

SUPERVISORS SCARED.

THEY ARE EXPECTED TO PUT EX-MEMBERS OFF BOARD.

HOW THE WESTCHESTER PRINTING IS GIVEN OUT—INSIGNIFICANT PAPERS OFTEN GET IT.

Owing to the agitation started by the Tribune, a general house-cleaning in the administration of Westchester County affairs is being called for. A careful investigation shows that a clique which controls the Board of Supervisors is responsible for the trouble. Though the board is numerically Republican, it is asserted that the organization and party in no way control it. On the contrary, it is said that the members who are loyal to the Republican party are at all times working for economy. It was with them that the salary bill, which will materially reduce expenses after June 15, originated.

John M. Shinn, of Pelham, chairman of the Board of Supervisors, at the first session of the board issued a message in favor of retrenchment and reform. Mr. Shinn and the Republican leader also tried to insure a better committee of affairs by placing on every committee at least two conscientious men. But the board was in session only a few weeks when the clique, composed of Democrats and nominal Republicans, secured control and began running things to suit itself. At the same time Mr. Shinn was taken ill with appendicitis and was forced to be absent from the meetings for many weeks. When he returned he found that the clique had gained control in spite of the more conservative members and was running things at an alarming pace.

These men have continued in power, rushing through almost every plan that has come along, including propositions to establish three big cemeteries in the county. These projects are the Hickory Grove Cemetery, at Mamaroneck; the Ferncliff Cemetery, near Tarrytown, and the Kensington, in Mount Pleasant. All the grants have passed the board, but are held up by a law which the taxpayers got through the legislature, forbidding any more cemeteries to be established in the county. It is understood that the Hickory Grove and the Ferncliff cemetery promoters will contend that this law does not apply to them, because, they assert, their applications for a grant were filed before the law was adopted. Some Supervisors have said to the Tribune that their names have appeared as voting for these grants, when as a matter of fact they were not present. The results of the ballots as given in the Tribune were taken from the official daily report issued by the Board of Supervisors.

REHEARING ON INJUNCTION REFUSED. The opponents of the Hickory Grove Cemetery, at Larchmont and Mamaroneck, are jubilant, because, in addition to the safeguards which they put around their property by getting the law forbidding more cemeteries adopted and by purchasing the mortgages against the tract of land where the Hickory Grove Cemetery Association proposed to put its burial ground, Justice Gaynor on Tuesday refused the application of their adversaries for a rehearing on the motion to dissolve the injunction against the cemetery.

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THE BOARD DECIDED THAT IF THE REPORT OF A COMMITTEE WHICH IT APPOINTED TO FIND OUT ALL ABOUT THE DEPENDENT POLICE OFFICERS OF THE BUILDING TRADES WOULD BE THE NEXT STEP. The charter, with these three amendments, it was held, must have got into the statute books when the labor unions were napping. The amendment to which the most objection is taken gives the Commissioner of Correction power to employ convicts on outside work, as well as in manufacturing articles for the use of the institutions controlled by the State. Section 70, which enumerates the different kinds of work required for the institutions, that they may be employed on public works carried on by any department of the city or at such mechanical or other labor as shall be found from experience to be suited to the capacity of the individual.

Section 70, which is the second amendment objected to, provides that any commissioner in any department may employ for prison labor to the Commissioner of Correction and employ it upon any public work without the formality of advertising for bids for supplies or contracts. Section 63, which is the third amendment objected to, provides for the employment of pauper labor, principally in the Department of Charities, but says that any article manufactured may be utilized as the commissioner may wish.

REGARDING THE NEWSPAPER MEETING CONTROVERSY WHICH THE BOARD HAS BECOME INVOLVED IN, Mr. Stafford, attorney for John Holden, the taxpayer of New-Rochelle who began the proceedings, says that Justice Marean, in the Supreme Court, has decided that the injunction to prevent the board from auditing about \$15,000 in bills from the county newspapers for printing town accounts cannot hold, because the innocent newspapers would be hurt. Thus it appears that the work of the Board of Supervisors in involving the county in an expense of between \$12,000 and \$15,000 for the current year must stand. But Mr. Stafford says that such steps will be taken as will prevent this thing happening again.

THE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE OF THE SUPERVISORS, IN DEFENSE OF THE ACTION OF THE BOARD, SAYS THAT WHILE IT MAY NOT HAVE COMPLIED STRICTLY WITH THE LETTER OF THE LAW, STILL THE ACTION OF THE CLERK IN GIVING THE PRINTING TO NEWSPAPERS IN ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTY WAS WISE AND PROPER, AS SUCH INFORMATION WAS NECESSARY FOR THE TAXPAYERS.

HOW THE PRINTING IS GIVEN OUT. A publisher of Westchester County, in a letter to the Tribune, makes some interesting statements regarding the manner in which public printing is given out by the Supervisors. There are, he says, about thirty-five newspapers in the county, about fifteen of which have circulations of more than one thousand copies; the others run from fifty copies up. The newspapers of the three Assembly districts each print the abstracts of town accounts in their respective districts. This printing is furnished by the clerk of the Board of Supervisors, and each Supervisor works to have the paper in his town where the printing. This, the writer says, frequently results in insignificant newspapers getting it. It is argued that this patronage is also used as a reward for political support.

THE GRIEVANCE OF THE WRITER IS THAT PUBLIC MONEY SHOULD NOT BE EXPENDED ON PAPERS OF THE SMALLEST CIRCULATION, WHICH CHARGE THE SAME FOR THE PRINTING AS THE PAPERS WHICH ARE MORE WIDELY READ. He says it is suspected that some papers do not do the printing they charge for. This suspicion is aroused because of the

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ABSENCE OF PROOFS WHICH SHOULD ACCOMPANY ALL THE BILLS.

It is believed that if the board were to enforce the rule requiring proofs of some of them made by the publishers. The publisher asserts that one office prints three newspapers having the same body, but changed heads, and receives printing for each of the papers. It writes that the names of the publications in favor with the Supervisors are not bona fide newspapers, but political "howlers," first on one side of the fence and then the other, and that they are filled with dead matter and advertisements. It is charged that the official canvass of votes, which nets about \$2,000, was given to some of the organs of this class.

THE NEWSPAPERS CLAIMING TO REPRESENT SOME OF THE TOWNS IN THE COUNTY SAY THEY HAVE NO INTEREST IN THEM. They are printed in New-York or elsewhere, and the only things they have in the town are agents a few boxes, for which they pay. Some of them obtained as much as \$2,500 worth of printing from the county in a year, while the legitimate newspapers, having circulations which would entitle them to consideration, have been ignored. The men who conduct these schemes, he says, make no concealment of the fact that they are done merely to get the townships. It is to stop these things that the Westchester Association was organized. Hereafter, if they can get a hearing, the newspapers of the county will have to stop their printing, and the pocket money in first for the printing, and the pocket money will come in later, if there is anything left.

CEMETERY BILL DROPPED.

AGGAR'S MEASURE, WHICH AROUSED MOUNT PLEASANT, DISAPPROVED BY GOVERNOR.

Albany, April 10 (Special).—A law passed the present year, drawn up by Assemblyman Wainwright, making it unlawful for any cemetery corporation to acquire land in Westchester County for cemetery purposes and prohibiting the granting of such consent by the Board of Supervisors of that county by the Board of Supervisors of that county. It was signed by Governor Odell yesterday. He declines to sign a bill of Assemblyman Aggar exempting the town of Mount Pleasant from the provisions of this law. Assemblyman Aggar, it should be stated, informed the Governor that he did not desire him to sign the bill. His measure was drawn up with special reference to the purchase of a tract of two hundred acres as an addition to that cemetery.

BEFORE THE BILL OF MR. WAINWRIGHT WAS SIGNED, MR. AGGAR SAID TO-DAY, A RESOLUTION WAS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WESTCHESTER COUNTY GIVING THE BOARD'S CONSENT TO THIS ENLARGEMENT OF THE KENNING CEMETERY. This consent was passed by the Board of Supervisors yesterday. Governor Odell gave a hearing on Mr. Aggar's bill to-day, and there appeared before him to speak on it Mr. Aggar, Daniel P. Hays, President of the village of Pleasantville, and John J. Sinnott, Supervisor of the town of Mount Pleasant. Mr. Hays, who was the first speaker, said that the bill exempted the town of Mount Pleasant from the provisions of the Wainwright law and this was not liked. "We already have a large number of cemeteries," said Mr. Hays, "and we don't want any more. We do not wish to be singled out as a municipality in the county, and we do not wish to be made a precedent for other municipalities. We do not wish to increase our taxes. However, the Kenning Cemetery Association has perhaps a right to the land it desires to purchase, and we are willing to permit it to acquire that land if this bill is not passed." "I will not sign it," said Mr. Aggar. "All right," said Governor Odell, "then I will not sign it."

BARS DOWN FOR CONVICT LABOR.

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WHOLE BEACH SWEEP AWAY.

FOUR HUNDRED FEET AT FAR ROCKAWAY WASHED OUT BY THE WAVES.

The southeast storm of Tuesday did far more damage at Far Rockaway than was at first supposed. A great part of Caffrey's beach was washed away, and the restaurant, kitchen, engine room, pavilion and bathing houses were wrecked. The beach is now with furniture, rockery and other things scattered about. The machinery of the engine room is wrecked and useless. The loss is estimated at \$30,000. There was about four hundred feet of beach last summer between the surf line and pavilions, but the storms of the winter gradually cut away the sand and the water of the ocean. The work was completed. Embedded in the sand and with the sea breaking over it lies the safe that stood in bathing pavilion. The safe contains the engine where the structure stood. The whole waterfront is the property of James Caffrey. He already has means of work clearing away the beach, and he begins to build at once in preparation for the coming season.

MRS. ROBERT B. ROOSEVELT DEAD.

THE WIFE OF AN UNCLE OF THE PRESIDENT PASSES AWAY AT ATLANTIC CITY.

Mrs. Robert B. Roosevelt died suddenly at one of the hotels at Atlantic City yesterday from an attack of apoplexy. Mrs. Roosevelt was the wife of President Roosevelt's only living uncle. Mr. Roosevelt is a retired attorney, and lives at No. 57 Fifth-ave. For the last year or more Mrs. Roosevelt had been in bad health, but was not seriously ill. She went to Atlantic City on April 7 for the benefit of her health, but she had a chance of recovery and climate would do her good. At 6 p. m. on Wednesday she was suddenly taken ill. She grew rapidly worse, and at 3 a. m. yesterday she died.

Mrs. Roosevelt was born in 1848 in Tipperary, Ireland, and her maiden name was Marion T. O'Shea. She was the sister of Augustus O'Shea, who was known as correspondent of "The London Standard" and a cousin of Thomas P. Gill, an ex-member of the House of Representatives, and one of the friends of Charles Stewart Parnell. She was the widow of the late Robert F. Roosevelt, of this city, and she was married to Mr. Roosevelt, to whom she was married in 1880. There were no children by the latter marriage, but she had three children by her first marriage. These are Mrs. E. W. Pickhardt and Mrs. E. W. Pickhardt and Mrs. E. W. Pickhardt. Mrs. Roosevelt was prominent in Catholic Church circles, and she was an active member of St. Francis Xavier's Church, in Sixteenth-st., as well as of the Society of the Holy Innocent's Hospital.

WEDS A WEALTHY CHINESE MERCHANT.

THE BRIDE A MISSIONARY, GARRIED IN RICH SILKS AND DIAMONDS.

Alderman Florence married in the City Hall yesterday Charles Jong, a wealthy Chinese merchant, of Boston, and Miss Mary McDonald, of Nova Scotia, a missionary among the Chinese. The bride wore a traveling dress of rich silks, and a large hat with plumes. At her throat was a handsome diamond brooch, a gift of the bridegroom. Jong, to please his bride, wore a white tuxedo and a white hat. The couple gave their address as the Astor House. A handsome diamond ring was used in the ceremony.

FRENCH SINGERS IN "BOCCACCIO."

The French Opera Comique Company from New-Orleans, after a week and a half of the older opera bouffe, last night gave Suppe's "Boccaccio" at the Victoria Theatre. The entire company responded to the evident friendliness of a packed house, and the life into the performance. The French singers were demanded and given, and the scenes of pure dialogue or farce won applause as well. The New-Orleans company is a very capable artistic already, but in "Boccaccio" they showed that almost every principal is a comedian. The French troupe in this play were capital, worked out so well that a knowledge of French was not necessary to understand them. The company shared the acting honors, and easily led musically. She sang with more strength and freedom than any other of the company. Miss Delane, as Beatrice, was also applauded for her singing. The ballet after the good old picture of "Boccaccio" will be repeated to-night and Saturday afternoon.

JEROME FEARS FOR REFORM.

WITHOUT REPEAL OF EXCISE LAW HE SAYS IT WILL NOT WIN AGAIN IN A GENERATION.

District Attorney Jerome last night in an address delivered before the Men's Club of the Judson Memorial Church, asserted that not another time in a generation would a reform administration be elected unless the present liquor law was repealed. He spoke of "The Present Excise Law in Its Relation to Public Life." The Rev. David A. McMurray, a member of the club, who occupied the chair, and the Rev. Edward Judson, pastor of the church, both of whom were on the platform, as well as a large audience, composed mainly of members of the church, seemed to be much shocked when in the course of his address Justice Jerome said that it was no wonder some people preferred the saloon to the church on Sundays. But the "milk and water" diet handed out by a majority of the pulpits, and frankly confessed that he himself did not go to church and did not feel any desire to go there under the circumstances.

"The excise question," he said, "is a question which has to be met with sound, cold judgment, and not with any preconceived notions. We are legislating for any honest citizens, or that you are legislating for the cosmopolitan city into a Garden of Eden. You will have to keep in mind that you are legislating for a community with much of sorrow and sin in it; that you are making laws for men and women who, while not absolutely bad, are constantly slipping back in their attempt to do higher things. You are not stepping stones to higher things. You are not legislating for the communicants of the Judson Memorial Church or of the St. Patrick's Cathedral, but just for men and women such as I have just indicated.

"I am not going to discuss the moral aspect of this question. I wish to God we could stop the diet handed out by the pulpits. But if you shut these out, you will have fifty-four thousand people out of the saloon against their wish, they will avenge themselves by electing a party that will appoint as Police Commissioner a man who will wink at violations of the excise law. As sure as we live, unless the present liquor law is repealed, this administration will land where it is going to land, and there will be no more hope of any other administration under the present law. The dawn of a new century," he maintained, "is the 'American Sabbath' element had no right to saddle their views on those of a different opinion.

"As for the claim that the Sunday saloon breeds intemperance, I don't see how it could be. The saloon is open for a limited number of hours on Sunday, or to keep them open from 5 o'clock in the morning until 1 o'clock the next morning, as is done now. While we might keep the saloons closed for a few Sundays, and perhaps, for a whole administration, it would be a waste of time. There is no man or woman in this room will ever live long enough to see another administration under the present law. The dawn of a new century," he maintained, "is the 'American Sabbath' element had no right to saddle their views on those of a different opinion.

MOST BEER CAN BE SOLD LEGALLY.

MAGISTRATE DECLARES SUNDAY LAW ONLY REFERS TO MALT LIQUOR.

Magistrate Tiche, in the Adams-st. police court, Brooklyn, yesterday announced white hearing excise cases that there is nothing in the law to prevent the sale on Sundays of seven-eighths of the stuff that is sold as lager beer. Only one-eighth, he said, contained malt, and beer which contained no malt was not proscribed by the law. The magistrate declared that it was generally supposed that beer was a malt liquor, but he proved that it was not. He therefore dismissed a case where a policeman testified that the defendant had been selling beer. The defendant was not prepared to prove that the beer in question contained malt.

"PLANT" PRISONERS DISCHARGED.

JEROME TELLS MAGISTRATE THAT CROOK AND REPORTER COMMITTED NO CRIME.

Magistrate Cornell in the Centre-st. court yesterday discharged Alphonse Voullaire, the "crook," and Mr. Copenhoven, a reporter, who were arrested last week for taking part in a "fake" burglary, which had been planned as a means of trapping some detective sergeants suspected of having dealings with thieves. District Attorney Jerome told the magistrate that no burglary had been committed, and that the prisoners holding the property legally on the charge of having stolen goods in their possession.

MRS. WHITNEY MAKES A DENIAL.

WILLIAM C. WHITNEY DENIES THAT HE WILL GIVE AN ENTERTAINMENT FOR LORD AND LADY MINTO THIS AFTERNOON IN HIS HOME, AT NO. 87 FIFTH-AVE., AS REPORTED IN THE AFTERNOON PAPERS.

William C. Whitney denies that he will give an entertainment for Lord and Lady Minto this afternoon in his home, at No. 87 Fifth-ave., as reported in the afternoon papers. They will probably drop in for a cup of tea, but no one has been invited to meet them.

SURVEYOR CROFT ILL.

SILAS C. CROFT, SURVEYOR OF THE PORT OF NEW-YORK, IS EXCEEDINGLY ILL AT HIS HOME, NO. 12 WEST ONE-HUNDRED-AND-TWENTY-FIRST-ST., FROM ACUTE RHEUMATISM.

LAWRENCE TURNURE DEAD.

Lawrence Turnure, who died in Cairo, Egypt, yesterday, was the son of the late Lawrence Turnure, the banker, of this city, and was born here forty-three years ago. He had been living in Egypt since 1883, choosing that country because of the health of his wife. He had been in Cairo since 1898. He married a lady named Eury White of this city, with three children, survives him.

WILLING TO MEET STRIKERS.

P. DUFFY, fifth vice-president of the International Association of Sheet Metal Workers, to which the striking employees of the American Car Company belong, attended a meeting of the strikers yesterday in New Irving Hall. His object in coming here is to settle the strike if possible.

DR. TALMAGE'S CONDITION CRITICAL.

Washington, April 10.—Another change for the worse has occurred in the condition of the Rev. Dr. T. De Witt Talmage, and the physicians are again very apprehensive of the outcome. To-night's bulletin, issued at 9 o'clock, says that the condition of the Rev. Dr. Talmage is critical. Evidence of cerebral inflammation has appeared.

MISS ROOSEVELT BACK FROM CUBA.

Washington, April 10.—Miss Alice Roosevelt returned to Washington to-day from Cuba.

MRS. TIMOTHY L. WOODRUFF'S AUNT DEAD.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., April 10.—Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Woodruff were in Poughkeepsie to-day attending the funeral of Mrs. Woodruff's aunt, Mrs. Timothy L. Woodruff, who died in the German Hospital, New-York, last Sunday. Mrs. Woodruff was in Albany with Mrs. Woodruff the first winter she was there.

WORK NEAR CAVE IN TO GO ON.

ENGINEERS FOR RAPID TRANSIT BOARD AND PARK-AVE. RESIDENTS AGREE.

At a public meeting of the Rapid Transit Commission yesterday, attended only by the commissioners and those directly interested in the work on the tunnel, Chief Engineer William B. Parsons reported that an agreement had been reached between the engineers on the tunnel work and the residents of the Park-ave. residents, and that it had been decided that it was perfectly safe to resume work on the west side of the tunnel in Park-ave. Mr. Parsons said that there would be no danger in proceeding with the work on the east side of the tunnel, as everything had been put in the best possible shape, but the engineers and contractors had decided to defer work until after the beginning of June. By that time the majority of the people living in Park-ave, in the vicinity of the recent cave-in, would be absent for the summer, and there would be no reason for nervousness. Presently the formal answer to the questions put by the Park-ave. residents was handed in. It contained nothing more than Mr. Parsons had said at the meeting of the commission. Vice-Commissioner Sturgis appeared to complain against William Bradley, the contractor who had the work in hand in Park-ave. He declared that Mr. Bradley had not used proper precautions, and asked the commissioners to direct that Mr. Bradley exercise more care in protecting them. This would be done, he was assured.

BEEF COMPANY'S BIG INCREASE.

SCHWARZSCHILD & SULZBERGER TO RAISE CAPITAL TO \$10,000,000.

Albany, April 10.—The Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Company, of New-York City, has filed with the Secretary of State a certificate of increase of capital stock from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000. When seen last night Ferdinand Sulzberger, one of the principal stockholders of the company, said: "We have doubled our capital to clear up floating debts and for running expenses. We do not mean to enlarge our interests outside of our present business, but growing trade demands an increase of capital, so we have doubled it."

EIGHTY PAINTINGS BRING \$83,720.

THE HIGHEST PRICE AT BLAKELEE COLLECTION IS \$17,000, FOR LAWRENCE'S PORTRAIT OF MRS. SIDDONS.

Eighty of the paintings of the Blakelee collection, sold at auction in Mendelssohn Hall yesterday at 5:30 p. m., brought the sum of \$83,720. Sir Peter Lely's portrait of "The Countess of Rockingham" sold for \$300, and his portrait of "Sir Richard Temple" went for \$150. That of "William Samwell" was bought by E. Howell for \$50. "The Cavalier," by John A. Hoagland, "ascribed to Van Dyke," brought \$25. Van Dyke's portrait of the Duke of Portland brought next to the highest price of the evening—\$16,000. It was bought by S. I. Bronson. The highest price—\$17,000—was paid by J. H. Smith for Sir Thomas Lawrence's "Portrait of Mrs. Siddons, the Countess of Canova, the Italian portrait by Lawrence, that of Canova, the Italian portrait of "A Portrait of George IV.," were also sold, and the first to J. H. Smith for \$1,500 and the second to H. L. Pratt for \$50. The hall was filled with people.

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MUST BE USED FOR RELIGIOUS PURPOSES AND TO ESTABLISH A COLLEGE.

Philadelphia, April 10.—By the terms of the will of Colonel John McKee, said to be the wealthiest negro in the country, who died a few days ago, Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia, will come into the possession, as trustee, of an estate valued at about \$2,000,000. Colonel McKee owned nearly 400 acres of real estate in Philadelphia, 4,500 acres of farm land in New-Jersey and 200,000 acres of coal, mineral, oil and farm land in Kentucky, West Virginia and Illinois. He is survived by one daughter, Abbie A. Syphax, who has five children living, and by Harry McKee Minton, who is the son of a second daughter. This daughter is the living of a surviving daughter is cut off with an annuity of \$3,000, and after her death her surviving children shall receive annuities of \$50 each. To Harry Minton is bequeathed an annuity of \$50, and after the death of all the annuitants the annuities shall revert to the residuary estate in the hands of the Archbishop. The will specifies that his residuary estate shall be used for two purposes. First, to build a Catholic church, rectory and convent in McKee City, N. J., and second, to build and maintain a charitable institution in Philadelphia for the education of both white and colored male orphans. The institution must be placed in the southern part of the city and be known as "McKee College." It is to be under the control of a board of directors elected by a vote of the Catholic clergy of Philadelphia. Greek, Latin, Hebrew, Spanish and French must be taught in the college, and the education of the beneficiaries of his will shall conform as nearly as possible to that of the Annapolis Naval Academy. The executors are directed to negotiate with the Secretary of the Navy for the use of a battleship or cruiser, on which advanced pupils may receive their final training.

Colonel McKee was buried to-day with the funeral rites of the Presbyterian Church, of which he was a member up to the time of his death. The will, which was opened and read after the funeral, caused astonishment in a relative and friend. The will provided for a Catholic burial, and gave directions regarding the services, the coffin, the number of carriages to be used, etc. Some of the relatives are considering the advisability of contesting the will. The relations between him and them have always been pleasant. The will does not intimate anything relative to a change in his religious belief.

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Police Commissioner Partridge yesterday announced the removal of nine employees in the clerical and mechanical bureaus of the Police Department, in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to reduce the salary account of the department. The salaries of the men removed aggregate \$12,123.

THE SIMMONSES ARE IN NEW-YORK COMPLETING ARRANGEMENTS.

St. Louis, April 10.—At the residence of E. C. Simmons, who will be president of the newly consolidated hardware jobbing interests of the country, it was said that both he and Wallace Simmons are in New-York, and it was not known when they would return. Edward H. Simmons, assistant secretary of the Emmons Hardware Company, refused to discuss the reported consolidation further than to admit that his father and brother had been in the East more than a week attending to matters concerning the consolidation. "I know things which I am not at liberty to tell just now," he said.

THE NICHOLSON'S TRIAL DELAYED.

Elizabeth, April 9 (Special).—Because of a strike among the helpers at Lewis Nixon's shipyard the postponed trial of the Nicholson did not have her trial trip yesterday. There were seventy-five helpers employed in the plant, at \$1.50 a day for ten hours a day. Their time was reduced to eight hours a day, with a corresponding reduction in wages. The men demanded \$1.50 for eight hours work, and when the demand was denied, struck. The help could be carried out yesterday, but the time came for the Nicholson to start, and the trip had to be postponed.

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COLONEL PALIZA PROMOTED.

MEXICAN GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZES HIS SERVICES AT NIXON'S SHIPYARD. Elizabeth, April 10 (Special).—Colonel Flaviano Paliza, who was the head of the Mexican commission of twenty-four officers, supervising the construction of two Mexican gunboats, at Lewis Nixon's shipyard, has been promoted in recognition of his work. He was called to Mexico last week, and expected to return to Elizabeth within three weeks. To-day a telegram was received from him announcing his promotion, and to-night his belongings were packed up and will be shipped to Mexico to-morrow. Colonel Paliza, who is a widower, had his three children in Elizabeth with him. They will sail for Mexico to-morrow. His wife, sister and her husband, Captain Nicholas Fortez, with their two children, who are in Elizabeth, will also start for Mexico to-morrow. Colonel Paliza's successor as head of the Mexican commission will be Captain Manuel Azeta.

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