LOCAL MISCELLANY.

BOLD ROBBERY ON BROADWAY.

A PACKAGE CONTAINING $2,000 SNATCHED FROM THE HANDS OF A BANK CLERK.

Edward W. Pratt, a clerk in the Bank of the Metropolis, at Broadway and Fifteenth-st., was attacked on Broadway at noon yesterday and robbed of a package containing $2,000 in money which he was carrying to the bank. The thieves escaped in a wagon drawn by a swift bay horse, and although chased for more than a block by the clerk, escaped without any attempt having been made to stop them. Mr. Pratt, who is a small-sized young man, was sent at 11 o'clock in the forenoon by the cashier of the Island City Bank in Twenty-third-st., near Sixth-ave., with $2,000 in bills of large denominations to obtain small change. He received the change in $1 and $2 bills and started to return, carrying the money in a square package under his arm. When crossing Sixteenth-st. a young man in a knit jacket and slouch hat ran up suddenly, and, seizing the package, pulled violently at it. The clerk clung to it, and turned to defend himself against his unexpected assailant. With another more vigorous pull the thief tore the package from him, however, and pushed the clerk half way across the street; then jumping into an old-fashioned box-wagon standing at the curb, threw the package down and whipped up the horses. The clerk, recovering his balance, started in pursuit, shouting "stop thief" at the top of his voice. The street was crowded with people, but the whole scene was enacted so quickly that it had hardly been noticed. A friend of Pratt's, who was walking with him, comprehended the situation, and joined in the pursuit. They ran after the wagon down Sixteenth-st. toward Fifth-ave., shouting, but to no purpose. People who passed stopped and stared, but made no attempt to stop the fugitives. At Fifth-ave. the wagon was turned northward, and the horse soon carried the robber out of sight. The pursuers stopped, out of breath. Returning to the Bank of the Metropolis, they reported the robbery and were sent to Police Headquarters, when a general alarm was telegraphed to all Police Stations by Superintendent Walling. Pratt was occupied with his usual duties in the bank in the afternoon. He is about forty years old, has been six or seven years in its service, and is fully trusted by his employers.

TWO POLICE BOARDS IN BROOKLYN.

There are two Police Boards in Brooklyn as the present result of the conflict between the old Police and Excise Board and the new Board appointed under the single-head law.

Messrs. Leich and Pyburn, two of the old Board, again transacted business yesterday at the Board rooms. General Jourdan remaining in his private room. They held a consultation with ex-Fire Commissioner McLaughlin, and General P. S. Crook and ex-Judge Morris remained with them all day as counsel. The roundsmen appointed to be sergeants by Messrs. Pyburn and Leich the day before refused to accept the places, and others were substituted. A large number of licenses were granted.

Auditor Ammerman and Controller Steinmetz met at the Mayor's office, reconsidered ex-Captain Leich's appointment, and chose Captain William L. B. Stears, Mayor Howell voting "nay" on each motion. Captain Stears at once took the oath at the City Clerk's office, and went to tender his bonds to Mayor Howell, who left by a side door hastily as Captain Stears entered the main door of the Mayor's office, and remained away, although an important meeting of the Board of Estimates was held.

At 2:15 General Jourdan, the Police Commissioner, and Excise Commissioner Colell, with Chief Clerk Richards and Senator A. J. Perry, the counsel of the Board, entered the Board room, followed by a large crowd. General Jourdan, taking his seat, gave formal notice of his appointment as Commissioner of Police and Excise, and of Mr. Colell and Captain Stears as Commissioners of Excise. Mr. Pyburn questioned their authority, and was told they were simply complying with the law. Mr. Pyburn said that he and Mr. Leich would go when the courts told them to go.

A long discussion followed between counsel. Ex-Judge Morris held that Captain Stears was illegally appointed, and that he could not act, even if legally appointed until the Mayor had approved his bond. General Jourdan finally gave notice that the Board would organize, and as sole Police Commissioner instructed Chief of Police Campbell to receive no orders as superintendent, except from him. Mr. Leich at once gave verbal orders to Chief Campbell to take no orders unless signed by a majority of the Board of Police and Excise (the old organization). This was put in writing and signed by Messrs. Leich and Pyburn. General Jourdan and Messrs. Colell and Stears then went into another room and organized, with Samuel Richards acting secretary, Mr. Colell treasurer, and Mr. Stears in general charge of clerks. The secretary was ordered to instruct all clerks and inspectors of the Board to obey no orders from any other persons.

Corporation Counsel De Witt holds that Captain Stears was in office as soon as he took the oath.

"How does Superintendent Campbell stand?" was asked of General Jourdan.

"Mr. Campbell must define his own situation," was the reply. "I expect my orders to be obeyed. If he disobeys them he takes the consequences. I do not desire to embarrass him, and so have given no orders for him to obey, but I forbid him to obey any other orders. I will not suffer him to accept any orders but from myself. I don't recognize the appointments made yesterday. Two Commissioners cannot appoint. I was not informed of the meeting, and it was held at an unusual hour."

THE DEFAULTING EX-DEPUTY COLLECTOR.

Nothing has been learned of the place of concealment of the defaulting ex-Deputy Collector Boone, of the first Internal Revenue District of Brooklyn. His house in Fourteenth-st. has been constantly watched, and it is certain he has not revisited his home. Mr. Boone was employed as one of Collector Ward's deputies from January until April of the current year, and previous to that he had been in the service of the Internal Revenue Office of Brooklyn for seventeen years and had always borne a good reputation. Marshal Harlow said to a TRIBUNE reporter yesterday: "I did not like Boone. I thought he had nc blood; that he would grind a man without compunction if he had a chance. But I did not think he would prove a defaulter. It is my opinion, that this peculation has been of long continuance. It is not likely that the amount was all stolen at once." Mr. Boone has not been remarkable for any extravagance in living, nor had he bad habits of dissipation. His only weakness seems to have been a fondness for betting on horse races, in which speculation he is said to have been a heavy loser.

VOLUNTARILY ENDING THEIR LIVES.

Frederick Stengel, age twenty-eight, brewer at No. 50 Ludlow-st., shot himself through the heart early yesterday morning, and died instantly. He was found dead by his wife, lying on the lounge in the front basement room. Pecuniary embarrassments which threatened the destruction of his business were the motive of his suicide.

Henry Mayer, age twenty-one, a clerk in his brother's clothing store at No 18 Avenue B, was recently admitted as a patient to St. Francis's Hospital, in Fifth-st. Fear of an approaching operation unsettled his mind, and yesterday morning when his nurse had left him he sprang from his bed, ran through an adjoining room, and threw himself over the balcony railing into the yard three stories below. His neck was broken by the fall.

The man found drowned in the North River at the foot of Thirty-fifth-st., on Tuesday, was identified yesterday as Warren H. Pendleton, age twenty-three, of North Orrington, Me., a sailor on the schooner Charles H. Lawrence. His friends believe that he committed suicide by jumping into the river.

FRESH AIR FOR POOR CHILDREN.

The following contributions have been received in aid of the Seaside Nursery Fund of St. John's Guild since the last acknowledgment:

James Talicott	$400	Stephen Merrihew	50
Mrs. Annie C. Beltner	100	John Castree	25
F. Vietor & Achelis	50	Geo. L. Jewett	25
Auchincloss Brothers	50	F. H. Kalbfleisch	50
Hugh Auchincloss	25	William Brookfield	100
E. R. Mudge, Sawyer & Co.	25	Mrs. J. P. Townsend	25
Scott Brothers	25	W. H. Wiley	100
Jas. S. Barron & Co.	25	John W. Weed	100
Leopold Schepp	25	Other contributors	35
Early & Lane	25		
H. M. Anthony	25	Total	$1,275

Contributions to this fund may be sent to the trustee or to W. H. Guion, treasurer, No. 29 Broadway.

TWELVE DAYS WITHOUT FOOD.

As a freight train on the Pennsylvania Railroad was nearing New-Brunswick yesterday morning, a man was discovered lying near the track. It was supposed that he had been injured, and the train was stopped and the man taken on board. He was carried to New-Brunswick. It was ascertained that he had not been hurt, but was in a starving and dying condition. He stated that his name was Terence McGwen, and that he was from County Antrim, Ireland. He had been taken sick while tramping, and had crawled into the bushes by the roadside, where he had been twelve days without food or water. He was emaciated to a skeleton, and would not weigh over sixty pounds. He was sent to St. Michael's Hospital, Newark. It is probable that he will die of exhaustion.

THE KILLING OF CHRISTOPHER LUTZ.

Ten persons were arrested by the Ninth Sub-Precinct Police of Brooklyn at an early hour yesterday morning, on the charge of being instrumental in causing the death of Christopher Lutz, of No. 402 Wallabout-st. Mrs. Lutz made a statement to Coroner Simms of the circumstances connected with his death. The inquest will be held on Friday. Lutz was forty-three years of age. He served in the war, and had been captain of Company G of the Thirty-second Regiment for ten years.

THE CONSTELLATION AT ANNAPOLIS.

A report was published yesterday that the ship Constellation had been seven weeks out from Ireland to Philadelphia and had not been heard from. The Constellation arrived at Annapolis, Md., about two weeks ago, since which time her officers have been detached, three of whom are now on duty at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. The vessel has been overhauled and refitted for a summer cruise with the midshipmen from the Naval Academy since she returned.

A WOMAN'S LOVE.

AFFECTING SCENE IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

John P. G. Smith, the graduate of Columbia College who has been on trial in the Court of General Sessions for several days past, was yesterday found guilty of forgery. When asked the usual question before sentence he replied, "I am innocent of the charge, however perplexing the circumstances may be." In passing sentence Judge Cowing said that the evidence led to only one conclusion, that of the prisoner's guilt. He commented on the unfortunate friends who were disgraced by the conviction of the prisoner. He sentenced Smith to State Prison for five years with hard labor. The young woman to whom the prisoner is engaged to be married sat by his side throughout the day and was with him in the rear of the court-room while the jury was deliberating. When the jury entered court she retired to the corridor and stood by the private entrance to the court-room used by the judge and heard the verdict. When the foreman announced the verdict she sank back into a chair and sobbed hysterically. She recovered herself in a few moments and insisted on meeting the prisoner. Her friends tried to dissuade her, but she insisted and made her way to the prisoner's room. Then a most affecting scene ensued. Friends of the young lady say that she has expressed her determination to wait until his release from prison and then marry him.

STRANDED AND ABANDONED TWICE.

Among the passengers who arrived on the steamship City of Austin, from Nassau, N. P., yesterday, were Captain Strachan, and most of the crew of the British steamship Edmonston, which was wrecked in Providence Channel on May 30. The Edmonston left Cardiff for Havana on May 11, and on the evening of May 30 she went ashore on Gingerbread Ground. Much of the cargo and coal was thrown overboard, and the pumps were kept working in hopes of floating the vessel off. She was finally abandoned on June 6. The Edmonston subsequently floated off, and on June 15 was picked up 100 miles north of Key West by the steamship Deronda, from New-Orleans for Liverpool, and a prize crew was put on board. The vessel afterwards went ashore on the Bahama Banks, and was again abandoned.

CUP DAY AT CONEY ISLAND.

MONITOR CAPTURES THE PRIZE.

UNCAS BADLY BEATEN—TWO UNFORTUNATE STARTS—SUNBEAM, BLARNEY, MONITOR, GLIDELIA AND DISTURBANCE SUCCESSFUL.

It was Cup Day at the course of the Coney Island Jockey Club yesterday, and the attendance was even larger than on Tuesday. The favorable weather, the merit of the racing, the promptness with which the contests were pushed through, and the element of the unexpected, which was conspicuous in some of the results, all combined to satisfy those present. Evidently the new race-track is a very popular one and the club may soon challenge comparison with any rival. But Colonel Simmons, the starter, should take more care, if he wishes to avoid sharp criticism. Two of his starts yesterday were sad affairs, and the backers of the favorite in the first race felt extremely sore over the way in which he treated their choice. Monitor took the honors of the day, winning the cup very handsomely. His owner had intended to get the prize with Monitor's stable companion, Ferida, but she did not prove equal to the task, much to the grief and loss of friends of the stable, who had bet freely on her in the "books." The defeat of Uncas showed that the wiseacres who hailed him as the champion of the American turf, because he took the Westchester Cup, were in too much of a hurry.

The first race was half a mile for a purse of $500 for two-year-olds, with selling allowances. Pierre Lorillard having sold Gossip to James Keily for $1,000, she ran under Anthony Taylor's colors yesterday, and was the favorite at $250, as she only carried 77 pounds. Burnham's filly Bride Cake (102) was second choice at $210, G. L. Lorillard's filly Sunbeam (95) third, and the rest of the field $80. The field was made up of Pierre Lorillard's filly Bliss (97), Chase's colt Cal Wagner (80), Nelson's filly Bonnie Lizzie (102) and Howard Hartington's irregularity colt. The start was one of the worst of the season, all being badly strung out, Sunbeam being in front and the favorite, Gossip, a bad last. All Gossip's chances were ruined by the send-off, and she was only fourth at the end, Sunbeam won in 50¾ sec., after a short struggle with Bliss, the victory being secured by a neck. Bride Cake was third, Gossip a close fourth, after a swift run up the home-stretch, and the rest strung out. Mutual pool tickets paid $28 10 each.

The second race was one mile for three year olds, also with selling allowances. Jennings's colt Blarney (94 pounds) brought $25 in the pools, G. L. Lorillard's filly Queen's Own (103 pounds) $140, Mulhey's filly Belle of the West (93 pounds) $130, Babcock's colt Romeo (88 pounds) $95, and the field, consisting of Evans's colt Buster (98 pounds) and Daly's colt Turenne (100 pounds) $130. After several breakaways the patience of the starter was exhausted and he gave the signal to another wretched start. Belle of the West, an animal of very vicious temper, being in the air trying to throw her rider when the flag fell. She lost so much ground by this that she was far in the rear all the way. Queen's Own made a good display for half a mile, leading handsomely, with Buster and Romeo not far behind her. Romeo beyond that point gained steadily, and Buster fell back. At the head of the home-stretch Romeo was a little in advance of Blarney, Turenne being third. Blarney proved the fleetest in the final furlong, and won by two lengths in 1:45¾. Turenne second, Romeo third, Queen's Own fourth, Buster fifth, and Belle of the West last. Mutual pool tickets paid $15 85.

For the Coney Island Cup, a sweepstakes of $100 each, half forfeit, and only $25 if declared out by May 1, with $1,250 added, the second horse to receive $300, distance 2½ miles, Pierre Lorillard's noted colt Uncas, four years old, the winner of the Westchester Cup, was heavily backed by the betting men, bringing $450 in the pools to $250 for the field. And yet the field was a remarkably good one, composed of G. L. Lorillard's famous four-year-old gelding Monitor, the same owner's four-year-old filly Ferida, and Puryear's five-year-old gelding Danichef. G. L. Lorillard's trainer had more confidence in Monitor than in Ferida, and put his best jockey, Hughes, on the filly. Costello rode Monitor, with instructions to take the lead and make the running from the start, while Hughes with Ferida was to watch and wait for Uncas. Barbee was on Uncas, and was instructed to run a waiting race. Feakes bestrode Danichef, but it is of no earthly importance what his instructions were, for Danichef was never of any account at all in the race. Little description of the race is needed. It was a very simple affair. Monitor took a lead of several lengths immediately, and proved so much better than his trainer's expectation that he was never overtaken. G. L. Lorillard intended to win with Ferida, but could not. She ran second up to the last three furlongs, when Uncas ran by her, and tried to catch Monitor. But the latter had too great an advantage, and won by six lengths in 4:36½. Uncas second, Ferida third and Danichef a wretched last. Mutual pool tickets paid $10 60.

Six took part in the Mermaid Stakes for three-old-fillies, $100 each, half forfeit, with $800 added, the second to receive $150, 1⅛ miles. Bethune's Mary Lanphier was rated at $200 in the pools, Conner's Gildelia at $150, Morris's Kitty J. at $115, and the field, consisting of Snedeker's Giraffe, Withers's Macaroon Dowdie filly and G. L. Lorillard's Rosalie—$160. A good start was obtained and the run was exciting. Kitty J. and Mary Lanphier were head and head for half a mile after Mary Lanphier had occupied the first position for a couple of furlongs. Both of them fell back before the homestretch was reached, and Giroffé was slightly ahead at the opening of the last quarter. Gildelia and the Withers filly, however, proved superior to Giroffé in the final run, and Gildelia won by two lengths in 1:59½, the Withers filly second, a neck before Giroffé, Mary Lanphier fourth, Rosalie fifth, and Kitty J. last. Mutual pool tickets paid $15 90.

Disturbance was so much the best horse in the steeplechase at the weights that the affair was robbed of most of its interest. Five took part, and were backed as follows: Reed's horse Disturbance (6 years, 152 pounds), $200; Engeman's mare Katie P. (aged, 145 pounds), $155; Irving's gelding All Right (9 years, 145 pounds), $115; and the field—made up of Bennett & Co.'s gelding Dandy (6 years, 140 pounds) and Gottschalk's gelding Skyscraper (5 years, 130 pounds)—$50. Dandy was in front up to the concluding half-mile, when Disturbance displaced him and was an easy victor, Katie P. second, Dandy third, Blucher fourth and All Right fifth. Skyscraper fell but neither horse nor rider was hurt.

The meeting will be continued to-day with an attractive programme, including the Coney Island Derby with its $1,500 of added money, a rich handicap of heats of 1⅛ miles, with $1,000 added money, a handicap of ¾ of a mile, a selling race of 1½ miles, and a handicap hurdle-race of two miles. In the Jersey Derby, for three-year-olds, distance 1½ miles, such noted racers as Grenada, Kimball and Quito are entered.

THE SEQUEL OF AN ELOPEMENT.

In the Essex Market Police Court yesterday detectives Robinson and Bessert, of the Fifth Street Police, arraigned before Justice Otterbourg Julius Gude, a fresco painter, age twenty-four, of No. 167 Allen-st., whom they arrested Tuesday night on a charge of grand larceny, preferred by William F. Knapp, of No. 9 Spring-st. It was learned that about four years ago Knapp deserted his wife and several children, in Germany, and eloped with a young woman named Bertha Weinicke. After they arrived in New-York they quarrelled. Knapp was heard to remark that he would leave the woman and return to his family. About five weeks ago Gude went to live as a boarder with Knapp and the woman. Knapp afterward ascertained that Bertha had had improper relations with Jude and he left her. She became despondent and on Monday evening she went to a drug store in Rivington-st. and bought a quantity of carbolic acid. She then went to a lager beer saloon in Delancey-st., poured the acid into a glass of beer and drank the contents. She was conveyed in an ambulance to Chambers Street Hospital, where she is now lying in an unconscious condition. When Knapp learned of her condition he went to No. 167 Allen-st., to procure his furniture and clothing; he learned that Jude had removed everything. Tuesday evening he met Jude in Avenue-A and immediately had him taken into custody. Jude admitted that he had removed the furniture and wearing apparel, but claimed that he had paid the woman $50 for it. He subsequently said she had given him the property. Knapp says that he paid $600 for the furniture. Justice Otterbourg remanded the prisoner until to-day.

HOME NEWS.

PROMINENT ARRIVALS.

Gilsey House—General George H. Sharpe, of Kingston, N. Y., and Professor C. V. Riley, of Washington.....*Clarendon Hotel*—Governor William Robinson, of the Bahamas.....*St. Nicholas Hotel*—Governor Redfield Proctor, of Vermont.....*St. James Hotel*—Ex-Senator P. W. Hitchcock, of Nebraska.....*Windsor Hotel*—William L. Putnam, of Portland, Me., and Colonel J. Olanetta, of Madrid.....*St. Denis Hotel*—The Rev. Dr. E. L. Magoon, of Philadelphia.....*Fifth Avenue Hotel*—Senator E. G. Halbert, of Binghamton, and ex-Senator D. P. Wood, of Syracuse.....*Astor House*—Ex-Congressman Burt Van Horn, of Lockport, N. Y.....*Hoffman House*—Alfred G. Baker, of Philadelphia.

NEW-YORK CITY.

"G." has sent $2 to this office for the Seaside Sanitarium.

George James Duffy, age ten, fell from a cherry-tree on Ward's Island yesterday, and was killed.

The hotel piazza, lawns, grounds and shore at Manhattan Beach will be illuminated this evening by thousands of colored lamps.

THE DAMAGE TO THE ADELAIDE.

Suit was begun in the United States District Court yesterday by the owners of the steamer Adelaide against the steamer Grand Republic for $30,000.

DEAD FROM HER HUSBAND'S BRUTALITY.

Catharine Powers, the woman who was badly beaten by her brutal husband at No. 55 Rose-st., week before last, died in the Chambers Street Hospital yesterday. Her husband is in the Tombs.

DEFENDING THEIR RIGHT TO WORK.

The striking furniture-workers have been informed by some of their former employers that they have armed the men who have been employed with revolvers, that they may defend themselves from strikers.

KILLED IN THE FOURTH AVENUE TUNNEL.

Patrick Megan, of Third-ave. and Seventy-third-st., a track foreman in the employ of the Hudson River Railroad Company, was run over by a train in the Fourth Avenue Tunnel yesterday, at Sixty-sixth-st., and was instantly killed.

STOCK BROKERS IN SUMMER.

The last regular meeting until October of the governors of the Stock Exchange was held yesterday. It was voted to adjourn from Saturday, July 3, until Tuesday, July 6, when the Board will meet at 11 o'clock. It was agreed to suspend the afternoon bond call on Saturdays during three months, beginning with July.

VICTIMS OF THE ROW-BOAT DISASTER.

The body of a young woman found floating in the North River on Tuesday was identified at the Morgue yesterday as that of Ellen Fitzpatrick, who was drowned by the capsizing of a row-boat, which was run down by the steamboat Eliza Hancox off the Battery last Friday. The funeral of Lizzie Mullins, who was drowned at the same time, took place yesterday from her residence, No. 97 Washington-st.

GOVERNMENT PURCHASE OF BONDS.

The Government bought yesterday $2,000,000 bonds from offerings which amounted to only $3,151,450. The accepted bids included 5s and 6s, and none of the newer issues; they were $799,500 5s of 1881, at prices ranging from 103.35 to 103.48; $1,097,500 6s of 1881, from 106.99 to 107.10, and $103,000 6s of 1880, from 104.95 to 105.03. To the First National Bank were awarded $1,458,800 of the three classes of bonds at the highest prices.

ASSAULTED WITH A PITCHFORK.

Thomas McNab and Thomas Martin, who are employed in a livery stable on Forty-fifth-st., near Fifth-ave., had an altercation on Tuesday, and Martin seized a pitchfork and struck McNab over the head with it. The blow fractured McNab's skull, and he fell senseless to the floor. Martin was arrested. He is forty-nine years of age, and lives at No. 141 East Forty-third-st. He was taken before Justice Murray at the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday, and as McNab was dangerously injured, and was unable to be moved or to see any person, the Justice committed Martin.

BROOKLYN.

It is proposed to demolish the old jail buildings. It is probable that some action will be taken in the matter to-day.

The body of Thomas Banks, watchman on the floating elevator Oswego, who has been missing since Sunday, was found yesterday floating in the Atlantic Basin.

Mrs. Louisa Hahn has begun an action in the City Court against Jacob Hahn for divorce, on the ground of criminal conduct. In turn Mrs. Hahn has been arrested for bigamy. She declares that her husband sold her for $25 to Charles Getz, and that papers attesting the transfer were signed by both parties.

The Grocers' Association, at a meeting held Tuesday night, adopted a constitution and by-laws and elected twelve new members. The question of the early closing of grocers' shops was discussed. Placards are to be issued urging the people to buy their supplies before 8 o'clock out of humanity to the clerks.

The Brooklyn Gas Light Company, the Fulton Municipal Company and the Citizens' Company, will hold meetings to-day for the purpose of submitting to the stockholders for their action a proposition for the consolidation of these companies with the Metropolitan Gas Light Company. The Metropolitan Company will hold a meeting to-day, and the Williamsburg Company on Saturday, to consider the same question.

JERSEY CITY.

An unknown man was struck by a train on the New-York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad near the tunnel Tuesday night, and was instantly killed.

NEW-JERSEY.

HOBOKEN.—A special election was held Tuesday in the Second Ward to fill the vacancy in the Common Council caused by the resignation of Councilman Schmidt. There were four candidates in the field, and L. H. Tinken, the successful one, had a plurality of only two votes.

LONG ISLAND.

FLUSHING.—The ninth annual convention of the Queens County Sunday-school Association was held in the Reformed Church yesterday afternoon and evening.

OYSTER BAY.—Joseph Edmunds, a farmer, of Oyster Bay, was thrown from a load of lumber on Thursday, breaking his back and sustaining other injuries that will prove fatal.

JAMAICA.—In six weeks 11 liquor saloons have been closed in the Town of Jamaica, and at the meeting of the Excise Board on Monday complaints were made against 14 liquor dealers for violation of the Sunday law.

SPIONK.—Silas Tuthill, of Spionk, holds religious meetings in an old car on Sundays and gives free dinners to all who attend them. He visited the car on Tuesday and found that it had been broken open and his dishes, curtains, tablecloths and furniture stolen.

STATEN ISLAND.

EDGEWATER—The police force has adopted the regulation hat of the New-York police.

STAPLETON.—Dr. C. Henry King, physician-in-chief of the Seamen's Retreat, has been elected a trustee of the American Seamen's Friend Society of New-York.

TOMPKINSVILLE.—Admiral Clitz is about to be superseded as an inspector of the Lighthouse Department of the Third District, at Tompkinsville, by Admiral Nichols, who had command of the vessel in which ex-Secretary Seward made his voyage around the world.

HUDSON RIVER TOWNS.

NEW-ROCHELLE.—William Brennan, age about twenty-three, was arrested on Tuesday for committing a brutal assault on a little girl, between six and seven years old, named Mary Whitelaw. Police Justice Keene committed him to await examination.

OBITUARY.

GEORGE MERRIAM.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., June 22.—George Merriam, of the well-known firm of G. & C. Merriam, printers and publishers, died to-day.

George Merriam was born in Worcester, Mass., January 20, 1803. His father, Dan Merriam, was one of the best known of early American printers, and he carried on the typographical business at West Brookfield, Mass., in company with his brother, Ebenezer. George Merriam served his apprenticeship in this office. When Dan Merriam died, young George was taken into copartnership by his uncle. In 1831 he removed to Springfield, Mass., and went into the printing business with his brother Charles, under the name of G. & C. Merriam. They connected with the business that of book-selling.

The firm in 1847 bought the plates and copyright of Dr. Noah Webster's large dictionary. The work was then in two unwieldy volumes. The house concentrated all their energies upon this publication; it was subjected to thorough editorial revision: some changes were made in Dr. Webster's orthography, and his great merits as a definer were brought prominently forward. The result repaid all their energy and enterprise, and made the fortune of the house. There were changes in the firm, but its old name was retained, and as publishers of the great American Dictionary it has won a world-wide reputation.

George Merriam was a man of remarkable force, taking little part in public affairs, and devoting himself with the greatest assiduity to his business. But he was of an eminently religious character, with a reputation for integrity which was never impeached. In one way or another he was always doing good. He took a great interest in the education of young men, and particularly in their collegiate education, with the entire cost of which he, in many cases, charged himself. He was, however, extremely unwilling that this kindness upon his part should be made public, and always insisted that privacy should be maintained respecting it. He was particularly a liberal giver to colleges, and Yale and Amherst shared largely in his benefactions, as well as other seminaries.

In early life, Mr. Merriam married Miss Abby F. Little, of New-Braintree, Mass. All her children, four in number, by this marriage, died young. After the death of Mrs. Merriam, he married Mrs. Abby F. Spring, also of New-Braintree. Of the six children by this marriage, all but one, a daughter, survive. The sons are the Rev James F. Merriam, recently of Indian Orchard, Edward F. Merriam, Editor and Publisher of *Good Company*, and George S. Merriam, of Springfield, Mass.

AMOS B. CORWIN.

Amos B. Corwin died at his home in New-Rochelle, on Tuesday afternoon, at the age of sixty-four. He was born at Maysville, Ky. In early life he was engaged as associate editor of *The Yazoo Banner* (Miss.), with his brother, S. L. Corwin. At the breaking out of the war with Mexico he enlisted as First-Lieutenant of the 1st Regiment of Mississippi Rifles, under Colonel Jefferson Davis. He fought in several battles, including those of Monterey and Buena Vista; at the last named he was wounded. After the close of the Mexican War he became associate editor, with his brother, of *The Cincinnati Daily Chronicle*. In 1850 he was appointed by President Taylor United States Consul at Panama, which office he filled until the Fall of 1861. During his consulate he negotiated the existing postal treaty between the United States and New-Granada. In 1862 Mr. Corwin removed to New-Rochelle. In 1855 he was married to a daughter of the late Captain S. H. Ackerman, who survives him, with five children. During Mr. Corwin's residence at New-Rochelle he was engaged for several years with his brother, Judge R. M. Corwin, at Washington, in the prosecution of claims before the Mexican Commission. He was a prominent Democratic politician. His remains will be interred in Beechwood Cemetery, New-Rochelle, on Friday, at 3:30 p. m.

THE COURTS.

MARRYING IN HASTE.

MRS. WILLIAM REMSEN'S UNPLEASANT EXPERIENCE—A PROPOSAL ON THE FIRST DAY OF ACQUAINTANCE.

A large crowd was congregated in Judge J. F. Daly's Chambers in the Court of Common Pleas yesterday to listen to the testimony in the suit of William Remsen against John Hay, his wealthy father-in-law, for inducing his wife to leave him and remain in her father's home. The parents of the young wife both testified to the circumstances of the clandestine marriage which united their daughter to a man for whom they both professed a strong dislike. The daughter's testimony showed her present strong antipathy toward her husband.

Mrs. Hay, the wife of the defendant, testified that she first learned of her daughter's marriage to the plaintiff on the day after it occurred, when she retured from New-York to find that Margaret had come in her absence, and taking her clothes had gone off with her unknown husband. When she told Mr. Hay he said that they should let her go since she had treated them so unfairly. They learned nothing from her for three months. Then she accidently met her in a New-York market. Margaret began to complain of her treatment at the hands of her husband and after talking the matter over with Mr. Hay at his office at Washington and Liberty-sts. the parents told the child to come home and live with them if she wished. Two days afterward the mother went with Margaret to Mr. Remsen's house and took away what property belonged to them. "I saw Mr. Remsen," said the witness, "sitting in a chair and when he began to talk I told him I wasn't my daughter and that if he gave me any of his sass I would put him down on the floor and walk over him. And," continued the witness with an emphasis that raised a laugh, "I could have done it too." On cross-examination she said that her daughter complained that her husband made her do household work which she wasn't accustomed to do; that he treated her unkindly and insultingly when drunk and that he was "jealous if a man looked at her."

"Did she say that the men looked at her," was asked.

"Why, I'm an old woman and they look at me," was the innocent reply.

Mr. Hay gave substantially the same testimony. Mrs. Margaret Remsen, the young woman in regard to whom the controversy arose, took the stand in the afternoon. She said she first became acquainted with her husband while visiting at the house of some friends at Bath, L. I. The first day he asked her to ride with him and before they had been riding an hour proposed marriage to her. She told him she couldn't think of taking care of his five children, whatever she might do if he had not been a widower. The next day they drove together again and he renewed his proposal. She then told him that she was going back to New-Jersey and if she came to a favorable conclusion she would so write him. She visited some friends in Newark and told them of the affair and that she had concluded to marry Mr. Remsen. Although they did not approve they told her she might be married at their house. Mr. Remsen was telegraped for and came next day. When he took her back to his Gravesend home she found it much more wretched than he had represented. She was obliged to do menial household work and he allowed her no money. Once when she bought some beef at 10 cents a pound he became angry and told her that he would do the marketing; that 6 cent beef was good enough. One night when intoxicated he got up and wanted the keys to the closet where the liquor was kept. She feared that he would become wild if he had more and put the keys under her pillow. He grasped the mattress and shook her until she gave them up. Because of her fear of her husband she had his eldest son come down stairs and sleep in the next room. A week afterwards she left him. He wanted her to raise $2,000 and he said he would be satisfied; that was what he married her for. Several times he urged her to get a situation as a music-teacher, and twice when she did secure good places in New-York he obliged her to give them up. Mrs. Remsen will be cross-examined to-day.

LIMIT TO A RAILWAY'S LIABILITY.

The Courts of this State have held that passengers upon the cars of railroad companies shall not recover damages for injuries resulting from accidents which were caused by the passengers having their arms out of the car windows. An interesting variation of this rule was presented in the case of Thomas E. Tweedy against the New-York and Harlem Railroad Company, tried before Chief-Judge Daly in the Court of Common Pleas yesterday. The accident occurred fifteen years ago, while the plaintiff was travelling from Brewster's Station to New-York. According to his statement, he had one arm resting upon a partition in the car seat and the elbow of the other arm on the edge of the window-sill. In passing a cattle-pen its shute, used to transfer cattle into cars, struck against the side of the passenger-car at the point where Mr. Tweedy's arm was placed. It shattered the bones and caused such other serious injuries that he has suffered from it ever since. He asked $25,000 damages. The defendant company set up in answer negligence on his part. Judge Daly said, in charging the jury, that there was no evidence that Mr. Tweedy had his arm outside the car, and he left to them the question whether it was negligence for Mr. Tweedy to put it where it was. The jury found a verdict for the defendant. Townsend & Weed for the plaintiff; William A. Beach for defendant.

AN IRREGULAR BUT LEGAL MARRIAGE.

The life of James S. Hull, who died in 1877, was insured with the New-York Life Insurance Company for $5,000. This sum was claimed by his two children, James Hull and Phebe E. Spies, on their own behalf and that of the children of a deceased sister. A claim was also put in on behalf of Lilian C. Keator Hull, the daughter of Washington Hull, a deceased son of Jas. S. Hull. James Hull and Mrs. Spies claimed that this child was illegitimate, and that Washington Hull had never been married. The question of the legitimacy of the child was decided by a jury before Justice Lawrence, in the Supreme Court, yesterday. Testimony was produced to show that while the marriage of Washington Hull to the child's mother was informal Mr. Hull had himself repeatedly acknowledged its validity, and that he spoke of his wife and child on his death-bed. The jury decided that Lilian C. K. Hull was the legitimate daughter of Washington Hull. W. B. Tullis appeared for James Hull and Mrs. Spies, F. P. Vanderveer and A. J. Vanderpoel represented the interests of the child.

DECISIONS—JUNE 23.

Supreme Court—Chambers—By Judge Donohue.—Lawrenze agt. Renand.—Settled; see accounts. Savage agt. Cockle.—Granted. Clowes agt. Barnum; Same agt. same.—Denied.

Special Term—By Judge Donohue.—Martin and others agt. Martin and others.—See memorandum. Weil et al. agt. Stefan et al.—Findings and decree signed. The People ex rel. Mohr agt. the Board of Police, etc.—Proceedings reversed. The People ex rel. Fallon agt. the Board of Police.—Proceedings reversed. Silleck agt. Beebe.—See memorandum. Morrison agt. Nelson.—Judgment for plaintiff; see memorandum. Cummings.—Judgment for plaintiff; see memorandum.

By Judge Van Brunt.—Kingsland agt. Stokes and others.—Case settled.

Common Pleas—Special Term—By Judge Van Hoesen.—Becker agt. Hogan.—See memorandum.

Marine Court—Chambers—By Justice Sheridan—Lent agt. Meade.—Order signed striking out demurrer as frivolous with judgment for plaintiff. Archer and Pancoast Manufacturing Company agt. Swatzer.—Motions granted. Seitz agt. Moser; Ratch agt. Vogel; Spring agt. Poole; Cavanagh agt. Lochman; Brown agt. Behrman; Vogler agt. Lush; Orders of discontinuance. Dodge agt. Muller.—Orders of substitution. Gelberman agt. Rodger; Kearney agt. Joy; Kafka agt. Bowman.—Orders signed. Kross agt. Russell.—Order signed denying motion.

CALENDARS THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—Westbrook, J.—Court opens at 10:30 a. m. Calendar called at 11 a. m.—Nos. 4, 31, 36, 40, 53, 58, 61, 70, 72, 84, 104, 113, 115, 141. Calt commences at No. 146. Assessment Calendar.—Nos. 1 to 199 inclusive.

Notice—The special calendar of assessment cases will be called by Justice Donohue in the Special Term room at 1 o'clock.

SPECIAL TERM—Donohue, J.—Court opens at 10:30 a. m.—Law and Fact.—Nos. 414, 663, 670, 681, 695, 702, 703, 706, 718, 509, 483, 519, 641, 611, 691, 258, 683, 69, 659, 626, 537, 666, 707, 711, 712, 656, 657, 534.

CIRCUIT—PART I—Lawrence, J.—Court opens at 10:30 a. m.—Nos. 3420, 2901, 1665, 1375, 1547, 1845½, 1812, 2108, 983½, 2567, 457½, 2611, 241, 1204, 1814, 3337, 875½, 3345, 1833, 1058, 227, 3231, 2123, 2727, 1002.

PART II—Van Vorst, J.—Court opens at 10:30 a. m.—Case on. No. 2767—Schaefer agt. Schaefer et al., and Nos. 1997, 2101, 3083, 2021½, 2004, 2068.

PART III—Beach, J.—Court opens at 10:30 a. m.—Nos. 2992, 1247, 1041, 1849, 1, 993, 2230, 1085, 1345, 540, 1631½, 1084, 1582, 1643, 1044, 2596, 1613, 1217, 1996, 2203, 3002, 1086, 1983, 1107, 1103.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—Freedman, J.—Court opens at 10 a. m. Calendar called at 11 a. m.—Nos. 29, 34.

TRIAL TERM—PART I—Sedgwick, J.—Court opens at 11 a. m.—Case on—Hunt agt. Lawless. No day calendar.

PART II—Speir, J.—Court opens at 11 a. m.—Nos. 497, 768, 1353, 666, 741, 1187, 674, 734, 266.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—Van Hoesen, J.—Court opens at