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## THE LEAGUE CONVENTION.

SEVEN HUNDRED DELEGATES IN ATTENDANCE.

PRESIDENT M'KINLEY SENDS HIS CONGRATULATIONS, AND RECEIVES A TELEGRAM IN RETURN — ADDRESSES BY PRESIDENT WOODMANSEE, GOVERNOR PINGREE AND OTHERS.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Detroit, July 13.—The tenth annual convention of the National League of Republican Clubs, of which the first session was held here to-day, pleases the leaders in respect to the attendance from the South and West, but is a keen disappointment to them as regards the delegates from the East. New-England is most meagrely represented and New-York has sent only seven men, although entitled to a representation of 130. Pennsylvania has sent a large delegation, but there is some suspicion that she did so partly because she has a candidate for president of the League. There are 700 delegates in attendance.

It is, perhaps, with the idea of stimulating League work in the Eastern States, and reviving organizations that appear to have fallen into a torpid condition, that the leaders of the League to-day were talking about the need of nominating an Eastern man for president. They also seem to give considerable encouragement to the candidacy of Frederick W. Fleitz, of Scranton, Penn., for the presidency. This evening Mr. Fleitz was the leading candidate, and was said to be powerfully supported from Washington by Senator Quay. The other candidates were L. J. Crawford, of Newport, Ky.; Grant Fellows, of Michigan, and A. M. Higgins, of Indiana. Secretary Dowling, if he desires a re-election as secretary, and it is understood that he does, will have no opposition.

The strife between various cities for the place in which the next convention shall be held narrowed down early this evening to Chicago and Omaha, and it seems probable that Chicago will be selected.

Another purpose of the leaders of the convention, as disclosed to-day, was to direct its work especially upon States like Ohio, where the Democratic party is endeavoring to regain some of its former political strength. The League workers will be concentrated in such States next fall. This policy is said to have the hearty approval of the Republican National Committee, which recognizes the great value of the work already done for the Republican party by the League and seeks to obtain further co-operation from it in party work. President McKinley made clear his own appreciation of the value of the League's labors by sending the following telegram to President Woodmansee to-day:

Washington, July 13.—I offer through you my hearty congratulations on the tenth annual convention of the National Republican League, and my continued best wishes for the increased usefulness and prosperity of this worthy organization.
WILLIAM M'KINLEY.

Telegrams of a similar purport came from Vice-President Hobart, from all the members of the Cabinet and from leading Republicans and Senators and Congressmen. Senator Quay's praise of the League was especially fervent, and, coming from such a practical politician, was highly appreciated.

OPENING THE CONVENTION.

The convention holds its sessions in the Auditorium of Detroit, a large hall, having much the appearance of a former skating rink. It had been handsomely decorated with American flags and red, white and blue bunting, and portraits of President McKinley, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln hung on the walls. The delegates occupied seats in the body of the hall, and the spectators, among whom were many women, had places in the galleries.

The delegates were slow in assembling, but by 11 o'clock a large proportion of the seats on the floor of the hall were occupied. Seated on the platform were President Woodmansee, Governor Pingree of Michigan, Governor Tanner of Illinois and Secretary Dowling of the League, with his assistants. Mr. Woodmansee called the convention to order and introduced the Rev. R. J. Service, of the Trumbull Avenue Presbyterian Church, who offered prayer. Mr. Woodmansee then introduced Governor Pingree, who welcomed the convention to Michigan. Mr. Pingree, before beginning the speech he had prepared, said, in a hearty, unaffected way:

"I am glad to see you here to-day with smiling faces, for it means that the sunlight of prosperity is once more shining upon us."

This remark evoked a round of applause. The Governor a little later again turned from his speech to say:

"I want to say right here, that I hope that the coal miners will win in their struggle to obtain larger wages, and that they will have your prayers that they will be successful. The road to true prosperity leads by that path which increases the wages of the workingmen."

This sentiment also was applauded by the convention.

GOVERNOR PINGREE'S SPEECH.

Mr. Pingree's address of welcome was as follows:

Mr. Chairman and members of the Republican League: The Republican party was born in Michigan. Your meeting here should therefore be an inspiration. You cannot fail to remember what it was that made it necessary that a new party should be formed. On behalf of the State I extend to you a cordial welcome. You are the young men of the party. You represent its working force. You know the necessity of organization. You know that this is an age of activity and progress, and that parties as well as men must move forward or they will die. You cannot live upon memory or upon hope. The Republican party from the day of its birth became a great power because it was the party of the people, and it will remain a great power so long as it remains the party of the people, and no longer. It was controlled by men who believed in the great principle of equal rights, but it has been necessary to fight to keep what we have.

The great masses of the people are honest and patriotic. They are willing to share the burdens of civilization if they can receive a few of its benefits. Sometimes they become impatient and demand an inspection of the books. They, the people, know that they are not responsible for the present conditions in this country. Farmers and mechanics, who are the principal burden-bearers, wonder what has become of the old principle of equal taxation. They wonder how and why many privileged classes still exist in this Republic. The people have been reading and studying. Some of them have even been thinking. They know that the principle of equal taxation is closely allied to the principle of equal rights, and that it is a Republican principle, and they expect the Republican party to enforce it, and they are going to see that it is enforced.

We hear a great deal said about the home market. It is the most valuable market we have. If I were going to destroy that market entirely, I would favor the continued formation of trusts and combinations of capital. This would result in throwing about half of the workingmen out of employment and in wiping out small concerns and destroying individuality, which is another name for patriotism. Then it would only be necessary to see that the greater portion of the taxes are collected from the working classes, and that all railroad companies and all other watered-stock concerns are taxed from one-third to one-seventh as much as the widow's cottage and the farmer's farm. The majority of the people are not in favor of destroying the home market in this way.

I have great faith that the right will prevail. The people are patient, and when they are betrayed by their representatives they make other selections and try again. They expect relief from the Republican party, and they are willing to give it a fair trial. You are here as the representatives of that party, fresh from the people themselves, and your utterances and your recommendations will be awaited with interest, and if they are wise and true and practical they will be received with welcome.

WELCOMED TO DETROIT.

Colonel H. M. Duffield, who followed Governor Pingree in a speech welcoming the convention to the city, also thought he would like to say something about the coal strike, and accordingly, after predicting prosperity as soon as the Tariff bill should be passed, he added:

Governor Pingree has said that the hope of the

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## THE GIFT OF C. P. HUNTINGTON.

HE PRESENTS VALUABLE SPANISH MANUSCRIPTS TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

San Francisco, July 13 (Special).—President C. P. Huntington of the Southern Pacific Railway Company has formally transferred to the University of California the most valuable collection of Spanish manuscripts and documents touching the early history of California in the world, with the single exception of the Bancroft Library. The manuscripts comprise about four thousand separate documents, and were largely collected by Colonel J. L. Warren, Editor of "The California Farmer," and by Robert E. Cowen and Colonel George W. Granniss, the executor of General Henry W. Halleck.

Many of the Spanish documents were owned for nearly forty years by Colonel Granniss, who guarded them most carefully from fire and accident. Mr. Bancroft was never able to secure them from Colonel Granniss, and it is said that after a systematic search, conducted for a score of years by Mr. Bancroft and his agents, these are about all the documents that are known to exist outside of his library.

English manuscripts dating from 1824 to 1850 are of great importance. The names of Sutter, Fremont, Larkin, Ide, Bartlett, Semple, Colton, Bryant, Weber, Hull, Halleck, Leidesdorff and many others are represented. The majority of these documents, both Spanish and English, have never been referred to, and will greatly assist the future historian in his researches. Among these one of the most valuable is Halleck's manuscript history of the Californias from the discovery to 1849.

The collection is rich in placards and broadsides of the Spanish and early pioneer days, which were not secured even by Mr. Bancroft. In fact, it represents more than three-quarters of all the printed matter issued in the early years of the American occupation of California.

## MONTCLAIR SCHOOL BOARD INDIGNANT.

IT REPORTS TO THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE ON A DRUNKEN CAROUSAL OF PUPILS AFTER GRADUATION EXERCISES.

Montclair, N. J., July 13.—At a meeting of the Township Committee last night a communication was received from the Board of Education expressing amazement and indignation because some of the High School boys had engaged in a drunken carousal on the night of June 24, after there had been graduation exercises in the church. The paper was signed by Dr. J. J. H. Love and J. R. Livermore, the committee of the Board of Education. Mr Howard, of the Citizens' Committee of One Hundred, also read a paper reciting that on the evening of June 24, after the commencement exercises of the High School, a number of lads, some being members of the school and some not, procured from Patrick Farrel a keg of beer, and from other persons unknown some bottles of whiskey, and on the High School grounds, back of the gymnasium building, became so drunk and disorderly that they had to be dispersed by the police. The case was referred to a conference between the Police Committee and the Board of Education.

On the night in question Policeman Seery heard loud talking and yelling on the High School grounds, and told those present to disperse. The officer found the beer keg and emptied what was left of the beer on the ground. It is alleged that previous to the arrival of the officer two of the boys were taken home intoxicated. The parents of one of those boys obtained a statement from him as to where he got the liquor and then informed the Board of Education.

## NOT A FIGHTING IRISHMAN IN SIGHT.

EVERYBODY AT THE CITY HALL FOUND PEACEFULLY INCLINED BY A MAN WITH AN ORANGE FLAG.

What's this? What's this, ye sons of Hibernia? Here's a man who sought all day yesterday in the streets of this great city for pugnacious Irishmen and couldn't find 'em. He went into the City Hall yesterday morning with blood in his eye and in his hand an orange flag that fluttered defiance from the end of a stick. Up the broad stairs he mounted proudly and found his way into the Governor's Room.

"Say," said he to the matron in charge, "wad yer think o' my colors?" and he waved them aloft.

The matron replied that, while she had no grudge against an orange flag, there were those who had, and if she were in his place she would take care.

"'S all rî," said the visitor; "carried it all day yes'day," and he went out on to the balcony and waved his colors at the pouring rain.

Not getting any attention, he deserted the City Hall and hurried unsteadily up Park Row, still looking for Irishmen.

## TO TAX BICYCLES AND OTHER VEHICLES.

HOW CHICAGO MAY GET A REVENUE OF $1,000,000 YEARLY.

Chicago, July 13.—Every bicycle in Chicago will have to pay a yearly tax of $1, if Mayor Harrison signs the ordinance which the Council passed last night. Vehicles of every description are taxed from $2 to $12 per year under the provisions of the same ordinance. In the city there are estimated to be 200,000 bicycles and enough other vehicles to make the revenue derived from the ordinance $1,000,000 annually. Every dollar of this is to be expended upon repairing and keeping in good condition improved streets. Mayor Harrison says that so far as he has studied the ordinance he is in favor of it, and thinks he will sign it. The vote by which the Council passed it was 50 to 16. The ordinance provides that besides the tax of $1 per annum, vehicles shall bear the following tax: One-horse, $2; two-horse, $3; three-horse, $5; four-horse, $7; six-horse, $10 50; eight-horse, $12.

## THE CURRENCY MESSAGE.

PRESIDENT M'KINLEY STILL INTENDS TO SEND IT TO CONGRESS SOON.

Washington, July 13.—Because some of the details of the order were not complete, Secretary Bliss was unable to lay before the Cabinet at to-day's meeting his proposition to revoke the order made by President Cleveland closing some of the pension agencies. There was a good deal of talk over appointments, and as a result the sending of a big list of consular nominations to the Senate was delayed in order that a few names might be added.

The Currency Commission message caused no discussion, because it is understood that the President is settled in his determination to send it to Congress, and only awaits notice from the party leaders as to the time when this can be done without interfering with the programme arranged for the disposition of the Tariff bill. The President does not believe that the sending of the message at this time would delay action on the Tariff bill in the least, holding that the discussion in open Senate and House could be conducted while the conferees on the tariff bill are at work in their room. He is, however, willing to defer in this matter to the opinions of certain Republican Congressmen who take a contrary view, and will not send in the message until advised that it will not jeopardize the tariff measure.

Representative Heatwole, of Minnesota, who in the last and present Congresses introduced a bill for a Currency Commission, has been consulting with members of the Committee on Rules and other leaders of the House as to a special order for considering a bill in case a commission should be recommended by the President. The lateness of the session and the poor prospect of any action in the Senate do not, Mr. Heatwole thinks, give much encouragement for believing that any financial plan will be considered in the House until next session. The feeling in the House seems to be that if the Tariff bill is out of the way little or no other business will be transacted at this session.

## MR. REID TO SAIL ON SATURDAY.

London, July 13.—Whitelaw Reid, who was sent to the Diamond Jubilee celebration as United States Special Ambassador, and Mrs. Reid will sail for New-York on Saturday next.

Mrs. Hay, wife of the American Ambassador, and Miss Hay have arranged to sail for home about August 1.

## BIG OIL WELLS TAKE FIRE.

Sistersville, W. Va., July 13 (Special).—This evening Treat & Crawford's No. 1 oil well in Elk Fork district took fire from the boiler furnace. The rig was burned, and the fire communicated with the Henry Oil Company's Williamson No. 1, burning the rig and five tanks of oil. The two wells were producing two hundred barrels an hour, which is burning and floating down Elk Fork. Half a million dollars' worth of property is in immediate danger, and if the fire continues to burn as the oil floats down stream, four small towns and ultimately this city may be destroyed. Four bridges have already been burned.

## A BRAVE POLICEMAN BADLY HURT.

INJURED IN STOPPING A RUNAWAY IN HARLEM.

In stopping a runaway horse at Lenox-ave. and One-hundred-and-thirty-fifth-st. yesterday afternoon, Acting Roundsman Schuessler, of the Bicycle Squad, displayed great pluck and courage and received injuries that may confine him to his bed for several weeks. At 4 o'clock Max Yans, of No. 166 East One-hundred-and-seventh-st., stopped his horse and wagon at Lenox-ave. and One-hundred-and-thirty-fourth-st. to feed the horse some oats. He took off the bridle and attached the feedbag, and half an hour later, when the animal had finished his meal, the driver began to hitch up. While he was arranging the bridle and taking off the feedbag his assistant sat in the seat.

Somehow the horse became frightened and ran down Lenox-ave. Half a block away the boy in the seat either fell or jumped out of the wagon and landed on his back in the road, but he was not injured. Just as the horse was crossing One-hundred-and-thirty-fourth-st. Acting Roundsman Schuessler, who was on his way to report for duty, ran out to stop the frightened animal.

He saw the bridle was missing, and he made a flying leap and caught the saddle of the harness. He was almost jerked from his feet, as the horse was tearing along at a stiff gait. He hung on and gradually worked forward to the horse's nose by means of the mane. The horse reared, plunged and kicked viciously, but Schuessler held on. He finally managed to catch the horse by the nose and succeeded in shutting off his wind.

This brought him to a stop. When the plucky policeman saw the horse safely in the hands of the driver he started to walk away. Half way to the curb he staggered, and then fell to the ground in a faint. A large crowd quickly gathered, and Bicycle Policeman Ohms and three citizens carried the unconscious policeman to the drug store at Lenox-ave. and One-hundred-and-thirty-fifth-st. A hurry call for an ambulance was sent to the Harlem Hospital, and Dr. Armstrong responded. He found the policeman's injuries quite serious. His back is sprained, and he has a severe contusion on the left side. Soon after Dr. Armstrong applied restoratives Schuessler revived, and insisted that he was not injured. He attempted to get up and go to his post, but, of course, was not allowed to do so. He was then taken to his home, at No. 7 West One-hundred-and-thirty-fourth-st., in the ambulance.

## THEY BEAT THE REGISTERS.

TWO THIEVES CAUGHT BY STATEN ISLAND TROLLEY OFFICIALS—POLICE THINK THE MEN ARE MEMBERS OF A BIG GANG.

An important arrest was made by Superintendent J. Bernard Brophy, of the Staten Island Electric Railroad, yesterday which will be of interest to traction companies throughout the country, who for over a year have been trying to discover the methods used to tamper with the fare registers. It is said that a well-organized gang has been at work and has defied the efforts of detectives and successfully robbed nearly every street railway company of any prominence of thousands of dollars by tampering with the registers and pocketing the proceeds of their dishonesty. Among these companies was the Staten Island, which, with allied lines, had been a heavy sufferer.

On June 30 Harry Lang, who had been well recommended, was appointed a conductor on one of the company's cars. Everything went well until July 5, which was an exceedingly heavy day for travel, when something was found to be wrong with Lang's returns. The most peculiar part was that his returns tallied exactly with the indicator as taken by inspectors on each trip, but the totalizer did not tally, and this caused a suspicion by the officials.

Superintendent Brophy placed a number of detectives at work and almost on every trip the car made, and on Monday two new detectives made the trips with Lang unknown to him. They also noticed that a strange man was making regular trips with Lang. Several times during the day the detectives saw Lang and his accomplice tamper with the register at the end of the route, but they were not satisfied, so they did not arrest the conductor until later in the day. The conductor and his accomplice unscrewed the register and set back the totalizer figures, but did not touch the fare indicators, and it was this job that led to their arrest.

When the car was making its last trip at midnight on Monday, from Holland's Hook to St. George, it was met by Superintendent Brophy and a score of detectives in front of Justice Mullin's court, on Richmond Terrace, Port Richmond, who boarded the car and placed Conductor Lang and his chum, who described himself as William Stevens, alias George Clark, under arrest, on a charge of larceny.

When searched Clark was found to have in his possession several pairs of pliers, a skeleton key such as are used by burglars, and a pocketful of screws taken from the registers. He also had transfer slips from nearly every railroad in New-York, and recommendations alleged to have been written by responsible people. He also had applied to the Staten Island Electric Company for employment, and would have gone to work next week.

Superintendent Brophy stated that Lang had worked on nine different cars, and on each of them the registers had been tampered with. He believed that Lang had robbed the company to the extent of several hundred dollars.

The prisoners pleaded not guilty, and were locked up at the West New-Brighton police station.

## MR. BIDWELL'S BOND APPROVED.

HE WILL TAKE CHARGE OF THE CUSTOM-HOUSE HERE TO-DAY.

Washington, July 13.—The official bond of George R. Bidwell as Collector of Customs at the Port of New-York has been approved and his commission was issued this afternoon. Mr. Bidwell returned to New-York this evening, and will take charge of customs affairs at that port to-morrow.

## BENNETT WON BRYAN'S BATHING SUIT.

THE CONGRESSMAN WILL GIVE IT TO SOME EASTERN DISTRICT FREE SILVERITE.

Charles G. Bennett, the Brooklyn Congressman, is the owner of a bathing suit in which William J. Bryan, late Democratic candidate for President, entered the water at Virginia Beach several weeks ago. Mr. Bennett took a trip to the beach some time afterward, when the bathing suit was being raffled for the benefit of the Children's Seaside Sanitarium. He was persuaded to buy tickets Nos. 22 and 17. He had forgotten all about the incident, when he was informed in Washington on Monday that he had won the suit. Mr. Bennett said he would present the suit to some free silverite constituent of his, and will not give it to the man who conducted the raffle, an ardent free silverite, who wrote him: "If you do not care for the suit, do not forget me. O'Keefe."

## POLICE CAPTAIN SMITH INJURED.

THROWN FROM A CROWDED CABLE-CAR, HE SUFFERS A SCALP WOUND AND LOSES HIS UNIFORM.

Police Captain Elbert O. Smith, of the East Twenty-second-st. station, was thrown from a Third-ave. cable-car last night at Twenty-third-st. and suffered a scalp wound and the loss of his uniform, but had a narrow escape from a more serious injury, as he came near striking an elevated railroad pillar.

Every night about 7 o'clock Captain Smith and one of his wardmen make a tour of the precinct. Last night at the usual time he started out, accompanied by Detective Coleman. At Twenty-third-st. the Captain signalled the gripman on Car No. 252 to stop. He slowed up and the two policemen managed to get on the side platform. Without waiting for the conductor to give him the signal, the gripman took a firm hold of the cable and the car shot ahead. Captain Smith was standing on the platform near the fourth aisle, and it was crowded. As the car jerked forward the passengers were thrown against the Captain and he was hurled to the pavement.

Detective Coleman had the car stopped, and others assisted the Captain to his feet. He declared he was not injured, and walked to his home. The detective asked if he would make any arrest, but Captain Smith told him to get the car number, and he would attend to the fixing of the responsibility later.

When seen at his home some time after the accident Captain Smith tried to make light of the matter. He said he was not seriously hurt and would be on hand to-day. He blames the gripman, and says he will make a complaint to the president of the company this morning.

## WOMEN IN OVERALLS, WITH NO SKIRTS.

Kansas City, Kan., July 13.—The Police Department of Kansas City this morning set women prisoners at breaking stone, the same as the male prisoners. The Police Commissioners adopted this rule on the recommendation of Chief Quarles, who argued that women prisoners kept in idleness were not sufficiently punished. The women will wear coarse overalls, and will have no skirts to impede their work. This is the first effort of the kind ever made in Kansas.

## HAVOC BY WIND AND TIDE

SERIOUS DAMAGE BY THE SEA AT CONEY ISLAND.

THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE BRIGHTON BEACH HOTEL UNDER WATER—PART OF THE OCEAN HOUSE SWEPT AWAY—ELEVATED TRAINS STOPPED—LIFE-SAVERS ORDERED OUT.

The high wind of yesterday played almost unprecedented havoc at the shore resorts of Long Island. The seas were sent in high and angry all day and all night, and the damage at some of the most popular resorts was great. At Coney Island the tracks of the Coney Island branch of the elevated railroad had so much water upon them that the police ordered trains to stop running early in the evening. The Brighton Beach racetrack was deep in water, and the Brighton Beach Hotel was completely surrounded by the high tide.

At 11 o'clock last night the entire front of the Ocean Hotel, at Brighton Beach, had been washed away. A high southeast wind sprang up at that hour and it was feared that the hotel would be beaten to pieces before morning. The entire life-saving crew stationed along the Coney Island shore was ordered to patrol the beach to look out for any boats which might possibly wash ashore.

It was reported at Coney Island at that time that several yachts belonging to the Gravesend Yacht Club had broken from their moorings and drifted out to sea, but this report could not be verified, owing to the crippled state of the telephone service. The entire floor of the Brighton Beach Hotel, however, was filled with water, and the guests were forced to abandon it and adjourn to the second floor.

WRETCHED IN THE CITY.

In this city the rainfall that began on Monday continued nearly all day yesterday, with only occasional and brief intermissions. The temperature fell with the rain, and the highest point touched in the course of the day, according to the Weather Bureau, was 76 degrees, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The mean temperature for the day was 72. New-York was not a comfortable place to live in, for the reason that the atmosphere was saturated with an omnipresent humidity, its percentage ranging from 90 to 100. The rainfall was heavy at times, and in the twenty-four hours ending at 8 o'clock last night 1.78 inches of rain fell. The storm was not one of great geographical extent. It rained as far north as Albany in this State and in New-England, but not much further, and as far south as North Carolina. Pittsburg and other cities escaped without any rain.

If the weather authorities can be believed, New-York will to-day enjoy in the way of weather a duplicate of just what it had yesterday.

Rain and stationary temperature was the prophecy last night.

CONEY ISLAND ALMOST INUNDATED.

The fashionable section of Coney Island last night resembled a sunken island, with the big buildings sticking up out of the water. When the tide came in the water rose higher than it has been known to do before in years, even in winter storms. The strong, steady wind which has been blowing since Saturday night from the ocean has piled the water up along the coast, and Manhattan and Brighton beaches felt the full force of the storm. So steadily has the wind blown that an ebb of the tide has not occurred since Monday morning, and since Tuesday morning the water at its lowest has not gone much below the ordinary high-water mark.

Great rollers were coming in from the ocean last night and threatening to carry destruction to the shores from Norton's Point to Rockaway Inlet. The waves broke over the beach and their pounding could be heard a long distance away. At times the spray was carried two hundred yards inshore. The Brighton Beach racetrack was under four feet of water, and there seemed every possibility that Monday's racing there, the first of the season, may be the last for a long time, as the track is doubtless ruined by the water. The big fence about the track was down in a number of places, and more threatened to give way. It was also reported that one section of the grandstand had been damaged by the storm. At the stables it was said that the horses and stablemen remaining on the track were making the best of their imprisonment, and had not then been much discomfited. Some owners and trainers removed their horses from the track yesterday, as a measure of precaution.

The waves last night were rushing over the bulkheading at the Manhattan and Oriental hotels and damaging the lawns. The Brighton Beach Hotel was completely surrounded by water, and the guests were prisoners. The greatest damage yet done by the water was reported from the Brighton Beach Hotel. A big gap was torn in the bulkhead, and it looked as though the water would before long reach the front steps of the hotel. No one left the hotel, as there was no danger to the building, and it was far safer to remain there than to attempt the perilous passage away from it.

THE RAILROAD STOPPED.

At 9 o'clock last night the Coney Island police ordered the elevated railroad to cease running, as it was too dangerous on the stretch to the east end of the island. No damage had been done to the railroad, but it was feared that a train might be thrown from the rails. The policeman stationed at the Manhattan Beach Hotel soon after this telephoned to the Coney Island police station that he had a prisoner under arrest for drunkenness. The patrol wagon started for the hotel and turned back, reporting it had proceeded until the water was almost up to the hubs, and that a washout was probable. At the west end of the island the streets were deserted and the concert halls were silent.

IN THE OUTSKIRTS OF BROOKLYN.

The high water caused many washouts in Blythebourne, Bath Beach, Bensonhurst and Gravesend yesterday. The West Meadows, which adjoins Coney Island creek, were flooded last night, and the roads leading to the place were from three to four feet deep in water. Many of the people who live in the shanties there had to leave their homes and seek shelter elsewhere. Old inhabitants said that the tide was the highest they had seen in a number of years.

At Edgemere yesterday the tide cut into the narrow strip of land east of the Edgemere Hotel, and the water ran through from the surf to the inlet. Along the Great South Bay the tide was heavier for this period of the season than in years. At Southampton the bathing pavilions suffered, and the beach and board walks were covered with water. The blowing of a steamer's whistle was heard in the early hours of yesterday, but at daylight there was no vessel in sight.

THE ROAD TO THE STATE CAMP FLOODED.

There have not been such high tides in the Hudson at Peekskill in many months, as were seen this week. On Sunday, Monday and yesterday, the tide reached almost the top of the wharves along the water front. The water rose to the bottom of the drawbridge over the Annsville Creek, and the campground ferryboats could not pass under at high tide, so that many passengers were compelled to walk from the Blast Furnace dock into Peekskill. The party which went over to the inquest on the body of Corporal McDonald at the State Camp on Monday night was driven in a closed carriage which passed for a quarter of a mile through water up to and at times over the hubs of the vehicle,

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## MRS. HAY'S NARROW ESCAPE.

THE POLE OF AN OMNIBUS ENTERS THE PANEL OF HER CARRIAGE.

London, July 13.—Mrs. Hay, the wife of the United States Ambassador, had a narrow escape from serious accident to-day. While driving with Colonel Hay the pole of an omnibus penetrated the panel of the carriage at a point where Mrs. Hay's head had rested only a moment before.

Had she not shifted her position when she did, a fatal injury would have been almost unavoidable. The driver of the omnibus was arrested.

## TRIED TO JUMP FROM THE EIFFEL TOWER.

A PHILADELPHIAN, CRAZED BY THE HEAT, PREVENTED FROM COMMITTING SUICIDE.

London, July 13.—Special dispatches from Paris received here this afternoon say that a man giving his name as Richard Cartwright, and his address as No. 2,136 Walnut-st., Philadelphia, attempted to commit suicide to-day by jumping from the second story of the Eiffel Tower. He was prevented from carrying out his intention by the tower officials, who seized him as he was climbing over the handrail.

Cartwright was released by the officials on declaring that he had lost his head owing to the excessive heat.

## RECOGNIZED FROM HER PHOTOGRAPH.

GRACE STEVENSON WAS IN LEXINGTON, KY., MONDAY NIGHT, BUT SHE FLED YESTERDAY.

Lexington, Ky., July 13 (Special).—A young woman who confessed to being Grace Stevenson, daughter of James Stevenson, the Boston millionaire real estate man, has been in Lexington since July 3. She has lived at boarding-houses, and it was by accident that her identity was discovered last night by a newspaper reporter. He had obtained a picture of Miss Stevenson from the police which had been sent to them by the Boston authorities, and when he met her last night he was struck with her resemblance to the photograph. He showed her the picture and asked her if she was the original. She admitted that she was, and she said the photograph had been taken several years before in Kansas City. She was surprised that it had been sent here from Boston and seemed chagrined that her identity had been discovered.

She confessed that she was Grace Stevenson, the missing Boston girl, and that she had left home last April because of trouble in the family and had gone to Kansas City. There she remained about five weeks. Then she went to Cincinnati, where she stayed nearly as long, and finally she came to Lexington on July 3.

Fearing the police would arrest her, she quietly left this city over the Cincinnati Southern in the direction of Cincinnati late this afternoon.

## A REAL TRAGEDY ON THE STAGE.

AN AMATEUR ACTOR ACCIDENTALLY SHOOTS HIS SUPPOSED RIVAL DEAD.

Atlanta, Ga., July 13.—In a play presented by colored amateurs in Pittsburg, a suburb of this city, last night, John Singleton acted a part in which he was supposed to be shot dead by his rival, impersonated by Gary Brown. The scene was carried out faithfully and aroused loud applause, which was turned into lamentation when it was discovered that Singleton was really dead. The pistol Brown used, which was supposed to be loaded with blank cartridges, carried a real bullet.

## LEXOW—HE INSISTED.

AND LINCOLN HE PROTESTED, AND JUDGE CHESTER, HE SAID: "LEXOW, YOU'RE OFF."

Albany, July 13 (Special).—No comment was made in the Attorney-General's Department to-day on Justice Chester's decision vacating the order appointing a referee to conduct the proposed Coal Trust inquiry, except to say that the Attorney-General did not draft the Anti-Trust laws and was not responsible for their provisions. Deputy-Attorney-General Davies said that as soon as the order embracing Justice Chester's decision was entered an appeal would be taken to the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, which will meet here on September 7. The case eventually will be carried to the Court of Appeals, and it is intimated that the constitutional questions involved in the procedure under the Anti-Monopoly law will be taken to the United States Supreme Court.

It was stated to-day that the provisions of the Anti-Monopoly law granting to witnesses immunity from prosecution were the work of Senator Lexow, and were inserted in the law against the advice of Charles Z. Lincoln, Governor Black's legal adviser. The two Anti-Trust laws were drafted in the office of the Statutory Revision Commission under the direction of Mr. Lincoln, and it was his idea not to incorporate any immunity provision, but to allow witnesses to avail themselves of the rights guaranteed to them under the then existing law.

## CIRCUS HORSES GO DOWN IN A HEAP.

THE CHAIN ON A TRUCK DRAWN BY TEN ANIMALS PARTS AND AN EXCITING RUNAWAY FOLLOWS.

One of the liveliest runaways that Yonkers has ever seen occurred shortly after 1 o'clock yesterday morning. John Pond, a driver for Forepaugh & Sells's Combined Shows, which exhibited at Yonkers on Monday, was taking his last load to the train. It consisted of the tent poles loaded on a long truck and drawn by ten horses. The brake chain parted in Palisade-ave., near fire headquarters, on a decline. The pole horses were unable to hold back the heavy load, and the truck, coming on their heels, frightened them.

In another moment the ten horses were on a dead run. The driver turned them into Getty Square, and, being unacquainted with the city, instead of going through to South Broadway, he swung the frightened animals into Main-st., which has a decline all the way to the river.

The last car for Mount Vernon was coming leisurely up Main-st., when the motorman saw the runaway approaching. He at once reversed and attempted to reach the power-house, but the speed of the horses was so great that the car was overtaken a short distance west of Riverdale-ave. The truck struck a portion of the ironwork at the rear of the car, and the shock threw the lead horses to the ground, and the two next to them, breaking loose, ran to the foot of the street, where they were caught.

The other six horses fell in a bunch, and in an instant harness, horses and truck were in confusion. It took two hours to extricate the animals, right things and get the truck to the train. The noise of the truck rattling over the block pavement attracted a number of policemen and others, who were soon on the scene to render assistance. Two of the horses were badly injured, but the driver, Pond, escaped. He is said to be one of the best drivers attached to the circus. His presence of mind and coolness in staying at his post were commended by all who saw the accident.

## ATTACKED BY A SWORDFISH.

THE UNPLEASANT ADVENTURE OF A YOUNG MAN WHILE BATHING.

Elizabeth, N. J., July 13 (Special).—Richard Wilson, a young man whose home is at No. 122 Broad-st., is laid up at his boarding-house at South Amboy as the result of an unpleasant adventure he had a couple of days ago with a swordfish. He is on his vacation there, and while in bathing he suddenly felt a stinging pain in his leg, and knew he had been attacked by something. He waded painfully into shallow water, and there he saw the blood was streaming from an ugly wound above the ankle, and realized from the nature of the cut that it had been inflicted by a swordfish. If he had any doubts, they were quickly dispelled when he saw the fish shooting through the water not far from where he was standing.

He made his way to the shore, the pain becoming more acute, and was taken to a nearby physician, who cauterized the jagged wound and bandaged it up, after which the young man was removed to his boarding-house and word sent to his parents in this city.

Mrs. Wilson went to see her son to-day, and found him resting easily. Unless he should get worse he will be able to be brought home in a few days.

A luxurious draught of Tarrant's Seltzer Aperient removes all ill effects arising from indiscretions in eating or drinking.—(Advt.

## THIS JUSTICE CAN FIGHT.

TAKING OFF HIS COAT, HE LEAVES THE BENCH TO CHASTISE A POLICEMAN.

A PART OF THE MAMARONECK POPULATION ENJOYS AN EVENLY CONTESTED BATTLE BETWEEN THE TWO BRANCHES OF THE LAW.

Justice John W. McCabe, of Mamaroneck, tried an Italian on a trivial charge early Monday evening and sentenced him to imprisonment at White Plains. Policeman Blake borrowed the Justice's horse and buggy to take the prisoner to jail and departed. Now, what happened after that is in dispute The Justice alleges that the policeman stopped off at Dublin to reinforce his tonsils against the heat, and that the prisoner meanly took advantage of this opportunity to escape. After that, the Justice says, Blake became exceedingly dry several times. At any rate, Blake got back to Mamaroneck about two hours after he started. The buggy had dents in it, the harness was broken, the horse was exhausted to the verge of falling, and his legs were badly cut.

When the eagle eye of Justice McCabe took in the disreputable appearance of his team, he forthwith berated Policeman Blake in terms of no complimentary sort. Then, says the Justice, Blake leaned over his desk and struck him in the face. The Justice, being an able-bodied person, threw off his coat and waistcoat and hastily followd the "copper" to the street, whither he had retired.

The encounter was so fierce that the spectators held their respective breaths, and that was a brilliant achievement for some of them. One or two of the throng, righteously indignant at the spectacle of the judicial and executive branches of the law in bitter conflict, rushed in where angels would, with good reason, have feared to tread. They were at once caught between the Scylla of McCabe and the Charybdis of Blake, and retired for repairs.

One of the would-be peacemakers was a village policeman. He escaped with a black eye, and the crowd congratulated him.

The Justice and the policeman continued their affray until both were so exhausted that they wer glad to quit and call it half a day. The injuries were not serious in either case.

No arrests have yet been made, but the Justice says he may issue a warrant for Blake's arrest. If he does so, Blake will probably have the novel pleasure of serving a warrant on himself. Should he be sentenced to ten days at White Plains, he may have a chance to see if he can take himself there without stopping on the way to get a drink, and so give himself a chance to escape.

## EVEN THE MAYOR WAS ARRESTED.

SUNDAY BASEBALL CAUSES A QUEER COMPLICATION IN SPRINGFIELD, OHIO.

Springfield, Ohio, July 13 (Special).—Chief of Police Black and Patrolmen Warner and Hymes were arrested this evening by Constable Walker on the strength of an affidavit, filed in Justice Bryden's court, charging them with assault and obstructing officers in the discharge of their duty. Their arrest is the sequel to the trouble at the baseball game on Sunday. These officers had arrested the ballplayers, and ejected Deputy-Sheriffs Sheets and Bailey from the grounds after the latter had tried to rearrest the players. Later, after the players had been released on bail, Chief Black refused to permit the deputies to arrest them.

Mayor Good, who walked out on the diamond on Sunday and told the police to arrest the deputies, was also arrested on the same charge as Chief Black. The fight is a hot one between the Law and Order League and the liberal element. In addition to the above named, President Elliott of the Board of Public Affairs; Mr. Rockfield, landlord of the Arcade Hotel; S. L. Nelson, manager of the street railway, and D. W. Carter have been arrested three times now for giving exhibitions of Sunday ballplaying. They are bound over to the Grand Jury, and it is announced that Sunday ballplaying will go on.

## THE GOVERNOR AT THE STATE CAMP.

IT WAS SO RAINY, HOWEVER, THAT HIS VISIT WAS A DISAPPOINTMENT.

State Camp, Peekskill, N. Y., July 13.—Governor Black paid his first visit to the camp to-day. The day was a dull one, and when the troops turned out to welcome him much of the beauty of the display was lost through the soldiers having to wear their overcoats. The Governor arrived at Roa Hook at 1:04 o'clock, and was met by General Tillinghast and the post officers. The Governor entered a carriage and was driven to headquarters. He was accompanied by his military secretary, C. C. Treadwell. The troops were drawn up in line on the top of the hill, and presented arms as the Governor and his escort entered camp. At the same time the detachment of the 3d Battery in camp fired a salute of nineteen guns. The troops were then dismissed until after dinner, when the review took place.

The Governor reviewed the troops from a carriage. After the review all the officers paid their respects to the Governor at headquarters. The officers wore their full-dress uniform. The post band played all the afternoon opposite headquarters. The Governor witnessed the evening parade, and took supper with the headquarters officers. He left the camp for Troy at 8 o'clock, being escorted to the station by the officers.

The Governor expressed himself as well pleased with what he had witnessed and regretted that the weather had not been favorable. The officers and troops were much disappointed because the day was rainy. It did not permit a display which they intended to make.

## TRAMPS KILLED