

PRaises GENERAL MILES.

RESOLUTION BY G. A. R.

National Encampment at San Francisco Ends.

San Francisco, Aug. 21.—The national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic closed its thirty-seventh annual session this afternoon. The newly elected officers, with the exception of Junior Vice Commander Kessler, who is now on the way from the Philippines, were installed. Commander in Chief Black announced the following appointments: Adjutant general, C. W. Partridge, of Illinois; Quartermaster, Major Charles Burrows, of New Jersey, reappointed; Judge advocate general, James Tanner, of New York, and inspector general, E. Wessen, of Iowa.

The reports of the various retiring officers were adopted, with a vote of thanks to each for efficient service. It was resolved to telegraph to President Roosevelt the resolution adopted yesterday favoring the pensioning of all veterans sixty-two years old.

A resolution favoring legislation to prevent by education and in other ways the desecration of the flag was adopted. The endorsement of the service pension law was approved. It was resolved to appoint a committee of five to investigate cases of discrimination against veterans in the Civil Service.

The encampment unanimously adopted the following resolution, introduced by Captain P. H. Coney, of Topeka, Kan.:

Resolved, That we congratulate that splendid soldier, exemplary commander and patriotic citizen, General Nelson A. Miles, upon his attainment of a distinguished and honorable retirement after a career of service which has covered over forty-two years' service without just criticism of his official conduct, which began at the age of sixteen, and which has been marked by the highest grade of heroic patriotism from Manassas to Appomattox, during the great struggle of 1861 to 1865, and in the brilliant military achievements as a successful Indian fighter, and again as a great and judicial military disciplinarian and organizer.

A committee of seven was appointed to provide for the perpetuation of Memorial Day in the South, and a committee of three will revise the Blue Book. It was resolved to ask Congress to erect a statue to the memory of General Meade. Major General MacArthur was introduced and delivered a brief address, which was warmly received.

The encampment adjourned, to meet in Boston next year. Commander in Chief Black, after the adjournment of the encampment, received the following telegram from General John B. Gordon, commander in chief of the Confederate Veterans:

My hearty congratulations to you and the country. Your election assures unanimous and increased good will and closest amity.

General Black responded as follows: The encampment having adjourned, I have submitted your message to the council of the G. A. R. and I am glad to acknowledge it and say, as I do, that they fully reciprocate its fraternal and beneficent spirit. God bless our land.

WOMEN IN FIGHT OUTSIDE COURT.

Dressmaker Struck in the Face—Assailant Fined \$5.

Miss Anna Wallace, a young woman, of No. 11 West Sixty-fifth-st., was fined \$5 in the West Side police court by Magistrate Mayo for striking Henrietta Gamble, a dressmaker, living at No. 48 West Sixty-fifth-st., in the face outside the door of the tenth Municipal Court in West Fifty-fourth-st. The affair caused considerable excitement in the corridors of the building.

Mrs. Gamble appeared in the civil court yesterday on the complaint of Miss Wallace before Justice Murray. The complainant stated that she had given Mrs. Gamble some material to make a dress. When she tried it on, she said, the dress did not fit, and she refused to pay for it. The cost of the material was \$15.20. On the witness stand Mrs. Gamble stated that the dress was a perfect fit. Justice Murray gave the decision in favor of Mrs. Gamble.

When the case was over the lawyers interested went into the corridors with their clients to talk the case over. Mrs. Gamble stood some distance from Miss Wallace, not taking any part in the conversation. When Mrs. Gamble was called to the witness stand, she struck Mrs. Gamble a hard blow in the face. Several court policemen separated the women and placed Miss Wallace under arrest.

When arraigned before Magistrate Mayo, Miss Wallace said: "I was very nervous and excited over remarks Mrs. Gamble made about me in the courtroom. I didn't realize what I was doing. It was only a light slap that I gave her. The cost of the material was \$15.20, and I did not think that a sufficient cause, and fined her \$5, which she paid."

BOYS HURT BY DYNAMITE CAP.

Find It in Ash Barrel and Beat It with Stone—It Explodes.

"Tony" Moran, seven years old, of No. 27 East Seventh-st., found a dynamite cap in an ash barrel opposite No. 27 East Ninety-seventh-st., yesterday. He showed it to Albert Molner, fifteen years old, of No. 23 East Ninety-seventh-st., and Joseph Casson, eighteen years old, of No. 21 East Ninety-fifth-st.

Attached to the cap was a coated wire, and beneath the coating a copper showed. To get at the copper the boys poked up a stone and began to beat off the covering. Then there was an explosion, and pieces of the cap buried itself in Molner's forehead, Casson's leg and Moran's chest. Molner was the most injured of the three, being knocked to the street unconscious. In answer to the hospital call, Dr. Dwyer responded, and he was seriously enough to be taken to the hospital.

It is not known how the dynamite cap came to be in the barrel, but it is thought it might have been placed there by some one who had been employed on the blasting in the East River Park, about a block away.

ILL IN BED, MRS. NELSON TESTIFIES.

Mother of Mrs. Charles L. Fair Gives Testimony in Fight for Estate.

Ill in bed, Mrs. Hannah Nelson, who is fighting heirs to the Charles L. Fair estate on the ground that she was hoodwinked into signing a settlement which deprived her of her rightful share of the property, yesterday gave testimony to lawyers concerned in the case at the home of her son-in-law, James Leonard, at Caldwell.

Mrs. Nelson was able to sit, but became so exhausted before she finished giving her testimony that Dr. Bond refused to allow further questioning. While being questioned Mrs. Nelson was suddenly seized with a chill.

STRONG LIGHT FOR PRIVATE-CAR.

A well equipped working private car has just been brought out by the New York Central Railroad for Vice-President Wilgus. It is known as Mrs. Wilgus's workshop. The United States Light and Heating Company has equipped it with its system of car lighting. It has sixty-five incandescent lights, giving it a candle power said to be equal to that of the reception room of Waldorf-Astoria. There are four fans for cooling the car.

WHY COD LIVER OIL IS SCARCE.

It has been reported that the scarcity of Norwegian cod liver oil is due to a corner in the market and that the available supply is being held by speculators at an exorbitant figure. While it is true that the supply is short, the scarcity is due to natural causes, the most important of which is the poor quality of the food supply in the waters where the fish gather. The cold weather last season, it is explained, affected the vegetation on which the fish feed, so that it afforded a little nourishment. Then the crustacean animals which form an important item in the food of the cod did not visit the Norwegian waters to the extent they usually do. The result has been that while as many fish were caught as in former years, the livers yielded less than 30 per cent of the usual amount of oil, and until the next catch the supply of Norwegian oil will necessarily be limited and high in price.

AUTO TO PACE CRESCUS.

Champion Trotter to Go Against Time with Novel Companion.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Cleveland, Aug. 21.—George Ketchum, of Toledo, owner of Crescus, the world's trotting record horse purchased to-day a white automobile, which he intends to use as a pacemaker for his horse. The first trial will be made at Dayton within a few days. Mr. Ketchum declares that the smooth running machine will aid the horse to better efforts than the uneven seat of the running horse usually used.

FROM PACIFIC IN AUTO.

Journey from Ocean to Ocean Completed in Seventy-three Days.

With the arrival in this city yesterday noon of E. T. Fitch and M. C. Krasur in an automobile touring car, the second transcontinental tour to be made in an automobile was completed. The inland voyagers were on the road seventy-three days and the trip from ocean to ocean covered five thousand miles. The first trip was made by Dr. Jackson, of Burlington, Vt., who crossed the continent—or that part of it lying between New York and San Francisco—in sixty-three days.

The end of the long journey was marked with a good deal of ceremony, and the two men were hailed joyously by a large throng of horsemen and motorists. The party consisted of one hundred and thirty-three, and Jerome-ave., and acting as their escort, brought them down through Central Park, over Brooklyn Bridge and through the Coney Island Boulevard to a hotel at Sheephead Bay, where a dinner befitting such distinguished explorers was given by the manufacturer of the car they used.

Before the dinner was served, however, the car was driven down the ocean, and its wheels submerged in the deep, thus completing literally the journey from ocean to ocean, as at San Francisco the same formality was gone through.

The car bore the legend, "San Francisco to New York," and all along the march was received with good natured cheers by the passers by. The start was made from San Francisco on the Great Northern route taken through Utah, Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York. Three sets of tires were used on the way. The sands of the desert played havoc with the tires, and great difficulty was also experienced in going through Soldiers' Canyon. Except on one occasion, when assistance had to be asked in getting the car out of a hole, the men did the work through "under their own power." With the camping outfit the total weight of the vehicle was 2,700 pounds.

POLICEMAN LET PRISONER GO.

Captain Piper Calls Him "Dead Easy" for Being Fooled by Police Court Clerk.

Carl E. Hoffman, a patrolman whom Colonel Partridge refused to appoint after the riot had served his time in the penitentiary, was on trial before Captain Piper at Police Headquarters yesterday, for failing to arraign a prisoner charged with assault before a magistrate. Hoffman told Captain Piper that when he had arrested the prisoner and had taken him to the Seventh District Court the clerk asked him what the complaint was. "This prisoner is a tenant, and he assaulted the janitor of the apartment house," was Hoffman's reply.

Then, Hoffman said, the clerk asked him: "Don't you know the decision that Justice Gaynor handed down last week, that a tenant has a right to hit a janitor any time he wants to?" Hoffman said he hadn't read of any such decision in the newspapers, but he took the clerk's word and let the tenant go. Later, when the desk sergeant learned that there was no disposition of the prisoner, Hoffman's name was entered on the books, he called Hoffman, and upon hearing his story immediately ordered him to re-arrest the man.

Captain Piper severely reprimanded Hoffman for letting the man go, and read to him the rule which provides for a ten days' fine or dismissal for one failing to arraign a prisoner immediately upon making an arrest. He received dismissal.

WITNESS SAYS SHE WAS THREATENED.

Woman Who Is to Appear at Murder Case Complains to Magistrate.

Mrs. Lillian Burney, of No. 15 Hamilton-st., who is the principal witness for the State against Patrick "Bully" Mahon in the "Gap" in Cherry-st., on May 5, appeared before Magistrate Flammer in the Essex Market police court yesterday against Mrs. Mary Manton, who lives opposite her at No. 15 Hamilton-st., and who, she says, has been threatening her life. Mrs. Burney secured Mrs. Manton's appearance on a summons issued by Magistrate Flammer that Mrs. Manton and Shea's mother had threatened to kill her if she testified against Shea. Mrs. Manton, she said, told her, "You'll never live to see the day you'll testify against 'Pat' Shea."

Magistrate Flammer did not find evidence enough to hold the woman, although Detective McGee, of the Madison-st. station, corroborated her story that there was no safeguard, as on her testimony the prosecutor's case against Shea depends. Mrs. Burney's attorney, James Gray, is in the case of the murder of Mahon. The police of the Madison-st. station will keep an eye on her and the members of the Shea clan in the "Gap" to prevent further trouble.

TO BE MADE POLICE SERGEANTS.

General Greese yesterday received from the Municipal Civil Service Commission an eligible list of eighteen roundsmen, from which he is to appoint ten sergeants of police. The roundsmen on the list are the following:

Robert R. Craig, Harry W. Graham, George Pennington, Hugh Keenan, James N. Wilson, James Monahan, Charles Martin, John C. Holohan, John McNulty, Edward McDonald, Edward H. Stral, Patrick J. McLaughlin, John J. Erlen, Dennis J. Monday, James N. Murray, John D. O'Brien, Cornelius J. Sliot and Patrick Halloran.

BUSINESS TROUBLES.

Grant J. Williams, a corporation, wholesale dealer in iron, steel, metals and machinery at No. 21 Park Row, yesterday assigned for the benefit of creditors to Albert L. Phillips, Grant is president of the company. The company was incorporated on March 9, 1902, with a capital stock of \$50,000.

The Sheriff yesterday received an execution for \$1,250 against the Standard Briquette Company, of Seventh-ave. and Twelfth-st., in favor of Francois Chaly.

CAPTAIN O'CONNOR GOING TO SARATOGA.

Captain O'Connor, of the West Thirtieth-st. police station, starts to-day for his vacation. Sergeant Shibles will be acting captain in his absence. Captain O'Connor leaves to-night, that he would spend most of his vacation at Saratoga.

THE FIRE RECORD YESTERDAY.

8:05 a. m.—No. 191 Henry-st.; Louis Stillier; slight. 10:25 a. m.—No. 242 West Fifty-second-st.; hammock. 11:45 a. m.—No. 546 West Twenty-first-st.; Francis Grapen; trifling. 4:50 p. m.—No. 196 Elizabeth-st.; Julia Perz; \$15. 4:50 p. m.—No. 210 Ninth-ave.; J. Corcoran; \$20. 7:50 p. m.—No. 224 West Thirty-seventh-st.; D. Middlebaum; trifling. 8:10 p. m.—Nos. 225 Stanton-st.; Henry Elster; trifling. 8:10 p. m.—Nos. 222 and 24 West Third-st.; Elias Israel; trifling. 11:05 p. m.—No. 55 Allen-st.; Solomon Stein; trifling. 11:05 p. m.—No. 2,459 Second-ave.; Sophie Helvert; trifling. 11:30 p. m.—No. 171 Ludlow-st.; Charles Center; trifling.

SEE THE NEGROES' WORTH.

Honest Ones All Right in the South, Texan Says.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 21.—The National Negro Business League closed its annual sessions to-day, and to-night the delegates were entertained at Jubilee Hall, Fisk University, by the Negro Local League and citizens. Booker T. Washington was re-elected president to-day, and Indianapolis was selected as the next place of meeting. R. L. Smith, of Paris, Tex., in speaking of the convention and its results, said:

The negroes composing the National Negro Business League, know from experience that there are thousands of white men in the South who recognize the right of the honest, straight-forward, progressive negro, who can be depended on to take the right side in matters looking to the development of the negro in the city, and the general view of local and national questions will place the intelligent negroes by their sides on most of the issues that will arise.

MAY BE A CITY OF WORKMEN SOON.

But With No Place to Work if Chicago Labor Unions Don't Call a Halt.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Chicago, Aug. 21.—The movement among manufacturers and other business men to leave this city owing to the dictation and exactions of labor unions is growing more serious every day. It was learned to-day that several of the largest plants here are planning to move their plants to the States where they can employ their own people, and the annoyance of the walking delegates. The exodus will throw thousands of union workmen out of employment unless they are willing to accept the lower wages paid in other places.

The concerns announcing their intention to go are: Greenlee Bros. & Co., founders, to Rockford, Ill.; the Cable Piano Company, to St. Charles, Ill.; the Jordan Shoe Company and A. H. Revell & Co., furniture, to some country town; Selz, Schwab & Co., shoe manufacturers, outside of Chicago; the S. Karpen Furniture Company, to Lake Geneva; the Chicago Tire and Rubber Company, probably to Kentucky, Wis., and the Chicago Label and Box Company, to some country town.

BUNCOED BY "GENERAL MILES."

"Admiral Dewey" Helped to Relieve Man of \$1,000.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Los Angeles, Aug. 21.—W. G. Paulsen, who says that he is one of three heirs to a large Coney Island estate, has arrived here with a story by which he was bunched out of \$1,000 by two men who were introduced to him as "General Miles" and "Admiral Dewey" on the train coming across the continent. He was so flattered by their attentions to him that when "General Miles" asked for a large loan he turned over the money from his well filled purse and let the humbug have it.

The two swindlers left the train in Texas, and the other two, "Admiral Dewey" and "General Miles," are now in New York, and sharpers got on his track there.

DR. J. E. GILES INJURED.

Thrown from a Carriage While Out Riding with His Family. Springfield, Mass., Aug. 21.—Dr. J. E. Giles, of the Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital, in New York, who is spending the summer in Goshen, received severe injuries in a carriage accident to-day. His left arm and two ribs were broken and his hip was severely lacerated.

BOY KILLS HIS PLAYMATE.

The Two Had Quarrelled Over a Cat One Threatened to Shoot. Potsdam, Aug. 21.—As the result of a quarrel between Ivan Cheney and Stephen Narrow, each nine years old, Narrow is dead and Cheney is held, charged with murder.

Cheney is the owner of a cat which is said to have been killing Narrow's chickens. The boys were playing together this afternoon when Narrow threatened to kill the cat. Cheney, it is said, went into the house, got a rifle, aimed at Narrow and pulled the trigger. The gun was not loaded. The boy went back for a cartridge, and this time Narrow dropped dead. A bullet had passed through his temple. Cheney was arrested.

CRUSHED BY HIS OWN TRUCK.

While Trying to Avoid Trolley Car, Driver Is Thrown from Seat.

Having finished his day's work, hauling iron to a new schoolhouse building in One-hundred-and-seventy-seventh-st., The Bronx, Harry Ducker, of No. 87 Guernsey-st., Brooklyn, was driving his truck down the Southern Boulevard early yesterday evening. A trolley car behind rang for a clear track, and Ducker started to pull off the track, when a rear wheel of the truck struck the front wheel of the trolley. The truck was thrown into the air, and the driver was thrown from his seat. He was picked up and taken in a probably dying condition to Lincoln Hospital.

BROOKS DID NOT ROB IN NEW-HAVEN.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] New-Haven, Conn., Aug. 21.—Detective Dunlap and William H. Ely of New-York to-day try to identify some of the stolen property found in the possession of Harry Brooks, the burglar. Mr. Ely was robbed of furs valued at \$50 last winter and Detective Dunlap wished to identify property stolen in other New-Haven burglaries. They returned to-night and said that they were satisfied that none of the property found belongs in New-Haven. They had a talk with Brooks in the hospital, and he denies that he had stolen anything in New-Haven since he received a jail sentence here ten years ago.

DUMPED COAL ON BOATMAN.

South Amboy, Aug. 21.—Daniel McCarthy, a boatman, went to sleep in the hold of his boat, the Marion, last night, and narrowly escaped death by suffocation. The Marion is a coal carrier. No one knew where McCarthy was, and when the men on the Pennsylvania Railroad wharf started to load the Marion with coal they covered McCarthy. The boatman awoke and found himself unable to get out of the hold. His cries were not heard for a time and later he was rescued with difficulty.

POOR FAMILY'S LONG WALK.

Montclair, Aug. 21 (Special).—Mrs. Elizabeth Van Dune and her five children, of Denville, N. J., who have been roaming the country roads and sleeping in haymows and other places for the last week, arrived in Montclair to-day, footsore and weary. She had heard that there was plenty of work in Montclair and always a vacant house for the needy. With her troop of children she had walked over thirty-five miles. Reaching Montclair, they were bitterly disappointed. They were penniless and half starved. After they had been furnished with food and money they were sent on their way to Little Falls, where their home and employment will be provided for them.

PIT VIPER FOR BRONX PARK.

Perth Amboy, Aug. 21 (Special).—A female pit viper, said to be the only one that ever reached here alive, was brought to this port by the British steamer Saratoga, which was en route from Trinidad. The specimen, which Captain George Norris brought north, is nearly eight feet long and about two inches in diameter. Its bite is supposed to be sure death. The pit viper is common in Trinidad and the bushmaster, and is much feared. It was carried to the Bronx Park in a feed bag.

CAR MANGLES WOMAN.

She Crosses Brighton Beach Line—Killed Instantly.

While crossing the Brighton Beach tracks of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company at Avenue C last night Mrs. Isabella Lahey, of No. 302 East Sixteenth-st., Flatbush, was run down by trolley car No. 1,092, of the Brighton Beach line. The wheels passed over the woman, mangle her body in a horrible manner. An ambulance was called from the Kings County Hospital, but the surgeon said that Mrs. Lahey must have died almost instantly.

Mrs. Lahey was fifty-nine years old, and, as her eyesight was poor, her friends suppose she was unable to see the approaching car. Smith B. Henderson, of No. 168 Crystal-st., the motor-car, said that the woman stepped on the tracks just before the car reached the crossing. Traffic on the line was delayed for twenty minutes.

KILLED PLAYING BALL.

Dr. Newman, Hit by a Foul Tip, Leaves the Field and Dies.

Pawtucket, R. I., Aug. 21.—Dr. Allan Monroe Newman, 2d, dentist, of Providence, and formerly a well known amateur baseball player, died at the hospital to-night. He was struck by a foul tip in a baseball game here this afternoon.

Dr. Newman had been engaged to play with Pawtucket to-day against a team representing Providence. While at bat in the first inning he reached for a straight ball, but did not strike it fair, and the sphere glanced from the bat, striking him squarely in the right temple, knocking him to the ground. He revived quickly, saying he was all right in a little while, and took his place in the right field when his side was retired. He was unable to get to the bat in the next inning, and went to the dressing room to change his clothing. A few minutes later he was found unconscious, and by order of a physician was taken to the hospital, where he died a few hours later without having regained consciousness.

RECORDS REFUTE HOGAN.

More Pushcart Licenses Granted Now than Under Van Wyck.

A significant refutation of the charges made by Magistrate Hogan against the Bureau of Licenses, was obtained yesterday by reference to the records of that bureau. The magistrate has criticized the officials of the bureau severely for the difficulties which he says they have placed in the way of the applicants for pushcart licenses. The figures show that the present bureau has granted in the last six months almost three times as many licenses for pushcarts as were granted by the Tammany officials for a similar period in the last year of the Van Wyck administration. Therefore it appears that, whatever the merits of the criticism may be, three times as many pedlars have obtained the privilege of peddling as did under the Van Wyck bureau in the same period of time.

In the first six months of 1901 there were granted just 496 pushcart licenses, of which 745 were new licenses and 251 were renewals. For the same period of the present year there were issued 2,836 licenses, of which 859 were new licenses and 1,977 were renewals. The records to the city in the period of 1901 mentioned were \$5,472. In the present year they were \$7,390, showing the great disparity of the revenue for the two periods.

WOMEN JOIN IN RIOT.

Strike Sympathizers Beat Non-Union Men in McKeesport.

McKeesport, Penn., Aug. 21.—Women and men engaged in a street riot here to-day. The trouble took place in Thirteenth-st., between a number of workmen at the Port Vue tinplate mill, where the strike declared three months ago still remains unsettled, and a crowd of strikers. The workmen had a keg of beer, and the strikers attempted to take it from them. Shots were exchanged, but no one was injured. Women, strike sympathizers, armed with brooms and other nondescript weapons, took part in the affair. Several of the workmen were badly beaten by the women.

CRUSHED BY HIS OWN TRUCK.

While Trying to Avoid Trolley Car, Driver Is Thrown from Seat.

Having finished his day's work, hauling iron to a new schoolhouse building in One-hundred-and-seventy-seventh-st., The Bronx, Harry Ducker, of No. 87 Guernsey-st., Brooklyn, was driving his truck down the Southern Boulevard early yesterday evening. A trolley car behind rang for a clear track, and Ducker started to pull off the track, when a rear wheel of the truck struck the front wheel of the trolley. The truck was thrown into the air, and the driver was thrown from his seat. He was picked up and taken in a probably dying condition to Lincoln Hospital.

BROOKS DID NOT ROB IN NEW-HAVEN.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] New-Haven, Conn., Aug. 21.—Detective Dunlap and William H. Ely of New-York to-day try to identify some of the stolen property found in the possession of Harry Brooks, the burglar. Mr. Ely was robbed of furs valued at \$50 last winter and Detective Dunlap wished to identify property stolen in other New-Haven burglaries. They returned to-night and said that they were satisfied that none of the property found belongs in New-Haven. They had a talk with Brooks in the hospital, and he denies that he had stolen anything in New-Haven since he received a jail sentence here ten years ago.

DUMPED COAL ON BOATMAN.

South Amboy, Aug. 21.—Daniel McCarthy, a boatman, went to sleep in the hold of his boat, the Marion, last night, and narrowly escaped death by suffocation. The Marion is a coal carrier. No one knew where McCarthy was, and when the men on the Pennsylvania Railroad wharf started to load the Marion with coal they covered McCarthy. The boatman awoke and found himself unable to get out of the hold. His cries were not heard for a time and later he was rescued with difficulty.

POOR FAMILY'S LONG WALK.

Montclair, Aug. 21 (Special).—Mrs. Elizabeth Van Dune and her five children, of Denville, N. J., who have been roaming the country roads and sleeping in haymows and other places for the last week, arrived in Montclair to-day, footsore and weary. She had heard that there was plenty of work in Montclair and always a vacant house for the needy. With her troop of children she had walked over thirty-five miles. Reaching Montclair, they were bitterly disappointed. They were penniless and half starved. After they had been furnished with food and money they were sent on their way to Little Falls, where their home and employment will be provided for them.

PIT VIPER FOR BRONX PARK.

Perth Amboy, Aug. 21 (Special).—A female pit viper, said to be the only one that ever reached here alive, was brought to this port by the British steamer Saratoga, which was en route from Trinidad. The specimen, which Captain George Norris brought north, is nearly eight feet long and about two inches in diameter. Its bite is supposed to be sure death. The pit viper is common in Trinidad and the bushmaster, and is much feared. It was carried to the Bronx Park in a feed bag.

MANY TRAINS BLOCKED.

Freight Car Stops Central's Rush Traffic Two Hours.

A two hours' block on most of the lines running out of the Grand Central Station was caused during the rush hours last night by a freight car which jumped a frog at about One-hundred-and-fifty-fifth-st. and Railroad-ave., in The Bronx. The car was thrown across the track, stopping all traffic on two northbound and two southbound tracks, and tying up nearly a hundred trains on the Hudson River and Harlem River divisions of the New-York Central, and on the New-York, New-Haven and Hartford Railroad. The block occurred shortly after 6 o'clock, when trains are leaving the station at the rate of about three in two minutes, and the tracks were soon filled with trains for a quarter of a mile in both directions, while the cars were crowded with impatient commuters.

An attempt was made to send the New-York Central train on the Hudson River division north along the tracks which turn to the west at One-hundred-and-fifty-first-st., and which were not blocked, but in a few minutes trains arriving from all directions interfered with each other, that the attempt was abandoned, and the trains were allowed to stand.

At the point where the block occurred there is a cut extending for some distance in either direction, and passengers filled this until it was thought there would be grave danger in case the block were lifted, and the trains began to move. A few adventurous spirits tried to climb a semaphore standard which stood in the cut, hoping to thus get to the trolley cars which ran near, but the trainmen feared that some would be hurt, and soon put a stop to the performance. As the crowd got larger it was found necessary to call out the police reserves of the Morrisania station. The police soon drove the passengers back into the trains, and kept things quiet till the train was moved.

The crowded train finally appeared on the scene at about 7:30, and the car was lifted from the tracks, and traffic was resumed, about half an hour later, after a delay of about two hours.

FIRE PANIC ON TRAIN.

Stampede from Cars on Way to Coney Island.

A panic was caused at about 9 o'clock last night by a fire on an outward bound Coney Island train at Franklin-ave. and Avenue C, Brooklyn. The top of the third car caught fire from a fuse, and the cars of the train were quickly filled with suffocating smoke. There was a rush for the windows, and many persons dropped to the ground. Few were hurt, as the train had already been brought almost to a standstill.

In the burning car, which was crowded with men, women and children, there was a rush for the rear door, and several persons would have been hurt in the crush but for the prompt action of Policeman Rockwood, of the First Precinct. He succeeded in stopping the rush, quieted the women and children, and got the people out quietly.

The place where the fire occurred is almost open country, and no fire engine was in the neighborhood. Men from the few adjoining houses brought buckets full of water, and aided the train men in putting out the flames. The top of the car and one side were badly burned before the fire was extinguished. After a delay of about ten minutes the passengers again boarded the train, and the journey to Coney Island was finished with the car in darkness.

LOCK OUT SMOKING PIPE MAKERS.

Manufacturers Forestal Series of Strikes Planned by Employers.

The pipe makers are out! Not the sewer pipe makers, the stand pipemakers, the stovepipe makers, the lead pipe makers, the dream pipe makers, the hose pipe makers, the boiler pipe makers, the furnace pipe makers, the gas pipe makers, the tin pipe makers, the feed pipe makers or the race-track pipe makers, but the smoking pipe makers. "Smoke up, you're going out," said the foremen, and out they went, the clay smoking pipe makers, the corn-cob smoking pipe makers and the briar smoking pipe makers (apple wood and genuine article jobs).

It was not that there was a scarcity of or a corner in clay, corn-cobs, apple wood or briar. The Smoking Pipe Makers' Union (the members smoke naught but union made tobacco, in union made pipes, lighted by union made matches, covered with union made chemicals, carried in union made matchboxes, which rest in union made pockets) has ordered one or two strikes in the shops of the smoking pipe manufacturers, and had it in mind, by way of pastime and for higher wages, to order a few more from time to time. Recognition of the union was also what they much desired.

So the smoking pipe manufacturers locked out the smoking pipe makers. The lock-out was met at McKinley Hall, in East Fourth-st., one night. Hot were the union pipe bowls, the union tobacco and the union tongues—thick the union smoke. Though puffing pipes were plenty, 'twas no piping time of peace.

FOUND DIAMOND IN THE GROUND.

Small Boy's Discovery While Digging at Sea Shore, and His Reward.

Atlantic Highlands, N. J., Aug. 21.—Clarence Miller, twelve years old, whose parents are living in one of Mr. Emory's cottages in Fourth-ave., for the summer, is one of the happiest youngsters in town. A short time ago, while digging for worms in the yard by his house, he found a diamond earring valued at \$30. He went with it to Mr. Emory, who knew the owner.

About twelve years ago Mrs. A. V. Marchwald, of Brooklyn, while visiting at this house, lost her earrings. It is supposed that they were swept up with the rubbish and thrown out in the yard by mistake. At any rate, nothing had been heard of them and they were given up as lost. The little fellow was his finding to the owner, and on the following day he received a reward of \$100 for the recovery of a \$30 gold piece. He was