

CABMEN WILL HELP.

HACKMEN'S LEAGUE FALLS INTO LINE.

IT WILL AID AGAINST LICENSED ROBBERS—TWO MORE COMPLAINTS MADE.

The Hackmen's Protective League has entered into The Tribune's fight for a decent cab system with much enthusiasm.

The league was incorporated on September 20, 1901. About six weeks ago it took up on its own initiative the fight for better conditions in the cab system.

That the league is sincere in its effort to get reform may be judged by the following letter written yesterday by Joseph F. Smith, corresponding secretary of the league.

This organization respectfully asks if your association will grant its assistance to a delegate or a committee of two or three from our association to co-operate with your association in regard to bringing about a reform in the present pernicious hack service.

On receipt of this letter Mr. Eames immediately arranged to meet the cabmen to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Hackmen's League has also arranged to send delegates to a conference with the City Improvement Society, to be held to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Section 1 of Article II of the bylaws of the Hackmen's Protective League reads:

"At no time, regardless of the elements, shall a member of this association overcharge his fare, or charge other than the city's legal fare (50 cents a mile)."

Speaking of the purposes of the organization, Mr. Smith said yesterday:

"Our association is made up of honest men. The thieves in our trade are not rare, in fact, there are enough of them playing their game to make the public sour on all cabmen, whether honest or dishonest.

Two more complaints were filed yesterday with Marshal Brown, of the Bureau of Licenses. The driver of cab No. 1,601 charged E. R. Barker, of No. 422 Amsterdam-ave., \$1.50 for transportation from Eighty-first-st. and Columbus-ave. to No. 227 West Forty-second-st., a distance of about two miles.

The association also complained yesterday of the driver of cab No. 371, who charged Mr. Barker \$1.50 for transportation from the City Hall to Fourteenth-st. and Broadway, a distance of one and three-quarter miles.

The hearing on the cases of cab drivers Nos. 614, 1,138 and 371, in which the Merchants' Association is the complainant, will be held at Marshal Brown's office Monday at 2 p. m.

IT'S HARD TO READ TOO FAST. as you may overlook the little advertisements in the narrow columns.

THE PRESIDENT EXPECTED.

AN UNUSUAL GATHERING TO ATTEND DR. BUTLER'S INSTALLATION.

As the time for the installation of Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia approaches, there is every indication that the exercises on next Thursday, Friday and Saturday will bring together one of the most notable assemblages that has ever gathered at the installation of a college president.

The guests will include President Roosevelt, Governor Odell, Mayor Low, John D. Rockefeller, Andrew Carnegie, Baron von Holleben, the German Ambassador, Postmaster General Payne, ex-Secretary of State Olney, ex-Attorney General MacVeagh, Archbishop Corrigan, Bishop Satterlee, Bishop Foster, Bishop Coleman, Morris K. Jessup, James Stillman, James Speyer, President Cantor of the Borough of Manhattan, and members of the corporations of Harvard, Yale and Princeton universities and several colleges.

Both President Roosevelt and Governor Odell have promised to attend the luncheon to be given by the trustees to the guests on Saturday, as well as the alumni dinner in the evening.

BEEF STILL CLIMBING.

SMALL DEALERS COMPLAIN THAT THE TRUST IS MAKING SCREWS TIGHTER.

The rise in beef which The Tribune predicted last week is now announced. Yesterday the price advanced from 9 1/2 cents to 10 1/2 cents a pound.

The dealers ask if some relief cannot be granted them. Householders are indignant at the arbitrary rate charged by the trust. The latter account for the rise by referring to the usual augmentation of price in meats in the early spring.

Some butchers predict a decline in prices in May and June. Meanwhile, the poor man asks why should his family be denied meat. Physicians repeated yesterday their references to the habit of Americans of eating too much meat, and reiterated what they had said regarding the value of vegetables as a food.

PROMPT JUSTICE FOR MURDERER.

PROFESSOR MILLER ADJUDGED SANE AND SENT TO STATE PRISON FOR LIFE.

Detroit, April 12.—Professor Joseph M. Miller, the music teacher, who yesterday confessed to having murdered Miss Carrie N. Jennett with a hatchet, was sent to Jackson prison for life to-day. He was arraigned in the Recorder's Court at 10 o'clock. Judge Murphy appointed F. C. Chamberlain to act as the murderer's attorney.

JURORS' BILL NOW A LAW.

GOVERNOR SIGNS MEASURE FOR APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Albany, April 12.—Governor Odell signed to-day Senator Fuller's bill authorizing the county judges and the Surrogate of the County of Kings to appoint a commissioner of jurors for a period of five years, who is to have a salary of \$800 annually.

The Governor also signed Senator Elsbeger's bill creating a retirement fund for the president, vice-president, professors, assistant professors and instructors of the College of the City of New-York, and Senator Fuller's bill authorizing New-York to issue corporate stock to the amount of \$3,000,000 yearly for the repaving of streets.

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DINNER FOR GEN. PALMA.

FAREWELL DEMONSTRATION TO CUBA'S PRESIDENT-ELECT.

CHEERS FOR ROOSEVELT—TOASTMASTER SAYS UNITED STATES DESERVES GRATITUDE AND LOVE OF EVERY CUBAN.

The Cuban colony of this city gave a dinner last night for General T. Estrada Palma, President-elect of Cuba, at the Union Square Hotel. It was a farewell demonstration, as General Palma sails on Thursday for Cuba, where, on May 20, he is to assume control of the affairs of the new republic.

The banquet hall was profusely decorated with American and Cuban flags. Señor Perez del Castillo presided. General Palma sat on his right. Others at the first table were Señores R. C. Palomino, P. E. Desvervigne and Gonzalo de Quesada.

The toastmaster began the speechmaking by proposing a toast to the United States, which he said deserved the gratitude and love of every Cuban.

There was a long list of speakers, of which General Palma was the last. When he arose to address the assemblage there was a perfect storm of handclapping and cheering for "Cuba Libre" and Estrada Palma. His speech was short. He said:

I have not had the time to prepare an oration, but permit me to thank you for these warm expressions of friendship. Your work and my own shall form now on the reconstruction of Cuba. Let us in this task of advancement and betterment of our beloved country use the high standard set by the United States.

Again permit me to thank you for the honors of which I have been the recipient. Señor de Quesada spoke eloquently of the incidents leading up to the independence of Cuba, and referred feelingly to the patriots who sacrificed their lives for their flag.

Of the speeches delivered in English the principal one was by James Martin, of "The Tribune," who said: Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen—Cuba is about to take her place among the nations of the world.

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Underwear Department.

Monday, April 14th. Gowns, Skirts, Drawers, Chemises and Corset Covers, 98c., \$1.25 & \$1.95, very special value.

Silk Petticoats, in black and white, and black and colored taffeta, \$6.75, \$8.75, \$10.75. Foulard top, taffeta bottom, (in black or white), \$12.50, value \$18.75.

Wrappers and Kimonos. Dimity Wrappers, \$2.75 & \$3.75. Kimonos in China Silk, embroidered down front, \$10.50, value \$15.75.

Silk Kimonos, facing of white silk, \$8.45, value \$12.75. Short Silk Kimonos, embroidered down front, \$4.75, value \$6.75.

Crépon Kimonos, bound with pompadour ribbon, \$2.75. Dressing Sacques, in white or figured lawn, with scalloped edge, 98c., trimmed with lace, \$3.75.

Silk Shawls. A spring importation of Silk Shawls, in white, black and delicate colorings, \$1.25, \$1.85, \$2.45, about 1/3 their value.

Lord & Taylor, Broadway & 20th St.

Arnold, Constable & Co. Carpets.

Country House Furnishings. Oriental Rugs. Indian Grass and Cotton Rugs, Domestic Rugs. Brussels, Wilton and Velvet Carpets. Japanese and Chinese Mattings.

Lace Curtains. Muslin Curtains, Light Draperies. Beds and Bedding. Housekeeping Linens. Shades and Awnings. Estimates on application.

Broadway & 19th Street.

"BUSINESS" ALDERMEN SCHEMING

MAY TRY TO MAKE A "STRIKE" ON THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD TUNNEL BILL.

Already has the word been passed around among the "business" members of the Board of Aldermen that the Pennsylvania Railroad Company is not to receive any favors from the board without doing "the right thing."

The Pennsylvania Tunnel bill is now in the hands of the Governor, the Mayor having returned it yesterday with his approval.

Leading members of the board say that the tunnel plans will not be made an "administration" measure. "It will be put before the aldermen on its merits," said one of the leading members of the board yesterday.

President Furness has been trying to get the fusion members of the board in line in order that when the time comes there will be a solid bunch of votes for the tunnel bill.

The Governor also signed Senator Elsbeger's bill creating a retirement fund for the president, vice-president, professors, assistant professors and instructors of the College of the City of New-York.

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B. Altman & Co.

TRIMMED HATS and BONNETS. A collection of the most attractive styles for Spring and Summer wear is presented, which includes many recent importations, together with designs from their own workrooms.

COSTUMES AND TAILOR GOWNS, (Second Floor) SPRING AND SUMMER STYLES, among which are models of Shantung Pongee in all the new colorings, Check Silks, Louise Silk and Crepe de Chine, including fashionable Shirt Waist styles.

Tailor Finished Suits of Pongee, Taffeta and Moire Silk, Mohair, Etamine and Crashes, adaptations from late Paris models. On Monday, April 14th, will be offered:

Canvas Suits, Blue or Black, Semi-Blouse Coat: \$26.50. Skirt with silk slip lining. Separate Dress Skirts of Black Canvas, on silk slip lining. 14.50

DRESS and SHIRT WAISTS of fashionable fabrics, for Spring and Summer wear, comprising Embroidered Linon, Persian Lawn with Japanese Drawn Work, Insertion of Lace or Embroidery trimming.

SILK SHIRT WAISTS in exclusive patterns with the latest model Linon Collar and Cuffs, with Stocks, suitable to be worn with Tailor Gowns.

Shantung Pongee and Washable Silk Waists, including Plain Tailor Waists of Embroidered Pongee with Stocks. Hand-made and Embroidered Waists, of White and Colored Batiste and Handkerchief Linon.

For Monday, April 14th: Crepe de Chine waists, \$7.50, \$11.50

LACE CURTAINS and DRAPERY MATERIALS On Monday, April 14th, the following will be offered:

Ruffled Muslin Curtains, 3 yards long: values \$1.35 and \$1.75 per pair, at 95c. and \$1.25. Ruffled Net Curtains, 3 yards long: values \$2.90 to \$3.75 per pair, at \$2.50.

3,000 yards of French and Domestic Cretonnes, value 35c. per yard, at 16c. 1,000 yards of Drapery Materials and Furniture Coverings, consisting of Jute and Cotton Stripes, Tapestries, Figured Velours, Brocettes and Silk Damasks: values 65c. to \$3.00 per yard, at 40c., 95c. \$1.35

Also several hundred pairs of medium priced Lace Curtains, in One to Five Pair lots at ONE-THIRD LESS THAN REGULAR VALUES.

SAMPLES OF SUMMER PORTIERES ARE SHOWN, from which orders can be taken. COLORED DRESS GOODS. SEASONABLE TEXTURES, comprising Etamines, Crêpes, Mohairs, Canvas, Veilings, etc., are shown in complete range of colors now in vogue.

Also a variety of Parisian Novelties in exclusive designs. For Monday, April 14th: 2,800 yards of CANVAS MELANGE, 68c. per yard.

Eighteenth Street, Nineteenth Street, Sixth Avenue, New York

Wheeler H. Peckham as chairman; Judge Fitzsimmons and Matthew P. Green, vice-chairmen, and Theodore M. Roche, Editor of "The New-York Court Journal," and Magistrate Leroy B. Crane, secretaries.

THE D. L. AND W. PENSION SYSTEM. The pension board, appointed to administer the affairs of the pension system recently established by the Lackawanna Railroad announced yesterday that the age for compulsory retirement under the new system had been extended from sixty-five to seventy years.

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