

COL. ROOSEVELT'S BUSY DAY.

A VISIT TO THE HOUSE OF REFUGE ON RANDALL'S ISLAND.

THE GOVERNOR-ELECT HOLDS A NUMBER OF CONFERENCES AND GIVES A HARMONY DINNER—A. T. WHITE AND THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Some busy hours were spent by Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, the Governor-elect, sightseeing, holding conferences and entertaining political friends in this city yesterday and last night. He came to the city from his home in Oyster Bay early in the forenoon, and went to an East River pier, near one-hundred-and-thirty-fifth-st., where he was met by Alexander E. Orr, president of the House of Refuge for Juvenile Delinquents; the treasurer, Edward M. Townsend, and Everett J. Wendell, J. J. Higginson, Clement Marsh and Frederick Bronson, of the Board of Management. Ex-Judge Allison, Warden Sage, of Sing Sing, and Frank S. Whitehead and several women were in the party which boarded a tugboat with Colonel Roosevelt and went to visit the House of Refuge on Randall's Island. The trip had been arranged by Mr. Orr, in order to permit Colonel Roosevelt to see something of a State institution for children before entering upon his duties as Governor.

The 750 girls and boys of the institution were drawn up in battalions on the lawn when the party arrived. The girls waved their hands and the boys gave a military salute. Then they gave a cheer, which was not in the programme. Mr. Orr introduced Colonel Roosevelt to the children, and the Colonel made a brief speech as follows:

I am very glad to see you, as I have always been interested in this institution. The methods are here which, by following, you can become good men and women. You will all have the opportunities and if you cannot go to the front, as some of you perhaps would hope to do, you can do your duty as well in peace.

Superintendent Carpenter escorted the party through the workshops where the boys were at their regular apprenticeships. Governor-elect Roosevelt seemed greatly interested in each separate shop. He visited the large assembly-room, where he heard the girls sing. He also visited the children's apartments and expressed himself as well pleased with the system and the care of the young ones. He said the visit had given him great pleasure. The entire party returned to the city on the steamboat Refuge.

AT THE FIFTH AVENUE HOTEL.

Colonel Roosevelt went to the Fifth Avenue Hotel in the afternoon, and spent some hours there in conferences with Republicans in the headquarters of the State Committee. Chairman B. B. Odell, Jr., had come down from his home in Newburg to consult with the Governor-elect. They had a long talk together about candidates for office, but no appointments were decided upon at the talk. Colonel Roosevelt went to the room of Senator Platt and had a long talk with the Senator. He talked with Lieutenant-Governor Woodruff and ex-Mayor Schieren about Alfred T. White, the former Commissioner of City Works, who had been recommended for appointment as State Superintendent of Public Works. He talked with Major-General Roe, and said that General Roe would select ten of the members of the Governor's staff from officers of the National Guard. General Roe said later in the afternoon that he had not made the selections and would take his time in preparing the list.

Colonel Roosevelt also talked with Henry Weissman, who has been an applicant for the place of Commissioner of Labor Statistics. Mr. Weissman had been accused of sympathy with Anarchists, and he wanted to explain something he did when he was a boy in San Francisco. As he was about to leave the hotel late in the afternoon, Colonel Roosevelt said to newspaper men that no decisions as to appointments had been reached at his conference, and that he could make no further announcements. He had invited Mr. Odell to attend dinner in the evening, but Mr. Odell, who has recovered from a severe illness, said he must return to his home in Newburg.

Alfred T. White, whose name had been presented by ex-Mayor Schieren for the place of State Superintendent of Public Works, has authorized The Tribune to say that it would be impossible for him to take the office, and in no circumstances would he consent to accept the appointment if it were offered to him by Governor-elect Roosevelt.

WHAT MR. WHITE SAYS. In speaking of the place of State Superintendent of Public Works Mr. White said yesterday: "I do not think that the constitutional law for public work is the best possible one. New York State, the largest in the Union, could and should have the best engineering talent in the country. The State can afford to have the most capable engineer at the head of her public works, and she should have one who is not a political product."

That there is a division of responsibility has been plainly shown in the canal report. There should be individual responsibility. The office of State Engineer should be one within the power of the Governor to fill. You cannot get the best engineers to consider the nomination to an elective office, as it is at present. Secondly, when the engineer has been appointed he should have the undivided responsibility for the execution of all the work.

"Of course, the system at present is embodied in the Constitution; but what I have said is looking to the future. Such a man as I have mentioned would do away with the possibility of another such scandal as that now hanging over the canal."

Last evening Colonel Roosevelt gave a "harmony" dinner in the home of his sister, Mrs. Douglass Robinson, No. 680 Madison-ave. His guests were Senator Thomas C. Platt, Joseph H. Choate, Chauncey M. Depew, Clayton Ives, General Benjamin F. Tracy, Seth Low, Elihu Root, Captain A. T. Mahan, John Prentiss Clarke, W. M. Lafan and Douglas Robinson. Colonel Roosevelt declared that the dinner would be a purely social affair, and have no political significance.

THE WEATHER REPORT.

YESTERDAY'S RECORD AND TO-DAY'S FORECAST. Washington, Dec. 17.—A storm is developing in the West Gulf, and has caused rain in the Gulf, Middle and South Atlantic States. A slight movement of the high pressure area upon the land has caused a temporary clearing in the Middle and South Atlantic States, but it is expected that this high pressure will be displaced and will be followed by increasing cloudiness Sunday afternoon, with prospects of rain in the South Atlantic States, and Monday morning in the Middle Atlantic States. The storm last night in Manitoba has moved to Ontario. The pressure continues high from the Mississippi Valley to the Pacific Coast, except a slight depression in Southern Texas. Temperatures have remained stationary from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Rain may be expected in the Middle and West Gulf States, increasing in the Middle and North Atlantic States; generally fair weather will prevail in Canada. The temperature conditions will remain nearly stationary over the whole country. Light rains have fallen on the North Pacific Coast.

DETAILED FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For New-England and Eastern New York, increasing cloudiness and possibly rain; fresh southerly winds, increasing. For District of Columbia, Eastern Pennsylvania, New-Jersey, Delaware, Maryland and Virginia, generally fair, followed by increasing cloudiness Sunday afternoon, light southerly winds. For Western Pennsylvania and Western New-York, rain in the early morning, followed by fair weather; brisk southerly winds.

TRIMMING LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Table with 3 columns: Hour, Bar. (inches), and Temp. (degrees). Rows for 7 AM, 8 AM, 9 AM, 10 AM, 11 AM, 12 PM, 1 PM, 2 PM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 5 PM, 6 PM, 7 PM, 8 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM, and Night.

In this graphic the continuous white line shows the changes in pressure as indicated by The Tribune's self-recording barometer. The dotted line shows the temperature as recorded at Perry's Pharmacy.

CRUSHED BY A STEAM-ROLLER.

HORRIBLE MANNER OF AN ITALIAN'S DEATH IN FLATBUSH.

THE MAN'S BODY FLATTENED OUT TO THE THICKNESS OF A DOORMAT—ENGINEER OF THE MACHINE ARRESTED.

Paulo Selemo, thirty-five years old, of No. 433 Bergen-st., an Italian, in the employ of John Meila, a contractor, of Troy-ave. and Prospect Place, Brooklyn, was instantly killed last evening, about 6:30 o'clock, at Washington-ave. and Washington Place, Flatbush, by being run over by an immense steam-roller, which flattened his body out to the thickness of an ordinary doormat. The accident is said to be the first of its kind reported to the police of Brooklyn, and the awful manner of Selemo's death was the theme for excited discussion among the police last night.

Meila's men were doing contract work for the city in Twenty-second-ave., and last evening at 6 o'clock William R. Goode, of No. 420 Bergen-st., the engineer in charge of the roller, started from Twenty-second-ave. for the yard of his employer, at Troy-ave. and Prospect Place. Selemo walked ahead of the roller with a lantern, swinging it and warning drivers of the presence of the steam-roller. This was hardly necessary, as the huge machine rumbled over the pavement, making a great noise, so that the wheelmen and horsemen for blocks ahead were warned of its approach. Selemo kept just ahead of the machine, and was at times forced to accelerate his speed in order to keep pace.

The accident occurred at Washington-ave. and Washington Place. At the intersection of the streets at this point Goode says he slowed up and kept a sharp lookout. Suddenly he caught sight of Selemo's lantern by the side of his steam-roller, and then he felt a jolt under the roller. He stopped the roller, got out and looked around for Selemo. He had been just ahead of the machine the minute before, but now he was nowhere to be seen. Goode looked up and down all around, not thinking at first of Selemo's fate. Then he looked at the pavement at his feet, and noticed that, flattened out on the brick, was a cloth-covered mass. It was then he grasped the full meaning of the accident, and he ran up the avenue to tell some one what had happened. Word was sent to the Grand-ave. police station, and Policemen Farrell and Raleigh went to the scene of the accident. They took the crushed body of Selemo to the police station. Goode was placed under arrest on a charge of homicide.

Goode said that he was not to blame for the accident. He thinks that Selemo must have stumbled and fallen directly in front of the machine, as he said he heard no outcry. It was all done so quickly that he hardly realized what had happened.

Selemo lived with his wife and children at No. 433 Bergen-st.

DID NOT KNOW HER OWN NAME.

CURIOUS LAPSE OF A WOMAN'S MEMORY CAUSED HER TO APPEAL TO THE POLICE.

A handsomely dressed woman of refined appearance who could not remember her name drove in a cab from the Hotel Metropole to Police Headquarters at about 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning to have herself identified. She complained that she had forgotten her name and address, and though Roundsman Brady questioned her about herself for more than half an hour she was unable to remember either. The roundsman finally had her removed in an ambulance to St. Vincent's Hospital for the night, where she was examined by physicians, who agreed that she was suffering from hysteria, due to severe mental strain. She was told that she would probably be able to tell her name after she had slept. The woman went to bed, but when she awoke at 7 o'clock she could not give any more information about herself.

A young man who said he was R. H. Smith called at the hospital about 8 o'clock. The woman refused to see him, but he returned a little later with a girl about eleven years old, who he said was the woman's daughter. When the woman saw the girl she consented to leave the hospital with them. She refused to say anything about the man or girl, but remarked that she had recovered.

The woman told Roundsman Brady that she had left her home about 10 o'clock on Friday morning, and had boarded a cable-car bound downtown. She left the car at Twenty-third-st., and went to a store to make some purchases for her little daughter. She remembered nothing about her movements from the time she entered that store. The woman said that she was a graduate of the Normal College. She had a considerable sum of money with her.

A good-looking man called at Police Headquarters last night to try to find out where the woman had gone. He said he was her husband. He refused to give his name or address, but said that the woman's maiden name was Mammie Smith, and that she had been married to him in New York in 1888 and married her. They had one daughter, in 1888, according to the man's story, his wife deserted him, and he never saw her again. He met her several times, but never lived with her. He wanted to get the child, but she kept her to spite him, and he never saw her again. He said he would like to see her, but she would not let him. The woman was subjected to fits of hysteria.

ONE KILLED BY ESCAPING GAS.

A BURST PIPE HAS ONE VICTIM, AND MAY CLAIM TWO.

A bursted gaspipe is something that is rarely heard of, but according to the statement of authorities of St. Mary's Hospital it has happened. It caused the death of Mrs. Louisa Wechter, fifty years old, and nearly killed Alfred Wechter. Wechter is sixty years old and a diamond-cutter by occupation. He and his wife lived in comfortable circumstances at No. 239 Stanoehop-st. They retired at 10:30 Friday evening. Last yesterday afternoon there came a gusty wind, and a knock was found to be full of illuminating gas. Both were in the bed, Mrs. Wechter dead and her husband unconscious. Dr. Joseph W. Walsh worked over Wechter at St. Mary's Hospital, and reported him to be partially conscious, though he did not suffer from any serious illness. It was reported that he knew his name, but his condition is critical.

An examination of the room in which the two died showed that a gaspipe had burst, and the gas escaped. No gasjet had been turned on.

COLD WATER MADE HIM REPENT.

Louis Gewinz, of No. 311 Division-st., Manhattan, attempted to commit suicide last night, and became convinced of his error when he was thrown into the Richardson-st. police station. Gewinz jumped from the ferryboat Whitehall on its way from the Battery to Hamilton-ave., Brooklyn, last night about 6 o'clock. The ferryboat was stopped and a life-preserver at the end of a rope was thrown out in the direction of the man, who clung to it. He was drawn aboard. The employees on the boat, who thought he had jumped from the railing, gave him a shove to a policeman when the boat reached its slip.

HIS MURDEROUS ATTEMPT SUCCEEDED.

Mrs. Bertha Dietrich, of No. 43 Bartlett-st., who about two weeks ago was badly cut with a razor in the hands of Hart, a boarder, who had been making love to her and was spurned, died last night at her home in the Eastern District, as a result of her injuries. Mrs. Dietrich was worth a few thousand dollars, and Hart wanted to marry her for her money.

THE PICTORIAL POSTCARD CRAZE.

Vienna correspondence of The London Post. More than once I have called attention in these columns to the craze which has set in among the Austrians for collecting pictorial postcards. It has now become a general craze, and the comic journals. The tourist and tripper are supposed to have no opportunity of seeing the natural beauties of the richly wooded valleys. How long does the devoted to dispatching pictorial cards to their friends and relatives. No longer says, "How do you do?" but "How many cards have you sent?" Wherever the train stops in this picturesque land the passengers may be seen streaming out, not as for a walk in order to snap some retirement at a bar, but to obtain postcards of the neighborhood and post them there and then, after scribbling off a few lines. The question "How long does the train stop here?" has become obsolete. One hears only the more practical one of "Is there time to write a postcard?" Trips, in fact, are only made to those parts where the illustrated card is to be had, and the lack on the resources of the Postal Department is such that one may consider oneself fortunate if the expected postcard reaches its destination in less than three days. The postman has come to look on the pictorial card as his deadliest enemy, since it has doubled the amount of his daily deliveries. The craze has entailed hard work on the railway officials, and a social and educational nature. There is scarcely a subject under the sun which is not being depicted on these cards, and sellers are springing up everywhere in order to promote the interests of collectors throughout the world.

DOCTOR HAY'S HAIR-HEALTH.

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FIVE DEAD, THREE INJURED.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS RUN DOWN BY A TRAIN ON THEIR WAY HOME.

Allenwood, N. J., Dec. 17.—The accident at the Allenwood crossing of the Pennsylvania Railroad yesterday afternoon will probably result in six deaths. Four people were killed instantly, David F. Allen died last night, one is dying, another is seriously injured, and of the party of eight in the wagon struck by the train Chester Allen, five years old, son of Thomas A. Allen, was the least injured, although hurled a distance of one hundred feet. The dead are: ALLEN, Mrs. Alice, daughter of David F. Allen. ALLEN, David, five years old, son of Thomas A. Allen. ALLEN, John, wife of Thomas A. Allen. CRANMOR, Jennie.

GIRDERS SPLIT AND BENT.

SERIOUS STATE OF AFFAIRS FOUND IN THE ROTHSCHILD BUILDING.

The Building Department made a discovery in the sub-basement of the Rothschild Building, at Jay and Fulton sts., yesterday that led to the giving of a preliminary order for every one to leave the building at once, and for the replacing of the guard lines and the police sentry. Inspectors of the Department found that some of the wooden girders of the sub-basement had split and bent to the extent that a sagging effect was produced in the middle of the building. As a result it was said that a greater amount of weight was thrown on the already overloaded front wall of the building and its foundation. One report had it that one of the girders near the Fulton and Jay at corner of the building had bent down the width of four bricks, or about eight inches. This could not be verified.

There was considerable surprise on the part of passers-by last night when they saw that the ropes were again in place, and that the ropes extended clear around the Jay-st. end of the building. The "Tenth and Eleventh" was overruled by the Building Department, which had a "closed" sign on its door, and three policemen warned people not to go under the ropes.

Workers from the Department of Buildings will begin to-morrow the task of tearing down the building, which is being dismantled by the Building Department. It is estimated that this work will cost \$20,000. Commissioner Guilfoyle has made a charge of \$2,700 for giving a temporary support to the building. Mr. Rothschild thinks it is excessive, and may fight the matter in the courts.

CAPTAIN STEVENS ARRESTED.

ACCUSED OF ASSAULTING A SALOONKEEPER—HE SAYS IT IS A CASE OF MIS-TAKEN IDENTITY. Captain David Stevens, in charge of the United States transport Hartford, at the Erie Basin, was arrested yesterday morning, charged with being one of the three men who assaulted William J. Bennett, a Pearlport saloonkeeper, on the afternoon of Friday, December 10th. Bennett received several slight stab wounds from unknown assailants, and was badly used. The men who assaulted him made their escape. On Friday night a well-dressed man stepped into Bennett's place and asked for a glass of whisky. He went out and was walking up the street when he was overtaken by Bennett, a policeman named Dowling. The latter arrested the stranger, who proved to be Captain Stevens. Stevens communicated with his brother, Charles S. Stevens, who is superintendent of the Riverside Iron Company, of Wheeling, W. Va., and the latter communicated with his brother, a lawyer to defend the prisoner. Captain Stevens asserts most positively that it is a case of mistaken identity, and that he is the only officer of the transport Mississippi, and was not in this immediate locality.

When the prisoner was arraigned in the Adams-st. police court yesterday his counsel asked for an immediate discharge, but the court refused. The witnesses were not at hand. Magistrate Brenner postponed the hearing till Monday, and paroled the prisoner on the custody of his counsel. Stevens, who is a veteran of the Civil War, and served as ensign on the Santee, says that he knows nothing of the assault on Bennett.

MISERY AT GLEN COVE.

THREE HUNDRED PEOPLE SUFFER FROM THE DESTRUCTION OF THE STARCH WORKS.

The fire at the works of the National Starch Manufacturing Company at Glen Cove threw three hundred people out of employment and caused much misery in the village. The company is now repairing its factory, and two hundred of the old hands have been paid to work at reduced wages. But those who are out of work are suffering for lack of fuel and food. The Overseer of the Poor is thinking of issuing orders to the village and John Burns has offered to issue orders to the needy on the "Protective Union Store," which he started for the benefit of the factory people. The village of Glen Cove, on the Rockaway, which formerly paid out each week \$1,000, has lost \$1,000, and the Rev. John L. Belford, of Oyster Bay, recently gave a lecture for the benefit of the destitute.

ORDINATION AT GARDEN CITY.

BISHOP LITTLEJOHN TO CONFER HOLY ORDERS AT THE CATHEDRAL OF THE INCARNATION. Garden City, Dec. 17 (Special).—In the Cathedral of the Incarnation to-morrow morning H. L. Gilbert, of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, will be made a deacon, and the following deacons will be ordained: Rev. H. A. Dexter, of Central Islip; Long Island, the Rev. Marshall Harris, of the Church of the Incarnation, Brooklyn, and the Rev. F. W. Burge, of Richfield Springs. The Right Rev. A. L. Littlejohn, Bishop of the Diocese of the Garden City Cathedral, and the Rev. Spencer S. Roche, of St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn, will be the sponsors for the candidates. The music will be conducted by Professor William Woodcock, the Cathedral organist.

TWO YOUNG MEN MADE PRIESTS.

Philip J. Brady and Richard A. Schoenck were yesterday ordained to the priesthood by Bishop McDonnell in the Bishop's chapel. Both priests were born in Brooklyn. They received their theological training at St. Mary's Seminary, in Baltimore. They will celebrate their first high masses on Christmas morning—Father Brady at St. Malachy's and Father Schoenck at the Church of the Sacred Heart.

LITTLE ALBINA OTTO'S DEATH.

Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Otto said yesterday that they would take no action looking to the prosecution of those who caused the death of their little daughter, Albina, who was killed by rough boys at Myrtle-ave. and Harman-st. on Friday night. No arrests were made yesterday. The child was looking at Christmas toys, with other children, and was pushed and jostled severely. She was nine years old and had been an invalid for three or four years. Death resulted from hemorrhage of the brain. Mr. Otto does not think that the death of the child was caused by a blow.

INVERTED FONDRES FOR LEAD PIPE.

William Stevens, twenty-two years old, who is an inverted lead pipe thief, was again arraigned yesterday in the Gates-ave. court. Adolph Sussman, who owns the houses at Nos. 11 and 13 Prescott Place, testified that on December 2 he found that twenty-four lead traps, valued at \$120, had been taken from these houses. Stevens was arrested because of his record. Yesterday he pleaded guilty to breaking into the cellar of one of the houses, but denied stealing the traps. He was held in \$200 for examination on Monday.

TO SUCCEED ROBERT H. ROY.

Herbert Brush, son of Senator George W. Brush, is to be appointed Assistant United States District Attorney, to succeed Robert H. Roy. He will take office on January 1. The salary is \$2,500.

BROOKLYN BOY GETS A PRIZE.

Morris Bradford Butler, son of Dr. W. M. Butler, of No. 207 Clinton-ave., has just received the sophomore essay prize in the Latin department of Amherst College. This is the second prize young Butler has won. Amherst, the Wilkinson estate, having been awarded to him in his freshman year.

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home, I thought of the squirrels I had killed in your garden, and a twinge of honest remorse struck through me. I had a trial right there and convicted myself of wilful murder. I had killed perhaps relatives of those very squirrels which had so often for fifteen minutes, almost like, and I swore the oath. That was five years ago; I have never shot a red squirrel from that day."

THE ISLAND OF PALAWAI.

SUGGESTED AS A NAVAL STATION IN THE PHILIPPINES. Washington correspondence of The Chicago Record. Palawan, the long island which lies at the late of the East Indies, and which once was a naval station of the United States, is the object of much interest just now because of the fact that according to the reports of the Spaniards have no title to it. Although some three hundred miles long, it is very narrow. At some places it is only five miles wide, but the great width of the island is a magnificent forest of great value. Like most of the Philippines, it has a central mountain chain, extending in the direction of its length. The only civilized settlement is a penal colony at Puerto Princessa, the capital, with a military garrison. The island is surrounded by a fertile country. Three tribes of natives inhabit Palawan. The Spaniards have never attempted to civilize them, although a few missions have been established by the priests.

TOO MUCH JOHN SMITH.

From The Atlanta Constitution. "John Smith," cried out the court clerk. "John Smith," cried out the bailiff. "John Smith," cried out the turkey. And three men walked out of the prisoner's room. "I only called one case," said Judge Andy when he saw a white man and two negroes in front of him. "A little negro, with enough nose for four men, was asked: 'What is your name?' And he replied: 'John Smith.' A white man, with garments soiled and ragged, was asked: 'What is your name?' And he replied: 'John Smith.' A large negro, with a part shaved in his hair, was asked: 'What is your name?' And he replied: 'John Smith.' Three policemen arose and each claimed one of the John Smiths, and according to the report of the colored John Smiths were in doubt which one was the other.

JOHN SMITH'S GREAT DANCER OF FINING THE WRONG JOHN SMITH FOR THE WRONG OFFENCE.

John Smith, great dancer of fining the wrong John Smith for the wrong offence, the right John Smith for the wrong offence, I will let all the John Smiths go.