TROUBLE FEARED AT MINES

CROWDS OF MARCHERS BROKEN UP—MITCHELL PROMISES GOOD NEWS.

Wilkesbarre, Penn., Aug. 17.—Sheriff Jacobs was informed this morning that a large number of men and boys were marching through Wilkesbarre Township to the Franklin colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company with the object of driving off the workers and the guards there, who in the last few days have had some friction with the strikers. He directed the local authorities to do what they could to disperse the crowd, and if they did not succeed he would send deputies. They managed to break up the march, but another one is threatened for to-night and the sheriff will send some deputies to the scene.

No attack was made in the night on the Warnke washery, as on previous nights, and the ten deputies on guard passed a quiet time. This morning a couple of hundred men and boys gathered, looked over the situation and dispersed, but the excitement caused by the riot of Thursday is still in the air, and to-night throughout Duryea and vicinity the rumor that the washery is to be repaired in the morning is creating much ferment. The Sheriff will increase the number of deputies there in the morning, as he fears that there may be some attempt to interfere with the repair gang.

Frederick Warnke, the owner, has completed all plans for the resumption of work on Tuesday morning, and it is expected that it will be necessary for the Sheriff to request troops. He said to-day that if there is any such disturbance as occurred on Thursday he will ask that troops be sent at once. He said that there will be interference with the workers, and that the crowds are determined not to allow work. A plan is under way, it is stated, providing troops come to the region, for the large companies having mines in the vicinity of Duryea to start work under the protection of the troops. The officials at several mines state that they have enough men who want to work to make operations certain if they are assured of protection and that protection the soldiers will furnish.

The departure of President Mitchell for the West has left the management of affairs at this critical period in the hands of the district officers, and they are doing all they can to calm the strikers and prevent them gathering in crowds. They have cautioned the men against approaching the washery, and asked several of them to act as a peace committee and to disperse any crowds which collect and suppress any violence. Despite this action, they fear that the excitable Lithuanians and Italians cannot be held in bounds if the effort is made to resume work. No inkling of the reason for President Mitchell's visit to the West is yet to be had. If the local officials know, they keep very secret about it. Much hop. is placed in his farewell remark to several of them: "When I return I hope to bring good news."

What it means they cannot say, nor in what manner good news may just at present be gained. The fact that he should leave at this period of the strike they say is evidence that his mission is an important one and that he is hopeful of results which will be beneficial to the union. It appears that the hope of Senators Quay and Penrose being able to effect arbitration is based upon the belief that Quay will be able to compel the railroad companies controlling the coal companies to give in through fear of the enforcement of existing laws and the passage of new laws affecting them, which Senator Quay, with his power in the legislature, would be able to accomplish. There is also the fear—it is presumed by the committee of business men who will wait upon the Senators—of the coal companies that Senator Quay might aid and have passed legislation requiring an eight hour day and other measures which would greatly benefit the miners. With this axe held over their heads the operators, they believe, might agree to arbitration. The committee, which is composed of business men of these regions, will meet Senators Quay and Penrose to-morrow night at Atlantic City.

The Public Alliance to-night issued the following statement of its position:

The Public Alliance movement, which began so modestly, has caught the fancy of the public, and is commended by every one but a fraction of our people, the latter having developed a combativeness in their opposition to any effort to settle the miners' strike except by crushing the mine workers' union. Notwithstanding this opposition, every prominent citizen who has been asked to do so has sent a strong letter of appeal to Pennsylvania's United States Senators urging them to use every legitimate effort in effecting a just settlement of the present deplorable strike. The consensus of opinion here is that if the laws governing corporations now on the statute books were enforced impartially the strike would be quickly settled, as the coal corporations have violated their charters every day since they combined with the mining of coal and shipping such product to market.

ALL QUIET AT SHENANDOAH.

Shenandoah, Penn., Aug. 17 (Special).—Father O'Reilly made no reference to the strike in his sermon this morning, although after his two attacks upon the previous Sundays it was believed that he would continue to denounce the union and the leaders of the strikers. His church was crowded with those who anticipated this.

General Gobin reported the day very quiet. The somewhat anxious night following the Democratic primaries passed quietly, with no disturbances which the local police could not manage, and to-day there was nothing to disturb the serenity of Sunday.

Private Frank Woll, of Company B, 12th Regiment, who was accidentally shot by a comrade yesterday morning, will recover.

COAL MINERS IN THE NATIONAL GUARD.

The question of coal miners being members of the National Guard was discussed for some time at yesterday's meeting of the Central Federated Union. The subject was introduced by Delegate Quinlan, of the Pipe Calkers and Tappers' Union, who was much excited over a report which came to him, he said, that there was a militia regiment in Pennsylvania composed altogether of members of the United Mine Workers.

"Suppose," continued Delegate Quinlan, "that the regiment should be ordered to take up arms against members of their own union. They would then be in a false position. I move that President Mitchell of the United Mine Workers be asked to see that members of his organization keep away from the National Guard in future."

"I would not be sorry if all the militia was made up of members of trades unions," said Delegate Kelly, of the Thatrical Protective Union. "In such a case they would hardly care to shoot their fellow workers when they were striking for their rights. I want to see battalions, regiments and entire armies of militia made up of the men in trades unions. They would be better than the United States Army."

After some discussion it was decided to lay the entire matter over until the strike of the anthracite miners is ended.

Reports were read from delegates of about twenty unions, stating that their respective organizations had given contributions toward the strike fund of the anthracite miners, independent of levying weekly per capita assessments. In all about $3,000 was contributed directly, the largest contribution coming from the Amalgamated Sheet Metal Workers' Union, which gave $1,000. The per capita assessments ranged from 5 cents to 25 cents a week.

POLICEMAN FELL ON PRISONER.

WANTED TO MAKE SURE OF HIM AFTER A LONG CHASE.

Policeman John Murphy arrested after a chase of a mile and a half last night Michael Ryan, a laborer, of No. 300 West Houston-st., on a charge of assault and larceny. Both were ready to drop from exhaustion when they reached the Leonard-st. station.

George Reicher, sixty years old, a merchant, of No. 637 Jersey-ave., Jersey City, entered the complaint against Ryan and was taken to the Hudson Street Hospital, where a severe scalp wound was sewed up. Reicher told the police that at 7 o'clock he asked Ryan, at Canal and West sts., where the Jersey City ferry slip was. Instead of replying, Reicher says, Ryan struck him on the forehead, knocking him down, knelt on his chest and took a gold watc. and chain from his waistcoat pocket. Ryan, he said, then started to run up Canal-st. Reicher cried for help.

Murphy was about a block away and started after the fleeing man. The latter had a big handicap. The first lap was ended at Harry Howard Square, across Broadway and Centre-st. Here the pursued man started back in the direction in which he had gone, with Murphy gaining on him. He realized that he was being chased, and dodged through street after street until he came to Greenwich and Canal sts., where, almost exhausted, he stumbled and fell. Murphy came up just as he was recovering himself and, to make sure of the arrest, fell on Ryan.

Sergeant Brown says Ryan had the watch and a bottle of white powder, which the police say was "dope."

STOLE AS HE KNELT IN PEW

WELL DRESSED MAN FOLLOWED FROM ST. PATRICK'S.

ARRESTED. HE DENIED THEFT, BUT HAD SERVANT'S PURSE AND EMPTY POCKETBOOKS.

The vesper service at 5 o'clock on Sundays at St. Patrick's Cathedral, in Fifth-ave., was well attended yesterday. Worshippers at this service have been making complaints to the priests and to the police of the East Fifty-first-st. station that their purses, pocketbooks and chatelaine bags have been stolen from them while they knelt in their pews. A special policeman was detailed to watch for pickpockets, and yesterday an arrest was made. A young man, stylishly dressed, was followed out of church and put under arrest in the street. He described himself as Philip Judd, and said he came from a suburban town near Hartford, Conn.

Joseph Rutledge, the detailed policeman, was watching soon after the vespers began, when he saw Judd enter. He noticed that Judd, after remaining for a time in a pew, and apparently devoutly praying as he knelt, changed to another pew. Several times, Rutledge declares, he saw Judd working his way toward the altar. Mary McDonald, a servant in the employ of William Browning, at No. 18 West Fifty-fourth-st., was sitting in a pew in the middle of the cathedral. She had left her purse on the seat behind her.

Rutledge asserts that Judd took a seat beside her and knelt with his head bowed in his hands. Rutledge moved up to a seat behind them. He saw the pocketbook on the seat in front of him. Judd, he avers, quickly and deftly snatched up the pocketbook, put it in one of his pockets and again bowed his head as if in prayer. In a few seconds he arose, made a genuflection and walked out toward the side entrance to Fiftieth-st. Rutledge followed.

Patrolman Mehrer, of the East Fifty-first-st. station, was in Fiftieth-st. Just as Judd was about to pass him Rutledge stopped him and asked Mehrer to arrest the man. Judd appeared astounded. Rutledge told Mehrer what he had seen in the church. Judd denied that he was a thief.

At the station house Judd protested innocence. When he was searched a pocketbook was found with $2 35. Miss McDonald, who had gone to the station, said it was the one she had left on the seat. Then another pocketbook was brought forth. It was empty. Then still another empty purse and then a chatelaine bag, the police say, moneyless, were found. Judd was locked up on a charge of larceny on the servant's complaint.

BODY OF TUG CAPTAIN FOUND.

MUTILATED CORPSE HAD DRIFTED FROM TOMPKINSVILLE TO FORT WADSWORTH.

The body of Henry Johnson, acting captain of the tugboat Jacob Kuper, the boiler of which exploded last Wednesday off Tompkinsville, killing three men and injuring five others, was found yesterday in "Dead Man's Cove," at Fort Wadsworth, Staten Island, by Philip Hellman, an employe of the quarantine station. The body was identified and removed to the morgue. The face was scalded, the right jaw fractured and the nose and right leg broken. Last night Mrs. Johnson identified her husband.

EX-MAYOR KILLS HIMSELF.

DAVID T. GILMORE, OF PATERSON, FIRES BULLET THROUGH HIS EYE BECAUSE OF DEPRESSION.

Paterson, N. J., Aug. 17.—David T. Gilmore, ex-Mayor of Paterson, in a fit of despondency ended his life this morning at his home. The sound of a pistol shot aroused his family at 8:30 o'clock. His son "Bert" found him lying on the floor in his night clothes with a smoking revolver in his hand and his face covered with blood. The bullet had penetrated the right eye and had crashed through the brain. In falling Mr. Gilmore's head had struck against the steam radiator, and the skull was fractured. Death was instantaneous. Ill health is believed to have been the cause of the tragedy.

Mr. Gilmore had consulted specialists during the week, and one of them told him he was a victim of Bright's disease in its worst form, that he would ultimately lose the use of his limbs and would become insane. An hour before the shooting Mr. Gilmore's son met him at the bathroom door and the boy complained of being ill. "I'm sorry for you, 'Bert,' my son," the father remarked, and then retired to his room. Mr. Gilmore was in good financial circumstances. He was a large real estate owner and did a profitable life insurance business. He served one term as Mayor of Paterson, being elected in 1881. Since that time he had frequently refused nominations offered him by the Republican party in Paterson and Passaic County. He was sixty years old. A wife and five sons survive him.

POOR FAMILY TO GET $600,000.

CANARSIE WOMAN LEARNS OF DEATH OF WEALTHY AUSTRALIAN UNCLE.

Mrs. Elizabeth Dickons, wife of William Dickons, an oyster planter in humble circumstancese, living at Stillwell's Lane and East Ninetieth-st., Canarsie, Brooklyn, has just received word that an uncle has died in Australia, leaving an estate of $3,000,000, in which she has a one-fifth interest. The uncle, John Schroeder, was a prosperous sheep raiser. Another uncle recently died in Germany, and Mrs. Dickons expects to get some money from him in addition to the $600,000 to come from Mr. Schroeder.

There are four other heirs who will share in the estate—namely, Mrs. Dora Gretz, of Brooklyn; John Schroeder, of Northport, Long Island, and William and Henry Schroeder, of New-Britain.

The Dickons family in Canarsie is receiving the congratulations of all of their old friends and neighbors among whom they have lived humbly for years. It has been suggested that they lay out some of their money in improving Canarsie.

NO REFERENCE TO LETTERS.

CONGREGATION OF HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH DISAPPOINTED BY MINISTER'S SERMON.

When the Rev. Richard Hartley, pastor of the Hope Baptist Church, at One-hundred-and-fourth-st. and Broadway, ascended his pulpit yesterday morning, he faced more than the usual Sunday gathering. Many persons expected that he would make some reference to the author or supposed author of the anonymous letters that have been disturbing the peace of the church for some months.

Taking as his subject "The Prayer of David," he refrained from making any allusion to the letters, and, instead, spoke of the righteousness of the Almighty. The congregation seemed disappointed.

There will be an open meeting after the regular Friday evening prayer meeting this week, and it is expected that the latters and their unknown author will be discussed then

MACEDONIAN REVOLUTIONISTS SPLIT.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Aug. 17.—The Macedonian Committee, which has been in congress here since August 10, has re-elected the former committee. The adherents of M. Sarafoff, the notorious ex-president of the committee, held a separate congress and elected another committee. The actual leader of the committee is General Zontcheff.

THE FIRE RECORD YESTERDAY.

12:10 a. m.—No. 550 Courtlandt-ave., Cammon Selento; $300.
12:55 a. m.—No. 687 Third-ave., unknown; trifling.
1:23 a. m.—No. 181 Orchard-st., Morris Arnold; $25.
4:55 a. m.—No. 215 Broome-st., Morris Barad; $100.
8:20 a. m.—No. 157 Rivington-st., Sadie Schipler; trifling.
9:35 a. m.—Nos. 173 and 175 Grand-st., New-York Pattern Company; trifling.
10:40 a. m.—No. 225 Eldridge-st., Jacob Weissman; trifling.
1:45 p. m.—No. 851 Broadway, Marlow & Co.; $10.
2:41 p. m.—No. 551 West Fifty-seventh-st., Edward Ruth; $100.
3:30 p. m.—No. 432 East Sixty-sixth-st., John Reilly, $10.

THE GERMAN PLAN OF FUEL

USE OF BRIQUETTES ADVOCATED BY MR. MASON, CONSUL GENERAL AT BERLIN.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Washington, Aug. 17.—Most timely in view of the increasing use of bituminous coal, with its dirty smoke, and the cost of all fuel due to the strike, is a report received at the State Department to-day from Consul General Frank H. Mason, at Berlin, describing the briquettes which are in almost universal use in Germany. He says:

Among the several branches of German industry which deserves the attention of Americans by reason of their economy, their recovery or utilization of some raw material which exists unused in our country, or because they involve the most intelligent application of scientific knowledge to technical processes, may be reckoned the manufacture of briquettes from brown coal, peat and the dust and waste of coal mines. Briquettes form the principal domestic fuel of Berlin and other cities and districts in Germany; they are used for locomotive and other steam firing, and are employed for heating in various processes of manufacture. For all these uses they have three tangible advantages—they are clean and convenient to handle; they light easily and quickly and burn with a clear, intense flame; they make practically no smoke, and are, withal, the cheapest form of fuel for most purposes.

Like most other German industries, the briquette manufacture is controlled by a syndicate, which includes among its members thirty-one firms and companies, or more than nine-tenths of all the producers in this country, and regulates the output and prices for each year. From the official report of the syndicate for 1901, which has recently appeared, it is learned that the total output for the last year was 1,566,385 tons, to which is to be added the product of makers outside the syndicate, consumed at works, small retail sales, etc., making a total of 1,643,416 tons.

The average selling price in large quantities was $3 16 a ton, against $2 92 for the year previous; so that, notwithstanding the general relaxation of industrial activity and the diminished pressure upon the coal supply, the ruling price was the highest that had been realized since 1891. Of the 1,566,385 tons sold by the syndicate last year 749,208 tons were taken by the German railways, 124,380 tons were sold to retailers, 497,136 tons were sold to factories and works of various kinds and 149,089 tons, or 9.8 per cent, were used by German merchant steamers and the navy, or exported to the German colonies or neighboring European countries.

LACK OF SMOKE IN CITIES.

The general use of briquettes for domestic fuel in a large, densely built city, as well as for generating steam in a number of electric generating plants, must have a decided and beneficial influence in ridding the smoke which in most American cities has become a persistent and oppressive nuisance. Berlin, although a busy manufacturing city, ranks as one of the cleanest and best kept in Europe. One of the first things usually noticed by American and English travellers visiting the German capital for the first time is the absence of that cloud of dusty smoke that overhangs so many towns and cities in our country. The reason for this lies in three facts. These are:

The preponderant use of coke and briquettes, which are practically smokeless; the skilful scientific construction of boiler furnaces and chimneys, and the high standard of skill that is taught and enforced among firemen who stoke furnaces with coal for steam and manufacturing purposes.

It is not every strapping laborer who can shovel coal to whom it is permitted to stoke a boiler furnace in this country. Before he can assume such a charge he must be taught the theory and practice of economical, scientific firing, by which the coal is distributed in such a manner and quantity over the grate surface as to secure the most perfect combustion of its volatile elements. The Silesian coal used here in most large steam plants and factories is rich in bitumen and would rank below many of the bituminous coals of the United States, and yet the long, dense clouds of smoke from mill and factory chimneys which are so familiar a sight in many American cities, are rarely seen in this section of Germany, where the indiscriminate shovelling of bituminous coal into the steam and other furnaces is considered an ignorant and wasteful proceeding.

Coke making in retort ovens, by which every element is saved and bituminous coal converted into smokeless coke and gas, is another important factor in German fuel economy and abatement of the smoke nuisance. If American municipalities beyond the economic range of anthracite are ever emancipated from their present vassalage to the smoke incubus, it will be through the enforced use of one or more of three forms of prepared fuel—coke and fuel gas made in closed ovens from bituminous coal, and briquettes made from lignite, peat and other inferior materials by processes which have been invented, tested and proved to be efficient by the older and more economical countries of Europe.

HOME NEWS.

PROMINENT ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS.

ASTOR—The Rev. C. Currier, of Washington. GRAND—Major W. W. Gray and Captain Cecil Stewart, U. S. A., and Captain Joseph R. Holmes, of England. GRAND UNION—Ex-Senator John Raines, of Canandaigua. HOFFMAN—Norman E. Mack, of Buffalo. HOLLAND—Hobart Chatfield Chatfield-Taylor, of Chicago. MANHATTAN—Dr. C. D. Carr, Dr. Frank W. Talley, the Rev. F. J. Fitzpatrick and the Rev. John F. O'Neill, of Philadelphia. MURRAY HILL—Colonel A. Barry, of Edinburgh. NAVARRE—Captain W. P. Newcomb, U. S. A. WALDORF—Rear Admiral C. S. Cotton, U. S. N., and A. G. Gates, of Rochester.

WHAT IS GOING ON TO-DAY.

Departure of three Tribune Fresh Air parties.
Music in Washington Square and Corlears Hook Park, 8 p. m.

CHILD AND OLD MAN INSPECT STATION.

LATTER USES EAR TRUMPET, AND SERGEANT'S SHOUTS ATTRACT ATTENTION.

A seven-year-old golden haired girl, accompanied by an old man, who was deaf, went into the West Sixty-eight-st. station last night, and told Sergeant Burns that she had come from Boston two weeks ago, to live here, and that her home was in West Eighty-third-st. She wished to study this city, she said, and wanted a pass permitting her mother and herself to be shown through the station. The sergeant told her she might look through the station at once, and bring her mother whenever she chose.

Her companion then brought forth an ear trumpet, and began to ask questions. Sergeant Burns spoke through the trumpet. He spoke several times, each time in a louder voice. Finally pedestrians stopped in the street and looked in at the windows to learn the cause of the shouting. The sergeant called Policeman Townsend, who escorted the visitors through the building.

The little girl was shocked to learn that there was no bed clothing in the cells, and that prisoners were compelled to sleep on boards, but she was charmed with the captain's room, and thought it was nice enough for any one to live in. She thanked the sergeant and promised to bring her mother in a day or two. Then she and her companion visited Engine House No. 40, across the street, and took up the study of the New-York Fire Department.

CHINA TO EXHIBIT AT ST. LOUIS.

TO SHOW HER APPRECIATION OF THE FRIENDSHIP OF AMERICA.

Shanghai, Aug. 17.—Liu Kun Yi, Chang Chih Tung and Yuan Shai Kai, Viceroys respectively of Nanking, Hankow and Governor of Pe-Chi-Li, in separate conferences with John Barrett, St. Louis Fair Commissioner, have concurred in making two significant and unequivocal declarations. The first is that the critical time has arrived when China must make a supreme effort for the promotion of commerce and friendly intercourse with America and Europe; the second declaration is that as an evidence of her good faith in this intention and her appreciation of the generous policy of the United States toward her, China will make an unprecedented exhibit at the St. Louis Exposition.

GOMPERS ISSUES A WARNING.

At yesterday's session of the Central Federated Union a letter was read from Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, warning the Central Federated Union against having anything to do with a proposed new federation of central bodies on political lines. This federation was suggested by the Trades Council of Milwaukee, and some time ago the Central Federated Union appointed a committee to make an investigation about it.

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STRONG EFFORT TO SAVE CHURCH

CONGREGATION OF THE EPIPHANY, BROOKLYN, MUST RAISE INTEREST ON MORTGAGE BEFORE NEXT MONDAY.

The parish of the Epiphany, McDonough-st. and Tompkins-ave., Brooklyn, is making a most determined and energetic effort to save its handsome church from foreclosure next Monday, on account of having failed to pay its May interest of $820 and $199 insurance. The time of the year is disadvantageous for the effort, as most of the people, including the two wardens, are out of town.

Yesterday morning, after the services, a meeting of the parishioners was held by the call of the rector, the Rev. Dr. Dean Richmond Babbitt. After a sermon on "The Religion of Doing" Dr. Babbitt asked the members of the congregation still in the city to proceed now, in the great emergency of the parish, to do all they could by subscriptions and pledges at that meeting to prevent judgment in foreclosure being taken next Monday. He read a series of resolutions prepared by vestrymen and sent to Bishop Burgess, stating that the vestry was bound by a vote of May 1, 1902, to see the rector loyally through in his efforts to raise the mortgage debt; that the absent congregation must be protected from loss of their church; that the rector was entitled, by every principle of churchly honor in the vestry and diocese which had called him to save the church, to protection in so doing; that the next five months would be the most propitious for raising the mortgage; that the corporate rights of the parish should be respected, and the Bishop should throw his great influence in favor of raising funds. The resolutions hinted that probably the diocese would not want to attempt to settle the floating debt if the mortgage was foreclosed; but if the mortgage was lifted and the church saved it would be easy to care for floating indebtedness.

Dr. Babbitt followed the reading of the resolutions with a strong, earnest and persuasive appeal, and had the vestrymen present pass subscription books, with the result that $203 50 was subscribed, some paid in and the rest to be paid next Sunday. Several hundred dollars also was raised conditioned on paying off the whole mortgage of $32,800 by January 1, 1903, toward which now about $7,700 has been raised, with the same condition. The people at the meeting responded in good spirit and showed intense interest, many taking subscription books away with them, to be used this week. This week and next Sunday will mark the final result—a success or failure—in saving the church from foreclosure.

Among the contributors yesterday were one Presbyterian and one Baptist. A prominent Congregationalist has pledged $250 conditionally for the mortgage. A Presbyterian has suggested that collections be taken next Sunday in the various churches of Brooklyn for their sister church of the Epiphany, and all Protestant churches are asked by Dr. Babbitt to do so next Sunday, sending their contributions either to him at the church or to W. H. Bridgman, No. 195 Macon-st., by Sunday night at 10 o'clock.

William G. Low, brother of Mayor Low, has sent a substantial check for the interest. Dr. Huntington, of Grace Church, has given a pledge conditioned on raising the entire mortgage. More than $500 toward the interest to prevent judgment in foreclosure next Monday must be raised this week.

John S. Mowny, clerk of the vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, in a letter to the Brooklyn press speaks highly of Dr. Babbitt, the rector and leader in this strong effort to save the church. He says:

For a rector to be at the head of a struggling parish is much like a man running for Governor. He is apt to be put "under fire." When Dr. Babbitt came to the Epiphany there was a large floating debt. Some of it has been paid, some not; and some debts, by stress of the interest account of $1,640 a year, have accrued. The parish can and will pay all its debts, if relieved of the interest by paying off the mortgage placed on it by the diocese.

As to Dr. Babbitt's sensitiveness to the parish obligations, I personally know that he has advanced, out of his own pocket, in times of parish financial pressure, over $600 to pay bills, which he is gradually getting back. He supported a deaconness and a parish visitor when he first came to the parish, and, later, a curate, out of his own means. As to his character and standing, in our vestry there are copies of letters on file from such men as United States Associate Justice Stanley Matthews, of Ohio, given when Dr. Babbitt came to New-York City to practice law, to Judge Noah Davis and Joseph H. Choate; from former United States Attorney General Alphonso Taft to William M. Evarts, and later from Judge Noah Davis to Samuel J. Tilden. These letters I have myself seen, which speak highly of the ability, character and standing of Dean Richmond Babbitt.

Dr. Babbitt is a nephew of the late noted politician, Dean Richmond, former president of the New-York Central Railroad before the older Vanderbilt. He is a graduate of Harvard and of the Cambridge Episcopal Theological School, has four diplomas, has been a member of the standing committee in two dioceses, is a member of Acanthus Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, and cleared his former parish of a large debt before coming here.

There is not a member of his vestry who will not stand loyally by him to the last. They feel that he will save, with the aid of its friends, the Epiphany Church.

TO LENGTHEN ARAPAHOE.

The steamer Arapahoe, the newest vessel of the Clyde Line fleet, sailed from this port yesterday for Philadelphia, where, at the yards of her builders, which she left a year ago, she will be cut in two and a section of sixty feet added, making her length over three hundred and sixty-five feet. Her sister ship, the Apache, is now at Philadelphia undergoing like alterations.

O'Neill's.

The Great August Sale of

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It surpasses in its money-saving chances any offering we have heretofore made. If you have not yet supplied your needs do so now while you have the opportunity, for when the present stock has been sold the prices will advance from twenty to thirty-five per cent.—just a reminder as to the prices.

Eastern Wool Blankets!

Ten Quarter	65c.,	98c.,	1.75	to	2.98	Pair.
Eleven Quarter	98c.,	1.65,	2.10	to	3.98	Pair.
Twelve Quarter	3.98,	4.98	to	6.50	Pair.	

California Blankets!

Ten Quarter	2.98,	3.50,	4.25	to	5.98	Pair.
Eleven Quarter	3.98,	4.98,	5.75	to	9.98	Pair.
Twelve Quarter	4.75,	5.75,	7.00	to	12.98	Pair.

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SAW, LOVED AND MARRIED.

A PLAYFUL SUGGESTION WAS PROMPTLY ACCEPTED, AND NOW THEY ARE IN MAINE.

Somerville, Aug. 17 (Special).—The sudden marriage of Newton C. Porter, of this place, to Miss Neville Georgiana Bruner, of Philadelphia, at the "Little Church Around the Corner," in New-York, last Friday has occasioned much surprise among his friends here. The bride lived with her stepfather in Philadelphia, and was visiting friends in New-York when the marriage occurred. Porter, who is an employe of Jameson & Frelinghuysen, of No. 76 William-st., New-York, was about to take a vacation. On meeting Miss Bruner he playfully suggested that she should marry him and share the trip. Miss Bruner accepted, and the unexpected marriage followed.

The pair left New-York on Friday evening for the coast of Maine, where they will spend their honeymoon. Porter is the youngest son of Daniel Porter, who at the time of his death, several years ago, was the owner of "The Somerset Unionist," and one of the oldest and best known editors in New-Jersey. He is a member of Bachelor Club and Somerset County Club, and lived with his mother and his two sisters in Cliff-st.

LAWYER PARTIALLY INSANE.

FRIENDS WILL CARE FOR MAN WHO ASSAULTED A FELLOW PASSENGER AND A GATEMAN.

W. J. Taylor, the Newark lawyer, having offices in the Prudential Building, in that city, who on Saturday evening assaulted a gateman at the Pennsylvania Railroad Station in Jersey City after having struck a passenger on a train with a sword cane, was yesterday pronounced partially insane by City Physician Rector, of Jersey City. Dr. Rector said his trouble was apparently caused by religion. Taylor was arraigned in court and committed until this morning, when friends said they would take care of him.

CHILDREN SHOT BY FATHER IMPROVING.

Edward Dietscher, seven years old, and May, his sister, five years old, who were shot on Saturday evening by their father, Frederick Dietscher, a moment before he killed himself, at their home, No. 551 West Forty-fifth-st., were reported to be improving yesterday at Roosevelt Hospital. The physicians say ...at in spite of their improved condition there is still much doubt of their recovery.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

Sunrise 5:13 Sunset 6:54 Moon sets 4:40 Moon's age 12

HIGH WATER.

A. M.—Sandy Hook 6:52 Gov. Island 7:15 Hell Gate 9:08
P. M.—Sandy Hook 7:06 Gov. Island 7:30 Hell Gate 9:23

INCOMING STEAMERS.

TO-DAY.

Vessel.	From.	Line.
*Caribbee	St. Thomas, August 13	Quebec Ss Co
Comus	New-Orleans, August 13	Morgan
El Norte	Galveston, August 12	Morgan
Kroonland	Antwerp, August 9	Red Star
Minnetonka	London, August 9	At Transport
Lahn	Genoa, August 6	N G Lloyd

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19.

*Bremen	Bremen, August 9	N G Lloyd
*Kronprinz Wilhelm	Bremen, August 12	N G Lloyd
Lampasas	Galveston, August 13	Mallory
Vincenzo Bonanno	Gibraltar, August 7	——

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20.

*Oceanic	Liverpool, August 13	White Star
Castilda	Sunderland, August 7	——
Albano	Hamburg, August 6	——
Border Knight	Algiers, August 5	——
Alamo	Galveston, August 14	——

*Brings mail.

OUTGOING STEAMERS.

MONDAY, AUGUST 18.

Vessel.	For.	Line.	Mail close.	Vessel sails.
Jamestown	Norfolk, Old Dominion	——	——	3:00 p m

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19.

Finance	Colon, Panama R. R.	——	9:30 a m	1:00 p m
Princess Anne	Norfolk, Old Dominion	——	——	3:00 p m
Kaiserin M Theresia	Bremen, N G L.	——	6:30 a m	10:00 a m
New-York	Charleston, Clyde	——	——	3:00 p m
Nord America	Naples, La Veloce	——	——	——
El Dio	Galveston, Morgan	——	——	3:00 p m
Maracas	Trinidad	——	——	——
Moltke	Hamburg, Ham-Am	——	——	10:00 a m
Galicia	St. Thomas, Ham-Am	——	——	9:30 a m

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20.

Coleridge	Rio Janeiro, Lamport & Holt	——	6:00 a m	9:30 a m
Comal	Galveston, Mallory	——	——	3:00 p m
Dona Maria	Azores and Madeira, Portuguese	——	——	——
El Paso	New-Orleans, Morgan	——	——	3:00 p m
Korona	Martinique, Barbados, etc., Quebec Ss	——	——	3:00 p m
Laurentian	Glasgow, Allen-State	——	——	——
St Louis	Southampton, American	——	6:30 a m	10:00 a m
Teutonic	Liverpool, White Star	——	8:30 a m	12:00 m

Amusements.

MANHATTAN BEACH
TO-DAY at 3:30 P. M. SHANNON'S 23D REG'T BAND
TO-NIGHT AT 8 P. M. PAIN'S ANCIENT ROME and GRAND FIREWORKS
TO-NIGHT AT 9 P. M. THE FAMOUS BOSTONIANS Mat. Sat. 4 P. M.
Presenting ROBIN HOOD and MAID MARIAN.

CASINO BROADWAY & 39TH ST. EVENINGS at 8:15. Mat. Sat. at 2:15.
Sam S. Shubert and Nixon & Zimmerman's
"A CHINESE HONEYMOON."

HERALD SQUARE THEATRE. THE DEFENDER Mat. Sat.

BROADWAY THEATRE. 41st St. and Broadway.
MONDAY, AUGUST 25TH.
Geo. W. Lederer's
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SEAT SALE BEGINS THURS., 9 A. M.

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