NEW-JERSEY NEWS

Mr. Hobart has not resigned from the Republican National Committee, and he will not do so for a few weeks, at least.

James E. Martine, Plainfield's Farmer-Orator, says that William C. Whitney must accept the Democratic nomination for President. That settles it, of course.

Recorder McDonough has decided that a plumber may do work in Hoboken without passing an examination and receiving a license from the Master Plumbers' Association. Mr. McDonough says that he finds no law authorizing the Water Board to make regulations to the contrary. If there were such a law it should come off the statute books mighty quick.

The old saw about a prophet having no honor in his own land does not apply in the case of Garret A. Hobart.

The license of Lawyer David Spiro, of Newark, has been suspended pending his appeal to the Court of Errors against his conviction for larceny. There are other lawyers who have been guilty of conduct equally reprehensible, and the Bar Association has done nothing toward driving them out of an honorable profession.

Bergen County's Justices of the Peace are determined to eradicate profanity in public places even if they have to get the militia called out to help them.

Franklin Murphy, of Essex County, is now most prominently spoken of as the next Republican candidate for Governor.—(Plainfield Press.

That nomination is all right, even though it be about two years ahead of time.

There are 200 liquor-license renewals before the Camden Excise Board, and they will not be acted upon until next Tuesday. At midnight of that day all the licenses expire, and the owners are in a perspiring condition of uncertainty that isn't conducive to their health. Some of the licenses will not be renewed unless the Philadelphia brewers get their "pull" reinvigorated.

The appointment of Attorney-General Stockton as a member of the Equal Taxation Commission has given great weight and strength to that body. Mr. Stockton is one of the ablest constitutional lawyers in New-Jersey, and his knowledge of tax laws in this and other States is second to none. The Commission now consists of three Democrats and two Republicans—all appointed by Governor Griggs—and yet Democratic newspapers speak of Republican partisanship.

In the reports of the arrest of Irvington's "moonshiners," who sold whiskey in milkcans, it was not stated whether or not the manufacturers tried to palm off their product as milk.

Passaic County's brigade of Republican campaigners on bicycles will be a novel and interesting feature of this year's political fight. Every wheelman could do considerable missionary work for McKinley and Hobart by distributing en route leaflets and circulars containing the true gospel.

Flirting is under the ban in Atlantic City, and the Chief of Police says that he is determined to put a stop to the "nuisance." The prohibitory order had its origin in complaints made by women. That is another hard blow at a conspicuous article in the stock-in-trade of professional humorists who would have us believe that most girls go to the seaside resorts chiefly on account of the opportunities for indulging in flirtations.

There are no Republicans, Democrats or Prohibitionists in Paterson this year. Only two designations are recognized—Hobart and anti-Hobart—and up to date there appears to be none of the latter.

Having streets made or improved and paying for them are two different things.

To-morrow two tailors are to appear for sentence in the Passaic County Quarter Sessions Court for selling clothing on the lottery plan, by which some men got suits for sums ranging from $1 to $30. The idea of getting something for nothing, or for less than its value, always appeals strongly to some people. That is gambling, and its victims are frequently persons who can ill afford any such luxury.

A South Jerseyman brought his eighteen-months-old daughter to death's door by giving her two bottles of beer to drink. That act is never likely to be duplicated in Hoboken.

SHE COULD NOT HELP STEALING.

A HOBOKEN SERVANT'S UNIQUE EXCUSE WHEN ARRESTED FOR LARCENY.

Elsie Schronder, a servant in the employ of the Rev. Henry T. Beatty, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, of Hoboken, was arrested by Detective Fenton last night on a charge of grand larceny.

The minister accused her of stealing jewelry and various articles. The young woman was recognized as Eliza Traphofner, who once served a term of six months in the penitentiary for robbing John Engiemann, of No. 97 Washington-st. Soon after her release she secured a situation in the minister's family, and has been systematically robbing him for a long time. The girl told the police that she found it impossible not to steal whenever she found anything within reach.

FACTORY BUILDING DESTROYED.

LYNDHURST VISITED BY A FIRE THAT CAUSED CONSIDERABLE LOSS.

Lyndhurst, June 24 (Special).—Only the absence of a breath of wind saved the entire line of factory buildings which skirt the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railway track in Lyndhurst from being destroyed in the fierce blaze which broke out about 1 o'clock this morning in one of the buildings formerly occupied by the Ducker Portable House Company.

The building, which had not been used for some time, was a long, low, frame structure, and burned like tinder. The flames leaped to another and smaller frame building, and then fastened upon the brick power-house, which contained a boiler. The firemen had all they could do to save the adjoining dwelling-houses, and the buildings which caught fire were totally destroyed. A neighbor told a Tribune reporter that tramps had occupied them for some time, and the fire is attributed to them.

The buildings, which cost about $11,000, belonged to the Travers estate, and were put up about eight years ago for the Western Toy Company (now the Western Wheel Works), which used them as its Eastern factory. Later the Ducker Portable House Company occupied the buildings, but the business had not been conducted there in a year. Within a few hundred feet are the extensive factories of McKee & Harrington, the Lyndhurst bicycle manufacturers, which have not been in use since the firm removed its plant to New-York a few months ago.

HE STOPPED A RUNAWAY TEAM.

A team of horses attached to a wagon full of coal ran away yesterday on Commerce-st., Newark. The horses crossed the Pennsylvania Railroad track and turned into Market-st. Charles McKamey, colored, of No. 107 South Sixth-st., was driving an express wagon in Market-st., and seeing the runaways approaching he jumped from his seat, seized one of the horses by the bit and held on, while he was dragged some distance. The runaways were stopped by him at Union-st. Witnesses of the act complimented the colored man upon his bravery and nerve.

CAMPAIGN CLUBS IN NEWARK.

The First Hobart Republican Club, of Newark, which has 180 names on its roll, received a letter of congratulation yesterday from Mr. Hobart. The club meets at No. 208 Market-st., Newark.

The Lincoln Republican Club, of Newark, at No. 66 North Seventh-st., will raise a McKinley and Hobart banner to-night.

The West End Republican Club, in Springfield-ave., Newark, will raise a flagpole and flag on July 4 with appropriate exercises.

A CHAIN AROUND HIS SAFE.

JUDGE SIMMONS'S HEIRS BEGAN QUARRELING BEFORE HIS DEATH.

HOW ONE DAUGHTER PREVENTED ANOTHER FROM GETTING AT THE PAPERS—THREE CUT OFF WITH SMALL BEQUESTS—READING OF THE WILL POSTPONED TWICE.

Paterson, June 24 (Special).—Years before Judge Henry P. Simmons died it was known that there would be a wrangle over his will, and there was much speculation as to what disposition he would make of his large estate. The members of the family have not been on the best of terms, the heirs to the estate are Mrs. William H. Gillen, whose husband before his death was connected with the banking-house of Brown Brothers, in New-York; Mrs. Howe, of Newark; Mrs. J. F. Hadley, whose husband is in South America; Miss Nettie Simmons, an unmarried daughter, and two grandchildren, a twelve-year-old daughter of Mrs. Gillen and a young son of Mrs. Hadley.

During his long illness Judge Simmons was tenderly nursed by his daughter, Miss Nettie, and it was expected by all who were not acquainted with the facts that she would come in for a large part of the property. She practically gave up her whole life to her parents, and had the care of the house since the death of her mother, twelve years ago. During his illness, in a state of feebleness, the Judge made a will, which cuts off three of his children with a slight inheritance. Only Mrs. Hadley knew of its contents at the time of its making. One of the original drafts is in the hands of Mr. Nelson, a lawyer in Paterson, and this came from the hands of Mrs. Hadley.

The will itself is voluminous, and is typewritten. Mrs. Hadley and Mr. Nelson are made chief executors, with City Surveyor Colin S. Wise as an associate.

Before the Judge's death, it is charged by the aggrieved heirs, Mr. Nelson and Mrs. Hadley made efforts to get into the safe, which was under the sick man's bed and to which Mrs. Hadley had the combination. Miss Nettie, who had charge of the household, declared that only after her father's death would the safe be opened, as it contained the will and all the family papers, and that all the family should be present. This caused an open rupture between the two sisters, and Miss Nettie procured a heavy chain and put it around the safe and locked it with a padlock.

Judge Simmons died on June 16, and was buried on June 19. As soon as the funeral was over Miss Nettie unlocked the safe and allowed the lawyer to get the will. The family have gathered twice to hear the will read, but for some reason Mr. Nelson has not been present, sending word on both occasions that he was otherwise engaged.

It was learned to-day from a reliable source that Miss Nettie had been cut off with $300 a year and a small house, and that Mrs. Howe had not been well provided for. The bulk of the estate, it is said, will go to Margaret Gillen, Mrs. Hadley and her son.

Miss Simmons and Mrs. Howe have employed counsel, and will file a caveat against the probation of the will, on the grounds of undue influence on the part of Mrs. Hadley and Mr. Nelson. The reading of the will has been set for next Monday.

ACCOMMODATING OFFICIALS THESE.

JERSEY CITY'S NEW DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT PANDERS TO THE SALOON ELEMENT.

The liquor licenses in Jersey City will expire on July 1. Seven hundred and fifty licenses were granted last year, but thus far only 250 saloonkeepers have renewed their licenses, and there is a prospect of trouble ahead, as the police officials announced yesterday that every saloonkeeper selling liquor without a license on July 1 will be arrested and the place closed.

The saloonkeepers are being indulged this year by the new City Clerk and the Democratic Board of Aldermen. Last year the City Clerk compelled the applicants to deposit the license fee of $250 with the application, and the Aldermen held only their regular meetings. The present City Clerk does not require the fee to be paid until the license is granted, and the Board of Aldermen has decided to hold frequent meetings to accommodate the liquor-sellers.

SNEAK THIEVES IN HOBOKEN.

TWO HOUSES ROBBED OF A LARGE AMOUNT OF JEWELRY.

The Hoboken police reported yesterday that thieves entered the house of A. P. Hexamer, No. 215 Hudson-st., some time on Tuesday afternoon and stole fifteen pieces of jewelry, valued at $1,000, from a box in Mr. Hexamer's bureau drawer.

The stolen articles include one diamond horse-shoe pin, black stone in centre; one diamond ring, one large diamond stud, two small diamond studs, one gold pin, blue stone in centre, surrounded by small diamonds; four diamond collar buttons, one gold cuff button, with a red, white and blue stone, two pair silver link cuff buttons and two gold fob chains. Entrance to the house was effected by means of skeleton keys.

A second robbery was committed at No. 812 Hudson-st., the home of G. H. Richmond, on the same afternoon. Jewelry valued at $200 was stolen. The thieves overlooked $400 in cash, which was hidden in a bureau drawer. Members of the family were sitting on the front stoop at the time that the thieves were in the house.

MYSTERY IN THIS SUICIDE.

A NEW-YORK MAN IDENTIFIES THE DEAD MAN'S CLOTHING, BUT DECLINES TO REVEAL HIS NAME.

Long Branch, June 24 (Special).—Chief James Layton is unable to learn the name of the man whose clothes were found on the beach yesterday near the Elberon fishery. A. L. Starkweather, an employe of Otis Bros. & Co., No. 38 Park Row, New-York, who says he is a cousin of the missing man, was here to-day. He concealed the supposed suicide's name, declaring that the man's aged mother was extremely ill, and if she learned of his death it would kill her.

Starkweather learned of the man's disappearance yesterday. He received some papers and $30 in money, which was shipped by the United States Express Company at Elberon to New-York, on Monday. Upon receiving the package, Starkweather thought that something had befallen his relative, and he immediately started for Elberon. Learning that a man's outfit had been picked up along the shore, he hastened to the Elberon fish house and found that the clothing corresponded with that worn by his relative, who had shipped him the express package a few days before.

The missing man, according to his cousin's story, was forty-two years old. He was married and was the father of two children. He was collector for the Howard Book Concern, and left New-York on Monday to do some collecting at Long Branch and Asbury Park. Starkweather does not believe that his cousin committed suicide but he thinks that he went in bathing and was accidentally drowned. An outcry was heard between 9 and 10 o'clock Monday night by a member of the Elberon Fish Company, who did not make an investigation, thinking the noise was made by boys on the shore. The unknown man is a member of the Royal Arcanum in Brooklyn, holding membership in De Witt Clinton Council of that city.

NO FIRECRACKERS IN RED BANK.

Red Bank, June 24.—There is sorrow in the heart of the Red Bank small boy. The Glorious Fourth is close at hand, and it is to be observed in silence so far as the firecracker is concerned. The Fourth will come and go, and the small boy will not realize it, unless, perhaps, he is fortunate enough to buy a toy pistol and blow his fingers off, destroy his eyesight or do some other thing of that kind. The sorrow of the boy is caused by the edict that has gone forth from the authorities that not on the night preceding the Fourth, or on the Fourth, or the night of the Fourth, or any other night, shall firecrackers be exploded in the town. Five dollars fine or the same number of days in jail is the penalty for any one who may show his appreciation of the day by discharging a firecracker. All this quenching of enthusiasm comes because a year ago a man was injured by a cracker thrown into a crowd at Broad and Front sts. The rockets may soar and flower-pots and whatnot may send forth their colored fires, but without the cracker the small boy thinks there will be no Fourth of July.

A SERVANT ATTEMPTS SUICIDE.

Long Branch, June 24 (Special).—A servant girl in the employ of the West End Hotel, who is believed to be deranged, jumped from the jetty, opposite the West End cottages, into the sea this morning. One of the employes of the hotel rescued her with a rake. The woman, whose first name is Mary, attracted the attention of a number of cottagers to the beach by her loud screams for help.

SHE SHOT HIM AND HERSELF

A WOMAN KILLS HER LOVER AND COMMITS SUICIDE.

SHE FORTY-FIVE, HE ONLY THIRTY—HE HAD BOARDED WITH HER, AND HER HUSBAND DROVE THEM AWAY.

Junction, June 24 (Special).—A bloody tragedy occurred in the Junction House in this place at 6 o'clock this morning. Mrs. John Sutton, the housekeeper of the hotel, shot three bullets into the head of Martin Reed and then shot herself in the breast. The woman expired instantly and Reed died three hours later without regaining consciousness.

Prior to a few weeks ago Reed boarded at Mrs. Sutton's home in Califon. Mrs. Sutton's husband became jealous of them and drove them from the house. Mrs. Sutton came here and became the housekeeper for W. J. Iliff, the proprietor of the Junction House, while Reed went to Beattystown and secured employment in a sawmill. Last night Mrs. Sutton hired a carriage from a livery stable, and, securing a boy driver, went to Beattystown for Reed. She argued with him a long time before he consented to come. They arrived here at 11 o'clock and left the carriage at the livery stable. Then they took a walk, and returned to the hotel at about 11:45 o'clock. Mr. Iliff came down and opened the door for her, but did not see Reed. The latter evidently hid himself until Iliff returned to his room and then entered the house and went upstairs.

Shortly before 6 o'clock this morning Mrs. Sutton arose and prepared breakfast. She returned to her room a few moments later, and, securing Iliff's .32-calibre revolver from a bureau in an adjoining room, shot three times into the head of the sleeping man. Then she turned the weapon upon herself and shot into her breast. She dropped to the floor and expired instantly.

The proprietor of the hotel was working in the garden, and heard the pistol shots and heard the body of Mrs. Sutton fall to the floor. He rushed upstairs into the room, and was horrified upon realizing the awfulness of the crime. He saw that the woman's dress was afire, caused by the close proximity of the pistol at the time of the discharge, and he extinguished the blaze. Two bullets had entered Reed's right frontal bone, near the temple, and the other had penetrated his right ear. Dr. Servis could do nothing for him, and he died at 9 o'clock this morning.

Coroner Peter D. Rockefellow, of White House, came to this place on an early train and empanelled a jury, consisting of A. J. Reeves, foreman; P. E. Connolly, Charles Goble, Theodore Crater, Patrick O'Brien and Frederick Van Arsdale. They viewed the bodies and adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning, when they will listen to the evidence of the witnesses.

Reed was a worthless fellow, and passed most of his time with the woman. He was unmarried. Mrs. Sutton was the mother of eight children, and her husband is living. She was about forty-five years old and he was about thirty. The bodies were taken to Califon this afternoon, where the burials will take place.

CLOSE OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.

HOBOKEN HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT.

The twenty-fourth annual commencement of the Hoboken High School was held last night in the Lyric Theatre. There were thirty-five graduates, of whom twenty-two took the general course and thirteen the commercial course. Miss Lottie Farr was valedictorian, with a general average of 96.94-9, while Miss Lizzie Fagan, the salutatorian, attained the average of 96.83-9.

The graduates, members of the faculty, Commissioners of Public Instruction and other city officers sat on the stage. The programme follows:

March, "American Republic".....Thiele
Prayer.....Rev. William H. Jenvey
Music, selections from opera, "Jacinta".....Robyn
Salutatory (second honor).
Lilly C. Fagan.
Essay, "Young America".....Florence McGague
Music, dance characteristic.....Herman
Honorary essay, "Woman" (third honor).
Pauline Guisto.
Honorary essay, "Nobility of Character" (third honor).
Elizabeth Megill.
Music, Gavotte, "Duchess of Albany".....Aberaris
Essay, "Elements of Success".
Florence Slingerland.
Class History.....Agnes Scott
Music, "Narcissus".....Nevins
Class Prophecy.
Beatrice Van Zandt.
Valedictory, First Honor.
Lottie Farr.
Music, Medley of Popular Songs.....Beyer
Presentation of class for graduation.
C. J. Brower, Principal.
Awarding Diplomas.
Edward Ross, President of Committee of Public Instruction.
Awarding Alumni Medal to Miss Lizzie Fagan.
Dr. Frank Childs, President Alumni Association.
Awarding Principal's Medal to Miss Lottie Farr.
David E. Ayres, Superintending Principal.
Awarding Principal's Medal to Miss Lena Becker.
Dr. Frank Nichols, Chairman of Committee on Teachers' Salaries and School Government.
Music, Two-Step, "Anniversary".....Tobani

The graduates were:

General course—Lottie Farr, Lilly Fagan, Elizabeth Mehaffy, Pauline Guisto, Florence McGague, Elizabeth Houlanger, I. Loehle, Celia Egan, Elsie Oesterich, Eleanor Anderson, Louise Clinton, Beatrice Van Zandt, Lena Beckers, Clara Weub, Arethusa Perry, Agnes Scott, Nora Sullivan, Lena Conda, Margeretha Berger, Jennie Kerr, Nellie Gilligan, Hettie Butler.

Commercial course—Annie Hoermann, Adam Miller, Carrie Anzer, Anna Baumgartner, Fred Brandt, Kate Crater, Ada Stube, Lillian Brummerhof, Magda Clayton, Jennie Blake, Florence Hungerland, Daniel Breen, George Seymour.

SETON ACADEMY.

Orange, June 24 (Special).—The graduating exercises of Seton Academy were held yesterday in Columbus Hall, which was crowded to the doors by the parents and friends of the graduates. A long musical and literary programme was given, the salutatory essay by Miss Genevieve R. Foll being on "Dreams," and the valedictory by Miss Maude M. Everett being on "Music." An effective recitation by twelve girls in unison of Southey's "Crowning of the King by Joan of Arc," closed by an effective tableau of the coronation, Ralph O'Reilly impersonating the King and Miss Leta Dealy Joan of Arc. The address to the graduates was by the Rev. M. J. McDonald, assistant priest at St. John's Church, and he conferred a laurel wreath, gold medal and a diploma on the following graduates: Miss Genevieve R. Foll, Miss Maude M. Everett, Miss Charlotte A. Schmidt, Miss Mary Agnes Finneran and Miss Euphemia H. Bourne. The graduates held a reception on the stage at the close of the exercises.

PLAINFIELD HIGH SCHOOL.

Plainfield, June 24 (Special).—A class of twenty-three will be graduated from the Plainfield High School this year. The commencement exercises will be held in the Plainfield Opera House to-morrow evening. Plainfield has long been famous for her excellent schools, and the graduates from the Plainfield High School are received by many of the colleges without taking any entrance examinations.

Since the Class of '95 was graduated, the studies at the High School have been arranged in three courses—general, classical and English or scientific. The names of those who will be graduated are: General course, Julia Francoise Bourgeois, Clyde Barrington Burnett, Elizabeth Mott Cadoone, Annie Larue Carle, Ida Hamilton Clark, Frank Wilbur Cornwell, Charles Marvin Dolliver, Felix Layat, Mary Grace Steiner, Mildred Titsworth; classical course, Fred Chester Gaskill, Charles Anthony Squires, Fred Squires; English course, Florence May Bowman, Raymond Barnes Carroll, James Hazlewood Craig, Henry Eggerling, Mary Scott Hull, Harriet Isabel King, Minnie Viola Mitchell, Grace Eiling Overton, Alden Wagoner and Marion Alice Maynard.

There are always some pupils that stand especially high, and those have been termed the "honor pupils." They are: First honor, Clyde Barrington Burnett, Frank Wilbur Cornwell and Fred Chester Gaskill; second honor, Julia Francoise Bourgeois, Florence May Bowman, Elizabeth Mott Cadoone, Charles Marvin Dolliver, Henry Eggerling, Fred Squires, Mary Grace Steiner and Mildred Titsworth. The highest honors that can be given are the awarding of the valedictory and salutatory. The class was allowed to select the valedictorian and salutatorian from among the first-honor pupils. Frank Wilbur Cornwell was chosen for the former and Fred Chester Gaskill for the latter. The motto of the class is "Non praestantia sine labore."

HACKENSACK HIGH SCHOOL.

Hackensack, June 24 (Special).—The Hackensack High School had its first commencement this evening, the exercises being held in the Opera House, where a large audience assembled to cheer the graduates. Those whose names appeared on the programme were: Georgette E. Kiel, Jessie L. Morrison, Vida Myers, Muriel G. Ferguson, William D. Burdette, Jessie L. Morrison, Walter Taylor, Florence Hawkey and Edna B. Cole. The presentation of diplomas was made by Milton Demarest and an address was delivered by the Rev. Dr. W. W. Holley.

Although the school has been established but one year, it has gained great public favor, and the Board of Education has not only added another teacher to meet the increase by graduation from the four grammar schools, but has increased the salaries of all the teachers. The grammar schools will have their exercises in the Opera House at 10 o'clock Friday morning, graduating fifty-eight pupils. County Superintendent John Terhune will address them.

NO CONSPIRACY.

A sensational story was published in a Jersey City evening paper yesterday that the Consolidated Traction Company's managers had discovered that the conductors and some starters had entered into a conspiracy to defraud the company; that a conductor, one of the leading conspirators, had fled, and a starter had resigned and many arrests would be made. Mr. Young, the manager, said that there is not a vestige of truth in the story.

MARRIED IN BICYCLE SUITS.

GUESTS, MINISTER AND EVERYBODY DRESSED ACCORDINGLY, AND THE BRIDAL TOUR TO BE ON WHEELS.

Trenton, June 24 (Special).—There was a wedding here to-day at which the bride, bridegroom, minister, bridesmaid, best man and guests were dressed in bicycle costumes. The bridegroom was Harry E. Stahl, son of Colonel E. C. Stahl, Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic for New-Jersey, and a member of the firm of Stahl & Thomlinson, bicycle manufacturers, and the bride was Miss Nettie C. Morris, a well-known public school teacher. The Rev. George H. Ingram, pastor of the Warren Street Presbyterian Church, performed the ceremony. Mrs. Hope V. White, sister of the bridegroom, acted as bridesmaid, and James Morris, brother of the bride, acted as best man.

The young couple and the dominie stood leaning against their bicycles while the ceremony was performed. The bride wore a steel gray bicycle suit, short skirt and steel-colored leggings, and the bridegroom was fitted out in bloomers. There were about a score of guests present, all wearing their best Sunday bicycle suits. It was the intention of the young couple to have been married in the suburbs, where they first met on their wheels, under an apple tree, but the heavy rain made a change in the programme necessary. Mr. and Mrs. Stahl started for Niagara in their bicycle costumes, taking their wheels with them. They expect to make a tour of New-York State and will travel awheel in clear weather.

A TRILBY SOCIAL.

YOUNG MEN BID ON ANONYMOUS ANKLES FOR THE BENEFIT OF A CHURCH FUND.

New-Brunswick, June 24 (Special).—A Trilby social, with pretty feet and graceful ankles, proved an attraction which netted a large sum of money for the treasury of the Olive Branch Society of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, in New-Brunswick, last evening. The entertainment was held in the church chapel. A curtain, which fell to within eight inches of the floor, stretched across the platform. Charles B. Wright, auctioneer, announced the character and plan of the social to an assembly of impatient young men occupying the front seats. Bids were to be received from one to 25 cents upon the feet of young women who would appear in groups of three behind the curtain. The successful bidders were to take their bargains to supper.

A flutter of skirts, and three pairs of dainty slippers and just a glimpse of silken hose and lingerie were exposed to the bidders. A half dozen young men all bid the limit on a pair of russet slippers. The auctioneer, unable to decide, led out a blushing blond to her many admirers and she was allowed to select her companion at supper, amid the envious glances of the less favored young men with quarters to burn.

One end of the curtain hung a little higher than the other and a rush of impetuous bidders to that side of the room was frustrated by the auctioneer, who stood the girls on the other side. Some purchasers secured two or three girls and then resold them at private sale, thus further filling the coffers of the society. All the ankles brought the limit.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

THE REVOLUTIONARY MEMORIAL SOCIETY OF OF NEW-JERSEY FULLY ORGANIZED.

"The Revolutionary Memorial Society of New-Jersey," which was recently incorporated to acquire and preserve the old Berrien mansion, at Rocky Hill, near Princeton, which served as Washington's headquarters toward the close of the Revolutionary War, met for organization yesterday in the Prudential Building, Newark. There are twenty-four incorporators of the new society, which is the successor of "The Association to Preserve Washington's Headquarters at Rocky Hill." The following officers were elected: President, Richard F. Stevens, of South Orange; vice-presidents, Mrs. Joseph A. T. Swan, of Princeton, and Mrs. Margaret C. Hodenpyl, of Summit; treasurer, Ernest E. Coe, of Newark; corresponding secretary, William Pennington, of Newark; recording secretary, Francis B. Lee, of Newark. The society has been formed under the auspices of the various historical and patriotic orders in New-Jersey, and no genealogical qualification is necessary for membership. The object is to preserve all sites that belong to the Revolutionary history of New-Jersey.

IT WAS A MURDER, SHE SAYS.

MRS. MARY WAHL, WHOSE HUSBAND'S BODY WAS FOUND IN THE HUDSON, SCOUTS THE IDEA OF SUICIDE.

Mrs. Mary Wahl, a German widow with six children, living at No. 310 First-st., Jersey City, made inquiries at Police Headquarters and the Morgue in Hoboken yesterday concerning articles found upon the body of her husband, Joseph Wahl, who was drowned in the Hudson River on May 2 last.

Mrs. Wahl caused the body to be disinterred two days after it had been buried, and identified it. She says that she had not lived with the man for four years prior to his death, but she was positive that he had a gold watch at the time he met his fate. Neither the police nor the Coroner had seen anything of it. Mrs. Wahl said that a bartender's cloth was found tightly twisted around her husband's neck when the body was taken from the river. She was convinced that he had met foul play. She said that she believed the authorities ought to have investigated. As the body was found within the limits of Jersey City, the widow was referred to the police of that city.

A BOY, A MAN AND A BICYCLE.

THE THREE CAME TOGETHER WITH BAD RESULTS FOR THE FIRST.

Charles Welte, fourteen years old, living in Pierce-ave., West New-York, was amusing himself in an effort to catch millers in the rays of an electric light on the Hudson Boulevard on Tuesday night, when Mino Narco, of Union Hill, who was riding a wheel, ran him down. The bicyclist, wheel and boy fell in a heap.

Young Welte's skull was fractured and his left arm was broken. He was removed to St. Mary's Hospital in Hoboken. He is not expected to live.

AN OBLIGING JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

HE RISES FROM HIS BED AT MIDNIGHT TO MARRY A RUNAWAY COUPLE.

Justice of the Peace Seymour, of No. 205 Park-ave., Hoboken, was aroused from his slumbers just before midnight on Tuesday by a violent ringing of his door bell. He was asked by a young man if he was willing to perform a marriage ceremony, and he laughingly said he would.

The contracting parties stepped from a coach and were united within ten minutes. They described themselves as Alce Fay, of No. 28 Second-ave., and Leonard Richards, a printer, and next door neighbor. The bride confided to the Justice that her parents did not know that she was being married. She said that they were opposed to the match.

CUBAN-AMERICAN CARNIVAL.

A FAIR TO BE HELD ON THE WAVERLY GROUNDS BEGINNING JULY 4.

Jerseymen have a warm corner in their hearts for the patriots who are staking their lives for liberty in Cuba. They propose to give a practical manifestation of their sympathy by holding a carnival on the Waverly Fair Grounds, between Newark and Elizabeth, from July 4 to 8. The Fourth is to be "military day," and a special appeal is made to the soldiers of the National Guards of New-York and New-Jersey to take part, because the profits of the carnival are for the Red Cross work in Cuba. The day's exercises include a parade through Newark and manoeuvres and a sham battle on the Fair Grounds and the ascension of war balloons. All armed and uniformed military organizations outside of the National Guards are cordially invited, and all soldiers in uniform will be admitted free on that day. Captain Effingham Lawrence is the military director of the carnival, and can be addressed in care of the Cuban-American Carnival.

Monday, July 7, is to be "bicycle day." The attractions will include a parade of bicyclists, starting at 11 o'clock a. m. from the Pennsylvania Railroad ferry, in Jersey City, through Jersey City by the plank road to Newark, through Newark to the Fair Grounds. There will be six amateur and two professional races and exhibitions of fancy and trick riding, besides ascensions of war balloons and other attractions. The chairman of the Committee on Bicycling is Rennie L. Smith, in care of the Carnival Committee, Newark.

"Trotting day" is Tuesday, July 7. There will be a 2:28 trot for a purse of $200; 2:40 trot and pace, purse $200, and a match race between Bert Sheldon, 2:16¼, and Carrie W., record 2:18¼. National Association rules to govern. Entries close on July 3 with B. J. Jennings, care of the Cuban-American Carnival, Newark. There will also be athletic sports and ascensions for the general public.

THE DANGERS OF SCORCHING.

TWO NEW-JERSEY CYCLISTS NARROWLY ESCAPE DEATH.

ONE WAS RACING WITH A TRAIN, WHILE THE OTHER WAS PRACTISING FOR A RACE—BOTH RIDE INTO RIVERS AND ARE NEARLY DROWNED.

Charles A. Storms, a travelling agent for one of the Western freight lines, met with a serious accident while riding his bicycle last evening.

Storms was riding along Mill-st., in that part of Belleville known as Soho, when the whistle of a train on the Greenwood Lake Railroad, which crosses Mill-st., was heard. Alongside the tracks, and leading from the street is a private lane, and Storms turned up this, supposing it to be a road, and with the intention of having a brush with the train. The lane, however, ends abruptly a short distance beyond at the edge of the high bank of Second River, which runs nearly thirty feet below.

The wheelman put on all possible speed to beat the train, which did not stop at the Soho station. He was bending over the handle bars intent upon holding his own, when he came to the end of the lane. Storms was unable to jump off or to turn to one side, but, together with his wheel, fell over the bank into the river below.

He landed on a shoal of soft mud. Fortunately, the water was shallow, as Storms was so injured that he could not move for some time, and had there been any amount of water in the stream he must certainly have been drowned. His faint cries for assistance were heard by Peter Daily, of Soho, who scrambled down the rocky bank to the unfortunate wheelman's aid. With considerable trouble Storms was hauled out of the mud and conveyed to his home. He suffered a sprained ankle and a fractured collarbone. The bicycle was completely wrecked. Storms lives in Chicago and is visiting at the home of J. F. Matthews, of John-st.

Egg Harbor City, June 24 (Special).—While taking his usual ten-mile spin this morning, Lawrence Engelhard, a well-known wheelman, narrowly escaped meeting his death.

As he rode over the Gloucester Landing bridge at Tenth-st. at a rapid gait he suddenly struck a pole which was lying across the bridge, throwing him from his bicycle against the bridge. The compact stunned the cyclist. He rolled over into the Mullica River. William Mischlick, his trainer, followed close in the rear and immediately dived into the river to rescue him. After a desperate struggle he succeeded in landing the drowning man safe ashore.

After treatment Engelhard recovered sufficiently to be sent home. His only injury is a badly bruised hand.

INTOXICATION NO EXCUSE.

A UNION HILL MAN CONVICTED OF BIGAMY IN THE HUDSON COUNTY COURTS.

Arnold Wedemeyer, of Union Hill, was convicted of bigamy yesterday in the Hudson County Court of Sessions. He married Mary Kneise in New-York on June 1, 1885. The ceremony was performed by the late Rev. Mr. Fuchs, who was pastor of the German Reformed Church, at Ninth-ave. and Fiftieth-st. The honeymoon was brief. The couple separated in a few months because Wedemeyer could not support her. Wedemeyer was then a youth of nineteen years.

Wedemeyer began paying attention to Miss Marie Schley, of Union Hill. Her relatives knew of his previous union and warned her, but he told her that the other woman had no claim and she believed him. They were secretly married on May 17 at the house of the Rev. Louis Wahlen, pastor of the German Methodist Episcopal Church, in Hoboken. Miss Schley's sister Annie witnessed the ceremony and was pledged to secrecy. She told her brother, who found Schley's first wife, and then his sister was influenced to make the complaint.

The defence was that Wedemeyer was a youth and drunk when the first marriage occurred, and the contract was consequently illegal, so a lawyer, he said, had informed him. The jury was out only a few minutes.

Miss Schley's sister Carrie committed suicide a few days ago by taking carbolic acid. She was despondent because all the members of the family save Marie, were idle.

MEDICAL SOCIETY ADJOURNS.

OLDER PHYSICIANS SKEPTICAL AS TO THE MERITS OF NEW REMEDIES—OFFICERS ELECTED.

Asbury Park, June 24 (Special).—The Medical Society of New-Jersey ended its session to-day. There were nearly 200 physicians present. At the morning session there was a lively discussion upon the subject: "Is the therapy of antitoxin serum, nuclein solution and typhoid extracts so fully established as to receive the indorsement of the profession?" The younger physicians present indorsed the new treatment for diphtheria, consumption and typhoid fever, while the old doctors were skeptical as to their efficacy.

The new officers elected are: President, F. J. Smith, of Bridgeton; first vice-president, D. C. English, of New-Brunswick; second vice-president, C. R. Fisher, of Bound Brook; third vice-president, Luther M. Halsey, of Newark; corresponding secretary, E. L. B. Godfrey, of Camden; recording secretary, William Pierson, of Orange; treasurer, Archibald Mercer, of Newark. The next annual meeting will be held at Atlantic City in June.

TOO MANY SALOONS IN HOBOKEN.

The Hoboken Common Council, at a meeting last night, adopted a resolution that hereafter no more saloon licenses shall be granted. There are now 350 saloons in Hoboken, which, according to the resolution, is excessive. The City Clerk was directed to refuse any more applications for licenses.

An ordinance was also passed making only citizens of the United States, who have lived in Hoboken at least one year eligible to become licensed saloonkeepers.

A BICYCLE CAMPAIGN.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Paterson, with its hundred thousand people, is certainly getting up to date. Aspirants for earthly glory are turning their hopeful eyes to this loved spot, with firm intent to locate here. Nestling in a depression, the semi-circular hills, like a protecting arm around it, stay the fury of the storms from the west and south, and the citizens of this no mean city read about the tornadoes around it and the lightning that kills in the metropolis and other suburban places. But political lightning is of another quality, and when it strikes the earth blooms and the people rejoice and are exceedingly glad. The time is not far distant when New-Jersey will be principally in Paterson and the Greater New-York will merge into the Greater Paterson. The foci and arci of Governor Griggs are here, and the foci and arci of Vice-President Hobart are here, and will remain here. Possibilities for all places of honor and emolument are here. Paterson is also a place of ideas; nay, it is the reposing spot of genius; known heretofore throughout this great country only with the prefix of "Billy," it has suddenly been thrust into the vanguard and proceeds to illustrate its pre-eminence. A humble attorney, as yet obscure, has evolved from his inner consciousness a political club, known as "The Stewart Flying Legion."

Let me particularize. It is to be composed of good bicycle-riders, already 100 strong and only twenty-four hours old. There is to be no expense attached to membership. The trained orators of the vicinage are members; the siren-singers of the town make up its glee club. It bears the sibilant name of the Congressman from this district, and its immediate purpose is to aid and abet his cause. It will also further and develop the Hobart and McKinley boom. It meets next Saturday upon the corner of two Paterson streets, and will proceed to some place in the Congress district to hold a meeting and proclaim the glad tidings. The orators will orate and the glee club will sing. Campaign literature will be distributed, and the Flying Legion will hurry on. Each member will have the principal plank of the Republican platform across his breast in the shape of a golden-hued ribbon or sash.

American wheels will be ridden to proclaim the principle of protection. Loose trousers will be worn to announce that the new woman is at hand. And why should not the doors of the Stewart Flying Legion be opened to the new or the old woman? Let her come. Welcome her with open arms (with certain physical provisos).

The Stewart Flying Legion means the certain renomination and election of our genial and eloquent Congressman, although he can't ride a wheel and must learn to keep up with his flying legion. It means crushing majorities for the side that does the most wheeling on the best platform. Let the imagination take a wing or two. This Presidential campaign will be a bicycle campaign. The season of the year is propitious. From the unsalted seas to the gleaming Gulf, from the tempestuous Atlantic to the placid Pacific, the great country will wheel to and from the political gatherings. "The Slaughter-Dam Foghorn" will not announce next day that there was a sprinkling of ladies present, but that the hall was packed with ladies and gentlemen, all dressed alike; that the speeches were fine and the singing up to concert pitch. Orators, singers (male and female), audience, all will go to the chosen spot, and no one will be disappointed. No hurry to get home, no trains to wait for, no slow horses to be fed and reharnessed. No bills to pay. A new use for the silent steed. The Salvation Army in politics. The country awakened and informed.

This is a Republican idea, and the Republicans will take advantage of it, and our friends, the enemy, will be rout