NEW-JERSEY NEWS

Foster M. Voorhees's willingness to accept a renomination for Senator in Union County is good for the Republican party and the State of New-Jersey, but bad for Voorhees. His best friends know that he desires nothing better now than to devote all his time to the law. But it has been represented to him that at a time like this he cannot be allowed to retire, and he has put his own feelings in the background.

'Tis well that the Supreme Court has so gracefully yielded to the general desire for a decision in the Lay Judges case. As was generally expected, the Court upholds the law under which the "wooden" Judges were ousted from office. An appeal will now be taken to the Court of Errors, but there is no likelihood of a reversal of the judgment.

News manufacturers have been busy this week in New-Jersey, especially in and around New-Brunswick and Morristown.

The Bryanite Convention in Trenton on September 9 is certain to be a lively and interesting gathering.

Ernest R. Ackerman, one of the Republican Presidential electors, has shattered the fallacious notion that by adopting a free-silver policy this country can get along independently of England and English bankers. As Mr. Ackerman points out, the value of silver bullion is governed by the market price in London, which varies constantly. Mr. Ackerman was in Japan at the time when it was rumored that China's conqueror might become involved in war with Russia, and in a week's time the value of the Japanese silver dollar fluctuated 10 per cent. Furthermore, Mr. Ackerman says:

Since the great decline in silver has taken place in Japan, prices for farm produce and merchandise, except during the war, have not risen, but have remained about stationary, because of the increased supply; but the price for everything that is purchased outside of Japan in a gold-standard country has risen to almost double. Hotel proprietors and those who are forced to buy those articles that are necessary to the conducting of their business and which are not produced in Japan have to pay double now to what they did before the great decline took place, and yet the hotel proprietors dare not raise the price of their rooms on account of competition. The proprietor of the Grand Hotel in Yokohama told me himself that he was making less per day since silver had declined than before its fall.

Colonel E. L. Price, City Counsel of Newark, has advised the Board of Works that it has no authority to pass an ordinance regulating the trolley fares. Perhaps the Colonel is right. If the Colonel's interpretation of the law is correct the Legislature should be called upon to pass an act enlarging the powers of municipalities in this respect.

Tramps are ignoring Rahway again since the revival of the ball-and-chain treatment.

Next Tuesday the annual convention of the Liquor Dealers' Protective League of New-Jersey will be held in Newark. The dealers propose to ask for legislation that will enable them to conduct their business without being subject to blackmail by politicians. They might accomplish that by obeying the laws.

The Rev. Julius Feicke has returned to the pulpit. Feicke abandoned the ministry because the compensation did not suit him, and he opened a saloon in Hoboken. So long as the dimes and nickels rolled in Feicke was pleased with his new occupation. It was all a matter of money with him, and as selling beer paid better than preaching the Gospel he continued to sell beer. To the remonstrances of his former associates in the ministry he paid no heed, and they suspended him. That caused no worry to him, however, because, as he explained, saloon-keeping was an easier and more profitable job than teaching morality. But the notoriety which first brought business to Feicke soon died out, and the receipts gradually fell off. Feicke finally discovered that the business was hardly paying. Then he concluded to return to the Church. He was received with open arms and is said to have taken charge of a congregation in Philadelphia. Feicke is not much to blame. His idea of life is to get into an easy job that pays well, but those who are responsible for his readmission to the ministry have something to answer for. At any rate, it is some consolation that he is no longer a resident of New-Jersey. The clergymen of this State, taken as a whole, are as hard-working and self-sacrificing a body as can be found anywhere in the country. Hundreds of them receive no more salary than Feicke did, and yet no financial temptation could lure them away from a calling to which they have consecrated their lives.

HORSEMEN NEATLY SWINDLED.

A PRETENDED PURCHASER INDUCES THEM TO CASH WORTHLESS CHECKS.

Eatontown, Aug. 28 (Special).—Lucius Appleby and Jeter Walden, well-known racing men, were neatly swindled recently by a young man named Farrell.

Farrell said that he came from Kentucky, and that he was behind a syndicate that has $60,000 to expend in purchasing race horses. He did not remain long here before he sought Mr. Appleby, who sold him a two-year-old horse for $700. Farrell then visited Walden's place with Appleby. After viewing his stock, he picked out a fine-looking colt, agreeing to pay $800 for it.

It was late in the afternoon before Farrell made his last purchase. He intended to go to Red Bank, he said, to get a check cashed. He persuaded Walden to cash a check for $30, and Appleby, too, cashed a check for a similar amount.

Farrell was to return the next day to settle the transaction, but he failed to return. The checks are still held by Appleby and Walden, the horses are here, and Appleby and Walden are wiser men than they were a week ago.

NO MONEY FOR HIS DEAD DOG.

A GUTTENBURG BUTCHER'S SUIT FOR DAMAGES PROVES TO BE A BOOMERANG.

John J. Daley, a saloonkeeper of Guttenburg, has recovered $50 damages from John Jobst, a butcher of the same place.

The men live in adjoining yards. Jobst had a dog which he kept tied in his yard, and some weeks ago a five year-old son of Daley climbed across the dividing fence and tried to play with the dog. The dog fastened his teeth in the boy's leg. Daley went before Justice Stuke and obtained a warrant for the death of the dog, and the dog was shot. Then Jobst sued Daley and Justice Stuke for the value of the dog and damages, alleging that as the dog was tied up when he bit the boy he should not have been shot. The butcher was defeated.

Then Daley brought suit against Jobst for damages, on the ground of the boy's injuries. The case was tried before Justice Fornoff, and Daley received a verdict of $50. Jobst gave notice of appeal.

A FATAL BICYCLE ACCIDENT.

Charles Stack, twelve years old, who lived with his mother, Mrs. Mary Stack, at No. 33 Oriental Terrace, Newark, died late on Thursday night from a fractured skull, caused by a collision of his bicycle with a wagon. On Thursday at noon the boy was riding his bicycle at Broad and Gouverneur sts. at a rapid rate when he dashed into a milk wagon which had turned into Broad-st. The boy was thrown over the handle bars and his head struck the curb. The milkman was blameless in the matter, as he was stopping his horse when the collision occurred.

HE SINGS TO HIS VICTIMS.

A communication was received yesterday at the headquarters of the American Volunteers in Newark from I. G. Hallimond, secretary to Ballington Booth, to the effect that a young man has been fleecing people in various towns of the State by representing himself to be a collector for the Volunteers. Last week in Orange, it is said, he fleeced people out of about $75. He represents that he has been sent from the National headquarters in New-York, and treats the contributors to a song service.

THE LAW CONSTITUTIONAL.

ABOLITION OF LAY JUDGES UPHELD BY THE SUPREME COURT BRANCH.

MEMORANDUM FILED BY JUSTICE DEPUE TO ENABLE AN APPEAL TO BE TAKEN—THE OPINION TO COME LATER.

Trenton, Aug. 28 (Special).—Justice Depue, on behalf of the branch of the Supreme Court, today filed a memorandum declaring constitutional the Voorhees act of 1896 abolishing the lay judge system of the County Courts. The memorandum merely states the conclusion arrived at by the branch court, and promises to file an opinion later. The object of filing the memorandum in vacation is to give counsel an opportunity to prepare in case they are desirous of carrying the question at issue to the court of last resort. It is more than probable that an appeal will be taken in the case. Should this be done the case will be argued at the November term in the State House.

The Voorhees act legislated out of office on April 1 last about forty lay judges who collectively were drawing annually from the twenty-one counties of the State about $80,000. The law was the outcome of the Voorhees County Judiciary act of 1895, which sought to abolish the lay judge element of the cumbersome and obsolete county judiciary, by abolishing the entire County Court, and re-establishing the law judge and constituting him the entire court. This law was passed after an exciting all-night session, and was finally declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

A STATUTORY CREATION.

The decision declaring the 1895 act unconstitutional was dissented to by Justice Magie, who held that the lay judge was simply a statutory and not a constitutional creation, and that the Legislature had undoubted power to abolish the office. The act of 1896, which accomplishes exactly what was sought in 1895—the abolition of the lay judges—was drafted on the lines suggested by Justice Magie's dissenting opinion.

As soon as the Voorhees act was passed last winter the lay judges of the State, loath to lose their official heads, formed the "Lay Judges' Protective Association," and proposed to test the constitutionality of the law. The Hudson County Court was decided upon as one of the places where the lay judge should demand the right to occupy the bench, and thereby bring about a test case. Accordingly Lay Judge John Kenny insisted upon exercising the right of a judge, and Law Judge R. S. Hudspeth refused to recognize him. The lay judge then applied for a writ of mandamus directing Judge Hudspeth to show by what right he refused to recognize the claims of Lay Judge Kenny, and it was upon the argument on this writ that the whole question of the constitutionality of the act came before the Supreme Court.

The argument was heard by Justices Depue, Van Syckle and Gummere, Allan L. McDermott appearing for the lay judges of the State and Counsellor Frank Bergen, of Elizabeth, a personal friend of Senator Voorhees, arguing in favor of the constitutionality of the law.

For many years the people of the several counties of New-Jersey have been clamoring for the abolition of the useless and expensive "wooden" judges, as the lay judges came to be known. The office was looked upon as a reward for political services of a practical character, and to the politicians the lay judge was the "approachable end" of the court.

THE OFFICE AN OLD ONE.

The Lay Judges contend that their right to continuance is based upon the antiquity of the office, it having been created in the seventeenth century. Lay Judges existed both in East Jersey and West Jersey. In 1702 Queen Anne's instruction, after both provinces were surrendered to the Crown, was that the Governor and Council should hear and decide all appeals.

The members of the Council were appointed and were always laymen. They not only governed, but heard all cases requiring the administration of justice. This arrangement continued. Even in 1776, after the Declaration of Independence was made and the State government was formed, the Provincial Congress made no change.

In 1844 there was a change. The Chancellor took the place of the Governor and the Judges of the Supreme Court were made Judges of the Court of Errors. Six other Judges were made the Council. The general feeling at the time was to make the entire Council to consist of men trained in the law. The weakness of Lay Judges was then fully understood and declaimed against. Some in the Constitutional Convention, however, favored the Lay Judges because of their counteracting influence in tempering the rigor of the other Judges, while shrewd lawyers argued for the Lay Judges because they knew that without legal knowledge they could be easily persuaded.

The Constitution, as rearranged and reconstructed in 1884, does not designate that the Council shall be laymen, but the traditions were such, and it has been hard to break away from them, particularly as since then the forty Lay Judges distributed throughout the State have exerted tremendous influence to retain their places every time the subject of their abolition was up for consideration.

The Common Pleas Court was always a County Court, and was established as early as 1701. The Judges of this were also laymen, by consent, for the statutes do not say whether they shall be lawyers or not. In the early days, when leading questions came up, too knotty for the logic of the laymen, they had the privilege of transmitting the briefs to this city for the opinion of a Judge trained in the law.

The presiding Judge, such as prevails now throughout the State, is a latter-day innovation. The necessity of having some law on the bench caused a pressure to be brought to bear on the Legislature, and the trained lawyer was provided.

The Lay Judge long ago became more ornamental than useful. All legal questions have long been decided by the Law Judge, and the Lay Judge naturally concurs.

THEY WILL APPEAL.

Lay Judges Herman Schalk and Michael J. Ledwith, of Essex County, who were ousted from office by the law of 1896, which the Supreme Court yesterday declared constitutional, have retained counsel and will carry their case to the Court of Errors and Appeals. The term of Schalk extends to 1899 and that of Ledwith expires next year.

DECLINED TO GO ON EXHIBITION.

A BRIDE'S NERVOUSNESS CAUSES A VARIATION IN THE WEDDING PROGRAMME.

Rahway, Aug. 28.—The marriage of Miss Deberth Hopson, of this city, and Irvington W. Bohenberger, of Academy-st., Newark, was solemnized at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. Warburton, No. 46 Main-st., by the Rev. Jacob Fry, pastor of the German Presbyterian Church, last night. The ceremony was to have taken place at the church, but the crowd of persons who had gathered in front of the building to see the bridal couple was so large when the contracting parties arrived, that the bride became unnerved and refused to leave the carriage to put herself on exhibition.

A reception followed the ceremony. The bridesmaids were Misses Fannie Wilmot and Rose Holland, of this city, and the best men were Robert Crickenberger and Victor Stabley, of Newark.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FILED.

Trenton, Aug. 28.—Articles of incorporation of the United States Guide and Information Company have been filed with the Secretary of State. The authorized capital stock is $1,000,000. The incorporators are as follows: William L. Hoffman, Jersey City; John J. Toffey, Jersey City; David S. Crater, Freehold; Richard B. Reading, Lambertville; Lawrence S. Mott, Newark; ex-Judge Alfred H. Dayton, Jersey City; E. H. Holcombe, Lambertville; Edward J. Anderson, Somerville; John W. Queen, Jersey City; Horace L. Allen, Jersey City; Alfred Skinner, Newark; Louis T. Derousse, Camden; Foster M. Voorhees, Elizabeth; George B. Swain, Newark; W. S. Hancock, Trenton; Homer Lee, New-York; Charles B. Thurston, Jersey City; Edward T. Paxton, Hoboken; James H. O'Neill, Jersey City; George B. Fielder, Jersey City; David B. Lawrence, Jersey City; Allan L. McDermott, Jersey City; Howard A. Harvey, Orange, and William H. Speer, jr., Jersey City.

THRONGS AT OCEAN GROVE.

INTEREST IN THE CAMP-MEETING CONTINUES.

THREE THOUSAND PEOPLE ATTEND THE CLOSING PREACHING SERVICE OF THE DAY.

Ocean Grove, Aug. 28 (Special).—Thousands took part in the various meetings held to-day on the camp grounds and expressed their pleasure and satisfaction in the success of the annual gathering. At 5:45 o'clock, in the early quiet of the morn, the consecration service, led by the Rev. Robert J. Andrews, was held in the Tabernacle. The Rev. Dr. Jewell, of Baltimore, and Lizzie Sharp and Amanda Smith, the evangelists, made brief addresses and contributed to the helpfulness of the hour. The devotional exercises at 6:45 were led by the Rev. J. R. Daniels.

The three 9 o'clock meetings brought together large congregations. The "helping hand" meeting was in charge of the Rev. William Franklin. The holiness meeting was conducted by the Rev. J. R. Daniels. The young converts met in the temple and heard Mr. Yatman discourse on the topic of "Christian Work."

The preaching service at 10:30 a. m. was the magnet that attracted an audience of 2,500 people. The Rev. Dr. Barnes, of Plainfield, N. J., offered the opening prayer. At the preliminary praise service Mrs. Carr and Professor Sweeney sang a duet, "Where the Flowers of Eden Bloom." The preacher, the Rev. Dr. J. B. Graw, of Trenton, announced as his text, Hebrews ii. 6-9. He said:

In these words we are led to realize the great regard and wonderful love of God for man. We here learn, first, how God originally created man in "His own image." We next see the low, miserable, wretched condition into which sin hurled him; and lastly, we gain a faint indication of His infinite love as shown in the gift of Christ Jesus, His Son, and the wonderful work of redemption.

Dr. Graw dwelt at length upon the glory and honor of man and the glory and honor of Christ, contrasting the two, and pointing out the great gulf of difference that lies between the finite glory of man and the infinite glory of God. Christ's suffering and death and their pertinence to man's salvation were glowingly described.

Mrs. Lizzie Smith's meeting at 1:30 p. m. was held in the Temple. Besides Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Margaret Bottome, the president of the King's Daughters, and her sister, Mrs. Carrie MacDonald, of Hillsboro, Ohio, spoke from the platform.

At 3 p. m. the afternoon preaching service was attended by an audience of 2,000 people. The sermon, an orthodox appeal to the unsaved, was preached by the Rev. W. H. Morgan, of Mendham, N. J.

Mrs. Grace Weiser-Davis conducted an interesting children's service at 4:30 and the vesper service was led by the Rev. Charles H. Yatman.

There were 3,000 present at the final preaching service. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. W. C. D. Mason, of New-York, secretary of the Freedman's Aid Society. The after-meeting, conducted by Mr. Yatman, brought a score of penitents to the altar and a number professed conversion.

To-morrow's preachers will be: Morning, the Rev. Dr. B. B. Hamlin, of the Central Pennsylvania Conference; afternoon, the Rev. Frank Moore, of Spring Lake; evening, the Rev. Dr. L. W. Munhall, of Germantown.

NEARLY DROWNED THE BOY.

A HOBOKEN SALOONKEEPER ACCUSED OF AN EXTREMELY BRUTAL ACT.

C. Julius Fahdt, a German saloonkeeper at Park-ave and Ferry-st., was arrested yesterday on a warrant obtained by Mrs. Fanny Bowler, of No. 57 Park-ave., who averred that the man "ducked" her four-year-old son, Henry, in a horse trough.

The little fellow, it is said, annoyed the saloonkeeper, who held him in the water until the child was almost unconscious. Fahdt took refuge in his saloon and escaped from the neighbors, who were much provoked at his brutality. Fahdt once kept a saloon on River-st., and has been arrested several times for beating obstreperous customers with a big club.

SAYS IT IS A FORGERY.

A WEST HOBOKEN SALOONKEEPER DENIES THE SIGNATURE TO A LICENSE APPLICATION.

The Central Liquor Dealers' Association has retained William D. Daly, of Hoboken, to find out who is responsible for the alleged forgery in connection with the application for the transfer of a saloon license in the town of West Hoboken.

Frank Marak kept a saloon at No. 221 Spring-st., but was foreclosed under a mortgage, and again set up in business at No. 524 Ann-st. He filed with the Town Clerk an application for the transfer of the license, but Beadleston & Woerz, brewers, protested, on the ground that they had originally paid the license fee for this saloon. The brewing company soon afterward made application to have the same license transferred to A. C. A. Nolte. The papers included a document purporting to be signed by Marak, to the effect that he sanctioned the transfer. The Town Council gave Nolte the license, and now Marak declares that his signature was a forgery.

Senator Daly says that he will lay the matter before the Grand Jury.

RISING WATER IN THEIR CELLS.

SEVEN TRAMPS BADLY FRIGHTENED BY THE PROSPECT OF IMMERSION.

Seven tramps confined in the Jersey City prison had an unpleasant experience yesterday morning. They were aroused by the discovery that the concrete floor of the prison was covered with water, and the water was steadily rising. Their natural aversion to water was sufficient to alarm them, but its rise was so rapid in the cell that they excitedly exchanged opinions as to the cause. One suggested that they were probably in subterranean cells, and that the tide was backing, and would submerge them. A howl of horror followed this suggestion, and the seven tramps stood on the planks that serve as cots and shouted long and loud. Keeper Watson hastened to ascertain the cause of the commotion, and was astonished to find the inundation. He transferred the perturbed prisoners to cells in the upper tier, and sent for a plumber. The water pipe had bursted.

TWO VETERANS SENT TO JAIL.

THEIR SENTENCE OF A YEAR FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT CONSIDERED EXCESSIVE BY GRAND ARMY MEN.

Paterson, Aug. 28 (Special).—Judge John Hopper, in the Passaic County Court of Special Sessions, today sent eight people to State Prison. Among the culprits were John and James Smith and Ann Flynn. The Smiths are old soldiers. Each lost a leg at Gettysburg, and they stumped before the bar to salute the Court and stand at attention.

James drew a monthly pension of $37 and John drew about $25. They paid their bills on pension day and spent the balance of the money in drinking. When the trio got drunk last week and insisted on "Marching through Georgia" on the street in Indian file, clad in a single airy garment, John B. Eyres, a grocer, protested. Mrs. Flynn informed him that the "byes" had fought for liberty and would do as they pleased. The police ended the parade.

Judge Hopper had received many letters interceding for the veterans, but he said the Court would be derelict in its duty if it did not put a stop to their disgraceful doings. The two men and the woman were then sentenced to one year each in State Prison. The local Grand Army posts will make an effort for reconsideration of the sentences so that the Smiths may be sent to the Soldiers' Home.

SHE HAD BEEN SECRETLY MARRIED.

Rahway, Aug. 28.—While Minnie Mackay was packing her trunk this morning her astonished mother asked her why she was doing so. The girl told her that she was going to leave home to join her husband, David Gage, to whom she had been secretly married a month ago. Mrs. Mackay became hysterical, and when partially recovered began to denounce her daughter and threatened to disown her.

The bridegroom is well spoken of in Rahway and has many friends, but for some reason his wife's mother dislikes him and repeatedly forbade her daughter even to speak to him. The bride is about twenty years of age and the bridegroom about twenty-five. They will start housekeeping immediately.

SHE THOUGHT SHE WAS RICH.

A respectable elderly woman, wearing deep mourning, stepped into the Western Union Telegraph office at Broad and Market sts., Newark, yesterday and asked the clerk if he didn't want to earn $100.

"Send a telegram for me to Washington," she said. "I've got $1,000,000 in the State bank there. If my sons knew it they wouldn't work any more, so don't tell them."

The woman stepped out to get the address in Washington of the repository of her wealth, and when she returned a policeman questioned her, and found she was demented. He took her to the police station. The woman said she was Mrs. Fredericka Masseeh, of No. 119 Moore-st., Brooklyn. She had gone to Newark yesterday morning. She was detained, and her relatives in Brooklyn were instructed to go to Newark and take charge of her.

Are you Nervous?

Take Horsford's Acid Phosphate.

Dr. M. C. Greppner, Holyoke, Mass., says: "I am prescribing it in nervous diseases, with the best result. It makes a delicious drink.

ENERGY AMONG THE CLUBS.

PREPARATIONS FOR THE WORK OF THE CAMPAIGN.

JERSEY CITY VOTERS TO BE FULLY INSTRUCTED ON THE CURRENCY QUESTION—THE CADET CORPS OF THE LAFAYETTE BATTERY A LIVELY INFANT.

The McKinley and Hobart Club of Greenville is full of enthusiasm and energy, and it intends doing earnest work in this campaign. It has made application for campaign literature, and will deliver it to every voter in that section. The club will talk politics and will hold a series of weekly public meetings to discuss the money question. It will procure uniforms and will take part in all the big parades, and have frequent marches through the streets of the Greenville district.

Thirty-six men attended the initial drill Thursday evening of the Cadet Corps of the Lafayette Battery. The corps is recruiting rapidly, and it is expected that a hundred or more will be enrolled before the marching season opens. The drillmaster Captain L. P. Shannon, has announced the following appointments: First lieutenant, A. E. Tibbe; second lieutenant, Harry Moore; first sergeant, R. Weston; second sergeant, G. Lewis; third sergeant, G. Lindauer; corporals, E. E. Lee, C. Clarke and G. Trenery.

The Bergen Club will not be idle this campaign. It has arranged for open meetings every Wednesday night, and will have interesting speakers to deliver addresses at each meeting, and be prepared to answer any questions that may be asked by those in doubt on the money question. The club will also hold several mass-meetings in the big halls on the Heights, and secure the best possible orators to speak.

A score of Republican residents of the Eighth Ward held a meeting on Thursday night, decided to organize a campaign club and appointed a committee to issue a call. The committee acted promptly, and the following circular was sent out yesterday:

All citizens interested in the cause of sound money and the election of McKinley and Hobart are invited to call next Tuesday night at Arcanum Hall, corner Jackson and Clinton aves., for the purpose of forming a McKinley and Hobart Campaign Club. A committee will be in attendance every evening from 8 to 10 p. m., to receive names. The committee consists of Alderman George W. Decker, ex-Alderman A. L. Wilson, John Bumsted, John Feindel and William F. Miller. Plans will be formed for a flag raising and for holding a ratification meeting.

The West Bergen Club will have a flag raising next Thursday night at its headquarters in West Side-ave., between Boyd and Virginia aves. The flag will be 18 feet long by 12 feet wide, and will bear the names of McKinley and Hobart.

OPENING THE CAMPAIGN IN NEWARK.

THOUSANDS OF WORKINGMEN LISTEN TO THE SOUND-MONEY ARGUMENTS OF REPUBLICAN ORATORS.

The campaign was opened in Essex County by the Republican County Committee at its headquarters in Newark last night by a rousing open-air meeting and the raising of a fine campaign banner. The banner bears a picture of William McKinley on the left, and of Garret A. Hobart on the right. Between them are the National flag and eagle. Below is a series of scrolls, inscribed "Protection, Reciprocity, Sound Money." The banner was unfurled amid the noise of exploding bombs and the cheers of a great crowd that packed Halsey-st. for nearly a block. Judge M. T. McCann, of Nebraska; Francis J. Swayze, of New-York, and Congressman R. Wayne Parker made addresses.

The speech of the evening was by Judge McCann, whose vigorous remarks were frequently interrupted by tumultuous applause. The great crowd, standing in the street for more than two hours, was composed mostly of workingmen, and their upturned faces showed that they sympathized with the sentiments uttered by the speakers. The meeting was only a banner-raising. The ratification meeting will be held within a fortnight in Caledonian Park Hall, which will hold 10,000 people.

INDIGNANT SOUND-MONEY DEMOCRATS.

Elizabeth, Aug. 28 (Special).—The sound-money Democrats of this city—and there are many of them—are indignant over the formation of a Bryan and Sewall club, and a call is to be issued in a few days for a meeting of the sound-money Democrats to organize an opposition club.

OBITUARY.

JOSEPH W. STANSBURY.

Joseph W. Stansbury, former Tax Assessor of Newark, died yesterday in St. Barnabas's Hospital, Newark, from pneumonia. He was born in Baltimore fifty-three years ago and served in the Confederate Army, receiving a wound at Gettysburg. He attained the rank of captain. After the war he came North and became an ardent patriot. He took a situation as bookkeeper and was connected with the County Register's Office until he entered the Tax Office. His brother, Dean Stansbury, of Grace Church, died several years ago. He leaves a wife and three children.

AN ALLEGED DISHONEST AGENT.

HIS CLIENTS ACCUSE HIM OF WITHHOLDING $20,000 IN RENTS.

Three weeks ago Samuel C. Watson, of Fifteenth-st., Hoboken, died, leaving a wife and family. During his life Watson drew the rent on a house in Hester-st., New-York, in which his father gave him a life interest twenty-three years ago. A real estate agent by the name of Opedyke was, it is said, the agent for the property. He sent Watson, Mrs. Watson alleges $20 a month for the rent of the Hester-st. house for the twenty-three years after her husband's father's death.

"When my husband died, three weeks ago," she said, "I found that the real-estate agent had received $100 rental for the house, instead of $30, which he sent us."

Mrs. Watson has retained Skinner, Marnell & Fallon, of Hoboken, to sue for the alleged remainder of the rent, which, at the rate of $70 a month for twenty-three years, would amount to $20,000. The lawyers do not know whom to sue, unless they sue Opedyke. Mrs. Watson told her lawyers that somebody had broken into her house last week and stolen the deeds and papers connected with the property in question.

Watson was the proprietor of the Bolivar House, a popular roadhouse in the days when the Elysian Fields were in their glory.

TENEMENT-HOUSES IN ORANGE.

THE BOARD OF HEALTH ORDERS IMPROVEMENTS AND INSISTS ON SANITARY PLUMBING IN THE SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Orange, Aug. 28.—The Board of Health of this city has taken up the tenement-house question. Last night Health Inspector Phelan called the attention of the Board to the condition of a row of rickety old houses in Cone-st. The buildings were erected years ago before Cone-st. was graded, and when the street was brought to grade the houses had not been raised and the yards were two or three feet below the level. They are occupied by Italians, and the inspector reported a bad state of affairs. He said that the usual overcrowding of the inmates took place and that the sanitary arrangements were as bad as could be. There were no sewer connections and there was only one outhouse for every two or three houses. The inspector was directed to see that these and all other tenement-houses are placed in a suitable condition, and that the health laws be strictly enforced in lodging-houses. In the case of the row of houses referred to the owner was directed to make sewer connections at once. In the course of the argument it was said that the local agent of the owner had said that the company would not connect with the sewer, and that if ordered to do so, it would tear down the buildings.

The Board also had the Board of Education on the rack. The plumbing in all but two of the public schools was adversely reported upon by the inspector. He said all the private schools had more than complied with the law and all had put in model sanitary plumbing. In two public schools the law had been complied with, but the others, especially the High School, had such wretched plumbing that the Board would be justified in closing the schools and keeping them closed until the needful alterations were made. The members of the Health Board commented sharply on the methods of the School Board in dealing with the health laws and passed a resolution ordering the school buildings connected with the sewer to be properly plumbed.

KILLED BY A TROLLEY-CAR.

Long Branch, Aug. 28 (Special).—Joseph Sasano, fourteen years old, was run over by a trolley-car and killed to-night. He was among the five thousand who gathered to witness the display of fireworks at Pleasure Bay. He jumped off of one car and got directly in front of another. The motorman was arrested.

SHOT AT ON A DARK ROAD

MRS. FLEMING ACCUSES HER HUSBAND OF THE CRIME.

SEVEN BULLETS FLEW PAST THE CARRIAGE IN WHICH SHE, WITH OTHERS, WAS SEATED—HE SAYS IT IS A CONSPIRACY.

Somerville, Aug. 28 (Special).—Asher Fleming, a commissioner of deeds and notary public of Peapack, was brought to the county jail here yesterday charged with attempting to shoot his wife and her companions while on their way home from a festival on the previous evening. He was arrested by Constable Dennis Wyckoff at Judge Dillon's villa, near Far Hills. Fleming and his wife have been separated for some time. The latter has lived at Whitehouse. She is a tall, spare woman, about thirty-five years old. She went to the Smith picnic on Wednesday accompanied by Andrew Seals and his wife, of Whitehouse, and Mrs. W. G. Kershaw, of this place. They stopped at the home of Calvin Dunham, Mrs. Fleming's father. In the evening they drove over to a festival at Gladstone.

About 11 o'clock, according to Mrs. Fleming's story, they started for home. To get from Gladstone to her father's farm they had to go through a dark road by a wood. While passing this wood a man suddenly began firing at the carriage from behind a tree. Mrs. Fleming felt the first shot pass close by her head, and she dodged under the seat. Seven times the man fired. One bullet pierced the trace of the harness and another wounded the horse in the leg, while the carriage top was riddled with bullets. Mr. Seals lashed his horse into a run, and the occupants finally got beyond the range of the bullets without any serious harm.

Mrs. Fleming said to-day that in the bright moonlight they could plainly see that the man who did the shooting was Mr. Fleming, her husband. She also says that Mr. Dunham, her brother, who followed them closely in another carriage, saw Fleming and feared he would also shoot at him. Fleming, on the other hand, denied the charge, and said that he was the victim of a conspiracy. The whole Smith family, he alleges, is against him. Last fall his wife made complaint against him of assault and battery and had him indicted. The jury brought in a verdict of guilty, but Judge Lartine said, in passing sentence, that he must accept the verdict, but he believed the offence slight, and let the prisoner off with a fine of $10.

Oscar Smith subsequently had him indicted before the United States Court at Trenton for sending "white cap" letters through the mails. He was tried on June 29 and was acquitted. He admits that he was at the festival the other night, but says he did not see his wife. He told his story of alleged persecution with tears in his eyes. He says he can prove his innocence. This afternoon Fleming was released under $500 bail furnished by Dr. Farrow, of Peapack.

AT ODDS WITH THE RECTOR.

CATHOLIC YOUNG MEN'S LITERARY ASSOCIATION DIVIDED OVER THE QUESTION OF AMUSEMENTS.

The Catholic Young Men's Literary Association of the Church of St. Paul of the Cross, in Hancock-ave., Jersey City, has not been in harmony for almost a year. In April last the younger members, known as the "short hairs," rallied at the annual election, and succeeded in electing all the officers except the treasurer and secretary, who won by a majority of one. Since then they have made it uncomfortable for the rival faction, and trying for the secretary and treasurer. Their object was apparently to force their rivals out of the organization.

The minority faction appealed to Father Quinn, the rector, who declared that it was his imperative duty as moderator to interfere, as the course pursued by the majority must result in the disruption of the organization. He demanded that factional strife cease. The "short hairs" called an indignation meeting, and it was decided to send a sharp letter to the rector, protesting against his interference. Twenty-five promptly signed the letter, but the others declined, because they did not wish to defy him openly. It was also concluded that if the rector did not end his opposition the young men would resign from the organization.

The association held a meeting on Thursday. The members of the majority faction did not appear, and the minority had control for the first time since the annual election, and were happy. They would have been happier if the resignations of the majority faction had been presented. The "short hairs" are awaiting the reply of Father Quinn.

The formation of the factions is said to have been caused by a disagreement over the government of the organization. The young men desired an abundance of amusements, and the older members preferred a quiet club home, with plenty of books and a liberal number of volumes on religious subjects.

BOTH PARTNERS IN PERIL.

ONE HAS HIS HAND BADLY HURT AND THE OTHER IS NEARLY CARRIED ON TO A REVOLVING SAW.

Hillsdale, Aug. 28 (Special).—Theodore Schulke and Enoch S. Erickson, of this place, who are running a steam sawmill here, had an exciting experience this morning while working in the mill.

The men were rolling a heavy log on the carriage of the mill in order to get it in place for the saw, when Schulke got the end of his left thumb caught between the log and a plank, smashing the end of it badly. Erickson bandaged up the wounded thumb for Schulke, and they had just got the log on the carriage and the saw started when Erickson fell in a faint across the log, almost directly in front of the saw, and would have been cut in two if Schulke, with his wounded hand, had not managed to pull him from the log in time to save his life. Erickson was so affected by the sight of his partner's wound as to cause him to faint. Dr. Townsend, of Westwood, restored Erickson to consciousness and dressed Schulke's wounded thumb.

AN OLD IRON MINE ABANDONED.

BUSINESS DISTRUST AND THE LOW GRADE OF THE ORE ASSIGNED AS REASONS.

Dover, Aug. 28 (Special).—The Mt. Pleasant Mine, located about a mile from Dover, after having been in almost continuous operation for upward of 100 years, is being stripped of its machinery, preparatory to its total abandonment. Of the 250 men regularly employed in it 125 have been laid off, and the others will follow in the course of three or four weeks. The cause of the shutdown, Benjamin Nicolls, of the Mt. Pleasant Mining Company, says, is, in the last analysis, the prevailing distrust in business circles over the question of the free coinage of silver. There is no demand for ore, Mr. Nicoll explained to The Tribune correspondent, nearly all the furnaces having suspended operations. Of twenty-six in the Lehigh Valley owned by the Thompson Iron Company and the Crane Iron Company, only three are active. Another cause, however, is the fact that while the ore from this mine was formerly low in phosphorous, for some time past only high phosphorous ore has been found, which in this country is much less marketable.

The mine is 1,200 feet deep and 3,000 feet long. During the last ten years an average of from 50,000 to 60,000 tons of ore has been mined yearly, and Mr. Nicoll estimates that 1,500,000 tons of ore have been taken from the mine since it was opened. About ten years ago the drifts extended beyond the company's property into the property of the Baker family adjoining, and nearly $100,000 in royalties has been paid to the Bakers since then. The mine has been very profitable, and while the use of machinery valued at $75,000 and buildings valued at $25,000 will be abandoned, its present owners do not feel inclined to fret over the sacrifice as the plant has paid for itself many times over. The mine was opened in 1778, and in 1818 was purchased by Guy Hinchman, of Dover, who worked it for several years. Later it fell into the hands of Green & Dennison, who shipped the ore to their Boonton furnaces. In 1849 the mine was bought by Fuller & Lord, and it has since come into the possession of the Lord estate. The prospects for the 250 miners and helpers is exceedingly dark.

HE CHARGES FRAUD.

THE RECEIVER OF THE CORDAGE TRUST MAKES A SERIOUS COMPLAINT AGAINST THE PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDER.

Trenton, Aug. 28 (Special).—The bill of complaint of Edward F. C. Young, receiver of the National Cordage Company, in the suit against Willard P. Whitlock, of Elizabeth, and others, was filed in Chancery to-day.

The complaint alleges that the Cordage property is valued at $15,000,000, and that in addition to Whitlock, the main stockholders are Walter Palmer, Robert T. Spencer and William F. Miller, all of Brooklyn. It further alleges that Whitlock and Elijah M. Fulton collected $378,495 insurance money after a portion of the property had been consumed by fire, and converted the entire sum to their own uses, although often urged to make an accounting of it to the company.

According to the bill, dividends were fraudulently declared after an increase of stock was made in January, despite the fact that the company had lost heavily, instead of making any profit. Over $100,000, it is alleged, was paid out to the principal stockholders in dividends.

The bill asks that the defendants be made to account for the moneys used as charged.

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NEWARK.

Mayor Seymour was surprised to learn yesterday that a permit to Jacob's Theatre to open for the season had been given by the City Clerk without the knowledge of the Mayor, who had made the permit conditional upon certain changes being made in the theatre to insure the safety of the audience. Examination in the afternoon showed that the changes had been only partly made. Instructions were given to have them completed before the theatre was opened for the season.

The tin and sheetiron workers recently submitted a demand to their employers that their union should be recognized, and that the employers bind themselves to pay a minimum rate of wage of $2.50 a day. The bosses have not yet answered the demand. It is probable that the demand will be rejected.

The body of a babe with a nursing bottle beside it was found yesterday near the Riverside station of the Erie Railroad. The body was wrapped in a shawl and wore a baby's cap.

PATERSON.

The Passaic County Convention of the Prohibition party was held Thursday night in Ekinge Hall. Mahlon B. Reed presided and Benjamin S. Dormida acted as secretary. J. G. Patton, A. J. Tyler, W. H. Wallace and W. R. Forfar reported resolutions calling for united action of all good citizens for the overthrow of the "legalized liquor traffic." The Convention named the following county ticket: For Sheriff, John C. Bryson, of Paterson; for County Clerk, Ernest Twist, of Passaic; for Coroner, George E. Thorne, of West Milford; for Assembly, George Arnold, of Paterson; S. M. Birch, of