SUICIDE IN VARIOUS WAYS.

A CLERK ENDS HIS LIFE WITH MORPHIA.

BENJAMIN D. SKINNER DEAD IN HIS ROOM—ILL HEALTH AND UNHAPPINESS THE CAUSES.

Benjamin D. Skinner, outside bond clerk for Blake Bros. & Co., No. 18 Wall-st., was found dead in his room at the boarding-house, No. 144 West Twenty-first-st. yesterday morning, between 9 and 10 o'clock. He had retired on Sunday night apparently in his usual health. For several months, however, he had complained of sleeplessness. He did not appear at breakfast, and when it drew near the time for him to go down town to business a servant was sent to call him. Getting no response to her knock, she opened the door and found that Mr. Skinner was dead. In alarm she hurried down stairs and reported the fact to her mistress, and information was sent to the police and the Coroner's office. Coroner Martin visited the house and made a preliminary examination. The unfortunate man had apparently been dead some time. On a table near him stood a bottle of sulphate of morphia, a tumbler containing sediments of the drug and a little water. Among the dead man's possessions found about his clothing were $70 in money, a gold watch and five gold studs. A letter dated September 18, from a little girl, apparently thirteen or fourteen years old, was found, adressed to Mr. Skinner at 247 West Forty-third-st. This proved to be from his little daughter, and she spoke of having a pleasant time in the country. Coroner Martin ordered the body sent to Clark's undertaking shop, No. 209 West Twenty-third-st., near Seventh-ave., and sent word to the dead man's father, the Rev. Dr. T. H. Skinner, of No. 104 Halstead-st., Chicago. The family at No 144 West Twenty-first-st. knew little about Mr. Skinner, as he had not been in the house long.

At Blake Bros. & Co.'s office Mr. Brown, one of the firm, said to a TRIBUNE reporter that Mr. Skinner had been with the house as outside bond clerk for four or five years. He had always been a faithful clerk, and they had no reason to think that there was any reason for his taking his life which would arise from financial troubles. For a month past he had been in bad health, and lately suffered from sleeplessness. On Saturday he complained to Mr. Brown that he was sick and feeling miserable. About two or three weeks ago he had gone to the New-York Hospital for treatment.

"To what cause do you attribute his act?" the reporter asked Mr. Brown.

"My impression is that he was driven to it by his physical suffering and domestic infelicities," Mr. Brown replied: "He and his wife had some trouble, and they had not lived together for two or three years. She took the little girl with her when she left him. I do not know that there was any more trouble than an inability to get along together. Mr. Skinner is very well connected. His father, I believe, is an Orthodox clergyman, and connected with some college in Chicago."

It was said that Mr. Skinner had speculated on his own account, and had suffered considerable losses recently. An inquest will be held to-morrow. In the mean time Dr. Skinner, father of the dead man is expected to arrive and take charge of his son's body.

WITH A PISTOL NEAR HIS SWEETHEART.

CHARLES HERMANN SHOOTS HIMSELF IN SPITE OF MARY MOLLER'S EFFORTS TO PREVENT IT.

While policeman Shevlin was patrolling his beat yesterday morning a young woman threw up one of the front windows of C. Langhein's beer-shop, at No. 128 Liberty-st., and shouted frantically something which the officer could not understand. Presently there was a pistol report—one, two, three, in rapid succession, and soon a large crowd had gathered. On entering the house the policeman found, in a room on the second floor, the almost lifeless body of Charles Hermann. Blood flowed from two wounds in the head and a revolver lay beside him. The girl came in sobbing and said: "Oh! I did all I could to save him, but he was too determined." Hermann was removed to Chambers Street Hospital and died at 10:15 a. m., about an hour after admission. From the shooting until his death he never spoke. By direction of Coroner Kennedy the body was removed to the Morgue where an inquest was held.

The girl who gave the alarm in the first instance is Mary Möller, a good-looking young German girl. She lives with her married sister, Mrs. Dürr at No. 128 Liberty-st., where the shooting occurred, "enjoying some holidays until she gets employment again," as her brother-in-law said. Charles Hermann was a bookkeeper at C. W. Kappart's Son's lumber stores, No. 328 East Twenty-fifth-st, and roomed at No. 64 Second-ave. He was apparently a quiet and steady young man when Mary met him accidentally in the street about four weeks ago. Ever since then the acquaintance continued to ripen and Hermann became a frequent visitor at the girl's temporary home. On Sunday evening, as usual, he paid a visit and left her in good spirits. At 7 o'clock yesterday morning he dropped into his place of business in East Twenty-fifth-st. He stayed only a short time, and turning to one of the men who had saluted him said, as he went away: "Look here, I'm going." An hour later he appeared before Mary Moller at the house in Liberty-st. The girl became frightened, he looked so excited.

"What's the matter Charles?" she asked.

"Mary," he replied, "I'm coming to bid you good-by."

Then he drew a revolver from his hip pocket and fired. The girl by a quick movement seized and wrenched his arm so that the ball lodged in the ceiling. Then she fled, shouting, to the next room. Hermann, thus left alone, unished the shooting by sending two bullets through his head, one of which entered the right temple and passed through the brain. The suicide was carefully designed, for he was dressed in his best clothes and wore a gold watch and chain. Gustavus Dürr with whom Mary Moller lives said:

"I don't know why the man shot himself. He came to see my sister-in-law regularly and they had many a sparking together. He was in love with Mary."

Mary locked herself into her room and was frantic with grief. No information was gleaned at No. 64 Second-ave., where Hermann roomed, but at No. 328 East Twenty-fifth-st. the foreman said that Hermann appeared always regular y at his work, and didn't drink any.

"It must have been a love affair," said Dr. Morton at the Chambers Street Hospital, "for among the other things I found on him a carefully preserved lock of hair."

A GERMAN DEAD IN PROSPECT PARK.

An unknown German committed suicide in Prospect Park, Brooklyn, yesterday morning. He was seen by a lad sitting on a bench in the walks near the par of the lake called the Lullwater, midway between the Lullwater Bridge and the temporary bridge south of it. A woman was then with him. A few minutes later a pistol-shot was heard. The dead body of the man was found while still warm by two other men passing along the walk. The suicide shot himself through the head with a chambered revolver, which was clasped in his right hand. The body had fallen over from a sitting posture. A copy of yesterday morning's *Staats-Zeitung* lay at his feet. The dead man was about twenty-five years of age, five feet seven inches high, with a sandy complexion. He was well dressed in a dark diagonal suit. His handkerchief was marked with the letter P. A small sum of United States money and some German coins were in his pockets. A billhead with the name Carl Steinhoff and a card with the name F. Kiemer, No. 93 Nelson-st. were the only clews to his identity found.

The body was identified last evening as that of Carl Steinhoff, age twenty-five, who was employed as a bartender at No. 603 Sixth-ave., Brooklyn. He came to the country four months ago. Despondency drove him to suicide.

FAILING TO END HER LIFE WITH LAUDANUM

Angie Watson, or Morrison, age thirty-five, took a large dose of laudanum on Sunday night, at Steele's Hotel, No. 316 Greenwich-st., it was supposed, with the intention of putting an end to her life. She was taken to the Chamber street Hospital, and by the prompt application of the stomach pump, her death was prevented. She says she was formerly a teacher in New-England. She has lately been leading an irregular life. Justice Murray held her to answer yesterday at the Tombs Police Court, for violating the Penal Code.

CUTTING HIS THROAT WITH A PENKNIFE.

David Howard, age forty, a plumber, living in Park-st., Orange, N. J., committed suicide on Sunday night by cutting his throat with a penknife. He had complained of sunstroke. It is believed that he was temporarily deranged. He leaves a wife and family.

CHOKED WITH A TOY BALLOON.

A BOY'S TERRIBLE DEATH—FORTY-FIVE MINUTES AT A DISPENSARY BEFORE HE DIED.

Some interesting facts were brought out by Coroner Menninger in Brooklyn yesterday in the inquest held upon the body of Neorde Catalannotto, age eleven, who was choked to death by a toy rubber balloon which he drew into his throat while it was not inflated on Saturday afternoon. The boy's father said that his son went into his home apparently choking at 1 p. m. on Saturday. The father went out for a policeman and found officer No. 456, who laughed at him when he asked for an ambulance or a doctor. He then took his son, who was in great agony, to look for a doctor, but unable to find one, carried him finally to a dispensary in Third-place. Dr. Lester first tried to remove the object from the boy's throat with a pair of forceps, but not succeeding, he said he would have to cut the boy's throat open. The father told him to do what was best, and he made five or six attempts to cut with a dull knife, but not being able to do it, he went after another. While he was gone the boy died, and the doctor afterward extracted the balloon with the whistle attached, which had stuck in his throat. It was forty-five minutes from the time he went to the dispensary before the boy died.

Dr. John C. Lester said in his testimony that he first tried to extract the balloon with forceps, but failing, began to perform the operation known as tracheotomy, but the father and mother of the child interfered, and would not let him proceed. When the boy was almost dead they consented to having the object removed in any way it could be done. The first scalpel used proving dull, he took another, and got out the balloon. The boy was in a comatose condition at the time, and death resulted from asphyxia.

A verdict of accidental death was rendered.

LOCAL MISCELLANY.

INTERNATIONAL TIME STANDARD.

THE CONFERENCE TO BE HELD NEXT WEEK—GOVERNMENTS TO BE REPRESENTED.

Nearly all the Governments which have been invited by the United States to send representatives to the International Meridian and Time Standard Conference, to be held at Washington October 1, have accepted and named their delegates. The number of delegates from each Government is limited to five. None are expected to send the full number. The American delegates are President Barnard, of Columbia College, chairman of the delegation; Professor Cleveland Abbe, Commander W. T. Sampson, United States Navy; Lewis M. Rutherford and W. T. Allen. The delegates from Great Britain are Captain Sir P. J. O. Evans, R. N., Professor J. C. Adams, Lieutenant-General Strachey and Sandford Fleming. France will send M. A. Lefaivre, Consul-General at New-York, and M. Janssen. Austria will be represented by the Baron Ignatz von Schaeffer. Brazil, Denmark, Japan, Holland, Switzerland, Sweden and Norway, Turkey and many smaller Powers have also named their representatives. Spain, Italy, Russia and Greece will probably send delegates, but have not yet named them. Germany is still considering the proposition, while Belgium will probably not be represented. As to the probable position of the standard meridian to be chosen, President Barnard expressed yesterday the opinion that the meridian of Greenwich would be selected, as its adoption would necessitate a minimum of changes in existing systems. The action of the delegates will not, however, be binding upon the Powers represented, and will require the ratification of the several Governments.

It is considered not impossible that there may be some reluctance on the part of France to accept the meridian of her great maritime rival. President Barnard, however, does not think that this would prove to be a serious check upon the proceedings of the conference. He said that last year, at a non-official geodetic Congress held at Rome, the adoption of the meridian of Greenwich as the zero had been recommended. The French delegates then offered to accept the Greenwich standard on the condition that the other nations would accept the metric system of weights and measures. It has been feared by the National Institute for the Preservation and Protection of the Anglo-Saxon Weights and Measures that some such offer might be again made by France in the coming congress, and accordingly they have sent a circular to each member of the American delegation advocating the rejection of any such offer.

When asked whether the congress would probably abolish the old system of computing longitude east and west from the prime meridian, through 180 degrees, and substitute a method of reckoning longitude in one direction only, through the 360 degrees, President Barnard stated that the object of the conference was to establish a prime meridian, and that in his judgment the object only should be accomplished, and that other questions and details should not be considered. This, he thought, would also be the opinion of the congress. The conference will meet in the diplomatic rooms of the Department of State. The Government has made an appropriation of $5,000 for necessary expenses, but the American delegates receive no compensation.

MRS. HULSKAMP NOT PROSECUTED.

HER BROTHER DOES NOT PRESS THE CHARGE OF THEFT—AN OFFER FROM JOHN LAVINE.

Considerable curiosity was manifested in the City Court room at Yonkers yesterday morning, when the case of Mrs. Victoria Agnes Morosini Hülskamp, charged by her brother, Attilio Morosini, with stealing a diamond brooch, was called by Justice Pentz. There was nothing to gratify the crowd in attendance, however, as the complainant was not present and the case was dismissed. Mrs. Hulskamp evidently knew that the charge would not be pressed as she was not present either. The stolen brooch was not half as valuable as one Mrs. Hulskamp left behind her in her flight, and she is believed to have taken her sister's jewelry by mistake. At the Morosini house near Mt. St. Vincent Attilio Morosini, a brother of Mrs. Hulskamp, said to a TRIBUNE reporter that his mother had sailed and that there was to be no sale of furniture.

"What's the use of selling it when we want it," said he. "My brother and I will be around for some time yet."

Several people stopped at the house and inquired if there was not going to be an auction. Messrs. Poole & Gilmore said last evening that they had not yet engaged Mrs. Hulskamp to sing.

"I had an interview to-day with Mrs. Hulskamp," said John Lavine yesterday. Mr. Lavine is a well-known manager of concert tours. "I have been trying for the past ten days to see her, but it was only through the kindly offices of a mutual friend that I finally succeeded. We had a long chat, but nothing definite was decided upon. Mrs. Hulskamp has a pile of letters a foot high from managers and others, some offering her as much as $1,000 for three concerts. My own proposition was to take her out with a thoroughly good operatic concert company, to perform perhaps one entire act of some opera most suited to her powers. I found that she and her husband had decided to accept no offer until January next, but I pointed out to them that the popular interest in them will then have subsided. Finally we arranged that if they accepted any immediate offer at all it would be mine. I shall, of course, handle her on the understanding that her powers as a vocalist are of a high order, which I understand they are."

"What would her husband do?"

"I found him a bright enough young man, and he might easily earn his $50 or $75 a week as treasurer or advance agent of the company. I found the young couple very wretched at their enforced seclusion. They do not care to see anybody and do not care to put their heads outside the door."

A WOMAN'S DEATH FROM POISON.

DELAY IN REPORTING THE CASE TO THE CORONER—INFORMATION ABOUT THE CASE WITHHELD.

Two men went to the Sixteenth Precinct Police Station on Sunday evening and said that Mrs. Charlotte Thomaseck, whose husband was out of the city, had died suddenly in the boarding-house No. 453 West Twenty-third-st. They had an envelope on which was the address "R. F. Thomaseck, No. 145 Broadway." The police were made to understand that the address was that of the woman's husband when he was in the city. When informed that the body could not be removed from the boarding house without an order from the coroner, the men went away. No action was taken by the police except to send a report of the death to the Coroner's Office. A man went to the house of Coroner Martin early yesterday morning and procured a permit for the removal of Mrs. Thomaseck's body from the boarding house to the Morgue. He said that the woman had died from the effects of poison. Coroner Martin left the investigation of the case to Coroner Kennedy, and did not seek information about the supposed suicide.

At the boarding house yesterday information was refused to a TRIBUNE reporter, the woman who appeared to be in charge of the house saying that she had been instructed not to tell anything about Mrs. Thomaseck's history or death. At No. 145 Broadway it was said that no such person as R. F. Thomaseck was known there. The dead woman's body lay unclaimed at the Morgue all day yesterday. The woman was about thirty-five years old.

At the boarding-house last night the landlady asserted that Mrs. Thomaseck had died from heart disease. She also said that two physicians had been called to attend the woman, but she would not tell the name of either physician. A man belonging to the house said that the woman came to this city from Canada a few months ago and that her body would be taken to Canada for burial. He also said he thought Mrs. Thomaseck had not committed suicide, but he would give no other information about the case. An investigation will be made by the Coroner to-day.

WORK ON THE PANAMA CANAL.

At the office of the Universal Interoceanic Panama Canal Company, No. 18 Broadway, a TRIBUNE reporter was informed by the secretary yesterday that no information had been received concerning the contract said to have been made in Panama with the New-York Dredging Company. Proposals for 500 portable houses for the laborers of the company have been received and will be opened to-day. Several thousand laborers are employed. They are mostly negroes, who perform the work more satisfactorily in that climate than white men do, and do not so readily succumb to the fever. The subscriptions to the new loan of 387,387 bonds of 500 francs each, issued by the company, will close next Thursday. Work on the canal is reported to be "progressing satisfactorily."

EXCITEMENT IN THE OIL EXCHANGES.

The doings of the wonderful Phillips well, in the Baldridge district, Butler County, Penn., have disturbed and almost demoralized the speculators at the petroleum exchanges. The well is only about three weeks old, and yet it has produced 35,000 barrels of oil. Active work in drilling new wells is going on in the neighborhood of the Phillips well, and operators are anxiously awaiting news regarding them. The markets were active yesterday and the price of oil dropped from 74⅞ cents a barrel on Saturday night to 70¼ cents, ending at only a slight reaction. Only one failure was announced. It was that of A. S. Jones, a member of the New-York Mining Stock and National Petroleum Exchanges. About 200,000 barrels were bought in for him under the rules. Mr. Jones said that the differences on his contracts amounted to only $10,000, and he expected to effect a settlement and resume business in a few days. Mr. Jones has failed twice before.

At the New-York Petroleum Exchange the interest of the members was divided between the fluctuations in oil and the opening of their department for dealing in railroad stocks in a minimum amount of ten shares. The officers of the exchange expressed the utmost satisfaction with the result of the experiment. The trading for the day amounted to 11,250 shares. The first call was made at 10:30 a. m., before the opening of the Stock Exchange, and a lively business was done independent of the regular quotations. Before the call President Smith made a brief speech advising the members to be conservative in their operations, but predicting a large growth of the business when it had become older.

SUMMER TRAVELS OF DR. SCHAFF.

The Rev. Dr. Philip Schaff of the Union Theological Seminary was a passenger on the Servia, which arrived on Sunday night. He did not appear at his lecture hour, 11 a. m., yesterday, and in explaining his absence later to the students, President Hitchcock said that the professor fell in the hands of the Custom House officers, and was not released until noon. "It sometimes seems to me," he added, "that the American Custom House in a device of satan to make free trade in this country popular." Dr. Schaff is in excellent health and considerably browned by his travels. When asked where he had been during the summer vacation he said that he had attended the religious conventions in Belfast and Copenhagen, speaking at both. At the latter place his address was on "The Discord and Concord of Christianity." Among other speakers, there were Dr. John Hall, of this city; Dr. Moses Hoge, of Richmond; Dr. Cairns, of Edinburgh; Professor Goelet, of Neufchatel; Professor Christlieb, of Rome; and Dr. Pressense, of Paris. There were over 1 000 delegates present, and addresses were delivered in the Danish, Swedish, German, French and English languages. Beside attending the conventions, Dr. Schaff said that he travelled "through England, Ireland, Scotland, Germany, Austria, Denmark, Sweden, Russia, and all over that part of the world."

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES.

A person calling himself a "lawyer" caused the following notice to be published yesterday:

The ordinary marriage certificate used by ministers is of no legal effect; proper forms have been drafted and bound in with a compilation of the marriage laws of this State; and agent competent to push this work is wanted.

In the office of the counsel to the Board of Health it was said that the statement about marriage certificates was absurd. Any certificate of marriage, signed by a clergyman or other person authorized to perform a marriage ceremony, is considered a legal proof of the marriage. The forms furnished by the Board of Health to ministers in this city are as follows:

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.
STATE OF NEW-YORK.

I hereby certify that.....and.....were joined in marriage by me, in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, in the City of New-York, this..... day of.....188

{Signature of person performing the marriage ceremony.}

Witnesses to the marriage:
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Official Station.....
Residence.....

DANIEL SHUGRUE GIVEN GOOD ADVICE.

Daniel Shugrue, the Connecticut farmer who visited Brooklyn some time ago and sought to marry the girl burglar, Ella Larabee, who pleaded guilty to burglary on Saturday, was in that city yesterday. He had not reconsidered his determination to get the girl if possible and went to Judge Moore and sought his intercession in the matter. Judge Moore told him that the girl had been twice in the penitentiary and would be sent there again, and advised him not to seek to marry a thief unless he wanted to get into trouble. If there was not a decent girl in his State who would marry him, Judge Moore told him, his friends should take care of him and put some sense into his head. At any rate, neither he nor any one else could marry this girl for same time. Shugrue paid another visit to Raymond Street Jail and protested his devotion to the frail Ella.

WONDERING WHY THE PUBLIC CARES.

E. M. Greenfield, the missing grain broker, of the firm of Greenfield & Hunt, No. 52 Broadway, has not returned to the city, and his brother declares that he does not know where he is. "He has done nothing that will bring any disgrace upon him," he explained, "and if he takes fifteen minutes to think over the matter he will come to that conclusion and return." This was said before George W. Hunt and his father, Hiram W. Hunt, who took the same view of the matter, and declared that the debts of the firm amounted to only $2,000 or $3,000, and added that they could not see what interest the public had in the matter. All agreed that the missing young man would "turn up all right," and that every thing would be settled to the satisfaction of the creditors.

COMPLAINING OF A CUSTOMS OFFICER.

Gustavo Herrera, who arrived on the Alaska, on Sunday, has written to THE TRIBUNE stating that among his baggage were three articles on which $6 50 duties were levied. He was on his way to Panama and asked the inspector to place the articles in the public stores until next Sunday when he is to sail for the Isthmus. To this request Mr. Herrera avers the inspector replied: "Then you will have to pay much more." Deputy Collector Barrett said, yesterday, that it was a frequent thing to keep dutiable articles in transit at the public stores until the owner proceeded on his way without expense. "If Mr. Herrera will file a complaint with the collector, the matter will be investigated," said Mr. Barrett.

NO USE FOR A TARDY AMBULANCE.

By a fall from a ledge of rocks in Fifty-sixth-st. near Second-ave., shortly after 7 a. m. yesterday, Edward Maher, a laborer, was seriously injured. At 7:25, the telegraph operator at Police Headquarters sent to Bellevue Hospital for an ambulance. An hour later word was sent from the Nineteenth Precinct, that the ambulance had not arrived. When a second call was sent to the hospital, a person in charge of the telephone said: "We are just sending that ambulance now." He also declared that the ambulance had gone out immediately after the first call, and had failed to find the injured man. Friends of Maher removed him to the hospital in a coach before the ambulance answered the summons.

HOME NEWS.

PROMINENT ARRIVALS.

Victoria Hotel.—The Hon. L. S. Sackville West, British Minister at Washington.....*Clarendon Hotel*—Luis L. Dominguez, Argentine Minister at Washington.....*Fifth Avenue Hotel*—Ex-Governor John L. Routt, of Colorado.....*Windsor Hotel*—Frederick Bowcaden, of London, and R. R. Cadle, of Chicago.....*Gilsey House*—Commander Lewis Clark, U. S. Navy.....*Brevoort House*—Judge C. S. Bradley, of Providence, and Alexander Graham Bell, of Washington.....*Hotel Brunswick*—Vicomte d' Hauterive, of Paris.....*New-York Hotel*—Gen. G. T. Beauregard, of New Orleans, and R. M. Hooper, U. S. Vice-Consul-General at Paris.....*Park Avenue Hotel*—Bank Superintendent W. S. Paine, of Albany.

WHAT IS GOING ON TO-DAY.

Brooklyn Young Republican Club, Music Hall, 8 p. m.
Telephone suit before Judge Wallace, 11 a. m.
Broadway Surface Railway suit before Judge Donohue 11 a. m.
Meeting of street railway commissioners.
Hawes bigamy case, Court of General Sessions.
Northern Pacific Railway director's meeting.
Wainwright marble investigation, Toms River.
Meeting of Joint Executive Committee of Trunk Lines.
Inquest in Kopf murder case before Coroner Levy.
Louisville and Nashville Railway directors' meeting.
Willis Street Baptist Church case before Grand Jury, Paterson.
Workingmen's Blaine and Logan Club, Glass Hall, 8 p. m.
Meeting of 22d Regiment Veterans, No. 117 West Twenty-third-st., 8 p. m.
Twelfth Ward Republican Club, Eighth-ave. and Twenty-fourth-st., 8 p. m.
Queens County Agricultural Fair, Mineola.
Annual meeting of Long Island Company, No. 115 Broadway.

NEW-YORK CITY.

The twenty-seventh anniversary of the Fulton Street Daily Prayer-Meeting will take place at the Middle Dutch Church, in Lafayette-place, to-day at 12 o'clock.

The Garfield Committee acknowledge the receipt of $217 from Brockway & Sons, of Watertown, N. Y., as the contribution of Jefferson County to the monument fund.

FILING BONDS TO CARRY OUT AN AGREEMENT.

The Cunard Line, yesterday, signed bonds to carry out the new agreement between the Commissioners of Emigration and the steamship companies, and immigrants coming on its ships hereafter will be examined and registered at Castle Garden.

BECOMING INSANE IN A HOTEL.

Anthony Strahan, a German, seventy-one years old, of Union Hill, N. J., occupied a room on Sunday night in the hotel, No. 218 William-st. He became violently insane yesterday, and broke six window-panes, cutting his wrists severely. The police sent him to the Chambers Street Hospital.

VIEWS ON THE VALUE OF A PRAYER MEETING.

The Baptist preachers yesterday listened to a paper by the Rev. Dr. W. W. Everts, entitled "The Place of the Prayer Meeting in the Church." He took the position that it should take the first place in the church. The Rev. E. T. Hiscox took an opposite view.

WANTING TO DIE IN A CHURCH.

B. Gaillard, a French bird-cage manufacturer at No. 214 Seventh-ave., walked into the pastor's parlor at St. Francis Xavier's Church yesterday, and informed the priests that he intended to kill himself and had come to die in the house of God. A policeman finding Gaillard armed with a loaded revolver arrested him, and Justice O'Reilly sent him to the Commissioner of Charities and Correction.

OPENING THE COLLEGE OF PHARMACY.

Three hundred students occupied the lecture-room of the College of Pharmacy last evening. They were received by Professor P. W. Bedford, who delivered the introductory lecture of the course. The present is the fifty-fifth year of the college. Last winter there was an attendance of more than 300 students, and the opening this year, Professor Bedford said last evening, was even more favorable.

FUNERAL OF SEABURY BREWSTER.

A large number of friends attended the funeral of Seabury Brewster yesterday in the New-York Hotel. The services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. George Alexander, of the University Place Presbyterian Church. The pall-bearers were Randolph W. Townsend, John Wiley, J. H. McWilliams, Hiram Crauston, James Stokes and Albert E. Stillman. The burial took place in the Rosedale Cemetery, Orange, N. J.

FINED FOR SELLING ADULTERATED MILK.

In Special Sessions yesterday, the following fines were imposed for selling adulterated milk: John Stein, No. 237 East Seventy-third-st., $50; Casper Kleinkoll, No. 205 First-ave., $25; Charles Holzkamp, No. 1,244 Second-ave., $50; John Titigan, No. 722 Second-ave., $100; John Spettel, No. 293 Avenue A, $50; Frank Moseman, 203 East Fiftieth-st., $25.

NOT SATISFIED WITH HIS HORSES.

Charles H. Betts, of No. 132 East Fifty-seventh-st., the son of a retired broker, spent the summer at Coxsackie, and on September 6 purchased a span of horses there from Charles H. Crippen, who accepted Betts's ten-day note for $1,000. When the note was due Betts refused to pay it, on the ground that the horses had not turned out to his satisfaction. Yesterday Betts was arrested and taken to Greene County.

RELEASE OF MR. KEENE'S ASCOT CUP.

The Secretary of the Treasury, yesterday, directed Collector Robertson to release the Ascot Cup won by James R. Keene's horse, Foxhall, and which has been held for the payment of heavy duties since last spring. The order was given on an opinion of the Attorney-General, who decided that the cup is a trophy and so bears a similitude to gold and silver medals, which are exempt from duty.

BURIAL OF "JERRY" M'AULEY.

The body of "Jerry" McAuley was taken from the little room in the Cremorne Mission yesterday to Woodlawn for burial. Mrs. McAuley and a few friends accompanied it. "The Cremorne Mission will go right on as before," said A. S. Hatch to a TRIBUNE reporter, "but we have not decided who will have charge of it. There will be a meeting of the trustees in a few days, and some action in the matter will then be taken."

TAKING ADVANTAGE OF YOUNG IMMIGRANTS.

A man went to Castle Garden yesterday and hired Augustus Martin, an English lad of twenty, as a farm laborer. When they reached the street the man borrowed a dollar of the young man and disappeared. Another man went to the Garden with the card of a South-st. restaurant-keeper and hired another young man, as he said, for a waiter. He took the servant to a beer-shop, got him drunk, borrowed his money and left him.

THE ASTOR LIBRARY REOPENED.

The Astor Library was reopened yesterday after being closed several weeks for general cleaning and repair. No change has been made in the Library this year. Its 200,000 volumes have all been taken from their shelves, dusted, examined and replaced for another year. In alt alcoves of the main building several invoices of new books have collected during these last few weeks and were awaiting distribution yesterday. The accessions for the year ending July 1, numbered several thousand volumes. These have been catalogued by the Superintendent. The catalogue has been published in a neat pamphlet.

BROOKLYN.

A special meeting of the Brooklyn Bridge Trustees will be held on Thursday at 3:30 p. m., to hear expert evidence on increasing the present railroad facilities and on reduction in the car fare.

A decree of separation was granted yesterday to Mrs. Charlotte Lewis, from George W. Lewis, the auctioneer. A limited divorce was granted to William Schaffer from Mrs. Frederica Schaffer.

The new farmers' market in Washington-ave., near the Wallabout Canal, was opened yesterday morning. A few wagons were there, but the majority had gone to New-York. The farmers who went to the new place were well satisfied.

Matthew Knox, a Scotchman, who went to Brooklyn five years ago, died on Saturday at No. 2,281 Pacific-st., after living to the hale old age of 104 years and eight months.

A suit to recover $50,000 as damages for the loss of her husband's affections has been begun by Mrs. Ione Dobson against Mrs. Cornelia V. Hagan, who eloped with Lewis H. Dobson in 1880. He became acquainted with Mrs. Hagan in a theatre flirtation. She was the daughter of Alonzo C. Yates, a wealthy resident of Fifth-ave., New-York, who died of heart disease when he learned of his daughter's escapade. She was left a large amount of money. Mrs. Dobson had her husband arrested for abandonment, but afterward forgave him. She is now a milliner, striving to support herself and five children.

NEWS FROM THE SUBURBS.

MARRYING ON THE SPUR OF THE MOMENT.

Henry W. Smith, age nineteen, and Miss Annie Taylor, one year younger, both of East Orange, N. J., instead of attending a Lotta matinee on Saturday decided to get married and as Mr. Smith had obtained a vacation, to take a wedding trip. Both persons are well known at Brick Church where they live. The young man is a bookkeeper and decorator, and the bride's father, S. W. Taylor, is the private secretary of Captain John Ericsson the well-known engineer of this city. The attachment of the young couple has been no secret to their parents and friends and it has been tacitly understood that they were engaged, but an early marriage was not expected. After the wedding the groom promptly sent a telegram to his father-in-law announcing the fact. When the couple return to their parents they will be accorded a warm welcome. It is presumed that Mrs. Henry Smith will resume her post as her father's housekeeper, which she has held since her mother's death.

EXPLAINING A RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

Mrs. Thomas J. Loughlin, of No. 27 Nichols-st. Newark, who was shockingly mangled in the horse-car accident at the Market-st. railroad station on Sunday night, died yesterday. When the engine of the Railway passenger train struck the car Mrs. Loughlin was at the rear of the car, having left her seat in alarm. The car was buried against a post and she was thrown under the wheels of the train. Thomas Loughlin, her husband, and the other occupants of the car escaped with slight injuries. The conductor and driver of the horse-car were both in custody at Police Headquarters yesterday. Charles Hoey, the conductor, stated that he saw the New-York train going out and gave the signal to the driver to drive across the track. He did not see the Railway train coming from the other direction. He said that the flagman at the crossing also signalled the car to go on. The driver corroborated this statement. The flagman denied this statement and asserted that he shouted "hold up" to the car driver. He says that notwithstanding he signaled by raising and lowering his lantern the driver drove on the track and stopped there.

RESENTMENT AGAINST CLEVELAND.

John Cody, who was convicted in the Court of Sessions at White Plains of implication in an assault upon Catherine Falz, near the Pelham Woods, in October, 1882, and sentenced to seven years in the Albany penitentiary has been pardoned by Governor Cleveland. The people of New Rochelle are greatly exasperated at the action of the Governor, as they had contributed money freely to secure the arrest and conviction of Cody.

A SUSPENDED BANK TO REOPEN.

It is stated that the losses of the National Bank of New-Jersey, of New-Brunswick, will amount to about $250,000. Cashier Hill's defalcation will probably cover $200,000, while the balance represents the overdraft of the president. Controller Cannon has authorized the reopening of the bank to-morrow or Thursday. Lewis T. Howell has been elected president and E. S. Campbell cashier.

JERSEY CITY.

Morris Enright, a rigger, of Canal-st., New-York, was disorderly at the Pennsylvania Ferry yesterday, and when Policeman Morris tried to arrest him he attempted to stab the officer, but cut a bystander in the head, inflicting a very painful wound.

A delegation of locomotive engineers on their way to the convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, to be held in San Francisco next week, started yesterday in a special car.

SUNDRY NEW-JERSEY TOWNS.

TENAFLY—An explosion occurred yesterday in the rubber factory of the Pond Manufacturing Company. The building was destroyed. A boy named William Ryan was badly burned and 300,000 pounds of rubber were destroyed; loss $20,000, insurance $13,250.

WEEHAWKEN.—William Rusch, the aged father of Recorder Rusch, and his son Theodore, age fifteen, were badly beaten by a gang of ruffians on Sunday. Mr. Rusch is in a critical condition.

PATERSON.—The Fire Department was called to extinguish a small fire yesterday. The hose carriage of one company while going down the grade was upset; the jumper of another engine while going down a grade ran into the river, running over the foreman, William Ford, inflicting several bruises, and Columbia hose carriage was badly damaged by the bursting of the hose.

GREENWOOD LAKE.—A waterspout was seen at the lake yesterday, about five inches in diameter and twelve feet in height. It travelled along a portion of the eastern shore, and gradually dissolved into vapor.

MOUNT CLAIR.—The Temperance Reform Club has decided not to act as a body in the interest of any Presidential candidate.

LONG ISLAND.

BALDWIN.—Jeremiah Denton, age fifty, died suddenly of heart disease last night on board his yacht in Jamaica Bay. He left a widow and four children.

ALONG THE SOUND.

BRIDGEPORT.—Bishop McMahon arrived on Sunday too late to take part in the corner-stone laying of the Church of the Sacred Heart. The stone was laid by Vicar-General Hughes, of Hartford..... Thirty-five Indian students from the Hampton Institute, Va., who had been spending some weeks in Berkshire, Mass., will have a reception at the North Church, and will be addressed by the Rev. H. B. Frissell, the chaplain of their institution.

SOUND BEACH.—The headless body of a man found on the shore of the Sound on Sunday was that of John R. Holroyd, of Norwich, who was lost from the steamer City of New-York on September 7.

NORWALK.—A. H. Byington, Editor of *The Gazette*, who lost a pocketbook containing $300, at Meriden, on Sunday night while waiting for Mr. Blaine, has recovered it. It lay on the floor under the seat in the train which he had vacated.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

WHITE PLAINS.—The trial of Edward A. Weed, of New-York, for an assault committed at Greenwich, Conn., in March, 1881, on B. F. Ashley, of Port Chester, then editor of *The Port Chester Journal*, took place yesterday before Justice Brown. The jury disagreed. The case has excited great interest.

PELHAM.—Christ Church, known as the Priory Church, was reopened on Sunday. It has been generally repaired and furnished with a vane of unique design, the gift of Mrs. Newbold Edgar.

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