BEATEN NEARLY TO DEATH

THUGS REPRESENTING THEMSELVES AS HEALTH INSPECTORS ATTACK WOMAN IN BROOKLYN

Mrs. Anna M. Thormann, forty-five years old, wife of Henry M. Thormann, a manager for Armour & Co., in the Eastern District, was attacked by two unknown men in her home, in Fifty-fourth-st. near Eighth-ave., Brooklyn, yesterday morning and nearly beaten to death. A third man searched the house for valuables while the assault was being committed.

Mrs. Thormann was alone in the house when the door bell rang, and two well dressed men at the door represented themselves as inspectors from the Board of Health and said they wished to inspect the premises. They said complaints had been received about the chickens in the rear yard.

After being in the yard, they asked to see the cellar. When Mrs. Thormann reached the last step leading into the cellar she was struck from behind by one of the men with a heavy iron bar, which he had concealed in his coat. The blow cut a gash four inches long at the base of the skull, and the woman fell on the cement floor. One of the men tried to turn her over on her back, but she grabbed him by the legs and struggled to her feet, while the other man rained blows with the iron bar about her face and head.

Finally she broke away from her assailants and ran up the steps leading to the yard. The door at the head of the stairs, however, was locked, and she was dragged down into the cellar again and beaten unmercifully. Her face and neck bathed in blood, she fought her way up the other flight of stairs, and in the back parlor the struggle was continued. Tables were overturned, windows broken, bric-à-brac smashed, and the woman's clothes torn from her body.

One of the men pressed a revolver against the woman's head and demanded to know where her money was. She replied, faintly, that there was none in the house. The third man, who had entered the house in the course of the struggle, came into the parlor, after ransacking the upper rooms, and said he could find nothing but a box of jewelry.

There was a story that the men then forced the woman, with the revolver against her head, to write a letter saying she had committed suicide. The police last night denied this. When the men departed they tied the woman into a chair.

John Murphy, of the Bridge police, who lives across the street, heard the woman's screams. He ran out and saw Mrs. Thermann lying on her front stoop, waving her hand. She had managed to crawl downstairs and out on the stoop, where she wrenched one hand free from the cords. An ambulance was summoned from the Norwegian Hospital, and the surgeon worked over the woman for an hour. It is thought that her skull is fractured, and that she sustained internal injuries. Her son, George, would not allow her to be removed to the hospital, and she was attended by her family physician.

IN ARMS AGAINST COLORED REVIVAL.

CITIZENS OF BLOOMFIELD COMPLAIN TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH THAT IT IS A NUISANCE.

Bloomfield, June 27 (Special).—The revival services at the Baptist Colored Mission in this town are attracting large crowds of people from all parts of Essex County, and the enthusiasm displayed at the meetings is said to be unparalleled in the history of the town. While those taking part in the gatherings find keen enjoyment in the revival, the people who reside in the neighborhood of the meeting place evidently do not, for they have appealed to the Health Inspector and the Board of Health of the town to compel the members of the church and their friends who visit them to be more moderate and less enthusiastic in their religious devotions or else abandon the revival altogether.

The complainants declare that the services as they are now held are a nuisance and that unless the mode of carrying them on is changed the result is likely to prove serious.

A few nights ago several of the aggrieved ones went into the meeting and expostulated with the alleged disturbers of their peace. An argument ensued, which almost ended in a riot, and the visitors were roughly used.

The colored people say they have a perfect right to worship in their own way and will not stop for anybody. In the mean time the Board of Health will consider the matter, and if the revival is declared to be a nuisance it will be abated. The residents near by say that if the Board of Health does not take some action they will appeal to the courts for redress.

C. F. MURPHY AT ATLANTIC CITY.

RELATIVES HERE DISCREDIT THE STORY THAT HE IS MARRIED.

Atlantic City, N. J., June 27 (Special).—Charles F. Murphy, of the Tammany triumvirate, is registered at the Hotel Brighton with his wife. He and his wife spend the greater part of their time on the board walk. They arrived here Tuesday evening on the New-York express.

Mr. Murphy's relatives refuse to credit the story that he is married. When his brother John was seen yesterday at the Anawanda Club, he said that some one was "trying to roast Charlie."

"I am confident," said Mr. Murphy, "that my brother is not married. I think there must be some mistake about his being registered at the hotel in Atlantic City. Perhaps it is some other Charles F. Murphy. I expect my brother home the early part of next week."

NO INDICTMENTS FOR CONEY ISLAND.

THE GRAND JURY, HOWEVER, FINDS MANY VIOLATIONS OF THE LAW—IMPROVED CONDITIONS REPORTED.

When the grand jury of Kings County yesterday brought in a presentment that numerous instances had been found where the law was openly violated at Coney Island, Judge Crane said that, while the presentment was important in creating public opinion against certain conditions, it did not have the weight that an indictment would, and from the fact that no indictment had been handed in he took it that the grand jury did not warrant the condition of Coney Island to make necessary such action.

The grand jury found the island considerably improved, but not sufficiently so to warrant a relaxation of constant supervision, and a continued watchfulness by the authorities and all organizations interested in the enforcement of law. They recommended that the woman's jail, in Raymond-st., be torn down, and a modern building to take its place erected without delay.

Captain Driscoll said yesterday that he had tried his best to rid Coney Island of all the disreputable places there, and he thought his record in the last three weeks showed he had not been idle, nor had his men. Many disreputable young women from Manhattan had been flocking there, and the records had been smashed this season, so far as the arrests of these characters were concerned.

THE SYSTEM OF FREE RURAL DELIVERY instituted by the United States Government will be a boon to the city folks at summer resorts. Description, with photos, of the service in Norwich, Conn., and Manchester, N. H. In to-morrow's Tribune.

EXPLORERS REACH MENELIK'S CAPITAL.

SAFE ARRIVAL THERE OF MR. WHITEHOUSE AND LORD HINDLIP.

London, June 27.—Advices received here from Adis Abeba, capital of Abyssinia, announce the safe arrival there of Fitzhugh Whitehouse, of Newport, R. I., and Lord Hindlip, who started from England on February 1 on an exploring trip to the Upper Nile. Both of the travellers were well and had thus far enjoyed a successful trip. They were cordially welcomed by King Menelik. The proposed journey to Sobat was abandoned on account of heavy rains. The explorers were to continue their travels around Lake Rudolf and homeward by way of Massowah, where they expect to arrive in September.

REPORT ABOUT POTOCKI DISCREDITED.

Vienna, June 27.—The report circulated in the United States that Count Rudolf Potocki, an aide-de-camp of the Czar, lost $500,000 at baccarat in three hours at a club in Warsaw on Wednesday night, and afterward attempted to commit suicide, originated in an obscure and untrustworthy paper of Cracow, and is generally regarded here as being entirely unfounded.

CADETS AT SANDHURST EXONERATED.

London, June 27.—It is understood that the committee appointed to inquire into the origin of the suspicious fires at the Sandhurst Military College exonerates the cadets from the suspicion of incendiarism, and says the disturbances were due to resentment at being accused of being connected with the fires, which have occurred at intervals in their quarters since April, and which caused a stoppage of the leave of all the cadets.

THE VATICAN AND MEXICO.

Rome, June 27.—Monsignor R. Sanz de Samper, the member of the Pope's household who was sent to Mexico three months ago with instructions to endeavor to re-establish diplomatic relations between that republic and the Vatican, reports that he has been successful in his mission.

HOW ODELL WILL CARRY SILK HAT.

GOVERNOR TO HAVE A DRESS SUIT CASE THAT WILL LOOK AS IF MADE FOR A BRASS HORN.

If the governors of the various States all fall into the habit of carrying around dress suit cases resembling the instrument cases made for the horns with the big bells, it will be because Governor Odell of the Empire State set the fashion. The Governor has decided to order a dress suit case made after an original design. It will accommodate a dress suit, and in one end there will be room for a silk hat. This is all on account of summer engagements of the State's Chief Executive. The Governor was at the Fifth Avenue Hotel yesterday for a short time. He had just returned from the farmers' picnic, at Potsdam, and was soon to go to Peekskill to review the soldiers.

The Governor wore a frock coat and a silk hat. As he dropped into his old chair in State headquarters he said:

"I had to wear this silk hat down from St. Lawrence County, and now I've got to wear it up to the State camp, and I'll have to keep on wearing it until I get a dress suit case big enough to hold my hat as well as my clothes. I have decided to have a suit case specially made, with an annex for the silk hat. I'd never wear one of these silk hats if occasion didn't demand it. I don't want to take a trunk along on my short trips, nor do I want to walk around with a dress suit case in one hand and a hatbox in the other. I guess if I could stow the hat away in the end of a dress suit case I would get along a good deal better. I'm going to try it, anyway."

TRUE STORY OF THE DEAD HEAT.

HOW THE YALE AND HARVARD FRESHMAN CREWS FINISHED EVEN.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

New-London, Conn., June 27.—The actual conditions at the finish of the Yale-Harvard freshman race on Thursday could probably be told by only three men of all those who saw it. These men are W. M. Welch, the judge for the Harvard crew; Hugh Auchincloss, the judge for the Yale crew, and E. S. Neilan, the referee, of this city, the trio who passed upon the finish from the judges' boat, the Aquilo. Statements have been sent out to various newspapers who had correspondents here to the effect that while the race was called a dead heat, it was only after a heated argument of half an hour that this decision was arrived at. The statement has also been made that the Harvard boat was three feet ahead on the finish line. As a matter of fact, there was no discussion of the character implied. The facts of the matter are as follows:

As the boats neared the line it was apparent that the finish would be a close one, and the judges and referee placed themselves in position to look across the line with mathematical accuracy. As the boats drew close to the line Harvard was perhaps half a boat length in the rear of Yale, but a magnificent spurt in the last moments of the race cut down this lead, and twenty feet from the finish the boats were on even terms. Ten feet from the line Harvard had passed Yale, and was perhaps two feet in the van, but the Yale crew took the water at the critical moment, and with one tremendous stroke the Blue leaped forward, and as the two boats crossed the line they were exactly bow and bow, and the blue and crimson flags had fallen simultaneously. Neither of the judges made any claim for the race, and there was no wrangle. Referee Neilan declined to render his decision on the moment, because he wanted to make it to Julian Curtiss, chairman of the Yale-Harvard regatta committee, in person. The decision of "dead heat" was unanimous on the part of both judges and the referee. Before the referee's decision was requested each of the judges, so far from claiming the race for his own color, was disposed to waive all claim provided the other should make one.

ELGIN WATCH FACTORY TO BE ENLARGED.

WILL HAVE AN OUTPUT OF ABOUT FOUR THOUSAND MOVEMENTS A DAY.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Elgin, Ill., June 27.—At a meeting of the directors of the Elgin National Watch Factory held here today, it was decided to increase the capacity of the concern from the present output of twenty-two hundred movements a day to approximately four thousand. The force of employes will be increased by fifteen hundred, making the total number in the neighborhood of four thousand. This will make the institution the largest watch factory in the world. To accommodate the additional force and machinery, buildings and additions to the present plant have been planned, to cost $250,000. The alterations and new structures will be ready for use by the first of next year. The increased output of watches is made necessary by the demands of the foreign trade, which will be pushed, so President Hurlburd says, in all parts of the world. Last year, of the six hundred and sixty thousand movements made by the Elgin company, 10 per cent were sold abroad. With the improvements, the entire product of the concern will be about a million and a quarter movements annually. Many new automatic machines have been installed in the last year, and more will be placed in the enlarged plant.

NEW SHIPBUILDING COMPANY.

FORMED AT NORFOLK, VA., TO BUILD PLANT ON HAMPTON ROADS.

Norfolk, Va., June 27.—The Norfolk and Hampton Roads Shipbuilding Company has been finally organized, and several hundred thousand dollars was subscribed to its stock here to-day. The company will build an immense plant on Hampton Roads, having purchased over seven hundred acres of land. The following are the officers and directors: Joseph B. Sandford, of Baltimore and Norfolk, president; George W. Atkinson, of Charleston, W. Va., vice-president; Nathaniel Beaman, of Norfolk, treasurer; D. P. Blount, secretary; Henry Brusstar, of Baltimore, general manager; directors, G. W. Atkinson, A. C. Scheer, Peter Silverman, of Charleston, W. Va.; W. H. Anderson, of Wheeling, W. Va.; D. P. Blount, Joseph B. Sandford, Nathaniel Beaman, J. W. Perry, Harry L. Lowenberg, Frank Harrison, H. C. Merry, John Twohy and C. J. Hargreaves, of Norfolk, Va.; W. J. Paine, of Richmond; Henry Brusstar, of Baltimore, and J. P. Herbert, of Portsmouth, Va.

NEARLY WRECKED A TRAIN.

BOY SAID HE PLACED SPIKE ON TRACK "JUST TO SEE THE FUN."

Kingston, N. Y., June 27 (Special).—The lives of sixty fresh air children on their way to Delaware County, in the Catskills, were endangered by a bold attempt of a youthful train wrecker on the Ulster and Delaware road on Wednesday afternoon. It was the mountain express, and just before the station of South Gilboa was reached the engineer saw his engine strike something on the track and the wheels of the pony truck leave the rails. He managed to stop in time to save the train. Seeing a boy running rapidly away from the spot, he gave chase, and finally caught the lad, who admitted that he had placed a spike on the rail, "just to see the fun," he said. It was Clarence Place, of Margaretville, and he was afterward held to await the action of the grand jury. The boy, who is without a home, is sixteen years old. The spike was on the upper side of a sharp curve on a steep embankment, placed point toward the train. Many passengers were on the train.

MINING COMPANY FOR ATLANTIC SLOPE.

Albany, June 27.—The Pontiac Mining Company, of New-York, was incorporated to-day to operate in North Carolina and Virginia, with a capital of $1,000,000. The directors are Harry C. Du Val and William Lamb, of Brooklyn; Robert W. Lassiter, of Oxford, N. C.; William R. Brown, A. G. Vreeland, A. O. Sumner, Frank Butterworth, of New-York; Commodore P. Vedder, of Ellicottville, and Heron Butterworth, of Morristown, N. J.

PASTOR TO BECOME A MISSIONARY.

South Orange, June 27 (Special).—The Rev. Arthur D. Berry will retire from the pastorate of the Morrow Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, Maplewood, on Sunday, to take up missionary work in South Japan. The congregation has presented him with a case of photographs showing the home and pictures of members of the congregation.

SUICIDE OF TEXAS RAILROAD MAN.

Eagle Pass, Tex., June 27.—George Van Houten, one of the best known railroad men in Texas, has committed suicide by shooting. He came to Texas from New-York with the promoters of the Southern Pacific.

AN IMMENSE MAUSOLEUM.

Photographs of Mrs. Garret A. Hobart's home in Paterson and of the immense mausoleum she has erected in a Paterson cemetery for her husband. Also picture and description of a statue for Mr. Hobart which will stand in front of the Paterson City Hall. In to-morrow's Tribune.

G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT ENDS.

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR STATE DEPARTMENT AT SARATOGA.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Saratoga, N. Y., June 27.—The New-York State Department of the Grand Army of the Republic this afternoon ended its annual encampment here. The following were elected: Department commander, Allan C. Bakewell, of New-York; senior vice-commander, Clark H. Norton, of Syracuse; junior vice-commander, D. C. Bangs, of Buffalo; medical examiner, J. H. Grant, of Buffalo, and chaplain, the Rev. W. E. Kimball, of Adams.

The total vote cast for department commander was 842, of which Bakewell received 429; J. S. Koster, of Port Leyden, 345; scattering, 5. For senior vice-commander 828 votes were cast, of which Norton received 443; William W. Worden, of Saratoga, 231; J. B. Black, of New-York, 171. For junior vice-commander 772 votes were cast, of which Bangs received 527 and I. G. Manning 235. Grant and Kimball had no opposition. Those elected members of the council of administration were Martin Short, of Post No. 35; J. L. Hanchett, of Post No. 285; James Owens, of Post No. 578; W. S. Newman, of Post No. 226, and A. R. Penfield, of Post No. 65. Delegates were also chosen to the National Encampment. Commander in Chief Eli Torrance, of Minneapolis, conducted the installation exercises.

The Women's Relief Corps of the Department of New-York elected as its department president Mrs. Kate L. Gledhill, of Albany. The members of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of New-York, elected the following officers: Department president, Mrs. Ella E. West, of Brooklyn; senior vice-president, Mrs. J. J. Sweeney, of Buffalo; junior vice-president, Mrs. W. E. Nangle, of Albany. The Washington County Veterans' Association, at its annual session here to-day, elected these: President, David H. King, of Fort Edward; vice-president, Edward Ladd, of Salem; treasurer, S. H. Parks, of Sandy Hill; secretary, H. C. Morehouse, of Greenwich.

The survivors of the 22d Regiment, New-York Volunteers, which was attached to the Iron Brigade of the Army of the Potomac, held its reunion here this afternoon and elected: President, Thomas A. Murphy, of Newark; first vice-president, Asa K. Patton, of Albany; second vice-president, John F. Todd, of Rutland; secretary, Van O'Linda Gordon, of Cohoes; treasurer, John B. Swartz, of Cohoes.

CAMPAIGN PLANS DISCUSSED.

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL LEAGUE COMMITTEE IN CONFERENCE WITH THE PRESIDENT.

Washington, June 27.—A committee representing the Republican National League of the United States, consisting of Isaac Miller Hamilton, president; William L. Rohrer, secretary, and James Sheridan, of the executive committee, all of Chicago, and William Noble, of South McAlister, Ind. T., called on President Roosevelt to-day, in company with Postmaster General Payne, a member of the Republican National Committee. They discussed at some length the lines along which the coming campaign shall be conducted, as well as the place for holding the next national convention of the league. Although Philadelphia made a strong bid for the honor, it can be said on authority that in all probability the convention will meet in St. Louis about October 1.

While the members of the committee would not disclose the details of the conversation, it is understood that the President favored St. Louis, and suggested the names of several public men he would like to have speak on that occasion. A feature of the convention will be the presence of over two-thirds of the Republican Governors of States, who have already signified their intention to attend.

MAY BE PICKLING AND PRESERVE TRUST.

MANUFACTURERS AND DISTRIBUTERS OF FOOD PRODUCTS CORPORATE AT CAMDEN WITH NO CAPITAL.

Camden, N. J., June 27.—Articles of incorporation were filed to-day by the association of manufacturers and distributers of food products, with no capital. The capital of the firms in the corporation is $30,000,000. This incorporation is said to be preliminary to the organization of a combination to embrace a number of the largest pickling and preserve companies throughout the United States. A meeting of representatives of these companies will be held in New-York on July 29.

The firms which are members of the association are Max Ams, of New-York; A. Knight & Sons, of Boston; Perfection Jar Closure Company, of Philadelphia; Curtice Brothers, of Rochester, N. Y.; Cruickshank Brothers, of Allegheny City, Penn.; George K. McMechen, of Wheeling, W. Va.; Anderson Food Company, and the Campbell Preserve Company, of Camden, N. J.; Logan & Johnson, of Boston; J. Weller Company, of Cincinnati; Exley, Watkins & Co., of Wheeling, W. Va.; Williams & Bow, of Detroit, Mich., and the Ritter Conserve Company, of Philadelphia.

The officers of the new corporation are: President, William B. McMechan, of Wheeling, W. Va.; vice-presidents, L. M. Friley, of Camden; Frank Cruickshank, of Allegheny City, Penn., and W. H. Ritter, of Philadelphia, and secretary, W. A. Williams, of Detroit. The corporators are L. M. Friley, of Camden; John T. Coxe, of Moorstown, N. J.; Josiah Buck, of Creswicks, N. J.; L. J. Link and John Wiseman, of Philadelphia.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION IN DENVER.

DR. TYLER, OF THAT CITY, ELECTED PRESIDENT OF INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

Denver, June 27.—The sessions to-day of the tenth International Sunday School Convention began in Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church with praise and prayer service conducted by the Rev. Dr. D. N. Beach, of Denver, and the Rev. Dr. E. S. Lewis, of Columbus, Ohio. Professor E. O. Excell, of Chicago, directed the singing. Vice-President A. B. McCrillis presided in the absence of President Hoke Smith. A motion that the Chair nominate all convention committees was adopted, and Chairman McCrillis named committees on resolutions and treasurer's and auditor's reports.

A proposition to have the chairman of the executive committee selected by that committee, and not as heretofore by the nominating committee, caused considerable discussion.

H. M. Hamill, of Nashville, Tenn., made a vigorous speech against the proposition. He declared he was opposed to politics in the convention and the change was in the interest of politicians.

The Rev. A. E. Schaufler, of New-York, supported the resolution. He denied, as chairman of the New-York delegation, the reports that during their journey westward the members of that delegation were constantly engaged in wire pulling for the presidency of the association. W. N. Hartshorn explained that the members of the executive committee wished this privilege of choosing their chairman only because they sincerely believed it was to the interest of the association.

A standing vote on the resolution was taken and resulted in its passage overwhelmingly. As adopted the resolution reads:

"Resolved, That it is the sense of the international executive committee that each new committee, as soon as possible after appointment, should nominate to the convention the chairman for the ensuing year."

General Secretary Marion Lawrence, of Toledo, Ohio, read his report.

The nominating committee of the convention agreed upon the Rev. Dr. B. B. Tyler, pastor of the South Broadway Christian Church of this city, for president of the association, and the convention unanimously elected Dr. Tyler president.

THE WEST SHORE OF THE HUDSON.

The great improvements now going forward there opposite Manhattan Island by the New-York Central, the New-Jersey Central and the Pennsylvania railroads and the North German Lloyd Steamship Company. Photographs will accompany the description. In to-morrow's Tribune.

C. B. ROUSS'S WILL FILED IN TEXAS.

Waxahachie, Tex., June 27.—A copy of the will of Charles Broadway Rouss, of New-York, already recorded in that city, has been deposited in the County Clerk's office, to be recorded. It disposes of property of the estimated value of $1,500,000. Cash bequests to the amount of $414,500 are made, and $32,500 continuing annuities are devised by the instrument. The mercantile business, buildings, etc., of the dead man were left to his son, Peter W. Rouss, and daughter, Virginia Duane Lee, jointly, with a provision that, should the son elect, he shall have the exclusive control, management and revenues of the business by paying to the daughter the sum of $25,000 a year.

RAILWAY SURGEONS ELECT OFFICERS.

Atlantic City, N. J., June 27.—The railway surgeons of the United States in session here to-day elected the following officers: President, Dr. J. W. McDonald, Fairmount, W. Va.; first vice-president, Dr. H. S. Hedges, Brunswick, Md.; second vice-president, Dr. Brown, McConnellsville, Penn.; secretary and treasurer, Dr. G. A. Davis, Summit Point, W. Va.; assistant secretary and treasurer, Dr. S. K. Buchanan, Philadelphia; executive committee, Dr. E. S. Marsh, Mount Pleasant, Md., and Dr. J. F. Thompson, Garrett, Ind.

HEBREW SYNAGOGUE IN ST. PAUL.

St. Paul, June 27 (Special).—The Jewish residents of this place have finally succeeded in their efforts to erect a place of worship for the thousands of Hebrews who live here, and $50,000 has been appropriated for the building of a temple. The site has already been purchased, and in a short time the ground w... be broken for the foundation of the building. A number of the most prominent Hebrews of Minnesota are interested in the project.

WHIST.

ANNUAL ELECTION OF AMERICAN WHIST LEAGUE OFFICERS.

At the Oriental Hotel yesterday was held the annual election of officers of the American Whist League. It was generally believed that R. F. Weems, of Brooklyn, would be elected. When Mr. Weems was called to accept the nomination he declined it, much to the surprise of the league. The congress accepted his suggestion that John T. Mitchell, of Chicago, treasurer of the organization, be made president. Mr. Mitchell first systematized duplicate whist. The other officers elected were: Thomas A. Whalen, of Baltimore, vice-president; Henry T. Fry, recording secretary; Clarence W. Vail, of Brooklyn, corresponding secretary, and F. C. Thwaits, of Milwaukee, treasurer. Mr. Thwaits is Editor of "Whist," the official organ of the league.

The directors elected to serve three years were W. E. Talcott, Cleveland; D. Muhlfelder, Albany; C. H. Sprague, Boston, and W. L. Harris, Minneapolis. Directors to serve one year were E. B. Cooper, Nashville, and F. A. Mitchell, Manistee, Mich.

The Hamilton trophy match was ended yesterday. This was on until very late last night, the teams in the finals being from the American Whist Club, of Boston, and the Cleveland Whist Club. They played thirty deals in the afternoon, which resulted in a tie, and began the second half of the finals last night.

For the Milwaukee trophy the four teams, of two women and two men, started in for the second round last evening. Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Watson, with Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Waterhouse, of Boston, made a plus of four in the first round, and all the others had a minus score.

The matches for the American Whist League challenge trophy and the Minneapolis trophy were advanced to the finals that are to be decided today. This leaves seven contests for the farewell of the big tournament that began last Monday.

The summary:

American Whist League, challenge club teams of four, recapitulation at the end of the third round:

Club.	Trick score. Plus.	Minus.	Matches won.
Baltimore Whist	34	—	5
Philadelphia Whist	21	—	5
Chicago Whist	—	1	3
Walbrook of Baltimore	—	10	3
Cincinnati Whist	—	13	2
Scranton Bicycle	—	32	2
Knickerbocker of New-York	1	—	1

High scores, third round, North and South—Theodore Schwarz and George P. Wells, Chicago Whist. East and West—A. H. McCay and B. W. Smith, Baltimore Whist.

Minneapolis trophy for pairs, semi-finals, first round, fourteen pairs qualified:

Club.	Plus.	Minus.
Milwaukee Whist	5 6-7	—
Scranton Bicycle	4 5-7	—
Bay State Whist	4 4-7	—
Knickerbocker Whist of New-York	2 2-7	—
Chicago Whist	2 3-7	—
Providence Whist	0 4-7	—
Minneapolis Whist	0 2-7	—
Cleveland Whist	—	1 1-7
Baltimore Whist	—	1 1-7
Orange Whist	—	2 2-7
Albany Chess and Whist	—	3
Hamilton of Chicago	—	4 2-7
Brooklyn Whist	—	4 3-7
New-Jersey Whist	—	4 6-7

High score made by E. G. Comstock and E. Murten, Milwaukee, 5 6-7.

Hamilton Club trophy teams of four, qualified for finals, American Whist Club, of Boston, and Cleveland Whist Club, progressive pairs Friday afternoon game:

Section A, thirteen tables, high scores—North and South, B. C. Taliaferro and Mrs. V. S. Carpenter, 8 8-13 plus; East and West, C. L. Bacon and C. L. Turner, 12 11-13 plus.

Section B, thirteen tables—North and South, Miss M. H. Campbell and E. T. Baker, 7 8-13 plus; East and West, Mrs. H. Cowperthwaite and Mrs. H. B. Wilson, 8 5-13 plus.

COLORADO FUEL AND IRON.

DENIAL BY CHAIRMAN OSGOOD THAT HE SOLD THE COMMON STOCK "SHORT."

Denver, June 27.—J. C. Osgood, chairman of the board of directors of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company, to-day made the following statement for publication:

In view of the false and malicious statements which have recently been published to the effect that I am "short" of Colorado Fuel and Iron common stock and have advocated the suspension of dividends for stockjobbing purposes, I state most emphatically that I have not sold a share of stock "short." I have not directly or indirectly sold a share of stock for the last sixty days, and the stock I sold prior to that time was for the purpose of reinvesting in the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company's 5 per cent debentures.

The statement that there was a "gentleman's" or any other agreement to pay dividends for another year is as false as it is ridiculous. I have purposely refrained from discussing the matter of payment or non-payment of the common stock dividend, leaving it for discussion and action by the board of directors.

The board of directors at its meeting yesterday in Denver declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent on the preferred stock, but passed the dividend on the common stock, on which quarterly dividends of 1¼ per cent had been paid from July 15, 1901, to April 15, 1902, inclusive. The common stock sold down to 85 yesterday, recovering to 87¾ at the close. Early this month it was selling above par.

TO ANNUL MARRIAGE OF TWO WOMEN.

WIDOW WANTS TO BE LEGALLY FREE FROM HER MASQUERADING "HUSBAND."

Baltimore, June 27.—Mrs. Ernestine L. Rauck, who was married last week to Lydia Lotta Sawyer, who had masqueraded as a man for several years, applied to the courts to-day to have the marriage annulled. Judge Wright signed an order for a hearing in the case.

The bill filed by Mrs. Rauck states that the petitioner, a widow and the mother of children, was married to the defendant by the Rev. Anthony Bilkovsky at the minister's home on June 16 last, and that two days subsequent to the ceremony she discovered that her "husband" was a woman. The bill further declares that the defendant has confessed the deception.

The bill is filed against Lotta A. Sawyer, or Lydia Lotta Sawyer, known as Herman G. Wood.

If the suit to procure the annulment of the strange marriage is not defended a decree pro confesso will be signed as a preliminary. The proceedings will then be suspended for thirty days in order to give the defendant an opportunity to answer, and if at the end of that time no answer is made the court will order testimony to be taken before a commissioner. This testimony will then be submitted to the court, and a final decree will be signed in accordance with the judge's opinion in the matter.

Such a case as this one, of course, was never contemplated by the lawmakers, and there is no statute on the books governing a marriage between two persons of the same sex.

Miss Sawyer is in seclusion, probably in the city. Before leaving the police station last night she said to the matron: "I want to thank you for your kindness to me while I was a prisoner. I am going to hide myself from all who might recognize me."

BELIEVE NOME VESSELS LOST.

NO TIDINGS OF THE PORTLAND OR THE JENNIE.

Seattle, Wash., June 27.—The steamship Roanoke, Captain Weaver, arrived from Nome to-day. The Roanoke left Nome on the afternoon of June 18. At the time no tidings had been received of the steamer Portland or the Jennie, and both vessels are now believed to be lost. At Nome it is generally accepted that the Portland has been swept far into the Arctic Sea.

Captain Weaver reports that nothing had been heard of the revenue cutter Thetis when he left Nome. That vessel had at that time been two weeks in pursuit of the Portland.

The vessels in port when the Roanoke left were the Valencia, the Indiana, the Centennial, the Garonna, the Elinu Thomson, the Newsboy and the Oregon. The steamship Senator was still in quarantine. The steamer Dora, of the Northern Commercial Company, which had been sent north in an effort to find the Portland, returned to Nome June 17, having given up all hope of finding the unfortunate vessel. The Roanoke brought $100,000 in gold dust, and reported a pleasant voyage.

DULUTH MAN ARRESTED IN 'FRISCO.

San Francisco, June 27.—J. P. Spence, agent of the United States Instalment Realty Company at Duluth, Minn., has been arrested here on a warrant telegraphed from the chief of police of Duluth charging embezzlement. Spence was found with his wife and two children in a private house in Sutter-st. He was ill and could not be removed. Spence came to San Francisco on June 16 with his family. To the detective he asserted he did not know why he was wanted in Duluth. He said he came to California solely for his health.

Duluth, Minn., June 27.—J. P. Spence was agent at Duluth for the United States Instalment Realty Company. He left town about two weeks ago, and at that time was supposed to be short about $600 in his accounts. This alleged shortage, it is stated, has since grown to $1,400.

AMERICANS DIE FROM YELLOW FEVER.

Laredo, Tex., June 27.—A Coatzacoalcos, Mex., dispatch says that the yellow fever epidemic, which has been raging there since the early spring, shows no signs of abatement. The death rate is not high, considering the number of cases, but some of the most prominent people have succumbed in the last week. Four Americans—Mr. and Mrs. J. K. French, H. T. French and E. H. Brown—are among the dead.

REPORTS FROM SUMMER RESORTS.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED FOR THE COUNTRY CIRCUS.

The old saying that Westchester weather is not fully settled until July 1 never applied more truthfully than this year. The weather, though pleasant at all times, has been subject to sudden cool variations, which have played havoc with yacht races, golf matches and the other out-of-door sports, to say nothing of the plans and expectations of the keepers of the hotels and road houses on the Westchester shore of the Sound. The changes in the weather have been so sudden that some days the beaches and hotels have been crowded, while the next day everything was so deserted that it was impossible to get enough people together to organize a game of ping pong. The air has been so cool that bathing has been almost out of the question. Settled weather is due next week, however, and with it there promises to be a rush which will keep the hotels and bathing houses busy for the remainder of the season.

All the arrangements have been made in Port Chester for the country circus which is to be held in aid of St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal Church. The show will be under canvas, and there will be an animal tent, a side show containing a collection of freaks, a baby show, and smaller tents containing refreshments and amusements, such as cane rings, fish ponds and peanut and lemonade stands. James S. Merritt, who is to be ringmaster, has been selected because he is one of the most popular men in Port Chester.

The police of New-Rochelle have caused trouble for many of the summer residents since they began enforcing the ordinance against bicycles, automobiles and other vehicles being operated at night without lights. Nearly a hundred arrests have been made in the last month. Last night the police arrested a driver for Myndert Starin, of Glen Island. Mr. Starin appeared in the local police court in the morning and paid the fine, which is invariably $3. Many of the commuters who have been arrested have left their bicycles at the police station as security for their appearance, and then failed to go after them. Chief Timmons says that the reason he did not enforce the ordinance before was because it was not properly drawn. The city has a new ordinance now, which he says will stand the test of the courts.

The benefit for the little children of William Granville Hastings, the sculptor, who died penniless in Mount Vernon a few weeks ago, is to be held in the Mount Vernon Opera House next Monday evening. The three act farce comedy "The Balloon" is to be given by the Mount Vernon Dramatic Club.

Commodore and Mrs. Charles A. Gould, of Rye, have invited the members of the Girls' Friendly Society of Christ Church to enjoy an outing on their new yacht next Tuesday. Mr. Gould is at the head of the Gould Car Coupling Corporation. The young women, numbering about one hundred, will assemble at Grey Rock, Mr. Gould's home, at 10 a. m.

The Mamaroneck battalion of cadets, numbering about one hundred, will go into camp at Hawthorne Beach, July 5 to 11. It is to be accompanied by a drum corps.

The first annual trolley excursion of the Mutual Benefit Association of the employes of the New-York, New-Haven and Hartford Railroad is to be held next Wednesday evening. The cars will leave Port Chester highly illuminated, and make a trip the entire length of the road from Cos Cob to New-Rochelle, after which the members and their friends will go to the Rye Beach Inn for a clambake.

Adrian Iselin, of New-Rochelle, has volunteered to furnish uniforms for the new Wilmot Engine Company, which has just been organized in Upper New-Rochelle. This is the second gift the company has received from Mr. Iselin. A year ago he gave the members a $3,000 site for their firehouse.

LIVELY WINDS AT PATCHOGUE.

LESSORS OF COTTAGES AND HOTEL OWNERS HOPE GREAT THINGS FOR THE FOURTH.

Patchogue, Long Island, June 27.—The advancement of the summer is being felt at this place. Though the number of people at the hotels is far less than was expected for this part of the season, they are coming steadily, promising a greater influx during Fourth of July week. In fact, everything now waits for that holiday; the hotelkeepers buoy up their hopes by confidently looking forward to the Fourth, and are consequently concentrating their attention on the celebrations and festivities that are appointed to take place at that time. All along the coast the resorts are making rather elaborate preparations for next week. The season, in reality, begins on the Fourth of July. The cool weather of June for the last few years has made that the objective day both of visitors and hotel men. After Sunday the resorts will finally obtain their quota of vacationists, and settle down to the regular business of entertainments.

Cool days and nights prevail, though the last two or three days have been warmer than those preceding. The weather, however, has been almost ideal in all respects. Stiff breezes blow in from the bay, giving yachtsmen every chance in the world to enjoy their sport in a lively way. Indeed, the bay has been so rough at times that the more timid refrain from venturing out.

Last evening was one long to be remembered. It was warmer than it had been for some time, the light from the west was magnificent, the water a little more quiet than during the day. A large number of guests were out enjoying the wonderful sunset and the breezes from the bay. The twilight lingered on far into the evening, so that the moon was not needed for those desiring to promenade.

The latest arrivals at the Clifton are B. G. Vredenbergh and A. W. Young, of New-York; Miss Means and Miss Woodside, of Cincinnati; T. K. McIlroy, Mrs. C. W. Townsend and Miss Daisy Townsend, of New-York; Mrs. M. J. Fairchild, of Utica; Albert Waycott and family, of St. Louis, and Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Doelger, of New-York.

W. C. Potter, M. A. Snyder and wife, Mrs. R. Morse and Miss Lucy Morse, of New-York; Edward Aborn, of East Orange, N. J., and Mrs. A. Scholz, of Brooklyn, are the latest arrivals at the Ocean Avenue House.

Latest arrivals at Roe's Hotel include William E. McGaley, John C. Knaupe, of Brooklyn; Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Breyman, Thomas B. Dean and Allen Nicoll, of New-York.

A NEW SEMINARY FOR HARLEM.

Picture and description of the new building of the Jewish Theological Seminary which is being erected in One-hundred-and-twenty-third-st. Also photos of men prominently connected with it. In to-morrow's Tribune.

BAYSHORE FILLS SLOWLY.

LONG ISLAND RESORT IMPATIENTLY AWAITS NATION'S BIRTHDAY.

Bayshore, Long Island, June 27 (Special).—The hotels are filling up gradually at this place, everything waiting for the Fourth of July.

The latest arrivals