	41	77	108	231	124	58
Buffalo	324	26	68	112	251	146	45
Chicago	371	75	107	206	270	177	37
Cincinnati	340	30	85	123	253	146	61
Cleveland	368	60	107	178	240	161	36
Providence	287	38	70	103	207	140	39
Troy	328	46	94	190	237	121	37
Worcester	368	72	99	217	272	155	36

Mr. Simpkins often declares that he never drinks anything stronger than claret. Last night he came home at midnight, and putting his lips to his wife's ear, he whispered mysteriously: "Hush, my dear, don't be alarmed, but there are burglars about. They have already stolen our keyhole; I had to get in by the cellar window!"—[Boston Courier.

HOME NEWS.

PROMINENT ARRIVALS.

Fifth Avenue Hotel—The Hon. Alexander Ramsey, Secretary of War; General William T. Sherman, U. S. A.; John G. Priest, of St. Louis; Judge Charles Wheaton, of Poughkeepsie; Franklin Haven, of Boston, and Charles Van Benthuysen, of Albany.....*St. Nicholas Hotel*—Governor Redfield Proctor and ex-Governor J. B. Page, of Vermont.....*Brevoort House*—General Nelson A. Miles, U. S. A.....*Windsor Hotel*—William L. Putnam, of Portland, Me., and William H. Seward, of Auburn, N. Y.....*Hoffman House*—William L. Bostwick, of Ithaca; Charles E. Fitch, of Rochester, and O. G. Warren, of Buffalo.....*Gilsey House*—William Purcell, of Rochester.....*Hotel Brunswick*—J. H. Van Antwerp, of Albany.

NEW-YORK CITY.

Many yachts and sail-boats were seen in the bay yesterday afternoon.

South-st., from Catharine Ferry to Hamilton Ferry, is being extensively repaved and repaired.

The latest parasols have a bunch of flowers or a bird painted on one side. Pansies are favorite flowers.

Two large law libraries will be sold by George A. Leavitt & Co., Saturday afternoon and evening, at Clinton Hall.

The small shoulder-capes will be much worn this Summer. They are sometimes made with long tabs that tie in the back.

Mayor Cooper will receive gifts of money, clothing and provisions for those who have been rendered destitute by the fire at Milton, Penn.

Three hacks filled with Chinamen were driven through Chatham-st. to the Chinese quarter yesterday, indicating the arrival of a fresh lot of Celestials.

VERY GOOD PAY FOR INSPECTING COAL.

After a long discussion at the meeting of the Board of Education yesterday, a motion to increase the salaries of the coal inspector and his assistant to $1,800 and $1,200 respectively was adopted.

PROTESTING AGAINST A NUISANCE.

At the meeting of the Dock Commissioners yesterday, property-owners protested against a private dump belonging to a Mr. Daly, at Eighteenth-st., East River. The Board directed Mr. Daly to discontinue using the dump pending an investigation.

NEW-YORK'S HOST OF SCHOOL CHILDREN.

City Superintendent Jasper reports that on April 30 there were on the registers of the primary and grammar schools of the city 123,866 pupils. The daily average attendance for April was 114,271; an increase of 1,376 in enrolment, and of 4,114 in attendance over April, 1879.

GOVERNMENT PURCHASES OF BONDS.

The Government bought yesterday $3,000,000 bonds out of offerings of $4,273,000. The accepted bids comprised $60,000 6s of 1880 at from 104.70 to 104.83; $2,300,000 6s of 1881 at from 106¾ to 106.96⅞s, and $640,000 at from 103.15 to 103.22½. The First National Bank got an award of $2,000,000 6s of 1881 at prices ranging from 106.84 to 106.90.

SWIFT JUSTICE.

James McMahon, Joseph Lynch, Thomas Reilly and James Moran, the four river thieves who boarded the schooner Victor in Flushing Bay on Monday morning, were handed over by Warden Finn at the Tombs Prison yesterday morning in convict's garb, and securely manacled, to the custody of Deputy Sheriffs Smith and Mahon to be conveyed to Sing Sing.

STABBED BY A FELLOW NEWSBOY.

Two newsboys, named John McLaughlin and Frederick Sporter, quarrelled in Greene-st. last evening over the privilege of selling papers on the cars of the Broadway line, and Sporter stabbed McLaughlin in the arm with a pocket-knife, inflicting a severe wound. McLaughlin was taken to his home in Mott-st., and Sporter, who is only thirteen years old, escaped.

EVIDENCE OF A CRIME.

The inquest in the case of Mrs. John S. Williams, of No. 786 Hudson-st., whose death, it was alleged, was due to malpractice, resulted yesterday in a verdict sustaining the allegation, but no testimony was produced to show any guilt on the part of the prisoner, Mrs. F. E. Post, who had been Mrs. Williams's nurse in her illness. Mrs. Post was therefore discharged. Mrs. Williams's mother was held as a witness.

SMALL-POX ON SHIPBOARD.

The Hamburg steamship Gellert, which arrived at Quarantine Tuesday afternoon, was detained until yesterday noon, when she came to the city. She had on board 1,224 immigrants, among whom were two or three sick with small-pox. They were removed to the Quarantine Hospital, after which Health Officer Smith and his two deputies vaccinated all of the others and thoroughly fumigated the vessel.

DENOUNCING THE WEST WASHINGTON MARKET BILL.

Mayor Cooper has sent to Governor Cornell a letter from the Dock Commissioners protesting in the most emphatic manner against the West Washington Market bill. They say that the scheme would work great injury to the North River, would cause a shoal bar, interfering with navigation and detrimental to public health, and would conflict with the plan for widening West-st., which could not now be abandoned.

STATE ASSOCIATED PRESS ELECTION.

At the annual meeting of the New-York State Associated Press at the Metropolitan Hotel yesterday, the following officers were elected: Carroll E. Smith, of *The Syracuse Journal*, president; H. O'R. Tucker, of *The Troy Times*, secretary and treasurer; William Purcell, of *The Rochester Union*, C. W. McCune, of *The Buffalo Courier*, J. H. Selkreg, of *The Ithaca Journal*, P. H. Ten Eyck, of *The Albany Journal*, and E. Prentiss Bailey, of *The Utica Observer*, executive committee.

TESTIMONIAL TO MR. BERGH.

A gold badge, set with diamonds, is now on exhibition at Tiffany's, which has been presented to Henry Bergh as "a mark of the personal esteem and friendship" of the following gentlemen, comprising the Executive Committee of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals: N. M. Beckwith, James M. Brown, Nathan C. Ely, Frederick Gallatin, Elbridge T. Gerry, John P. Haines, Benjamin D. Hicks, John Taylor Johnston, Charles Lanier, Royal Phelps, Frederick W. Stevens, James Stokes, Sinclair Tousey and Charles L. Tiffany.

AN UNFAITHFUL SERVANT.

William F. Sibley, of No. 204 West Twenty-third-st., reported to the police that on the morning of the 12th of May his room was entered by some one who had carried away clothing of the value of $75, and he had every reason to believe the thief to be James Hoy, a waiter, formerly employed in his house. Detectives Carrns and Campbell yesterday arrested Hoy, who acknowledged his guilt, and returned the stolen property. Yesterday at Jefferson Market Police Court, Judge Murray held the prisoner in $300 to answer.

ACTION OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS.

The Park Commissioners yesterday refused permission to the Sea Beach Railroad Company to anchor a large float off the Battery for steamboats running to Rockaway and Coney Island. The superintending architect reported on the sites for the busts of Moore and Bryant to be placed in Central Park. The site recommended for the bust of Moore is on the west side of the walk at the Fifth-ave. entrance, and for the bust of Bryant near the Marble Arch. The matter was laid on the table. A motion to make the meetings of the Board public hereafter was lost.

AN ITALIAN BOOTBLACK'S DIRK.

Officer Sullivan, of the Seventeenth Precinct, yesterday arraigned before Justice Wandell, in the Essex Market Police Court, Michelly Aversess, twenty-two years of age, of No. 191 Elizabeth-st., charged with felonious assault, by Francisco Romeo, of No. 312 Mott-st. Both complainant and defendant are bootblacks. Aversess charged Romeo with trying to entice a customer away from him, and taking a dirk from his pocket, stabbed Romeo in the left side. The wound inflicted is two inches in length and three-quarters of an inch in depth. The prisoner was held to await the action of the Grand Jury in default of $1,000 bail.

A DISCHARGED WORKINGMAN'S REVENGE.

James Kelly, of No. 228 West Sixteenth-st., had been working at the New-York Car Spring Company's Works at Twenty-eighth-st. and Seventh-ave. but was discharged last week by F. Andrews, the foreman of the shops. About 2 a. m. yesterday Kelly went into the shop and picked up a heavy steel spring, and threw it with all his force at the foreman's head, inflicting a frightful gash, and then turned to run. He was seized by one of the workmen and handed over to Officer Burke, who took him into custody. Mr. Andrews was assisted to his home and yesterday appeared against his assailant at Jefferson Market Police Court, where Judge Murray held the prisoner in $500.

THIEVES TRACED AND CAUGHT.

George Gibson, of No. 121 West Forty-ninth-st., reported on Monday night that his rooms had been invaded and plundered by thieves. Suspicion fell upon a janitor in a private school on the parlor floor, kept by Dr. Julius Sachs. This man, Henry Delaney, and his brother, Edward, had been alone in the house during the absence of the Gibson family. Detectives Hines and McGrann were detailed by Inspector Byrnes to look for them. They obtained photographs of both, and yesterday traced them to Brooklyn and arrested both on Fulton-st. The stolen goods were found in their possession. The thieves were taken to the Tombs Police Court, where they were held for trial.

ALLEGED HORSE THIEVES ARRESTED.

Adam Hackmuller, of No. 327 West Thirty-eighth-st., reported at the Thirty-seventh Street Station House, Tuesday night, that his horse and harness had been stolen from his stable by John Hunter, of No. 352 West Fortieth-st. Officer McDonnell at once went to Hunter's house and found him in bed. He was taken into custody, but denied all knowledge of the missing horse. About an hour later the same officer saw Denis Devine, of No. 429 West-st., riding Hackmuller's horse through Thirty-seventh-st., and when questioned, Devine said he was bringing the horse home from Harlem where the animal had been put in his charge by a strange man. Both men were taken before Justice Murray at Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday, and held to answer in $500 each.

BROOKLYN.

Francis Weeks, assistant Keeper of the City Hall, is the father of the first baby ever born in that building. It was born Sunday night.

The late John M. Phelps bequeathed a lot of ground in Pulaski-st. to St. Matthew's Protestant Episcopal Church, of which he was a member.

The will of Thomas Sullivan, ex-President of the Brooklyn City Railroad, was offered for probate yesterday. There are no bequests of public interest.

Patrolman George W. De La Hunt, the oldest member of the police force, retired yesterday on half-pay, after a service extending over thirty years.

A Norwegian named Ole Angel Simonson, thirty-four years old, fell overboard from the bark Grave, at the foot of Commercial-st., yesterday, and was drowned.

Samuel Jacoby was tried in the Court of Sessions yesterday for shooting John Mitchell on January 18 and putting out his eye. Jacoby keeps a saloon at No. 118 Withers-st. Mitchell acted so badly that Jacoby put him out. Mitchell resented this by throwing stones at the saloon, and Jacoby fired upon him with a pistol. The jury found Jacoby guilty.

The Long Island Protestant Episcopal Diocesan Convention in Brooklyn yesterday discussed a motion to rescind a resolution which provides that 15 per cent of the fund raised for the aged and infirm clergy should be set apart as a permanent fund for the Episcopate. Dr. Schenck, Dr. Hall, Bishop Littlejohn, Seth Low and others spoke. The motion was carried.

JERSEY CITY.

A strike occurred yesterday among