he would be able at the start to put a stop to police blackmail and the protection of vice.

There has been some talk of the selection of Chief Inspector Cortright or Captain Elbert O. Smith as deputy commissioner, and it was said yesterday that either man could be retired on a pension, and then be appointed deputy commissioner, because the law permits a veteran to draw both a pension and a salary. Cortright and Smith are veterans of the Civil War. Inspector Brooks is not a veteran, but a plan was mentioned yesterday by which he could save his pension and still be deputy commissioner. He could be allowed to take an indefinite leave of absence as inspector of police without pay, be appointed deputy commissioner for two years, serve through the term, and then go back as inspector and be retired on a pension. That plan, it was said yesterday, probably would be followed in the case of Inspector Brooks. There have been several cases of policemen receiving long leaves of absence without pay to take temporary positions.

About fifteen years ago Roundsman Joseph Pratt, then drill master of the Police Department, got a leave of absence to enable him to go to Guatemala and organize a police department there, and later he resumed his place in the force. Sergeant Edward Muret got leave of absence to organize a police department at Panama, and resumed his place here. Philip K. Sweet, who was attached to the East Twenty-second-st. police station, got an indefinite leave of absence from the department in 1899. He enlisted, and is now a second lieutenant in the regular army, and is the chief detective in Manila, while he is also a member of the police force here.

Colonel John N. Partridge, who is to be the next Police Commissioner, was asked yesterday about the report that Inspector Brooks would be deputy commissioner, and he said he had heard nothing as to the appointment of Brooks. It is expected that Colonel Partridge will appoint a deputy favored by Mr. Low.

FULTON FOR WATER COMMISSIONER.

It was reported on good authority last night that the office of Water Commissioner was likely to be offered to Thomas A. Fulton, secretary of the Citizens Union. It is said by Mr. Fulton's friends that he has made a study of the water question for many years, and is accordingly adapted to this place in the new administration. What lends color to the report of Mr. Fulton's appointment is the fact that leaders of the union are already casting about for his successor, and that Mr. Murphy, who was instrumental in organizing the Assembly district branches of the union has been practically decided upon. The salary of Water Commissioner is $7,500.

JOHN C. SHEEHAN PRAISED.

At the opening of the new headquarters of the Greater New-York Democracy of the XXVIIth Assembly District, No. 138 West Forty-second-st., last night, resolutions praising John C. Sheehan, as leader of the organization, were adopted. One of the resolutions was as follows:

Resolved, That we hereby extend a most cordial invitation to all Independent Democrats, and especially to all self-respecting members of Tammany Hall, to affiliate with us and in their respective districts with the Greater New-York Democracy, and thus help restore again to the Democracy of this city the prestige, glory and renown which it enjoyed before it was besmirched and dragged into contempt by the misrule and dictation of Croker.

A BUREAU FOR SUGGESTIONS.

MAYOR LOW WILL ESTABLISH ONE AT THE CITY HALL.

It became known yesterday that Mayor-elect Low was contemplating the establishment of a special bureau, which would be for the purpose of receiving complaints and suggestions from citizens. The bureau will be under his immediate supervision in the City Hall. This "Complaint Bureau," if it can be called such, will be a reproduction of a similar bureau which Mr. Low established when Mayor of Brooklyn. It can be easily seen to be an almost necessary adjunct to

WILLIAM J. MORAN,
the assistant secretary to Mr. Low, after January 1.

the office of such an executive as Mr. Low will be, and the Mayor-elect has frequently hinted at such a branch of his administration in his speeches. At the dinner, which was given for Sheriff-elect O'Brien on December 3, at the Metropolitan Hotel, by the leading labor organizations, which supported Mr. O'Brien's candidacy, Mr. Low said:

As the Mayor of this city I shall aim to be the Mayor of the people, and all the people. I want to be accessible to every one who has a complaint to make or a suggestion to offer. I want people to come to me as freely after I take office in the City Hall as when a candidate. The city can prosper only as its working classes prosper. The interests of the workingman, therefore, demand the greatest consideration, and I want to keep in touch with the needs of the working people as far as possible.

A few days after his nomination Mr. Low said to the notification committee from the Republican City Convention:

It is, indeed, highly important that all who vote for me shall understand that if elected the actual as well as the nominal head of the city government will be in the City Hall. As I shall accept the responsibility incident to such a conduct of the city as we purpose, so I shall reserve the right to act on every question that comes before me according to my best judgment. But, just because I expect to do this, I shall value suggestions from every quarter. The Mayor of a city like this must keep always an open ear and an open mind, for it is the purpose of this united movement, as I understand it, to offer to the people home rule carried on by the Mayor himself, who is responsible to them and to them alone.

It is understood that James B. Reynolds will have charge of this bureau, and with him will be associated William J. Moran. Mr. Reynolds has been appointed secretary to the Mayor, and Mr. Moran assistant secretary. It will be the former's duty, as far as can be learned, to consider all suggestions or complaints, and to learn whether they merit the personal consideration of the Mayor.

Mr. Moran will have the legal work attendant upon the workings of such a bureau. For this he is said to be well fitted, because of his training as a lawyer.

ATTENTION

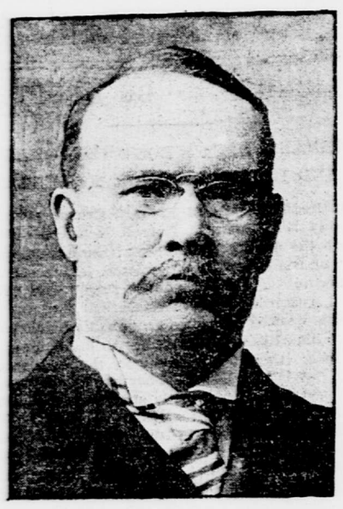
To physical warnings will often prevent a serious illness. When there are oppressive fullness after eating, bitter risings, belching, headache, dizziness, nervousness, with physical and mental sluggishness, prompt attention should be given to the condition of the digestive and nutritive systems. Not all these symptoms will occur at once or in any single case, but any one of them indicates a disordered condition of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition.

A prompt cure of these conditions will be effected by the timely use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It heals diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition, perfectly and permanently. Many diseases, seemingly remote from the stomach, have their origin in a diseased condition of the organs of digestion and nutrition. "Golden Medical Discovery" cures through the stomach diseases which have their origin in a diseased condition of the stomach, and hence diseases of liver, lungs, heart and other organs are cured by the use of the "Discovery." It contains no alcohol, neither opium, cocaine, or other narcotic. It is a true temperance medicine.

Accept no substitute for "Golden Medical Discovery." There is nothing else "just as good."

"I was a total wreck—could not sleep or eat," writes Mr. J. O. Beers, of Berryman, Crawford Co., Mo. "For two years I tried medicine from doctors but received very little benefit. I lost flesh and strength, was not able to do a good day's work. I commenced taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and when I had taken one bottle I could sleep, and my appetite was wonderfully improved. I have taken five bottles and am still improving."

Dr. Pierce's Pellets cure constipation by curing the cause. They do not beget the pill habit.



DR. NELSON H. HENRY,
whom Governor Odell will appoint Adjutant-General.

DR. HENRY IS NAMED.

ACCEPTS THE APPOINTMENT OF ADJUTANT GENERAL TO SUCCEED THE LATE GENERAL HOFFMAN.

Before leaving this city yesterday for his home in Newburg Governor Odell announced that he had offered to Dr. Nelson H. Henry, the present Assemblyman from the Vth District, the office of adjutant general of the National Guard. The Governor also said that Dr. Henry had accepted, and would take the office on January 1, to succeed Adjutant General Hoffman, who died at the time of the Albany street railroad strike. Dr. Henry is now chief surgeon of the National Guard. At Albany the last two sessions Dr. Henry was chairman of the Assembly Committee on Public Health. That Dr. Henry would be made adjutant general has been an open secret for some time.

The Governor intimated that he would make public several other appointments in the near future. Local Republican leaders now believe that one of these will be the appointment of Theodore P. Gilman, the present deputy, as State Controller, to succeed Erastus C. Knight, the Mayor-elect of Buffalo. The Governor has received numerous letters in behalf of Mr. Gilman from banks and financial institutions of this city. Buffalo still claims this appointment, but is unable to agree on an available candidate.

It is understood that the Governor is to reappoint Frederick D. Kilburn Superintendent of Banks and Colonel George W. Dunn and Colonel Ashley W. Cole as members of the Railroad Commission. It was rumored yesterday in State Republican circles that Thomas M. Costello, the present Assemblyman from Oswego, would be the Republican candidate for the Senate to succeed Senator N. N. Stranahan, who has been appointed by President Roosevelt Collector of the Port of New-York, in place of George R. Bidwell. Senator Stranahan's home is at Fulton, Oswego County. It was also said yesterday that John A. Weekes, jr., the Assemblyman from the XXVth District, is to be made chairman of the Assembly Judiciary Committee, to take the place of Robert J. Fish, of Madison County, who will not be returned. Mr. Weekes has been chairman of the Assembly Committee on Codes for the last two years.

The Governor yesterday took occasion to deny the report that had been circulated that he had succeeded in inducing the Republican leaders of this city to suppress any amendment to the excise law this winter. He said:

"I have made no such statements to any one. I am not taking any part in this excise controversy, as I have had other matters to deal with. What has been said about my ideas on excise is mere guesswork. When the time comes I will say what I think about excise."

Dr. Henry, the next Adjutant General, was born on Staten Island on April 27, 1855. He was graduated at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1879, and subsequently was employed at Roosevelt Hospital for twenty months. He is at present an attending physician at Trinity Hospital and a member of many medical societies. Dr. Henry has been a member of the National Guard since 1883. He was first elected to the Assembly in 1896, and was re-elected twice.

FOUR PRISONERS LOCKED UP.

SUPPOSED TO BE CONNECTED WITH A GANG OF COUNTERFEITERS.

Three United States Secret Service men made a mystery of four shabby looking prisoners whom they brought into the Adams-st. police station, in Brooklyn, last night. The detectives announced that the prisoners would be held as suspicious characters, and further than that nothing could be said about the case.

The prisoners, who were handcuffed together, were evidently considered dangerous. Before reaching the station they had been thoroughly searched, and nothing was found on them by the police, nor was anything entered in the blotter which would give any clew to the real charge against the prisoners.

According to gossip in the station, the Secret Service men have been on the track of a gang of counterfeiters who have been flooding the city with spurious half dollars. The men brought in last night, it was said, were connected in some way with the case. Other arrests are expected to follow.

COMMISSIONERS MAKE GIFTS.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO HAVE NEW-YORK STATE BUILDING—HAVE $100,000 FOR TREASURY.

Buffalo, Dec. 7.—The New-York State Board of Commissioners to the Pan-American Exposition today decided to turn over to the Historical Society of this city the New-York State Building on December 21. The board has at its disposal about $100,000 of the original appropriation, which will be turned back into the State treasury.

The commissioners also distributed the $5,000 set aside by the board to be divided among the exhibitors of the State who received awards for live stock. There were 129 exhibitors, among whom the $5,000 was divided. Another meeting will be held in January in Albany.

INDICTED DEMOCRATS SUMMONED.

MEN CHARGED WITH PRIMARY FRAUDS TOLD TO APPEAR IN COURT.

Caplases were issued yesterday afternoon from the Prosecutor's office, in Newark, for the Democrats indicted for alleged frauds in the recent primaries. The constables to whom the service of the papers was intrusted were instructed to inform the indicted men to appear in court to-morrow morning to plead to the indictments. No arrests will be made unless these orders are disobeyed.

When the accused men appear in court to plead their identity will first be officially announced. Ex-Senator Michael T. Barrett, as counsel for several of the indicted men, was in court yesterday morning to furnish bail for his clients if they were taken to court. He refused to name the men he represented.

MASO'S ADVOCATE COMING.

SENOR FIDEL TO ASK THAT CUBAN ELECTIONS BE POSTPONED.

Señor Pierra Fidel left Havana to-day for Washington to present to the authorities there the grievances of the supporters of General Maso as a candidate for the Presidency of Cuba. One of the complaints he will make is that the Central Board of Canvassers, which is composed exclusively of Senor Estrada Palma's supporters, is not complying with the law. Secretary Root will be asked to appoint a new board, with a Maso representation, and a request will be made that new provincial boards be appointed, and that the elections be postponed until January 31, in order that the asked for reforms may be brought about.

"WATER," CRIES DALTON.

THE CATSKILLS THE PLACE TO GET IT FOR THE FUTURE, SAYS THE COMMISSIONER.

Mayor Van Wyck yesterday received a quarterly report from William Dalton, the Commissioner of Water Supply, showing that nearly twenty-two inches of water fell in the Croton region in July, August and September, with the result that all the reservoirs of the city's service are full and there is abundance of water for all boroughs. The Commissioner, however, repeats his cry for more water for the future, and declares that "the Catskill mountain region, between the Hudson River and the Pennsylvania State line, and Ten Mile River watershed, adjoining the Connecticut State line, are regarded as the most available sources in point of convenience of locality, consequent economy of cost, abundance in quantity and excellence in quality of supply."

There is no mention of Ramapo in the report, but of the advantages of a water supply from the Catskills the Commissioner mentions:

The comparative proximity of the region to the territory of the city, and the facilities of combining the supply with the Croton and Bronx River systems, carrying with it economic advantages in using the present reservoirs and conduits, and the lands already owned by the city for the construction of additional conduits; the high elevation from which the supply can be obtained, and at which it can be delivered through the water mains in every part of the city by gravity and without the aid of pumping machinery.

Let us contrast the advantage to our people of such an abundant water supply with the present conditions. With the present increase in the consumption of water the demands on the water service for the Borough of Manhattan alone will exceed the maximum capacity of the Croton watershed in five years or less.

The conditions in the borough of The Bronx are sufficiently described in a preceding part of this report. At present and for the next six or seven years the only recourse for bettering these conditions is to draw on the Croton supply, and thus shorten the period when the demands upon it will exceed its capacity.

In the borough of Brooklyn the normal daily supply from the Long Island watershed has been stated at 52,000,000 gallons. In consequence of the dry seasons of 1899 and 1900 it fell as low as 38,800,000 gallons in September of last year, and 39,500,000 gallons for the last quarter. We must further take into account the fact that about 40 per cent of this supply is pumped out of the soil by means of driven wells; that numerous awards to owners of adjacent lands have been made by the court for damages annually accruing to them from the diversion of the water for the city's use; that suits of this character against the city and awards of damages will become interminable and beyond estimate; that the city is already engaged in the construction of filters to remove pollution from a daily yield of about eight million gallons of water from two ponds, at a cost of nearly $180,000, and that the time is fast approaching when all the supply from the old or westerly watershed will have to be abandoned or purified by filtration at enormous expense, in consequence of the inevitable pollution by drainage from increased population and industrial establishments. We must further take into account the great difference between the cost of maintaining a water supply which has to be pumped from the soil, streams and ponds into receiving reservoirs to deliver it through the water mains under proper pressure, and the cost of a supply received by gravity.

SURE LAWRIE MARKS IS DEAD.

HIS BROTHER SAYS HE IS CONVINCED OF THE BOOKMAKER'S SUICIDE.

Detectives and policemen closely watched the passengers as they left the steamers Lucania and St. Paul yesterday afternoon. At the latter steamer, besides Captain Smith, of the Harbor Police, and two officers, and a Central Office detective, there were two Pinkerton detectives. It was thought that they were looking for Lawrie Marks, the bookmaker, charged with complicity in the defalcation of T. P. Goudie from the Liverpool bank. It is believed by some that the story of Marks's suicide on a Channel boat while crossing to Boulogne is a ruse to throw the authorities off his track.

George W. Marks, a brother of Laurie Marks, who lives in this city, was a passenger on the steamer St. Paul. He left the pier soon after landing, but said before going away: "I left here on November 13 on the steamer Philadelphia to go to London, where I expected to spend three months with my brother. I reached London on November 20. Two days later the news of the defalcation came out. In the interval between my arrival and the time the defalcation became known my brother was cheerful and acted as if there was nothing on his mind. I never saw him more cheerful. This was a great shock to my brother, who had been placing bets for Goudie.

"I saw him on Friday and Saturday and Sunday. On Sunday, November 24, he left me to go to the Brighton races. I never saw him again."

Mr. Marks was surprised to learn that the reported drowning of his brother was considered a ruse by some, and that the St. Paul was being watched.

"I wish he was here on this boat, or, better still, in England. I am firmly convinced that he is dead. I believe he felt the disgrace of it and drowned himself. I haven't a doubt that he was innocent. He took this man's bets as he would take any man's bets. My brother is known in this country and abroad, and no one could say he was not on the square. If I had had the slightest idea that my brother still lived I should not have come back," he said.

Mr. Marks added that the English police paid no attention to him. He was not molested yesterday here. He went to his home.

SAVED FROM SUICIDE.

A BRAKEMAN RESCUES FROM DROWNING A MAN WHO JUMPED INTO THE RIVER.

William Bratten, forty-two years old, of No. 121 Pavonia-ave., while laboring under a temporary fit of insanity last night, jumped into the river from the Erie Railroad piers in Jersey City. John Clifford, a brakeman, jumped after and rescued him, though he fought desperately to prevent Clifford's companions from lifting him to the pier. He was taken to the Seventh-st. police station, where he was locked up to await examination by County Physician Converse.

EASY FOR STREET RAILWAY COMPANIES.

NEW LAW RELIEVES THEM FROM MUCH OF THEIR DUES TO THE CITY.

Controller Coler yesterday received from the Metropolitan Street Railway Company a check for $5,000, tendered in full payment for penalties aggregating about $60,000 on account of failure to pay the city certain percentages on its receipts. The railroad law imposed a penalty of 5 per cent a month for all dues unpaid after a certain period. The railway companies succeeded in getting through the legislature a bill requiring them to pay only 1 per cent annually on such arrearages. The existence of the law passed by the last legislature was a surprise to Mr. Coler. Under this law about thirty-two actions begun against the Metropolitan company to recover penalties will go by the board.

The street railway companies owe the city about $1,250,000 for car license percentages, and it is believed that the companies will go to the legislature next winter and try to get passed an act which will allow them to settle these arrearages on the same basis as they did those for which Controller Coler received a check yesterday.

FEDERAL OFFICEHOLDERS IN POLITICS.

Denver, Dec. 7.—"The Post" to-day says that all Federal officeholders in this State have received an order from President Roosevelt to resign whatever positions they hold in political organizations. C. D. Ford, Register of the United States Land Office, is chairman of the State Republican Committee, and a dozen other Federal officeholders are committeemen in the Republican party.

NEEDLESS ALARM FOR DELMONICO'S.

A steam gasket forming part of a pipe of two steam boilers in the engine room of Delmonico's restaurant, at Fifth-ave. and Forty-fourth-st., blew out at 2:15 p. m. yesterday and for a few minutes caused a little excitement in the neighborhood. The engineer was transferring the steam from one boiler to another at a pressure of eighty pounds when the explosion occurred. The engine room was quickly filled with steam, which poured out in clouds in an areaway, coming up in front of the building. Policeman Clark, who was on the ground, paid no attention to the steam, but an excited individual rushed up to another policeman and informed him that there was a fire. This policeman turned in an alarm at Forty-second-st. The engines had nothing to do and went away immediately. There was no loss and no excitement in the restaurant, as there were but few persons there at the time.

LUCANIA OUTFOOTS ST. PAUL.

IN A SIX HUNDRED MILE SPRINT TO SANDY HOOK THE FORMER WINS BY TWO HOURS.

The steamer Lucania, from Liverpool, and the St. Paul, from Southampton, came into port about two hours apart yesterday after an interesting sprint that began at 2 o'clock Friday morning when about six hundred miles east of Sandy Hook. At that hour, according to Chief Engineer Hunter, of the St. Paul, the Lucania was sighted astern. The firemen stripped down to the waist and the engines, which had been running under easy steam pressure for four days, owing to the rough weather, began to warm up.

In the course of the day a speed of nearly twenty-one knots an hour was developed and it took the more powerful engines of the Lucania until 2 o'clock in the afternoon to get that boat abeam of her. Until evening the two boats were in sight of each other. The Lucania reached the Bar at 10:39 a. m., and the St. Paul at 12:44 p. m., two hours and five minutes apart.

Both vessels encountered rough weather and were obliged to run at reduced speed. This was the cause of the delay in arriving here. They usually dock Saturday morning.

Among the passengers on the Lucania were the Rev. Sholto D. C. Douglas and his wife. The Rev. Mr. Douglas is a brother of Lord Blyswood Douglas, of Coatsridge, Scotland. He said he was recently the rector of All Souls' Church, Marylebone, London, and was on his way to Boston to attend a "prophetic" convention, where he would read a paper on "Antichrist."

On the St. Paul were Lady Pauncefote, wife of the British Ambassador to this country, who came over a few weeks ago to bring the canal treaty, and their daughter, the Hon. Sibyl Pauncefote. Other passengers were John R. Carter, second secretary of the United States Embassy at London, and his wife. Mr. Carter is here on a six weeks' leave of absence. He said the British were tired of the Boer war. There have been a great number of applications from Americans, he said, for admission to the coronation ceremonies. They could not be granted, owing to the large number of peers and peeresses to be accommodated. He will go to his home in Baltimore.

MARX NOT YET AT HOME.

HIS FAMILY SAYS THE YOUNG MAN IS RESTING IN THE COUNTRY.

Herbert Marx, the young Brooklyn lawyer, who killed two men and fatally wounded a third in Westmoreland County, Va., a few days ago, has not as yet returned to his Brooklyn home, at No. 139 Sixth-ave. His family still declares that he is resting somewhere in the country, and will not return to town for at least a week. His brother, William, and brother-in-law, Mr. Blackmar, are with him, and will remain by his side until he comes home. Young Marx, his sister says, is run down in health, and is trying to recuperate.

MOLINEUX'S COUNSEL CONFER.

THEY HAVE NOT YET DECIDED ON THEIR NEXT MOVE.

A conference of the counsel for Roland B. Molineux was held in the office of ex-Judge W. M. K. Olcott, No. 149 Broadway, yesterday to decide on the next move to be made in the fight for their client. Ex-Governor Black was not present. It was stated no definite decision had been reached.

Mr. Battle said yesterday that while he bowed to the decision of Justice Newberger, and did not wish to criticise him, he was nevertheless of the opinion that the motion ought to have been granted.

"The justice denies the motion to dismiss the indictment," he said, "on the ground that the Court of Appeals has ordered a new trial, and takes the ground that if the Court of Appeals thought the indictment ought to have been dismissed entirely it would have said so. Our contention is that our application was made on matters not considered by the Court of Appeals.

"As for that part of the motion in which we ask for an inspection of the minutes of the grand jury, Justice Newberger denies that because the same motion was denied by Justice Blanchard. We claim that the facts were different from those presented to Justice Blanchard."

COMPLAINTS CAUSED REFUSAL.

NEW LEASE OF FERRYHOUSE DENIED TO FERRY COMPANY BECAUSE IMPROVEMENTS WERE NOT MADE.

On account of the refusals of the Staten Island Rapid Transit Company to yield to the popular demand for a better service between the Battery and Staten Island, the Dock Board has refused to renew the company's lease of the ferryhouse it now uses. The application for the renewal of the lease was made two years ago, but on account of the many complaints by Staten Island people nothing was done by the Dock Board.

The company said that it was willing to make necessary improvements, but before it could do so it wanted a ten year extension of its lease, which expires on June 1, 1904. The company argued that if it had to spend large sums on improvements it wanted to know just how long it could use the ferry property. Its present lease calls for a yearly rental of $21,500 and 5½ per cent of the gross receipts of the company, not to be less than $22,500. The company last year paid $44,573 25.

LOT ONCE OWNED BY MME. JUMEL SOLD.

THE HUSBAND OF HER GRANDNIECE SELLS IT TO THE C. T. BARNEY SYNDICATE.

It was learned last night that a plot of land which was once owned by Mme. Jumel, who for a long time occupied the Jumel mansion, near Washington Heights, was sold yesterday by Julius H. Caryll to the Charles T. Barney Syndicate. The wife of J. H. Caryll was a grandniece of Mme. Jumel. The plot fronts on the plaza formed by the junction of St. Nicholas and Amsterdam aves. and the Kingsbridge Road.

MISSOURI SOCIETY ENTERTAINMENT.

The Missouri Society of this city held its first annual meeting and smoker last night at the Hoffman House. The first election of the society also took place, at which the following officers were chosen: Augustus Thomas, president; Hamilton M. Dawes, first vice-president; Hugh C. Fox, second vice-president; E. G. Pringle, treasurer; Burton Thompson, secretary, and Harry W. Walker, chairman of the board of trustees. Several speeches were made, one of the speakers being Seymour D. Thompson. A programme of instrumental music was also presented. Some of the members present were Dr. J. J. Lawrence, William Hepburn Russell, Samuel G. Grant, W. H. McAllister, J. C. Hendrix and Walter Alexander.

LOTOS CLUB "SATURDAY NIGHT."

The Lotos Club's first "Saturday Night" of the season was held last evening, when about five hundred members and their friends enjoyed the evening at the clubhouse, in Fifth-ave., and were entertained by professional talent, among whom was Jean Gerardy, the 'cellist; Professor Schmidt, of the Philharmonic first violins; Mackenzie Gordon, tenor; Albert Weinstein, pianist; Señor V. Carpi, barytone; Edgar Atchison Ely; Edward S. Barrow and "Will" Dudley, of the Garrick Theatre; William Cahill Davies and J. W. Ransone.

GREAT PRODUCTION OF SPIRITS.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 7.—The week ending to-night will go down in the record as the largest in the history of spirits manufacture in the country. In the six days the Fifth Illinois Internal Revenue District has collected $935,701, the largest week's business done in any one district in the United States. This is an average of $156,000 a day, or $50,000,000 a year. The consumption of corn here in the last week has been the largest on record, something over 800,000 bushels having been used in the manufacture of spirits and glucose.

GOVERNMENT CLERKS ORGANIZE.

An organization to be known as the United States Civil Service Association of the Port of New-York has been perfected among the employes of the Treasury Department here. At a meeting held yesterday at the Barge Office a constitution and bylaws were adopted. The objects of the new organization are a union of all the employes in the classified service for their mutual benefit, united action for the extension and perfection of the Civil Service laws and regulations and equitable provision for pensions upon retirement without expense to the government. The constitution provides that neither the name nor the influence of the organization shall be made to subserve any object foreign to the purpose of the organization.

"J. P. MORGAN" ON CHECK.

PRISONER OFFERED IT TO PAY WALDORF BOARD BILL.

HE GOES TO STATION IN HIS CARRIAGE WITH FOOTMAN—TIFFANY & CO. REFUSED HIS CHECK.

A man, well dressed and wearing an air of nobility, who described himself as Baron M. de Cortey, twenty-two years old, and gave his birthplace as France, was locked up in the West Thirtieth-st. station last night on the charge of violating the hotel law. It is alleged that he is a debtor to the Waldorf-Astoria people to the amount of $305 for board.

According to a passport in the prisoner's possession, he arrived in this country on August 23. He went to the Waldorf a week ago, and at once made arrangements with William H. Seich, who has charge of the carriage service at the hotel, for a special carriage and footman and driver. Last Thursday, it is alleged, he went to Tiffany's and purchased jewelry valued at $4,500, which he desired sent to his room at the hotel. He is said to have tendered in payment a check for $4,500, drawn to his order and signed "J. P. Morgan & Co."

J. P. Morgan & Co. were called up on the telephone and denied issuing the check. George Boldt, of the hotel, was communicated with, and on Friday the jewelry was sent to the hotel with two men, in order that the baron would have an opportunity of paying for the valuables provided he had the money. He made, it is alleged, several efforts to have the men leave the jewelry with him, but they refused. De Cortey wined and dined the men, but they had their instructions and returned the jewelry to their employers.

Yesterday De Cortey was presented with a bill for his board, and it is said presented a check purporting to be signed by J. P. Morgan & Co. for $305.

The police were then called in and Detectives Farrell and Devanney, of the West Thirtieth-st. station, were sent to the hotel to arrest the "baron."

He objected to walking to the police station and was finally taken away in his own carriage accompanied by driver and footman. When searched the prisoner had a one dollar bill and a letter, which reads as follows:

New-York, December 5.

Dear Sir: In reply to your favor of the 5th inst., we beg to say that we do not draw on Monte Carlo. A check on Paris would cost to-day 100,000 francs at 5.14.

J. P. MORGAN & CO.

On the prisoner were also found two pawn tickets issued December 3 and 6 to "Muller" by William Simpson, of Park Row. They called for a sapphire ring pawned for $8, and another ring pawned for $10.

In the last week it is said De Corty entertained several persons, among them some women. In the station house he protested against being locked up, declaring that the check was good.

After waiting for some time, the footman entered the station house and asked the sergeant how long he would have to wait for his employer.

"He is locked up," replied the sergeant.

This was a surprise for the footman, and for several moments he seemed dazed. He returned to the hotel.

DINNER FOR CUTTING AND GOULD.

IT WILL BE IN HONOR OF THEIR SERVICES IN THE MUNICIPAL CAMPAIGN.

A public dinner for R. Fulton Cutting and Dr. E. R. L. Gould, as a fitting reminder that their services in behalf of good government before and in the recent municipal campaign are not forgotten, will be given in the ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria on the evening of January 7 at 7 o'clock. William E. Dodge has consented to act as presiding officer and toastmaster. The menu card is being specially designed by Messrs. Tiffany & Co., and will have on its frontispiece photographs of Mr. Cutting and Dr. Gould engraved in steel.

Subscriptions to the dinner may be sent to the secretary, William R. Corwine, at his office, care of the Merchants' Association, No. 346 Broadway, and checks can be remitted to the treasurer of the committee, James G. Cannon, vice-president of the Fourth National Bank, Pine and Nassau sts.

The tender of the dinner was made to Messrs. Cutting and Gould by a number of men prominent in financial, social and political affairs of the metropolis. These included Cornelius N. Bliss, Nicholas Murray Butler, James G. Cannon, J. G. Carlisle, Andrew Carnegie, John Claflin, Henry E. Howland, Francis C. Huntington, William R. Huntington, A. Jacobi, E. G. Janeway, William Jay, Morris K. Jesup, J. Frederic Kernochan, John S. Kennedy, William F. King, J. Pierpont Morgan, Robert C. Ogden, Robert W. De Forest, William E. Dodge, J. H. Dougherty, D. Le Roy Dresser, John E. Eustis, Charles S. Fairchild, Henry Hentz, Abram S. Hewitt, William B. Hornblower, Willis L. Ogden, Alexander E. Orr, John E. Parsons, Wheeler H. Peckham, George Haven Putnam, Thomas B. Reed, J. Hansen Rhoades, Herman Ridder, George L. Rives, J. D. Rockefeller, jr., Charles A. Schieren, Jacob H. Schiff, Carl Schurz, Thomas R. Slicer, Charles Stewart Smith, James Speyer, William R. Stewart, James Stillman, J. Kennedy Tod, George F. Vietor, J. Howard Van Amringe, John De Witt Warner and Horace White.

The invitation was accepted. As a result of this a meeting of some of those interested was held at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, at which Isaac N. Seligman presided. Mr. Seligman was elected chairman of the executive committee, James G. Cannon treasurer and William R. Corwine secretary. This executive committee was divided into the following sub-committees: On dinner—Gustav H. Schwab, chairman; Arthur F. Cosby, William J. Schieffelin, William R. Corwine, Adolph Openhym, G. K. Clark, jr., and V. Everit Macy. On invitations—Isaac N. Seligman, chairman; Francis C. Huntington, D. Le Roy Dresser, Fielding L. Marshall and William R. Stewart. On press—William H. Baldwin, jr., chairman; Oswald G. Villard and Calvin Tomkins. On speakers—Everett P. Wheeler, chairman; Alfred R. Conkling, Francis E. Laimbeer and William F. King.

A DINNER FOR MAJOR C. H. SMITH.

A complimentary dinner was given for Major C. H. Smith by civil and military friends last evening at the Arena, in East Thirty-first-st. About one hundred persons were present, most of them members or former members of the 71st Regiment. Captain William R. Hill acted as toastmaster, and the following toasts were answered: "Our Country," Colonel Alexander S. Bacon; "Harlem Company," Captain William S. Beekman; "The Regiment," Colonel Frederick Kopper; "Volunteers in Active Service," Captain Amos H. Stephens; "The Press," William E. Hicks, and "Veteran Members of Company B," Lieutenant Frederick W. Brandes.

THE TWELFTH AT SHERRY'S.

The 12th Regiment held its annual dinner at Sherry's last night. Colonel Robert W. Leonard, commanding the regiment, had the seat of honor, while Major Thomas C. Buek presided. There was a large gathering of officers from different regiments in the city, and a number of line and staff officers were present. There were no set toasts. Besides the officers of the 12th Regiment there were present General McCoskry Butt, Colonel Heman Dowd, Colonel Robert W. Lewis, Colonel George R. Dyer, Lieutenant Colonel William F. Judson and Major Thomas Husten.

THE FIRE RECORD YESTERDAY.

4:30 a. m.—No. 128 Hester-st.; Percy Goodkind; $500.
4:40 a. m.—No. 54 West Seventeenth-st.; Robert Fringe; $100.
6:30 a. m.—No. 20 Baxter-st.; Thomas Marcello; $300.
10:25 a. m.—No. 863 East One-hundred-and-thirty-ninth-st.; George Ennis; $10.
2:40 p. m.—No. 220 Second-st.; Gross & Eisler; $25.
4 p. m.—No. 465 East Tenth-st.; owner unknown; no damage.
4:40 p. m.—No. 1,715 Madison-ave.; Campanio Casiero; slight.
6:40 p. m.—No. 102 East Eighth-st.; Moses Meyer; slight.

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UMBRELLAS FOR BOYS, piece dyed taffetas, with neat buckhorn handles; 22-in., $1.65; 24-in., $1.75

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MUFFLERS of soft heavy silk with self figures, black or white, $1.45

SUIT CASES for the little fellows; sole leather, steel frame, light weight, tan and olive; 12-inch, $4.25

BATH ROBES for boys, gray with light blue or pink borders; 4 to 8 yrs., $2.75; 10 to 16 yrs., $3.25.

MISSES' WAISTS, made of good quality velveteen, reduced to $3.85

GIRLS' MACKINTOSHES of double texture, plaid lining, adjustable cape; sizes from 30 to 48 inches, $3.50

VESTEE SUITS, over 30 lots; sizes 3 to 8 yrs., about ⅓ original prices, 3.85, 4.50, 5, 6, 6.50, 7.75

BOYS' HOUSE COATS, $4.00 to $7.00

BOYS' MACKINTOSHES, $3.75 to $10.25

BOYS' RUBBER COATS, $2.25

BOYS' FANCY VESTS, $4.00 to $5.75

BOYS' KILT AND RUSSIAN BLOUSE SUITS.

ROMEO SLIPPERS for children and misses; red felt, fur trimmed, (Dolge's make), $1.00

RED FELT TOILET SLIPPERS for children, misses and boys, felt soles, 85c., $1.00 & $1.25

TRIMMED HOUSE SLIPPERS, patent leather, red and maroon; very pretty, $1.10 & $1.25

PATENT LEATHER PUMPS for children, boys and youths. $1.60, $1.80 & $2.00

FULL DRESS OXFORDS, patent leather, for boys and youths, $2.00 & $2.25

STORM KING RUBBER BOOTS for children, misses, boys and youths, extra high over the knees, with strap and buckles; according to size, $2.00, $2.50 & $3.25

EXTRA HIGH CUT ARCTICS, button or buckle; according to size, $1.50, $1.75 & $2.00

INFANTS' BENGALINE SILK CAPS, trimmed with lace and ribbon; all sizes, 69c. & 85c

ANGORA HOODS; white, trimmed with swans-down, $1.85 & $2.25; red, brown and gray, trimmed with dark fur, $2.25 & $2.75.

GIRLS' SCHOOL HATS of felt and cloth, $1.00, $1.75 & $2.75

FRENCH HAND MADE GUIMPES, round yoke of fine tucks; 2 to 6 yrs., $1.38; 8 to 10 yrs., $1.68.