

NEWS OF BROOKLYN.

MASONRY WALLS NEEDED.

THE TROUBLE WITH THE NAVY YARD DRYDOCKS EXPLAINED.

FALSE ECONOMY IN CONSTRUCTION ALLEGED—THE MILLERS RESERVOIR A SIMILAR INCIDENT—A POINT OVERLOOKED.

BY ENGINEERS.

Thomas Stratford, for twenty years an engineer in the City Works Department and one of Brooklyn's best-known engineers, has taken a deep interest in the condition of the Navy Yard drydocks since the story of the leaking of the docks was first published. Mr. Stratford resigned his city place two years ago and is now in private business. Mr. Stratford's experience has given him considerable knowledge of the building of drydocks and similar structures, and at the request of a number of his friends, who are interested in the affairs at the Navy Yard, he has put in writing the results of his observation and study of the docks. This is what he says:

"In the discussion now going on in relation to the timber drydocks in the Navy Yard, the only point to which the Engineering Board has addressed itself is whether the water coming from the old timber dunnage or from the Wallabout Creek or other sources is the cause of the trouble. It goes without saying that the entire soil of the Navy Yard is saturated up to the level of high tide, and that, given an opportunity, the water will flow through any crevice with the velocity due to the head of water or, in other words, the distance of the leak below high tide.

"No one seems to have addressed himself to the question: How is it that a dock costing nearly \$90,000 should develop serious leaks a few weeks after its acceptance by the engineering officers of the Navy Department? The style of construction adopted was, I answer the question, the dock, as well as its brother dock, styled No. 2, is located in what was Wallabout Creek, the highway, the water of which was south of Flushing-ave. on the south and east of the high plateau of the Naval Hospital grounds. This entire area was filled in with all kinds of city refuse. The bottom of the excavated dock is about thirty feet below high tide, which level is saturated with water. The water was driven and the entire level of this bottom was covered with concrete to a depth of about five feet. But the sides, which were to be built of brick, were driven and the entire level of this bottom was covered with concrete to a depth of about five feet. The material which formed the sides of the dock was saturated sand or city refuse, such as ballast, cellar dirt and street sweepings. In it any water that leaked into the dock would be held and broken up into small particles, which would be carried to the surface of the water in the saturated material to flow in through the broken puddle-walls."

"Again, as to the plan of driving through and grooved sheet-piling around the docks to keep out water. What was to keep the water from passing between the line of spiling and the puddle-wall?"

"The use of puddle-walls for the making of tight embankments is not now permitted in good engineering practice. The use of concrete or rubble masonry has taken the place of puddle-walls. Concrete or rubble masonry had been used instead of puddle-walls, there would have been no leaks, and the docks could be used today. It is a pity that it is not in the fact that the design of the dock is not up to the requirements of modern engineering practice."

"A similar mistake, due to false economy, is to be seen in the Millers reservoir, where puddle walls were used instead of masonry and, as a result, the city of Brooklyn has a reservoir of a sieve-like character, and the water in it is today, as it was, proposes to expend \$400,000 to do what should have been done in the first place. The Government will find it necessary to keep the water in it, and in which it can have confidence at all times."

CONEY ISLAND WIDE OPEN.

THE RAINES LAW AT A DISCOUNT, AND ARRESTS FOR INTOXICATION IN PLENTY.

It was another big day at Coney Island yesterday, and all the concert halls and shows were wide open. There was little or no attempt made to live up to the Raines law, and the people who went to the place were not disappointed in efforts made to keep the law from being enforced. A number of arrests for intoxication, and the police were kept busy until long after midnight.

The first meal given with the purchase of liquor was obtained last night at Stanch's Newark House by a well-known Brooklyn lawyer, who had with him a number of friends. The lawyer, who is a member of the bar, and when the waiter refused to serve them without a sandwich being ordered with each beer, the waiter called the police. He received the food, and afterward passed the beer around to his companions.

TO HOLD A CONVENTION AT INWOOD.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOURERS FROM FOUR STATES WILL MEET ON WEDNESDAY.

The fifth annual convention of the Christian Endeavor Union of the New-York Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church will be held in St. Paul's Church, Inwood, Long Island, on Wednesday and Thursday, May 19 and 20.

THE CONVENTION WILL OPEN WITH AN ADDRESS OF WELCOME BY THE REV. D. W. DE FOREST, TO WHICH THE REV. H. S. HILL, THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE, WILL RESPOND.

The Rev. Daniel E. Day will begin the evening session with a prayer service, and the Rev. H. S. Hill will deliver an address on "The Advantages of Bible Study," which will be followed by a general discussion of the Rev. D. W. De Forest.

On Thursday at sunrise there will be a prayer meeting, under the direction of the Rev. Samuel Hamblin. The morning session of the second day will begin at 10 o'clock with a praise service by the Rev. Thomas E. Davis. Then will follow the election of officers for the coming year, and the remainder of the morning session and the afternoon session will be occupied by the reading of "ten-minute papers" by delegates from the four States.

The principal feature of the evening session will be an address by the Rev. Dr. H. Lewis, president of the Western Maryland College, Westminster, Md. The convention will close with a consecration service, conducted by the Rev. R. T. Tyson.

FEDERAL OF THOMAS C. BURROWS.

The funeral of Thomas C. Burrows, who died on Thursday at his home, No. 24 Clermont-ave., was held at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Mr. Burrows was born in Yestre, Conn., in 1839. When eleven years old he came to New-York City, and became an apprentice in the law office of William Jessup & Co. for the last thirty years he was in the law office of a steel and iron firm, whose office is now at No. 99 and 101 John-st., New-York. After leaving his office he was a member of the Simpson Church in Brooklyn. He was a prominent member of the Simpson Methodist Church, and at one time a teacher in the Sunday-school. Mr. Burrows was a brother of Lemuel Burrows, formerly an assessor and tax collector of Brooklyn.

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IN PERIL ON A BRIDGE.

A TRAIN LEAVES THE RAILS, CAUSING A PANIC AMONG THE PASSENGERS.

A serious accident was narrowly averted at the bridge of the Newark and New-York branch of the Central Railroad of New-Jersey, which spans the Passaic River at Newark, yesterday afternoon. In closing the doors of the bridge after the passage, the west end of the bridge was, it is thought, left improperly unlocked. A passenger train, having on board about two hundred passengers, left the Broad-st. station in Newark at 3 o'clock, and when it approached the bridge the draw was closed and the signal given to go ahead. The engine struck the west end of the bridge, and was thrown into the river by the force of the impact. The engine and four cars were thrown into the river by the force of the impact. The last car was thrown across the westbound track.

The passengers were greatly frightened, and women and children screamed, while men held on to their seats expecting every moment that the train would be hurled into the river. When the train came to a stop, the cars were tilted, and the male passengers prevented the women from alighting. The train was held on the bridge, while the train hands passed through the cars assuring the passengers that the danger was over.

ROUGHLY HANDLED BY A MOB.

A NEWARK MAN MALTREATED AFTER ACCIDENTALLY KILLING A BOY.

Donat Soratelli, four years old, living with his parents at No. 345 Chestnut-st., Newark, was accidentally shot and killed yesterday afternoon by Henry Gillette, a resident of Newark. Gillette was out on the meadows and was cleaning his gun, neglecting to remove the cartridges. While handling the weapon it slipped and fell upon the floor, and the charge was exploded. The shot went through a thin partition separating Gillette's room from the room of a neighbor, and struck the child in the back of the head. When the killing became known, the neighbors gathered around, and they became greatly excited, and a crowd invaded Gillette's room, dragged him to the street and beat him with sticks and stones. A crowd of about twenty men took his life. Special Policeman Ferris, an Italian, forced his way through the crowd and took Gillette to the Third Precinct police station. The Italians then turned their vengeance on Gillette's apartment, and they wrecked it. Maltreated Gillette's wife and crippled child until dispersed by a policeman. Gillette was held for examination today.

ASBURY PARK NEW LICENSE LAW.

MINISTERS, LAWYERS AND PHYSICIANS THE ONLY ONES WHO ARE EXEMPT FROM THE TAX.

Asbury Park, May 16 (Special).—The City Council has revised the famous license ordinance by raising the tariff on several classes of trades, and exempting ministers, lawyers and physicians from the tax. The new rates have been in a measure pacified those who were opposed to the innovation. Many of the schedules in the ordinance that is ready for passage to-morrow night were made as a result of arguments advanced and objections made by those interested.

Councilman Wilbur made a vigorous protest against the clause charging organizers \$10 a year for the privilege of exhibiting in the city. He made an eloquent plea for the sons of Sunday school, and the new rates have been in a measure pacified those who were opposed to the innovation. Many of the schedules in the ordinance that is ready for passage to-morrow night were made as a result of arguments advanced and objections made by those interested.

It was also decided to levy a tax of \$25 a year on "founder" Bradley's bathhouses on the beach. The license of junk dealers will be reduced from \$100 to \$75; crystal mazes, \$100 to \$75; revolving swing, \$100 to \$75; circular mazes, \$50 to \$25; department stores, \$100 to \$75; hotels that sell cigars, newspapers and have a bootblack stand, 50 cents for each sleeping room; houses without these conveniences, \$20; houses with 25 cents a room; advertising bill and circular distributors, \$15; pawnbrokers must have a tax of \$100 a year and a bond in the sum of \$2,000 to preserve the regulations.

The license ordinance provides that every business establishment in the city shall be taxed. The minimum fee is \$5 and the maximum \$250. Lawyers, physicians and ministers are the only ones exempt from the provisions of the ordinance. Agents and drummers are obliged to pay \$1 for a badge entitling them to sell their papers. Book peddlers are taxed \$50. The Councilmen expect to raise \$100,000 additional by the ordinance.

SUBMARINE BOAT TO BE LAUNCHED.

Elizabeth, May 16 (Special).—The submarine torpedo-boat, designed by J. G. Holland, of Newark, and which was built at Lewis Nixon's shipyard in Elizabethport, will be probably launched to-morrow. The torpedo-boat is a small vessel, and is capable of everything connected with the vessel. For the last few days nobody has been able to get into the shipyard, and the other officials of the yard declined to give any information about the vessel, except to say that the launching will probably be between 8 and 9 o'clock, and the tide is at its highest.

THE CHICKENS WERE IN THE SOUP.

Orange, May 16 (Special).—Captain Bamford, of the West Orange police, captured three chicken thieves this morning while they were making soup out of the chickens. H. W. Smith & Son of Valley Road, reported that ten chickens had been stolen from their place in West Orange, and the police were notified. Christian and Christian, made a raid on Robinson's Woods, the headquarters of the old "Burr" gang. In West Orange, the police captured three chickens, and the chickens were in the soup.

A YACHT REPORTED MISSING.

Matawan, May 16 (Special).—The yacht Adalida, belonging to Mrs. A. E. Lazzaro, wife of the proprietor of the Pavilion Hotel, at Keyport, left her dock in Keyport on the morning of April 30 last with three persons on board. Nothing has since been heard of the vessel. A Mrs. Hitchcock, who said she was a New-York newspaper correspondent, reported that she had seen the yacht in the harbor of the Barbican Bay for the benefit of her health. She was accompanied by a young man seventeen years of age, who she said, was her stepson. The vessel left Keyport under command of Archibald Watts, a young man who had lived all his life in the West. The vessel was reported to be captured in a storm, and all on board drowned.

FISTIC DEEL OVER A GIRL.

Keyport, May 16 (Special).—A fierce fist encounter took place in Matawan on Friday evening between Lafayette Warr and a man named Robert, well-known young man. The quarrel was over a pretty girl who lives in Brownstown, who had for the last few months been receiving the attentions of both the young men, and who had smiled with equal favor on both of them. Bad blood developed between the rivals, and the fight was begun. The men were evenly matched as regards weight. At first the advantage was with Robert, but as the battle went on, Warr showed a pretty good boxing style, and he soon had the decided advantage. Robert soon called a halt and gave up the fight to Warr.

A CHILD MIRACULOUSLY SAVED.

Elizabeth, May 16.—The most fortunate catch ever witnessed in this city was made this afternoon by a young man, who refused to give his name. John Conrod, of Elizabeth-ave., was out driving this afternoon with his three-year-old child. The horse took fright and ran away, and in trying to stop it, Mr. Conrod was thrown out. He was cut and bruised, but not seriously. The child remained in the buggy until the horse brought it to a stop on one side of the road. The child was pinned. The shock brought the runaway to a standstill and shot the child into the air as though it had been a cannon ball. The child fell about a few feet from the windows of Horning's drug store, and was thrown straight at them, but while the child was falling, it became delirious. The child was pinned to the wall of the store, and the child was saved.

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GRAND ARMY BUGLE NOTES.

The answer made at the last meeting of the Lyons Legion by General Grenville M. Dodge, who was grand marshal of the Grant memorial parade, published in the "Grand Army Bugle Notes" last Monday, has created a small sensation in veteran circles not only in New-York, but in many other States. In reply to a question by Captain Killen Van Rensselaer as to why the old soldier of the Grand Army had been placed in the rear of the parade, Dodge said that it was not his fault nor that of the Committee of Arrangements that this seeming disregard of the services of the men who preserved the flag was permitted. He said, in substance, that the Grand Army, who had himself selected the place in line for the U. S. A. division, General Dodge added that he was strenuously in favor of giving the veterans the right of line, and so was the commander-in-chief, General Clark. General Dodge's explanation has been difficult for his friends to understand how so good and gallant a soldier could willfully act in so remarkable a manner toward his comrades of the battlefield. Commander Clark's motive is yet to be explained. His reason for not making a protest is that he would have found it no easy matter to overcome the bitterness felt by veterans and their descendants.

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THE 7th REGIMENT AT CHURCH.

The 7th Regiment attended services at St. Andrew's Church, One-hundred-and-twenty-seventh and Fifth-ave., yesterday afternoon, and listened to an address on "Soldiers' Duties" by Rev. Dr. George R. Van De Water, pastor of the church and chaplain of the regiment.

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PROGRAMME OF THE WEEK AT NASHVILLE. Nashville, Tenn., May 16.—Already delegates from many States are arriving to attend the twenty-first annual session of the Supreme Commandery of the United Order of the Golden Cross, which convenes here next Tuesday. New-England delegates will arrive to-morrow, and delegates from twenty-five States are expected. The sessions will continue for a week. The cool wave of yesterday and to-day presages a clear day to-morrow and increased attendance at the exposition from adjacent towns and States. All have been impatiently awaiting the completion of the interior of the Government Building, and the arrangement of the exhibits. The building is now ready and will be formally opened to-morrow at 10 o'clock. On Monday, in the Woman's Building, the Woman's Musical Congress will begin sessions last evening. The convention is set apart for the United Order of the Golden Cross, Wednesday is Tennessee Bankers' Day, Thursday is Wilmington (N. C.) Day, and on Saturday the International Order of King's Daughters will hold a convention in the Woman's Building. On Wednesday in the Woman's Building there will be held a college day convocation, in which many colleges devoted to the education of women will be represented by graduates.

KILLED WHILE SKYLARKING.

John Daly, nineteen years old, of No. 47 West Sixteenth-st., was killed while skylarking on an express wagon at 2 o'clock yesterday morning. Daly was a helper on an express wagon belonging to the New-York Express Company, driven by Timothy Newbold, twenty-four years old of No. 46 Avenue 22nd-st. Daly was on his way home. Daly and a friend, Charles Wayland, eighteen years old of No. 42 West Sixteenth-st., who also sat on the wagon, had been drinking. They were skylarking by trying to shove each other off the wagon. An artery-accident struck Daly, and he fell from the wagon. He was taken to the hospital, but he died before he could be removed.

EUROPEAN ADVERTISEMENTS.

EUROPEAN AND TRAVELLERS will find the London office of the Tribune, 75, Fleet Street, E. C. a convenient place to leave their advertisements and subscriptions for The Tribune.

In the difference between mere money and human blood it was gold against blood, the soldier risking his blood and the bondholder risking his gold.

Attention is called to the liberal provisions made for reinstatement of members dropped from the rolls for non-payment of dues. It is no longer obligatory for a dropped comrade to rejoin his former post to make application on the form prescribed for a new member and refer the same to a committee. A written request only for reinstatement is necessary, which can be passed upon at a regular meeting of the post by a majority viva voce vote. The amount of back dues required to be paid by the post, but not exceeding one year's dues. If the dropped comrade, for any good reason, desires to join another post in due form, so that his military record, as called for in the application, may be on file in the post, and not exceeding one year's dues, must be paid to the post of which he was formerly a member.

The death of Comrade Edward Milner, of the Veterans Association of the 47th Regiment, N. G. N. Y., is announced. He was a bright, active officer, and a quartermaster on the staff of Colonel Gaylor endeared himself to all who knew him. His funeral will be held at 8 o'clock, Monday, at the residence of his wife, Mrs. E. Milner, 47th St., Brooklyn, this evening at 8 o'clock. A notice from the headquarters of the 47th, signed by T. S. Cooper, president, and Peter Kinsey, secretary, inviting all members of the association to attend.

Contributions of flags or cash for the assistance of the Southern soldiers in the vicinity of National Cemeteries, to enable them to decorate the graves of comrades, may be sent to Adjutant-General Charles E. Burnester, Omaha, Neb.

The department is officially warned against one J. R. McComb, tall and slim, sandy complexion and fluent talker, wearing a G. A. R. button and claiming to be a comrade of Hancock Post, Des Moines, Iowa. There is no such post in Des Moines.

Comrade John E. Jones, of Law Benedict Post No. 5, of Albany, has been appointed Acting Assistant-Adjutant-General on the department staff.

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PROGRAMME OF THE WEEK AT NASHVILLE. Nashville, Tenn., May 16.—Already delegates from many States are arriving to attend the twenty-first annual session of the Supreme Commandery of the United Order of the Golden Cross, which convenes here next Tuesday. New-England delegates will arrive to-morrow, and delegates from twenty-five States are expected. The sessions will continue for a week. The cool wave of yesterday and to-day presages a clear day to-morrow and increased attendance at the exposition from adjacent towns and States. All have been impatiently awaiting the completion of the interior of the Government Building, and the arrangement of the exhibits. The building is now ready and will be formally opened to-morrow at 10 o'clock. On Monday, in the Woman's Building, the Woman's Musical Congress will begin sessions last evening. The convention is set apart for the United Order of the Golden Cross, Wednesday is Tennessee Bankers' Day, Thursday is Wilmington (N. C.) Day, and on Saturday the International Order of King's Daughters will hold a convention in the Woman's Building. On Wednesday in the Woman's Building there will be held a college day convocation, in which many colleges devoted to the education of women will be represented by graduates.

KILLED WHILE SKYLARKING.

John Daly, nineteen years old, of No. 47 West Sixteenth-st., was killed while skylarking on an express wagon at 2 o'clock yesterday morning. Daly was a helper on an express wagon belonging to the New-York Express Company, driven by Timothy Newbold, twenty-four years old of No. 46 Avenue 22nd-st. Daly was on his way home. Daly and a friend, Charles Wayland, eighteen years old of No. 42 West Sixteenth-st., who also sat on the wagon, had been drinking. They were skylarking by trying to shove each other off the wagon. An artery-accident struck Daly, and he fell from the wagon. He was taken to the hospital, but he died before he could be removed.

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