LOCAL MISCELLANY.

PREPARING TO OPEN THE BRIDGE.

A COMMITTEE TO ARRANGE FOR CELEBRATING ITS COMPLETION—THE QUESTION OF TOLLS.

The Bridge Trustees held their March meeting yesterday in Brooklyn. Several important matters were under discussion, but the fixing of the tolls on the completed structure was laid over until April. Sixteen of the trustees were present, including Mayor Edson for the first time. The Executive Committee reported that about 20,000 feet of lattice rail would be needed to be put along the sides of the promenade and roadways to render the Bridge entirely safe. The lowest bid was made by Manley & Cooper, at $9,996, or 49 cents a lineal foot. It is to be delivered May 1, and a penalty secures the fulfilment of the contract. This item had not been included in any previous estimate for completing the bridge. The contract was authorized. The Committee on Tolls, Mayor Low chairman, reported that travel on foot should be free over the bridge; that the charge in the cars should be 5 cents, and for animals and vehicles as follows: One horse or horse and man, 5 cents; one horse and vehicle, 10 cents; two horses and vehicle, 20 cents, except two-horse trucks, which should be 30 cents; 5 cents for each additional horse; neat animals, 5 cents each; sheep and hogs, 2 cents each. Mayor Low spoke in regard to the report and moved its adoption. He said that the interests of the two cities in the matter were identical. The amount should be fixed so as to receive the largest revenue and make the bridge most serviceable. It should be free to foot passengers, as the toll could not be more than 1 cent, and the revenue would not outweigh the advantage of a free bridge. A free bridge would tend to reduce the ferriage at all points along the river, and so it would be of advantage to every one. The fare of 5 cents was reasonable for a ride of a mile and a quarter.

William Marshall, one of the committee, moved that the report be printed, together with a schedule of Fulton Ferry rates, and be laid over until the April meeting. This was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Stranahan moved that a committee, consisting of Mayors Edson and Low, General Slocum, Vice-President Kingsley, John T. Agnew and J. S. T. Stranahan be appointed to arrange for a public celebration of the opening of the bridge. Mayor Low declined to serve on the committee. The motion was adopted. A committee was also appointed to take charge of organizing the police force of the bridge, and engaging conductors and gatekeepers. The matter of placing a memorial tablet on the bridge was referred to a special committee.

Mayor Low reported for the Committee on Examination of the Accounts and Construction of the Bridge—composed of himself and ex-Mayor Grace—that the work of examining the accounts was going forward satisfactorily. General Newton and Colonel Casey, the expert engineers, had stated that any determination by them of the amount of materials in the bridge would only be approximate; no one could tell how close an approximation it would be, and it would be of no use as a check upon the accounts. The engineers could easily calculate the strength of the bridge, and if they were relieved of estimating the materials their services would not cost more than $10,000. The cost of the expert accountants' services no one could now computе. On the motion of Mr. Stranahan it was voted to dispense with the estimate of the approximate amount of materials in the bridge. General Slocum moved that Vice-President Kingsley and the Mayors and Controllers of the two cities draw up a bill to present to the Legislature providing for the control of the bride after it is completed. He thought that twenty trustees were too many to manage the use of it, and it should be in the hands of not more than three. A motion by Mr. Agnew to lay this on the table for a week was lost by a tie vote. General Slocum refused to accept an amendment to have the committee report back to the trustees, and a motion to that effect was lost by a vote of 8 to 7. It was then adopted with the amendment.

THE CAMBRIDGE FLATS FIRE.

Since the fatal fire in the Cambridge Flats, in East Sixty-fourth-st., Fire Marshal Sheldon has had much trouble in finding witnesses who could give him information about the origin and spread of the flames, the occupants of the building having found other homes in the city. Yesterday he took the testimony of four persons who were in the house when the fire broke out. Mr. Sheldon has reached no conclusion as yet regarding the cause of the fire. Mrs. T. J. H. Dunn, a daughter of the Rev. Charles Waters, testified that she was alone in a set of rooms on the fifth floor and awoke to hear a clock strike three about the time that the flames started. She heard some persons walking about in the hall. She felt impelled to get up and open the door. The hall was full of smoke. She partly dressed herself, and went down the stairs through the smoke. Firemen were then at the door of the house. She had not heard any alarm of fire. Miss Myers, who, with her mother and brother, also lived on the fifth floor of the building, testified that she was awakened by a commotion of some kind in the lower part of the house, and that she heard a woman's voice saying: "There was a fire in the bath-room, but it is all out now." She was about to fall asleep again when she heard the janitor call through the light shaft: "Fire! fire! Get out, all of you." Her brother and mother were aroused by the same cry, and they went down stairs together in advance of Mrs. Dunn. No person had knocked at their doors to alarm them.

David Lyons, the janitor, testified that he was awakened by Mr. Thompson, who lived on the first floor. He went up-stairs and saw smoke in a bath-room on that floor. Afterward he shouted up the light shaft, pulled the lever of a district messenger alarm box, and took his family out of the house through the front basement door. Henry Thompson, who awoke Lyons, told Mr. Sheldon that he also went up to the top floor of the house, knocking at the doors and arousing the occupants of the rooms.

FEARS FOR THE SAFETY OF STEAMSHIPS.

Fears are entertained for the safety of the British steamship Garuenia, which sailed from Newcastle, England, on January 22 for this port, and which has been reported as being seen only once, and then on February 11, in latitude 42° north, longitude 49° west. She was picked up in a disabled condition by the steamship Boyne, which towed her for twenty-four hours, and the lines parting, they became separated. It was not reported what the nature of the Gardenia's disability was, but it is thought that as she was in the vicinity of the steamship Glamorgan when that vessel was sunk by ice on February 5, she may have met with the same fate, and all of her crew be lost. She was in command of Captain Robinson, and had a crew of 28 men. She carried no passengers. She is an iron water-ballast vessel with six water-tight bulkheads; 280 feet in length, 35 feet beam, with 24½ feet depth of hold, and of 1,966 tons measurement. She was built at Newcastle-on-Tyne in 1879, and is owned by Joseph Robinson, North Shields.

Another steamship that is overdue is the Craighton. She sailed from Leith for New-York on December 18, and encountering a heavy gale in which she shifted her cargo and sprung aleak, she put into Greenock on January 4. After making repairs, she sailed again on January 11, and a few days afterward encountered a hurricane in which she suffered great damage. Her hatches and bulwarks were stove in; her steering gear was demolished; and her foremast was sprung. She also leaked. Her decks were swept of everything movable, including fifty Shetland ponies belonging to F. H. Relph, of this city, and she put into Greenock the second time for repairs, and with five feet of water in her hold, on January 20. After making extensive repairs, she sailed again on February 10, and is now more than a week overdue.

THE SCARLET FEVER HOSPITAL.

The idea of a hospital in this city for cases of scarlet fever, diphtheria and measles, such as was described in THE TRIBUNE of Saturday last, originated with Dr. A. Jacobi, who first brought the plan to public attention in his inaugural address as president of the State Medical Society, in February, 1882. The committee of the State Medical Society appointed to consider the suggestions contained in the president's address referred the matter to the New-York County Medical Society. A committee, of which Dr. Jacobi was a member, was appointed by the latter society to attend to the matter and the result will soon be seen in a hospital at the foot of East Sixteenth-st. Dr. Jacobi hopes ultimately to procure the establishment of a similar hospital for the well-to-do classes, as even wealthy people living at hotels are sometimes in the greatest distress for a place to go to with a child sick with scarlet fever or diphtheria. Landlords refuse to allow them to remain in their hotels, and unless they have friends to go to there is no refuge for them but Blackwell's Island.

FORCED OFF AN ELEVATED TRAIN.

L. A. Curry, of No. 352 East Seventy-fourth-st., who is captain of the officers in the General Sessions Court, was roughly handled yesterday by an employe at the Chatham Square Station of the elevated railroad. The captain rode down town on the Second-ave. branch and crossed the bridge to board a train going to the Battery. He reached the platform in time to catch a train and got on it. He says that the gate was only partly open and that as soon as the train started, J. G. Wills, a station man wearing badge No. 1,262, seized him by the throat and, while the car was in motion, forced him on to the platform and lacerated his hand by slamming the gate on it. "I was thrown off the car within three feet of the guard rail," he said, "and I was fortunate in not being precipitated to the street."

Mr. Curry made this statement to Justice White in the Tombs Police Court yesterday, and the magistrate issued a warrant for Wills's arrest. The latter was not at his customary post when the officers went for him, but had detailed a substitute.

CUSTOMS OFFICERS RESTORED TO DUTY.

Collector Robertson yesterday completed his examination of the papers submitted by Surveyor Benedict and Special Agent C. C. Adams, in the investigation of the charges against Customs Inspectors Dimbermann, William Adams and Thomas Bell, for neglect of duty. They failed to examine certain dutiable goods belonging to several tailors. There was no evidence of collusion between the inspectors and the tailors, and they were restored to duty with the loss of pay during the interval of suspension. The case of Customs Inspector Jacob Swartz, for permitting goods to the value of several thousands of dollars to be taken ashore, without the payment of duties, by M. Byrne, the Nassau-st. tailor, also a passenger on the Alaska, is still under investigation.

THE NEW HAMBURG STEAMSHIP.

The agents of the Hamburg-American Packet Company were pleasantly surprised yesterday when the new steamship Hammonia was reported off Sandy Hook, as she was not expected to make her first trip in less than thirteen days. She was a little less than twelve days in coming from Hamburg. She was built on the Clyde, and is commanded by Fleet Captain H. F. Schwensen, who has made 337 trips across the ocean.

The Hammonia is built on the cellular, or double-bottom principle, with nine water-tight compartments of the most improved pattern. Her hull is built of steel, and her dimensions are 389 feet in length, 45 feet beam, and 40 feet depth of hold, and she has a gross measurement of 5,000 tons. On the main deck is found a row of connecting deck-houses, the tops of which form a hurricane or promenade deck. There are three steam attachments for steering, besides the hand-steering wheels aft. On the main deck is an elegantly appointed smoking-room, the officers' state-rooms and galley. The first cabin, for 100 passengers, is forward of the engine-room, and amidships where the motion of the vessel is least felt. It extends the entire width of the vessel, and the saloon and state-rooms are furnished with every comfort. The second cabin, situated immediately abaft the first cabin, has accommodations for 100 passengers. The steerage quarters, with eight feet space between decks, have accommodations for 700 passengers, and are unusually well lighted and well ventilated. There are 120 electric lights in the saloons, state room, smoking-rooms, stewards' rooms, shaft-alley and gangways. The miniature light-houses on each side of the bow are so fitted that the electric light can be used for signalling. The engines are of the compound type, with a power of 4,500 horses, and capable of developing an average speed of sixteen knots an hour.

Steam will be employed in every possible way—the working of the anchors, cargo, pumps, sails and heating. There are no less than eleven steam-pumps in various parts of the vessel. The ventilation of the ship is a special feature.

REFEREE McNAMEE NOT YET AT WORK.

James McNamee, the referee appointed by Justice Davis, to examine into the financial condition of the Fidelity and Casualty Company, held a preliminary consultation yesterday with the officers of the company. The work of examination will be begun at once and will probably last several weeks. Mr. McNamee said that he intended to make a thorough investigation of the affairs of the company from the time of its organization. He saw Judge Davis in the morning in order to learn the course of investigation desired. Judge Davis informed him that, while he wished it to be complete, the examination was not the result of any suspicion of the financial insecurity of the company. The responsibility assumed by the company was so great that it was desirable for the Court thoroughly to satisfy itself of the company's condition.

D. J. Tompkins, the secretary of the Guarantee Company, said yesterday that that company had not instigated the publication of any charges against the Fidelity and Casualty Company and that they thought that any differences that existed between the two companies should be settled in a different way. Mr. Tompkins also denied that the Guarantee Company had applied to the Supreme Court, General Term, for a revocation of the order authorizing the Fidelity and Casualty Company to guarantee bonds in the courts. In April of last year the Guarantee Company had concluded not to guarantee any more bonds in the courts and had itself applied to the court for the revocation of its own order. It had nothing to do with the proceedings against the other company, and did not know that they were instituted until that fact was published. Mr. Tompkins declined to make any statement regarding the contract for the reinsurance of the Manhattan Railway employes, which the Fidelity Company charges the Guarantee Company with violating.

THE MURDER OF ROUNDSMAN COMISKY.

The murder of Roundsman Comisky by Patrolman Patrick Casey, at Hunter's Point, was the all-absorbing topic of conversation in Long Island City yesterday. Sheriff Fenngan refuses to allow any one to see the prisoner, who is still confined in the County Jail. His wife and Father Maguire, pastor of St Mary's R. C. Church at Hunter's Point, visited the jail in the morning, but the Sheriff, acting under the Coroner's orders, declined to admit either of them to the prisoner's cell. A report was circulated that Casey was feigning insanity. The Sheriff, however, denies that there is any truth in this story. He says that Casey appears as usual, and that he has not made any statement concerning the murder. There are many causes assigned for the trouble, but the one generally believed is that Casey entertained the belief that the sergeant was trying to "break him." It is said that Casey was drinking very heavily on Saturday, and that after he changed his clothes at his home when he went off post that night, he came directly to New-York City, and did not return to Hunter's Point until shortly before the murder. He was seen by several persons leaving a Thirty-fourth-st. ferryboat about eleven o'clock. He must have gone directly to the station and shot the roundsman. The funeral of the latter will take place to-morrow at St. Mary's Church at Hunter's Point. The inquest will begin on Thursday evening.

REGISTER'S OFFICE NOTES.

The four houses at Nos. 32 and 34 East Fifty-seventh-st. and Nos. 55 and 57 East Fifty-sixth-st. have been sold for $310,000 by Joseph A. Dunn, the architect, to Siegmund T. Meyer. The assumption of mortgages aggregating $235,000 forms part of the consideration.

The New-York Mutual Gas Light Company yesterday cancelled a $1,090,000 mortgage which had been put upon its works on the East River, at Eleventh and Twelfth sts., its pipes, franchises, etc., to secure an old issue of bonds, and recorded a new mortgage for $1,500,000 to Cornelius Vanderbilt and George J. Forrest, to secure a new issue of six per cent. bonds of the par value of $1,000 each, issued in November last and payable in 1902. The property designated in the mortgage was conveyed by Cornelius and William H. Vanderbilt to the company in 1869.

Ex-Mayor Edward Cooper has sold Dock Commissioner Laimbeer a house in Thirteenth-st., sixty-two feet west of Fourth-ave., for $18,300.

An instrument was recorded yesterday by which the Sisters of the Institution of Mercy refuse to undertake the distribution of $1,000 which the late Bernard Clark bequeathed to them in trust to pay his brother Patrick and the latter's family in annual instalments of $100 or $200. The will recited that the provision was made to satisfy any claim that Patrick Clark might imagine that he had against the estate of his brother.

MR. ROOT IN HIS NEW OFFICE.

United States District-Attorney Elihu Root took the oath of office yesterday before Judge Brown, of the District Court, and entered upon the duties of his new position. He was introduced to Judge Brown by his predecessor, General Stewart L. Woodford. After the order of appointment had been shown and the oath administered, Mr. Root went to his office in the Federal Building, where he received the congratulations of several lawyers who called upon him. He reappointed Chief Clerk Plattner, who has served under the last two District-Attorneys. General B. B. Foster was appointed by Mr. Root as the Assistant District-Attorney in charge of the Criminal Department, in place of William F. Fiero, who has held the position under General Woodford. Mr. Fiero resigned his position to re-enter the practice of law with the firm with which he is connected. Mr. Foster, the new appointee, served as an Assistant United States District-Attorney under George Bliss. He was Chief Clerk in the office of the District-Attorney of the county under Mr. Rollins. No other changes were announced to take place immediately.

TRIAL OF EXCISE CASES.

So many complaints have been made that the persons indicted for violation of the excise laws have not been tried, that Indictment Clerk Allen, of the District-Attorney's office, is reported to have said a few days ago that one reason of the failure was that the Court of General Sessions would not try the cases. Several of the excise cases were on Recorder Smyth's calendar yesterday, in the Court of General Sessions, and when they were called no day for their trial was fixed by Assistant District-Attorney Requier. The Recorder then called the attention of Mr. Requier to the declaration that had been made that the Court of General Sessions would not try the cases, and said that he was determined to have a fair opportunity given for their trial. He therefore announced that he would sit to hear excise cases on the second Monday in April, so as to give the District-Attorney ample time to summon witnesses. He would sit every day after the date mentioned to hear evidence in that class of cases until all were tried. There are understood to be filed in the District-Attorney's office about 300 indictments against persons accused of violating the excise laws.

MR. BJERRING GRANTED A LICENSE.

The Rev. Father Nicholas Bjerring, late of the Russo-Greek Chapel, of this city, appeared before the New-York Presbytery at its meeting in the Scotch Church yesterday as a candidate for ministerial honors in the Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Dr. Joseph R. Curry was moderator. The Rev. Dr. Hatfield moved that the applicant should be made a licentiate, and the motion was carried unanimously. The Rev. Dr. John Hall said that the only parallel case was that of an applicant from the Roman Catholic Church, who once sought fellowship in the Presbyterian Church. In that case the General Assembly decided that if the applicant desired he could be baptized. He favored making Mr. Bjerring's entrance into the church as easy as possible, and spoke highly of his attainments. Mr. Bjerring was questioned by the moderator, and as a result was granted a license to preach.

ANOTHER MYTHICAL ESTATE IN ENGLAND.

Robert F. Bradford says that he and his relatives have fallen heirs to $65,000,000 in England, the estate of John Bradford, of Yorkshire. He thinks that the money is in the Bank of England.

TWO BROOKLYN PASTORS RESIGN.

The Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts, who resigned from the pastorate of Lee Avenue Congregational Church, in Brooklyn, last fall, and afterward reconsidered the act and remained with the church, again resigned peremptorily on Sunday night, giving notice that it would go into effect after three months. The church was somewhat divided and disintegrated at the time of Mr. Crafts's first resignation, but a new Board of Trustees in sympathy with his strict orthodox ideas was elected, and the disaffected members, who were called "Dr. Eggleston's heretics," withdrew. Mr. Crafts now says that he leaves the church thoroughly evangelistic, and will give place to a pastor who can work without the disadvantages he labors under.

Miss Anna Oliver surprised the congregation in the Willoughby Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church by resigning the pastorate on Sunday night. Miss Oliver has tried unsuccessfully to be admitted to the regular Methodist ministry, and to have her church recognized by the New-York East Conference. Failing in this while she remains pastor, she now resigns, in order that the church may be recognized. Her resignation will go into effect in April. She purposes to continue preaching elsewhere.

DIGGING UP A SKELETON AT BOWERY BAY.

While two workmen employed by Steinway & Sons at Bowery Bay, Long Island, were digging on the seashore in front of the house of William Steinway yesterday, they discovered a bone, apparently belonging to a human body, protruding through the sand. They dug carefully, and in a short time they brought the skeleton of a man to the surface. The flesh had entirely decomposed from the bones. The bones were gathered up and placed in a large box. In the hole from which the body had been taken an old powder-horn and several metal buttons were found. It is thought that the man was murdered and buried years ago where he was discovered.

NOTES FROM THE POST OFFICE.

The steamers Germanic and Peruvian brought very large mails to this city on Sunday, the capabilities of the working force of the Post Office being taxed to distribute them. Postmaster Pearson yesterday investigated the case of the letter-carrier who asserted that he was assaulted on Saturday evening while making his rounds.

HOME NEWS.

PROMINENT ARRIVALS.

Fifth Avenue Hotel—Senators John Sherman, of Ohio, George G. Vest, of Missouri, and P. B. Plumb, of Kansas; Assistant Postmaster-General Frank Hatton; the Hon. Wayne MacVeagh, of Pennsylvania; the Hon. Thomas A. Osborn, United States Minister to Brazil, and Sir Titus Salt, of England.....*Brevoort House*—Senator W. B. Allison and Representative D. B. Henderson, of Iowa, and Lieutenant-General Charles P. Stone, of the Egyptian Army.....*New-York Hotel*—Senator Isham G. Harris, Representative Casey Young, and ex-Representative J. D. C. Atkins, of Tennessee, and Representative A. S. Willis, of Kentucky.....*Everett House*—The Right Rev. J. Hellmuth Bishop, of Huron.....*Windsor Hotel*—Captain C. R. F. Boxer, of the British Navy, and Harvey D. Parker, of Boston.....*Park Avenue Hotel*—The Hon. Hugh McCulloch, and Professor H. C. Bolton, of Hartford....*Victoria Hotel*—Captain Samuel Brooks, of the steamship Arizona.

WHAT IS GOING ON TO-DAY.

Commencement of Medical Department of University of City of New-York, at Academy of Music.

Williams-Western Union suit in General Term of Supreme Court.

Hoyt will close before Judge Truax.

Meeting of National Association of Passenger Agents at No. 435 Broadway.

Bar Association meeting.

Memorial Committee of G. A. R., at No. 364 Sixth-ave.

Meeting of Land League presidents at No. 61 Union-place.

Professor James O. Murray's address before Long Island Historical Society.

Eastern Field Trials Club meeting at Delmonico's.

NEW-YORK CITY.

Five steamships landed 1,823 immigrants at Castle Garden yesterday.

"M. R. S." sends $5 for the Seeds family, and J. Fowler, engineer at No. 59 Wall-st., sends $1.

Detectives Slevin and Dusenbury started for Portland, Ore., last night, armed with requisition papers for Julius Marcus, the liquor broker.

FINAL HONORS TO LIEUTENANT SEYMOUR.

The funeral services of the late Lieutenant Charles Seymour, United States Navy, took place yesterday at his mother's house, No. 112 East Thirty-eighth-st. The Rev. Dr. Watkins conducted the services. The interment was at Greenwood.

SCHOOL DOORS TO BE KEPT UNLOCKED.

Inspector Esterbrook yesterday directed that the front doors of the St. Ann's Parochial School, No. 113 East Eleventh-st., should not be kept locked in school hours. He also ordered fire-escapes to be placed on the front of the Occidental Hotel in the Bowery.

PLANS FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians met at Central Hall last evening to make arrangements for celebrating St. Patrick's Day. It was stated that Mayor Edson had satisfied his intention of being present at Jones's Wood in the evening, and that the bar privileges for the day had been sold for $562.

A CONTRIBUTION FROM GERMANY.

Knauth, Nachod & Kühne, bankers of this city, have transmitted to President Arthur $236 25 for the benefit of the sufferers by inundation in the United States, this amount being the equivalent of 1,000 reichmarks subscribed by citizens of Berlin, Germany, at the exchange rooms of Brasch & Rothenstein, of that city.

A CONCERT FOR A CHARITABLE PURPOSE.

"All on a Summer's Day; or, the Queen of Hearts," an original comic operetta by R. H. Warren, organist of the Anthon Memorial Church, will be given at Chickering Hall on April 11, for the benefit of St. Luke's Home for Aged and Indigent Females. It was given at the same place a year ago for a charitable object, and proved popular.

THE 71ST REGIMENT FAIR.

The Board of Trustees of the 71st Regiment met last night at the armory, at Broadway and Thirty-fifth-st., with Surgeon-General J. D. Bryant in the chair. All the arrangements for the coming fair, which is to open on Monday, March 26, were definitely settled. General Bryant stated that the contributions the Board had received had far exceeded its most sanguine expectations.

ANNUAL ELECTION OF SOROSIS.

The annual election of officers of Sorosis for the ensuing year took place at Delmonico's yesterday and resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Jennie C. Croloy; vice-presidents, the Rev. Phebe Hanaford, M. Louise Thomas, H. M. Farnsworth and Mrs. H. Higgins; recording secretary, Mary M. Newton; corresponding secretary, Edna C. Smith; treasurer, S. A. Kiney; and auditor, Sophia Oppenheim.

ALL ADORNED WITH BLACK EYES.

The police of the Sixth Precinct on Sunday night made a descent on a low resort for men and women at No. 56 Mulberry-st. and took twenty-three prisoners to the Elizabeth-st. station. The women were in the majority, and without a single exception all of these had a black eye. At the Tombs, where the prisoners were arraigned yesterday, Justice Wilde imposed sentences ranging from three to six months.

THE CABIN OF A BARGE DRIFTS ASHORE.

The attention of the Morrisania police was called on Sunday to the upper part of the cabin of a barge which had drifted ashore at Arnold's Point on the previous day. The barge apparently had sunk in the Sound, and only the cabin had floated. It was made out that the barge was the H. S. Van Santford. Some bills of lading and letters addressed to John H. Post, captain of the barge, were found by the police.

FINES COLLECTED IN THE POLICE COURTS.

George W. Cregier, secretary of the Board of Police Justices, makes the following returns of the amount of fines collected in the various Police Courts during the month of February: Special Sessions Court, $918; First District Court, $422; Second District Court, $1,026; Third District Court, $517; Fourth District Court, $457; Fifth District Court, $98; Sixth District Court, $3; total, $3,441.

DELAY IN REMOVING A BODY.

The body of an unknown woman, found in the Harlem River on Saturday, was allowed to remain in the water for a long time after its discovery. Guarded by policemen and tied fast to a stake at the shore, it floated all Saturday night and during Sunday and Sunday night. Yesterday the body was removed to the Morgue. It was said that the delay in removing the body had been caused by a mistake in transmitting the call for the dead-wagon on Saturday.

PICTURES FINDING FEW PURCHASERS.

There was a sale of paintings by European artists at the Madison Square Art Rooms last evening, Daniel A. Mathews acting as auctioneer. The attendance was small and the bidding was extremely dull. Out of a catalogue of 60 pictures only 14 found purchasers; "The Rude Awakening" by Serri brought $200; "View of the Custom House, on the Grand Canal," Venice, by Bruneri, was sold for $217; "The Prologue of a Drama" by Svanda, realized $300. The sale will be continued this evening.

A CHARGE OF EMBEZZLING NOT PRESSED.

Frederick Moeller, who registered under the name of Reinhold Nach, and who was arrested on a charge of embezzling money from the Government of Coburg, was taken yesterday by Deputy Marshal Bernhard before Commissioner Betts. Moeller had been a clerk employed by the Government of Saxe-Coburg. The charge against him was not pressed, and he was discharged by the Commissioner. One or two other persons arrested by foreign consuls on similar charges have recently been released.

SENDING OUT FALSE FIRE ALARMS.

The trial of Michael H. O'Donnell, one of the young men charged with sending out false alarms of fire, was begun yesterday in the Court of General Sessions. Several of the others accused of the same offence have pleaded guilty and been sentenced on graver charges. The testimony of Daniel Kenney, who was associated in some of the expeditions of the party, showed that several of the alarms had been sent out by O'Donnell. Chief Gicquel, of the Fire Department, testified that O'Donnell had no right to send out the fire alarms. The trial will be continued to-day.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR THE REV. DAVID TERRY.

The last services over the body of the Rev. David Terry were held last evening at his home, No. 34 Seventh-st. Among those present were some Swedes and Norwegians, among whom Mr. Terry had done missionary work. The services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Chapman, of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church. The Rev. Mr. Treider, pastor of the Norwegian Methodist Episcopal Church in Brooklyn, and the Rev. Mr. Anderson, pastor of the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church, also of Brooklyn, both of which were founded by Mr. Terry, made brief addresses. The body will be taken to Greenwood Cemetery this morning for interment.

SHOOTING AT A FLEEING THIEF.

Henry Mayer's house at No. 13 West Fifty-sixth-st. was entered on Sunday night and six overcoats were stolen from the rack in the hall. A few minutes later Officer Farrell, of the Nineteenth Precinct, saw two men in Fifty-seventh-st. with the clothing in their possession. They threw the property, which is valued at $300, away on the officer's approach, and fled. One of them was captured in Central Park after a long chase during which Farrell fired several shots at the fugitives. The prisoner gave his name as John Cahill, age eighteen, of No. 419 West Fifty-sixth-st., and in the Yorkville Police Court yesterday he was held for trial.

HOW FRANZ HUBER LOST HIS LIQUOR-STORE.

The case of Franz Huber against Charles Yorst and George Repper, an account of whose arrest on a charge of extortion in inducing the complainant and his partner, Mr. Lorenzen, to part with a liquor-store at No. 183 Chrystie-st, worth about $600 has already been published, came up for examination in the Yorkville Police Court yesterday. Huber stated that Repper came to him on December 10 and offered to secure for $100 the liberation of Catherine Metzen, who is now Huber's wife. She was then locked up for attempting to kill herself because Huber had refused to marry her. Huber added that on December 13 the prisoners, with an alleged deputy sheriff, frightened him into agreeing to surrender the store.

BROOKLYN.

The evidence in the suit of Edward Schnell to recover $50,000 as damages for the estrangement of the love and affection of his wife by his uncle, Frederic Blohm, was concluded yesterday.

No will disposes of the personal property of the late C. W. Godard, amounting to $25,000, and letters of administration have been issued to the Public Administrator by Surrogate Bergen.

The Aldermen yesterday voted to pay $5,000 to John J. Hardy as damages awarded to him in his suit brought against the city for the overflowing of his lots by the Third-ave. sewer, on condition that no further costs accrue.

The suit of John Lilly to recover $35,000 as damages from the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company for injuries received on October 30, 1880, by being run over, came to trial yesterday in the Supreme Court.

The Aldermen yesterday accepted the resignation of James Waters, keeper of the City Hall, who was requested to resign by City Works Commissioner Ropes, and the Democrats in the Board then elected ex-Alderman James Dunne, the ex-prize fighter, to succeed Mr. Waters, by a strict party vote.

JERSEY CITY.

William Ferguson, a Pennsylvania Railroad brakeman, was killed at the Washington-st. crossing, at 8 o'clock last night.

Henry Guishaber, age eighteen, of No. 158 West Nineteenth-st., and William Kroele, age seventeen, of No. 526 West Twenty-ninth-st., were arrested about 7 o'clock last night in the New-York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad Depot by Detective Brown, whose suspicions were excited by their actions. They had two revolvers and a bowie-knife each, and a thousand rounds of ammunition and $84 between them. They intended to stop in Chicago and produce a drama something after the style of "Marlow the Hunter." They were going farther West to kill Indians.

Another victim of the Washington Street Gap disaster died yesterday afternoon at his home, No. 244 Grand-st. His name was John Parsley, and he was sixty-three years old. When the yawl was struck by the schooner, and the passengers were thrown into the water, Parsley was at the bottom of the struggling crowd of men. He was pulled out in an exhausted condition and rolled on a barrel and given stimulants until he had partially recovered, when he was taken home in a coach. He contracted a severe cold, which developed into pneumonia and killed him. Coroner Elliott has summoned a jury of prominent citizens.

NEWARK.

William Livingstone and Charles Howard, two New-York shop-lifters, arrested two weeks ago and convicted in the courts, were sentenced yesterday to fifteen years' imprisonment in the State Prison.

Henry Carle, a teamster, while attempting to check his runaway horses on the Plank Road yesterday morning, was knocked down and run over. He died soon afterward.

A young woman leading a child entered the ladies' waiting-room in the Broad-st. Station of the Newark and New-York Railroad about two weeks ago. Some time after the woman left, the dead body of a newly-born infant was found in a small room. Yesterday a detective arrested Annie Buchan, a young woman, at a house in Mechanic-st., and she was recognized as the woman who is believed to be the mother of the infant. She is held on a charge of infanticide.

LONG ISLAND.

CORONA.—Miss Elizabeth Newburgh is subject to convulsions. While putting on her shawl a few evenings ago, she held a jet-headed shawl pin, measuring two and a half inches, in her mouth. She was seized with a spasm and, falling backward, swallowed the pin. She was finally relieved of it by severe remedies.

STATEN ISLAND.

NEW-BRIGHTON.—Charles Navenhuber had his arm torn off yesterday by machinery in the plaster mills. He was taken to the Smith Infirmary, at Tompkinsville.

CASTLETON CORNERS.—A male infant, a few days old and richly dressed, was discovered early yesterday morning in the hall of the Child's Nursery. It is supposed that it was taken there from New-York.

CLIFTON.—Burglars effected an entrance early yesterday morning into the house of Edward St. John, in Vanderbilt-ave. They got out a pane of glass from one of the front parlor windows, so as to reach the fastenings on the inside. The thieves carried away a large quantity of solid silverware.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

Sunrise 6:14; sets, 6:05; Moon sets 11:44; Moon's age, d'ys 4

HIGH WATER TO-DAY.

A.M.—Sandy Hook, 11:08; Gov. Island, 11:44; Hell Gate, 1:09
P.M.—Sandy Hook, 11:36; Gov. Island, —; Hell Gate, 1:33

FOREIGN STEAMERS DUE AT THIS PORT

TO-DAY.

Vessel.	From	Line.
Picqua	Marseilles	Med. and N. Y.
Italy	Liverpool	National.
Hermod	Havre	Edye.
Andes	West Indies	Atlas.
Alvena	Jamaica	Atlas.
Lake Champlain	Liverpool	Beaver.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14.

Friedrich	Palermo	Med. and N. Y.
Bolivia	Glasgow	Anchor.
St. Simon	Havre	French-Trans.
City of San Antonio	Matanzas	Mallory's.
Catalonia	Liverpool	Cunard.

THURSDAY, MARCH 16.

State of Georgia	Glasgow	State.
British Empire	Mexican Ports	Alexandre's.

SHIPPING NEWS.

PORT OF NEW-YORK.....MONDAY, MARCH 12, 1883.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Arizona (Br), Brooks, Liverpool March 3, Queenstown 4, with mdse and passengers to Williams & Guion.

Steamer Hammonia (new, Ger), Schwensen, Hamburg Feb 28, via Havre March 1, with mdse and passengers to Kunhardt & Co.

Steamer Glenmorven (Br), Shapcott, Newcastle 17 days, with pig iron to order; vessel to Patton, Vickers & Co.

Steamer W A Scholten (Dtch), Vis, Rotterdam Feb 24, with mdse and passengers to Punch, Edye & Co.

Steamer Pieter de Coninck (Belg), Falk, Antwerp Feb 22, with mdse and passengers to Punch, Edye & Co.

Steamer Bellver (Span), Planas, Colon Feb 21, Greytown 25 and Port Simon March 1, with mdse and passengers to A C Lombard's sons.

Steamer Saratoga, Curtis, Havana 4 days, with mdse and passengers to Jas E Ward & Co.

Steamer Neptune, Berry, Boston, with mdse to H F Dimock.

Steamer Commonwealth, Van Kirk, Philadelphia, with mdse to John C Roberts.

Ship William H Lincoln (of Boston), Ross, Liverpool 63 days, with mdse to Snow & Burgess.

SUNSET—Wind at Sandy Hook, fresh, WSW; clear. At City Island, fresh, W; clear.

CLEARED.

Steamer Wisconsin (Br), Rigby, Liverpool via Queenstown—Williams & Guion.

Steamer Daniel Stelmann (Belg), Schoonmaker, London—Punch, Edye & Co.

Steamer Ed King (Br), Denham, Bristol—W D Morgan.

Steamer Maas (Dtch), Bakker, Rotterdam—Punch, Edye & Co.

Steamer Rhodora (Br), Gamon, Cardiff via Avonmouth—Geo F Bulley.

Steamer Alpin (Span), Garray, St John, Mayaguez—Pim, Forwood & Co.

Steamer Claudius (Ger), Wiese, Colon and Greytown, via Philadelphia—A C Lombard's sons.

Steamer Eleanora, Bragg, Portland, Me—J F Ames.

Steamer Tacony, Davis, Philadelphia—Wm P Clyde & Co.

Steamer Martha Stevens, Chaisle, Baltimore—J S Krems.

Steamer Raphian, Jenney, West Point, Va—Old Dominion SS Co.

Ship White Rose (Br), Roberts, London—M F Pickering & Co.

Ship Terpsichore (Nor), Nielsen, Antwerp—Punch, Edye & Co.

Ship Carrie Winslow, Bassett, Portland, Ore—Van Vleck & Co.

Bark Reindeer, McLure, St Pierre, Mart—H Trowbridge's Sons.

Bark Thomas Brooks, Wanga, St Jago and Guantanamo—Waydell & Co.

Brig Fannie B Tucker, Wheeler, Matanzas—C L Wright & Co.

Brig Clara Jenkins, Dodge, St Thomas—Peniston & Co.

Brig Emily T Sheldon, Hays, Galveston, Tex—Parsons & Loud.

SAILED.

Steamers Hohenstauffen, for Bremen; Polynesia, Hamburg; Charleston, Havana; Breakwater, Lewes, Del.

Ships Crusader, for Liverpool; Mary Fraser and Doris, Bremen; Adorta, London; Red Cross, Portland, Ore; Storm King, San Francisco.

THE MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

FOREIGN PORTS.

LIVERPOOL, March 12—Arrived, steamers North Cambria (Br), Evans, from New-York Feb 22; Vesta (Br), McKinlay, from Baltimore Feb 24.

LONDON, March 12—Arrived, steamer Alvah (Br), Smith, from New-York Feb 23.

QUEENSTOWN, March 12—Arrived, steamer England (Br), Heeley, from New-York Feb 28, on her way to Liverpool.

SOUTHAMPTON, March 12—Arrived, steamer Werra, Barre, from New-York March 3, on her way to Bremen.

LONDONDERRY, March 11—Arrived, steamer Castlehill (Br), Peak, from Baltimore Feb 12.

AVONMOUTH, March 12—Arrived, steamer Larch (Br), Coolidge, from New-York Feb 21.

HALIFAX, March 12—Sailed, steamers Castalia, Glasgow; Alpha, Bermuda.

HAVANA, March 12—Sailed, steamer British Empire (Br), Fawcett, New-York.

DOMESTIC PORTS.

PORTLAND, Me, March 12—Arrived, steamer Sarnia (Br), Lindal, Liverpool.

BOSTON, March 12—Arrived, steamers Virginian (Br), Flitt, Liverpool; Samaria (Br), Ro