



TUNNEL WORK UNDER WAY BIDS FOR THE SUB-CONTRACTS TO BE OPENED MONDAY.

CANAL-ST. SEWER ALTERATIONS NEXT IN ORDER-HARDEST WORK TO BE UNDERTAKEN FIRST.

So far from lowering the sewer in Blocker-st. in order to permit the passage of the tunnel has progressed slowly, but the contractor, James Picketing, is making preparations which will facilitate the excavation. Men were employed yesterday in making ready for the setting up of an engine and boiler near Mercer-st. for the operation of a line of trolley buckets which will permit the removal of the earth from the open excavation. The buckets will be rigged up over the earth and as fast as they can be filled with dirt they will be run along the trolley line to a spot convenient for dumping directly into carts. As the men dig deeper the travelling buckets will be correspondingly lowered, and by their use the work of lowering the sewer will be greatly expedited. A trench about three feet deep has now been dug between the catwalks in Blocker-st. to a distance of about sixty feet, just east of Green-st. As on the previous days, a big crowd of men assembled around the trench, importuning Mr. Picketing and his foremen for employment, and it was again necessary to enrage the services of policemen to keep these men out of the way of the work.

The sub-contracts will be opened on Monday. The successful bidders will be required to give bonds, which must be satisfactory to August Belmont and Mr. McDonald. It is understood that in the preparation of the specifications for these sub-contracts Mr. McDonald had the assistance of David L. Hough, the engineer who conducted part of the Boston Subway, and who had estimated on each of the fifteen sub-divisions of the tunnel. Probably the next work to be undertaken will be the Canal-st. sewer. This sewer is to be divided at Elm-st. and two branches made, draining into the North and East rivers. The cost of this task will be about \$100,000, and it is estimated by William Barclay Parsons that it will take not less than a year to complete the job. This work will not interfere with the construction of the tunnel. It is the intention of the contractor to push at the outset the building of the most difficult sections of the tunnel—the Postoffice loop, the Forty-second-st. section and the rock boring at Fort George.

Charles Sorenstein, the consulting engineer to the Rapid Transit Subway Construction Company, suggested yesterday that the description "tunnel" as applied to the projected underground railroad should be abandoned in favor of the word "subway." The latter, he said, is a far more appropriate term, and the word "tunnel" is generally understood to mean a structure, never visible from the surface, except perhaps at the terminal. In common parlance, it is a hole in the ground, made by excavating from the surface and roofed and built over. Such is the character of the proposed underground railway. Hence, it is a subway, and not a tunnel. The company has recognized this and is calling the Rapid Transit Subway Company.

A report was published yesterday to the effect that the Manhattan Railway Company proposed to begin immediately the extension of its East Side elevated line, and that ground would be broken for the pillar foundations of the new structure, a half and a half of new structure, it was said, would be built, running from the present terminal at One-hundred-and-seventy-seventh-st. to the Fort George station. It was added that to-day bids would be opened for the contract for concrete work on the new Manhattan power-house, between Fourth-st. and East River. At the offices of the Manhattan company a Tribune reporter was informed yesterday afternoon that the preliminary details looking to the extension of the elevated system and the installation of electric power were being rapidly completed. The preliminary details to the specific details which were mentioned for the breaking of ground and opening of bids conveyed to the company by the city, it was said, were matters which had not yet been decided upon.

The Metropolitan Street Railway Company expects to complete within the next two weeks the extension of its Fourth-ave. line to the Postoffice. The Rapid Transit Commission will meet at 3 o'clock this afternoon, when the plans for conduits and the preliminary details will be considered and routine business will be transacted.

POLICE REWARD FUND FOUND. AMOUNT DEPOSITED IN BROOKLYN LOST SIGHT OF FOR YEARS.

Controller Coler has forwarded to E. J. York, president of the Board of Police Commissioners, the following letter:

Inclosed I hand you passbook of the Brooklyn Trust Company in account with the trustees of the Police Reward Fund, which shows on deposit with said company the sum of \$14,438.45, together with a letter from the secretary of said company, in which he states that said fund is subject to the order of the Police Commissioners of Greater New York.

The circumstances leading up to the letter make an interesting story. The Controller's experts in searching through a mass of old papers and accounts which had been cast aside as valueless and of no consequence found a passbook of the Brooklyn Trust Company in account with the trustees of the Police Reward Fund, which showed that on August 20, 1873, an account had been opened with the Brooklyn Trust Company by the deposit of \$14,438.45, which, with the interest thereon, remained intact until the close of 1876, except the sum of \$50, being about the amount of accumulated interest. In 1880 an additional sum of \$4,000 was added to the fund and the Brooklyn Trust Company, which then appeared to have been withdrawn in 1880, remained until the discovery of the book, as told above.

The Controller caused the book to be sent to the Brooklyn Trust Company, and when the interest was paid up to the close of 1899, the amount to the credit of the fund was found to be \$14,438.45, which interest has also accrued since November 1 last.

DISABLED BARK RETURNS TO PORT. THE KAILANI, FROM NEW-YORK FOR SAN FRANCISCO, FEBRUARY 20, TOWED IN DEMASTED.

The new American bark Kailani, Captain Daboll, which sailed from here on February 20 on her maiden voyage, bound for San Francisco, and which was spoken on March 5 in latitude 33 north, longitude 81 west, returning partially demasted, was towed to the Highlands at 9:30 a. m. yesterday and will be towed to the wharf. Her main and fore-topgallant masts were gone. She was cleared from this port by Flint, Dearborn & Co., and in her cargo carried five hundred tons of steel rails.

Kailani was built at Bath, Me., by the Sewalls, and registers 1,480 tons. She is said to be one of the finest ships ever launched by the firm. The Kailani will not dock until to-day or to-morrow.

NEW POLICE STATION FOR HIGH BRIDGE. The police of the Thirty-fourth Precinct, at High Bridge, will have a new station house, which will be built from plans by Horgan & Slattery. It will be three stories high, and will be built on the east side of Sedgewick-st., at an estimated cost of \$20,000. The exterior of the building will be of granite, brick and terra cotta, with trimmings of marble.

One of the features of the building will be the elimination of the old-fashioned lamp-posts at the entrance, in place of which will be ornate columns of bronze on granite pedestals for electric lights.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS ORDERED. The Board of Public Improvements at its meeting yesterday took up a number of resolutions for minor street improvements which did not pass the Municipal Assembly. The Board readopted them and will give a public hearing on them on April 13.

The Board adopted resolutions for a sewer in Kelly-st., Bronx, \$2,000; a sewer in East One-hundred-and-seventy-third-st., Bronx, \$10,000; a sewer in the Moshulu Park, \$34,000; sewer in Prospect Park, \$20,800; a sewer in East One-hundred-and-ninety-second-st., Bronx, \$15,500; a sewer in East One-hundred-and-eighty-ninth-st., Bronx, \$12,500; a sewer in East One-hundred-and-seventy-fourth-st., Bronx, \$10,000.

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PRICE BEFORE THE GRAND JURY. FORMER CAPTAIN OF THE TENDERLOIN EXAMINED—THIRD AVENUE NOT TOUCHED.

The Grand Jury did not resume its investigation of the Third Avenue case yesterday, but examined Police Captain James K. Price, who was formerly in command of the Tenderloin precinct, but is now at the sub-station at the Grand Central, who had before the Grand Jury for twenty minutes, and when he emerged he refused to say what had been asked of him. A number of patrolmen were also before the Grand Jury.

The Grand Jury reported to Recorder Goff at 1:35 o'clock, handing up a number of indictments. All except one were for prison cases. The exception was one for keeping a disorderly house, supposed to be in the Tenderloin precinct. A warrant for the arrest of the Hamilton-st. station, who said that the place was frequented by disorderly persons.

KELLOGG MAY TAKE THE STAND. EXPECTED THAT DEFENDANT WILL TESTIFY IN DEAN CASE—BERNARD'S EXAMINATION FINISHED.

Myron L. Bernard, president of the E. S. Dean Company, resumed his testimony for the defense in the trial of James B. Kellogg yesterday morning. It is expected Kellogg will take the stand very soon.

Bernard said he was last examined before Referee Board in the latter part of May, 1899. He was examined at that time by Mr. Bard, W. M. K. O'cott's associate counsel in the prosecution of this trial. Vernon M. Davis, arguing on objection made by Mr. O'cott, said that he wanted to show that when Bernard's bond was surrendered last October Mr. Bard went to see him in the Tombs and told him that Bernard that he knew he had not told all he knew in his testimony before the referee, and that if he would tell all that he knew he would be allowed to continue his line of questioning. The witness was asked to identify two circulars bearing the name of the defendant, one of which was the firm of E. S. Dean & Co. and the other, the corporation, the E. S. Dean Company. This he did, saying that the defendant's picture was in each one.

William A. Sweetser, a lawyer, swore that he represented the defendant in the trial of the firm of E. S. Dean & Co. to the corporation known as the E. S. Dean Company. He said in the transaction that he had a number of conversations with Mr. O'cott, one of a bill of sale and the other an agreement. Miss Mary Fitzgerald, a former employee of the firm of E. S. Dean & Co. and the corporation, the E. S. Dean Company, was also examined. "Was Sam Keller in the office?" asked Mr. Davis, and he gave us our instructions," she replied. The court was adjourned until to-day.

SEALED PARCELS FROM GERMANY BARRED. THEY WILL BE RETURNED UNLESS THEIR CONTENTS CAN BE EXAMINED.

According to the agreement entered into at the Parcels Post Convention between the United States and Germany, all parcels entering either country through the mails should be so wrapped or inclosed as to permit their contents to be easily scanned. Lately many parcels have been received here from Germany which were found to contain dutiable articles, and the Postoffice Department at New York has refused to accept them unless the contents can be examined.

AN OPERATION ON DR. MCCONNELL. INFLAMMATION BACK OF HIS EAR WAS THREATENING HIS HEARING.

The Rev. Dr. S. D. McConnell, rector of Holy Trinity Church, is confined to his bed at No. 126 Trinity Church. He is suffering from an inflammation behind the ear. An operation was performed on Dr. McConnell by Dr. John E. Shepard on Tuesday. The mastoid bone was opened. Had not the operation been performed, Dr. McConnell's hearing would have been impaired. Dr. McConnell's hearing is now being restored. Dr. McConnell was forced to return from a lecture tour in the West in order to submit to the operation.

SINGER LIVES ON FOUR DOLLARS A WEEK. SOLOIST IN DR. PARKHURST'S CHOIR TESTIFIES ABOUT HER SALARY AND EXPENSES.

Miss Effie Stewart, concert singer and soprano soloist in the choir of Dr. Parkhurst's church, was examined in supplementary proceedings yesterday in the suit brought against her by Mrs. M. Pearson Penfield. The examination was ordered on a judgment on two notes aggregating with interest \$2,513.23. The judgments were assigned by Mrs. Penfield to her son, Frank Penfield, the plaintiff.

THE HANOVER CLUB DINNER. The recent annual meeting of the Hanover Club resulted in the re-election of nearly all the old officers for the ensuing year.

SUIT OVER NEW SCHOOLHOUSE. Mineola, Long Island, March 28.—Ex-Justice Samuel V. Searing, of this village, has begun a taxpayer's suit against the Board of Education in Mineola to restrain it from proceeding with the building of a new school house.

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The Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis told a Tribune reporter last evening at his home, No. 29 Grace Court, Brooklyn, that the letter he sent to Chicago on Tuesday contained a positive withdrawal from the Presbytery there. He did not feel that he should give out the letter for publication, but it cited as his reasons for withdrawing from the Presbytery the criticisms of the professors in McCormick Theological Seminary, and the request that he should resign, but he never dreamed of such a thing. "My action in regard to my resignation," Dr. Hillis added, "is irrevocable. It was the only thing I could do. I do not think I am in the wrong, and I do not think any one minister has the right to disturb the work of a denomination. I consider the letter to be a personal attack on me, and I would be accused. Nobody could be more surprised than I that there should be any discussion of my resignation. I have been constantly expressing the same views in Plymouth pulpit."

THE TISSOT PICTURES SECURED. INSTITUTE GETS OWNERSHIP OF COLLECTION THROUGH PUBLIC SPIRITED MEN.

The Tissot pictures are at last secured for Brooklyn. The Brooklyn Institute will have the pictures today. Although the amount publicly subscribed is only two-thirds of the amount to be paid for the collection, the ownership of the pictures has been obtained through several public spirited Brooklyn citizens. The Institute retained the pictures for the money advanced. There yet remains \$2,300 to be paid for the pictures, and the Institute may become the permanent owner of the pictures.

MAN'S BODY FOUND IN THE BAY. BELIEVED TO BE THAT OF CAPTAIN CHARLES BARRY.

The body of a drowned man was found yesterday morning in New York Bay. A letter addressed to T. S. Shortland, No. 119 Wall-st., New York, was found on him. There is also a receipt from the O. K. Club for \$1 dues. T. S. Shortland, of the Shortland Brothers Transportation Company, No. 119 Wall-st., when asked as to the letter, said he thought it probably the body was that of Captain Charles Barry, a former employee of the company. "He has not been in our employ since January," he added, "but I understand he has been missing for some time. The fact that he had the card of the O. K. Club proves him to have been an employee of this firm, for that is the name of a benevolent organization our men have."

OPEN CARS NEXT SATURDAY. THE OLD CULVER STATION IN WEST BRIGHTON TO BE TORN DOWN.

A number of open cars will be run by the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company next Saturday on its Coney Island route. This summer the Summer cars will be run from Broadway straight through to West Brighton. Forty-two of the three hundred new open cars which were ordered by the company some time ago for summer traffic have been received at the Coney Island shops. The old Culver station at West Brighton will be removed within a few days. By a system of loops and sidings the cars of the Prospect Park and Coney Island Railroad will be run right up to Surf-ave.

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ALLEGED TO HAVE BEFRIENDED LONG ISLAND RAILROAD AS JUROR IN THE ANDRUS CASE. An order was granted yesterday by Justice Gaynor of the Supreme Court, requiring Thomas A. Vernon, of No. 256 Clinton-ave., a dealer in paper and stationery, to show cause why he should not be punished for contempt of court for alleged misconduct while a juror in the suits of Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Andrus against the Long Island Railroad Company to recover \$60,000 damages for injuries received in the trolley-car disaster in 1888.

The order was based upon affidavits made by ten members of the jury, which was discharged by Justice Gaynor. It is alleged by counsel for Mr. and Mrs. Andrus that Mr. Vernon testified under oath in his examination before the trial began that he had neither a friend nor an acquaintance who was interested in the defendant, whereas he had been the schoolmate and lifelong friend of Charles W. Pratt, vice-president of the Long Island Railroad Company, and is also a friend of F. B. and H. L. Pratt, stockholders in the same corporation, all of whom lived adjacent to the home of Mr. Vernon, in Clinton-ave.

When the jury retired to deliberate, all except Mr. Vernon voted in favor of the plaintiffs. It is alleged that Mr. Vernon then took Thomas H. Pitt, the twelfth juror, to a side room, and when they returned in half an hour Mr. Pitt declared himself for the defendant. It is also alleged that Mr. Vernon advised the members of the jury of the defendant, and succeeded in winning over three others, so that the jury stood seven for the plaintiff and five for the defendant on the final vote. They were discharged, after twenty-three hours' deliberation.

The jurors who made affidavits are Charles W. Brunker, of No. 128 Fulton-st.; Theodore Rohde, of No. 840 Gates-ave.; Israel Levinson, of No. 42 Van Buren-st.; Joseph W. James, of No. 100 Putnam-ave.; Willard Hibbard, of No. 1,609 New York-ave.; Louis Keimelmer, of No. 57 Seventeenth-st.; Edward Neff, of No. 155 Corwell-st.; William H. Ronald, of No. 21 Pulaski-st.; Andrew Olsen, of No. 38 Palmetto-st.; and Henry Quick, of No. 107 Suydam-st.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrus state in their affidavits that in summing up Mr. Wray pointed to Mr. Vernon, and said:

"I am sure that, although Mr. Vernon lies across the street from the vice-president of the defendant company and next door to one of the members of the jury's family, that fact will not influence him one iota in reaching a verdict."

Mr. Vernon, then and there interrupting Mr. Wray, said, according to the affidavits: "Mr. Pratt has never been in my house."

Mr. Vernon also stated in his affidavit that Mr. Vernon and the Pratts had been intimate from childhood, and that Mr. Vernon's father and Charles W. Pratt were members of the same church, the Washington Avenue Church, and assisted in the formation of the Emmanuel Baptist Church, and that Mr. Vernon showed Mr. Pratt the questions which he put to witnesses such an evident bias toward the defendant, which led to the statements made in their affidavits.

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Governor Voorhees will issue his annual Arbor Day proclamation in a few days. A statute fixes the date for the observation of the day on April 27, and the public schools of the State generally observe it.

Several Republican newspapers in calling attention to the probability that the 1st District Republican Convention will renominate Congressman Loudenslager are mistaken in the impression that he is now serving his second term. Mr. Loudenslager is now completing his fourth term in Congress. He expects to be renominated, and so far there is no opposition in sight.

The Social Labor party of Newark is spreading all that it desires, but it is not deterred from letting the people know what it wants by the possibility that time may roll on quite a while yet without catching up with its ideas of municipal government in particular and State government in general. The Newark branch—the Social Labor people do not disdain branches—in its platform issued recently demands, among other things, a co-operative Commonwealth, all public utilities to be owned by the city, and all officials thereof to be elected by the employees unless elected by a direct vote of the whole people; the city to erect dwelling houses and to rent them to workmen; to establish coal yards, drug stores and other agencies for the distribution of necessities at cost prices. Of course, when all these things are obtained the Superintendent of the Millennium will be chosen by a rising vote.

NEWARK NOMINATIONS. R. C. JENKINSON CHOICE OF THE REPUBLICANS FOR MAYOR—MR. MCKINLEY INDORSED.

The Republican city convention in Newark to nominate candidates for Mayor, Board of Works and Trustee of the City Home was held in the Krueger Auditorium in Newark last night. The large hall was crowded with spectators and delegates. Representative Republicans occupied the stage. The convention was called to order by County Chairman Carl Lentz.

Resolutions were adopted declaring allegiance to the United States, and endorsing the nomination of President McKinley, approving the work of the Legislature, especially the Franchise Law and the new Commission on the subject of the failure of the Legislature to enact the Track Law. The resolutions also favored the erection of a building for the city and county governments, street improvements, and pledge the party's nominees to negotiate with the railroads for the abolition of grade crossings and to enforce the water contract made between the city and the East Jersey Water Company.

City Controller John S. Gibson was made permanent chairman. In the call for nominations for Mayor, the names of Richard C. Jenkinson, Frank Parker and Herman Lehbach were presented. In the regular ballot Jenkinson received 142 votes, Parker 91 and Lehbach 238. The nomination of Mr. Jenkinson was made unanimous. It had been a foregone conclusion. Wilton C. Garrison and Dr. Joseph Vinson were nominated for Board of Works Commissioners. City Home Trustee Fowsmith was renominated.

THE FIGHT AGAINST MAYOR SEYMOUR. REPORT THAT IT WILL BE CARRIED INTO NEWARK DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

The Democratic primaries for the charter election in Newark, held last night, were a bitter fight between the Seymour and anti-Seymour factions brought out a large party vote. The results indicate that Mayor Seymour is the choice of the party for renomination. The party leaders turned out, because it is alleged, Seymour's favor, because he is a native of Newark, and because he is a native of Newark, and because he is a native of Newark, and because he is a native of Newark.

It was known several weeks ago that ex-Senator Smith did not favor the nomination of Mr. Seymour for a third term, because it is alleged, Seymour's lukewarm attitude during the campaign in 1898. Ex-Senator Smith asserted, however, that he was taking no part in the contest, and that he was taking no part in the contest, and that he was taking no part in the contest, and that he was taking no part in the contest.

ORANGE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARIES. IN REPUBLICAN VICTORY.

Brick Church, March 28 (Special).—The Democratic primaries were held in Orange this evening, and resulted in a sweeping victory for Henry Stetson, the candidate for Mayor, over Edward H. Snyder. Mr. Stetson carried the entire city. Alderman Charles H. Jones was elected for the ward.

NOMINATIONS IN JERSEY CITY. The Jersey City Republican convention was held last night. Edward Fry and George Vanderbeck were nominated for Street and Water Commissioners.

OLD MAN PLEADS HIS OWN DIVORCE CASE. HE ALLEGED THAT HIS WIFE DESERTS HIM NOW THAT HE IS BANKRUPT AND ILL.

Oscar F. Burton, seventy-five years old, conducted divorce proceedings brought by him in the Vice-Chancellor's Court, at Newark, yesterday. He alleged that his wife had deserted him for years, that he was old and bankrupt and ill, and that he was unable to support