JUDGE VROOM ON RACK.

ASYLUM FACTS REVEALED

Contradicts Testimony of Superintendent—Knew Naught of Brutality.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Trenton, July 30.—Startling developments in the investigation into the affairs of the New Jersey State Hospital for the Insane were brought out to-day by the Hahn committee. Judge Garret D. W. Vroom, whose name has been mentioned as a candidate for Governor this year on the Democratic ticket, was the principal witness, and contradicted in many instances the testimony of Dr. John W. Ward, superintendent of the hospital, in regard to the circumstances surrounding the death of the inmate Enoch Silvers.

The board of managers of the asylum sat in a body in front of the investigation committee in the Assembly chamber. Judge Vroom then made this statement concerning his knowledge of Silvers's death:

"When I came home I found on my table a report made twenty-four hours after the death of Silvers, and that report stated the death was due to general paresis. The first I saw of Dr. Ward after the death was on Tuesday. He did not call at my house, but he came to my office for the purpose of explaining to me why Mrs. Silvers had not been notified of her husband's serious condition. He took this course because I was interested in the case, as Mrs. Silvers had worked for Mrs. Vroom a long time.

"Two weeks before the death of Mr. Silvers Mrs. Silvers asked Mrs. Vroom to find out the condition of her husband. Mrs. Vroom asked me to do this and I communicated with Dr. Ward. Dr. Ward said that the patient was improving. I reported this to Mrs. Vroom, and she reported to Mrs. Silvers. Mrs. Silvers went to the hospital the Wednesday before Mr. Silvers's death, and said she was not satisfied with the condition in which she found her husband.

"When Dr. Ward came to me the Tuesday after Silvers's death he wanted to explain why Mrs. Silvers was not notified. It was in that connection that I said the matter was deplorable because Mrs. Silvers was not notified. I knew nothing of the Silvers matter except that the man was dead. Dr. Ward told me the bruises were such as would have been caused by handling the body because of the peculiar condition of the skin in cases of persons who die of paresis. I knew Silvers was a troublesome patient and that he constantly took off his clothes and there was trouble in dressing him. This conversation is the whole knowledge I had of the matter."

Judge Vroom made a statement in which he told all of the details of the report of Dr. Ward to the board of managers concerning Silvers's death. He said that at the meeting at which Dr. Ward made his report the physician said nothing that would cause suspicion as to the matter. Judge Vroom also told of the investigation made by the medical committee of the board of managers as to Silvers's death. He said the report of the committee was a corroboration of Dr. Ward's statement and that the report was extremely gratifying to him as an officer of the state and president of the managers.

Concerning Dr. Funkhauser's explanation of the delay in reporting Mr. Silvers's death to Mrs. Silvers, Judge Vroom said the doctor said he accompanied Dr. Ward on his rounds and was going to report after he had finished that work.

DR. WARD IS CONTRADICTED.

Judge Vroom in emphatic language denied Dr. Ward's testimony concerning Silvers's death in so far as the managers had knowledge of any cause except a natural one. Judge Vroom also said that at the time of Silvers's death he advocated that if anything was found in the death of Silvers to warrant suspicion the death should be reported to the proper authorities. He also said the attendants, Singleton and Skinner, were dismissed because they failed to report the death of Silvers, as required by rules of the asylum.

Judge Vroom admitted that he has known of the friction between Dr. Ward and Warden Hayes for a long time, and he said the friction, he thought, was due to the change made in the management of the asylum in the administration of Governor Abbett when the office of warden was made distinct in itself.

When asked why Dr. Ward was not dismissed some time ago, Judge Vroom said the managers were never able to find that the differences between Ward and Hayes resulted in official neglect. He considered the differences personal rather than official. Judge Vroom said he advocated the dual system of administration at the asylum, and expressed his opinion that the institution can be better administered with a medical director and warden than by a single head.

Judge Vroom was asked when he first knew of typhoid fever at the asylum. He said Dr. Henry Mitchell first called his attention to it in July. He said he knew the matter was at once taken up by the proper committee of the managers and vigorous action was taken. The witness was asked as to sanitary conditions at the asylum. John H. Backes, counsel, was referred by Judge Vroom to committees having the various matters in charge. Judge Vroom said Dr. Mitchell made suggestions as to improvements of sanitary conditions at a meeting of the board held in May, and that his information is that all of the suggestions have been carried out. Judge Vroom was told by Mr. Backes that Dr. Arthur McClintock found all kinds of germs in the cow yard. Judge Vroom answered: "He might go out and gather germs in a butterfly net. I don't know anything about germs."

ABSENT DOCTORS CRITICISED.

Mr. Backes asked Judge Vroom as to why Warden Hayes was absent in the middle of the typhoid epidemic. The witness said if he had known the condition at the hospital at the time Hayes left he would not have consented to his going. He also said Hayes arranged to go to Saratoga, and he went without notice of departure because he had already been given permission to go. It was brought out that Dr. William C. Sandys left the hospital in the midst of the typhoid epidemic and while he had charge of most of the typhoid cases. He said Dr. Sandys will be called to account for his action. Closing this testimony, Judge Vroom said:

"He went away on the excuse of the death of his mother-in-law. A remarkable excuse."

The witness was asked if he knew of violence having been done patients of the asylum. Judge Vroom said he had never heard of such things.

Judge Vroom was asked what check there is on Warden Hayes's expenditure of money. He said the managers have an auditing committee which audits the books of Hayes every month and every item is checked off. He said he has always found the system of purchasing an efficient one. When asked if a contract system would not be better he said it might be as an abstract business proposition. The witness was asked where the $20,000 came from which was used for the medical directors' and wardens' home. The answer was:

"From the surplus fund." Judge Vroom said unexpended amounts of the annual appropriation are not turned back into the treasury, and he never could see any difference in taking money from appropriations or from surplus for the improvement of the institution.

He expressed the opinion that the asylum is run in an economical manner. He was asked if more money were spent for the dietary if the food would not be better. He replied: "Our diet is better than it would have been under competitive bidding. The chief object is to get good food, and I think economy should not interfere with this. All we need is an honest administration."

DID NOT HOLD KEEPERS.

Judge Vroom denied Dr. Ward's testimony that he advised Dr. Ward to hold one of the attendants, pending an investigation of Silvers's death. He said Singleton came to his office for an explanation as to why he was dismissed, and that the only answer he gave this attendant was that the discharge was the action of the managers, taken because the attendant failed to report Silvers's condition.

J. Bayard Kirkpatrick, of New Brunswick, was called. He said he has been ill for some time and for this reason he has not met with the auditing committee of the board of managers, of which he is a member.

Dr. Philip J. Rafferty, of Red Bank, is chairman of the board and chairman of the medical committee. He swore that he attended every meeting of the board. Dr. Ward first told him about the typhoid fever at one of the board meetings. Ward reported that the patients were doing well.

Rafferty admitted every article of food should have been examined and the causes of the outbreak of fever ascertained. He suspected the spring, even after Ward's statement, and asked for a report. Later he ascertained that the condition of affairs was very unsanitary. He said the warden was responsible for the condition of the cow stables.

He said Dr. Sandys left during the epidemic with Dr. Ward's permission. He could not justify Sandys's action, as he had thirty patients under his control, and was gone for two weeks. Neither did he justify Hayes's absence at a critical time. They had not been called to account, however.

Dr. Luther W. Halsey, of Williamstown, testified it was nearly a month before Hayes followed their orders to make the premises sanitary, and then because Dr. Mitchell, of the State Board of Health, forced them to. Dr. Halsey believed the break in the sewer was responsible for the contamination of the spring.

John Taylor, of Trenton, one of the managers, considered competitive bidding the best, and he had long experience. From 3 to 5 per cent could be saved by competition.

Dr. Hoffman, of Somerville, was on the audit committee. The committee audited the treasurer's accounts every three months at the Mechanics' Bank.

The members of the committee did not compare the treasurer's vouchers with those of the warden, which they looked over once a month, unless they could carry them in their heads. He believed the system should be remedied in some way. The committee adjourned until next Monday morning.

LIVE WIRE IN CAR.

Three Passengers on Trolley Burned—All Badly Frightened.

With two hundred and fifty feet of live electric wires hissing and whirling about them, passengers on two southbound Mount Vernon cars, at Third avenue and 140th street, were almost frightened to death last night. Three persons were slightly burned by electric sparks. One passenger, a woman, fainted.

Just as a southbound car was rounding the curve at 140th street the overhead feed wire broke. It broke in the middle, between two supporting poles, leaving two ends dangling in the street. As the car advanced the wires, writhing like a snake, hissed and spurted all about it. There was no electric contact with the feed pole, and the open car was in darkness.

The passengers screamed in terror, and many of them jumped upon the seat. Every flare of light added terror. Men and women fought with each other to avoid the twisting ends of wires. The first car was soon past the danger point. The second car, following close behind, was in the danger zone longer, as it was running at slow speed. One of the wires stretched into the car, touched a piece of ironwork and set fire to the dress of Miss Margaret Gillespie, of No. 1 Daly avenue. The young woman fainted. A man beat out the flames with his hand. Daniel O'Connell, a cousin of the young woman, was burned about the neck. Joseph Morton, of No. 190 Van Cortlandt avenue, and William Heckler, of No. 1079 Prospect avenue, were also burned. Traffic was blocked for half an hour until the wires were repaired.

A similar accident occurred at noon yesterday on the Flatbush avenue line at Beverly Road, and traffic was tied up for nearly an hour.

DISGUSTED WITH JEAN DE RESZKE.

American Woman Says Hirelings Teach in His Musical Studio.

Mrs. Francis H. Hyde, an American, went abroad some time ago to complete her musical education. She stopped off at Paris and went into a studio, from which hung the shingle of Jean de Reszke. Mrs. Hyde returned yesterday on the Atlantic Transport liner Minneapolis a much disgusted woman. What she said of Jean de Reszke made even the oceangoing reporters take on another color. Mrs. Hyde changed color, too, and that color spelled wrath.

"Of course, I was disappointed. Imagine paying $10 for a fifteen-minute lesson in a class of four persons and then to get that lesson from an underling. You go there, all Americans go there, believing that they are to be the personal students of Jean de Reszke, the only. What happens? You pay an exorbitant rate, and instead of Jean de Reszke, the only, for a teacher you get one of his hirelings! Pretty thing, isn't it? De Reszke is a fad! He has more pupils than he can give attention to, and girls are paying large sums for instruction from inferiors. My advice to American girls is to forget Paris and study at home."

POLICE ARRESTED BRIDGET ANYHOW.

She Never Killed Anybody, of Course, but She's a Terrible Fighter.

That patrolmen can catch persons guilty of petty offences, even if they fail to see the larger ones, was again in evidence yesterday, when Patrolman Bachman, detailed to the Municipal Lodging House, at No. 898 First avenue, told Magistrate Droege, in the Yorkville court, what a terrible fighter was Bridget Fox. If she is, she is certainly a bantam-weight. She is nearly seventy-three years old and so weazened and fragile that a strong wind would bowl her over.

"Nonsense! She wouldn't harm any one," said the magistrate.

The patrolman was persistent and told how annoying it was to the other lodgers when she was present. He said that the old woman had been at the lodging house fourteen times in the last three weeks—eleven times too many. When the old woman was asked what she had to say, she replied:

"It makes no difference to me, for you'll send me where you please."

She guessed right, for she was sent to the workhouse.

TEN ARRESTS IN GAMBLING RAID.

Detectives Visit Alleged Crap and Poker Resort—Five Escape by Rear Windows.

In a raid on an alleged poker and crap game in the rear room of a café in East 41st street, near Third avenue, last night, ten men were arrested by Captain Carson and half a dozen detectives of the East 35th street station. Five men managed to escape in the confusion following the entrance of the police.

Julius Dreyfus, twenty-seven years old, of No. 4 Prospect Place, was charged with aiding and abetting gambling, and Harry Esser, forty, of No. 412 West 36th street, had a similar charge made against him.

According to the police, the owner and proprietor of the café, managed to get away. Captain Carson said that he would apply this morning in the Yorkville court for a warrant for his arrest.

MOTOR BOAT AFTER CUPID AT ASBURY.

Asbury Park, N. J., July 30 (Special).—A speedy motor boat, equipped with a powerful searchlight, has been purchased by the city, and will be put in service on Deal Lake for the police who patrol that stream after dark. As soon as the craft is ready for service the bluecoats will be expected to stop spooning in canoes and ruffianly roysterings. Asbury Park has voiced no objection to the post-twilight boating parties, but Ocean Grove residents, who are accused of using opera glasses and electric lanterns, are simply scandalized.

APOLOGIZED FOR HIS SUICIDE.

Knoxville, Tenn., July 30.—An unknown man committed suicide in a gunsmith store in this city today. He selected a pistol, walked to the door and fired into his left temple. In his pocket was a note reading: "To the hardware company—You will excuse my suicide in your house. Suicide is not murder; why not execution?"

TOM SHARKEY'S SILVERWARE STOLEN.

Tom Sharky will enter the ring again if he discovers the men who entered his house in Voorhees avenue, near East 25th street, Sheepshead Bay, early yesterday morning. The prizefighter left his home in care of a gardener while he went to the city. While the man was engaged in watering the lawn, some one entered the house. Later, the servants discovered that nearly all the silverware had been stolen.

NEW FIGURE IN MYSTERY.

Friend of Actress Suicide Shoots Himself in Colorado.

Colorado Springs, Col., July 30.—Amos R. Rumbaugh, of Washington, a close friend of Miss Laura Matthews, the young actress who commited suicide near Broadmoor on Sunday night, added more mystery to the case by shooting himself through the head this afternoon in the same manner adopted by Miss Matthews. He is dying in a hospital to which he was taken for treatment.

Rumbaugh committed the act in his room at the Alta Vista Hotel. The hour when the shot was fired is not known, as it was not heard by any one in the hotel, and the deed was discovered only when officers went to his room to find why he had not responded to the subpœna to attend the coroner's inquest over Miss Matthews's body to-day.

The officials here do not doubt that the act of Rumbaugh was the direct result of the death of Miss Matthews. He was to have appeared this afternoon as a witness at the coroner's inquest to tell what he knew of his friend's tragic end. Rumbaugh said he was only a chance acquaintance of the girl, but it developed that he knew her in Chicago and also knew C. A. Coey, of Chicago. He was frequently a member of parties at which Miss Matthews and other men were members.

Rumbaugh accompanied Miss Green, the nurse, to the livery stable about 5 o'clock Monday morning to see if Miss Matthews's horse had returned. He also sent the telegram to Coey asking that he "do the right thing by the girl," and it was with him that Miss Matthews left the letter in which was inclosed another letter to Coey.

The officers have not yet had time to examine Rumbaugh's papers and effects, and the coroner has had his room locked. If Rumbaugh did not destroy the letter left him by Miss Matthews, together with the letter to Coey, it is believed they will throw much light on the case. The telegram sent by Rumbaugh to Coey after Miss Matthews's death was as follows:

"Laura committed suicide on account of you. Letters left behind. Send $300 at once for expenses."

The officers say that the letter shows that Rumbaugh knew Coey well enough to speak to him of "Laura" and to threaten him. Rumbaugh was about twenty-eight years old. A service medal of honor shows that he served with distinction in the 10th Pennsylvania Infantry in the Philippines.

At the inquest to-day Miss Green, the nurse who was the dead woman's companion in Colorado Springs, admitted having written several letters to friends of Miss Matthews in Chicago and elsewhere, stating that Laura had taken her life. It developed that these letters were written before she had been informed of the finding of Miss Matthews's body. She explained this by saying that she had anticipated the suicide. One of the letters written by Miss Green was as follows:

"My Dear Tot: Poor little Laura has ended her heart troubles; she has tried to fight. She shot herself to-night. Home soon and will tell you all. This has been a severe nervous strain, but must keep up and make arrangements. Sincerely, TILLIE."

This letter was not addressed, but is supposed to have been intended for some person in Chicago.

Miss Green also testified that several days ago she and Miss Matthews had visited a local mortuary and Miss Matthews had selected a coffin and remarked: "This is the kind of a casket I wish to be buried in."

Chicago, July 30.—C. A. Coey, the automobile expert, in an interview to-night in his apartments at the South Shore Country Club, of which he is a resident member, declares that he does not know Amos L. Rumbaugh, who killed himself at Colorado Springs to-day, that he never heard of him before and that he can advance no reason why the young man attempted to kill himself.

It is Mr. Coey's theory that Laura Matthews was lured to her death on the Colorado mountainside by a cunning murderer, who planned to make his work look as much like suicide as possible.

Washington, July 30.—Inquiry here to-night failed to identify "Amos R. Rumbaugh," of Washington, who shot himself at Colorado Springs to-day.

THOUGHT FIRE ALARM MAILBOX.

Swedish Maid Weeps Because of the Excitement Caused in Jersey Town.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Hackensack, N. J., July 30.—Mrs. George W. Lyle, of Summit avenue, asked her Swedish maid, Mary Anderson, to mail a letter at 2.50 o'clock to-day. The fire alarm sounded soon afterward from box 45 on the heights. Chief of Police Dunn and the firemen learned that Mrs. Lyle's servant had been near the alarm box, and she made this explanation:

"I go to the red box, break the glass and pull the bell. I wait a minute and the door did not open, so I pull the bell again. I wait, but it was not opened, so I go to another box across the street and put the letter in a hole."

Chief Dunn took Mary to the street and showed her the group of firemen. She wept when she realized what she had done, but the firemen had a good laugh about it.

Fire Chief Duffy was in Bogota, a mile away, when the first alarm sounded. He started for the heights on his bicycle. When the second alarm sounded he feared the fashionable heights section was in flames and doubled his speed. When Dunn broke the news to him Duffy almost collapsed.

FOUR NEW CASES OF TYPHOID.

Sewerage Commission Finds Source of Contamination in Asylum Spring.

Trenton, July 30.—The State Sewerage Commission has been making an investigation of the source of pollution of the spring which has been blamed for the typhoid epidemic at the State Hospital. Boyd McLean, the secretary of the Sewerage Commission, to-day stated that the pollution of the spring and typhoid epidemic were due to sewage flowing underground from the Trenton City sewer in Asylum road into the spring, which was used for drinking purposes.

Four more cases of the disease developed to-day, making a total of eighty-seven.

TWO CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH.

Cambridge, Mass., July 30.—Two children were burned to death and two other persons were burned so seriously that they will probably die, in a fire in a tenement block at No. 13 Pine street, to-night. The dead are David McGlashan, jr., three years old, and John McGlashan, five years old. The father, David McGlashan, thirty-two years old, and his daughter Euphemia, seven years old, received serious burns. The fire is supposed to have started from the explosion of a lamp.

KILLS NEPHEW ROMPING WITH PISTOL.

Atlantic City, July 30.—On a charge of having accidentally shot and killed his nephew, Frank Bayson, William Haigh, twenty-two years old, of Philadelphia, is under arrest here. The police say they believe the shooting was entirely accidental, but they will have to hold the man for the disposition of the coroner.

Haigh had a revolver in his hands when his nephew, twelve years old, of Philadelphia, reached for it. In his eagerness to get the revolver out of the boy's reach Haigh accidently discharged it. The boy fell to the ground unconscious, and Haigh ran for a doctor. His death occurred in a short while.

CONSOLIDATED VETO OVERRIDDEN.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Hartford, July 30.—Governor Woodruff vetoed today the general charter amendments bill of the Consolidated Railway Company because it extended the franchises included in it to July 1, 1909, and shut out possible builders in case the Consolidated does not build until the 1911 General Assembly. He believed the extension should run only until the sitting of the next Legislature.

The House voted to pass it over the veto by 94 to 85.

COMPULSION IN TRACTION

Chicago Judge Takes Step to Bring Recalcitrants Into Line.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Chicago, July 30.—A "big stick" which is expected to persuade even the most obstinate objector to the plan of reorganization of the Union Traction properties was uncovered in Judge Grosscup's courtroom to-day and was terrifying enough to result in a hurried adjournment to give the threatened lawyers a chance to collect themselves for the argument to-morrow.

It is planned to have the federal court, now in possession of the Union Traction properties under the receivership, lease these properties to the new Chicago Railways Company and then to have a foreclosure sale of the properties, at which the Chicago Railways Company of necessity will be the only bidder.

"What I suppose will happen will be this," said Judge Grosscup. "Everybody who comes into the reorganization plan will get a permanent place in that organization. Everybody who does not will stand on his legal rights and get whatever the courts, after the proper litigation, may give him."

There was some satire in this. It meant the legal right to foreclose and get a share in whatever money the properties might bring under the hammer, with none but the Chicago Railways Company in a position to bid, for no one else would have a franchise to operate. The amount of this money can be estimated easily.

CAPTURING A FILIPINO OUTLAW.

Account by Lieutenant Nichols, Who Had to Take Out Eye of Prisoner.

Binghamton, N. Y., July 30 (Special).—Rev. G. Parsons Nichols, pastor emeritus of the First Presbyterian Church, of this city, received a letter from his son, Lieutenant Harry J. Nichols, a day or two ago describing the capture of Faustino Ablin, one of the chief Filipino outlaws in the interior of the Island of Leyte. The capture was reported at the time in the telegraph dispatches, but not in detail. Lieutenant Nichols, who is a surgeon, had the professional task of removing one of Faustino's eyes.

The letter gives some hints of the situation in the less civilized parts of the island and of the Filipino character. Parts of the letter are as follows:

"Buranen, Leyte, June 15.

"This has been a very eventful week for this station. The leaders of the Pulajanes have been captured or surrounded, and the white troops ordered out. The war is about over.

"As I wrote last week, Major Bell had a considerable number inclosed in a large quadrangle. There were not enough soldiers to form a complete cordon, so native volunteers were used. They went to sleep at night, and the leaders crossed the line on June 10.

"Word was received here from different places where their party passed, and Major Bell sent out a column each time. One was in command of Lieutenant Jones, just out of the academy last year. He caught up with them once, and the scouts, who were leading, blazed away, but hit nothing. Then he put two sharpshooters in front and the next morning caught up again. One man was in the rear, carrying a gun and a revolver. They called to him to halt, but he jumped for the bushes. Both of the sharpshooters shot. One shot went through a bundle under the man's arm and the other went through the cheekbone.

"This was Faustino Ablin, the famous Pulajane, who has had the island in a turmoil for nearly a year. The Spaniards deported him to Mindanao, but when the Americans took the islands he escaped and came back. He was brought in partly stunned. Word had been sent in and the whole town with the band turned out to celebrate the capture. We took him to the hospital and have had him there since under guard.

"His left eye was so badly injured that we decided to take it out, after waiting till he recovered enough to talk and order in his followers. Dr. Reasoner, of La Paz, about eight miles away, came over, and on June 13, as it was my turn to operate, I took out his eye. He is doing very well and is to be taken around and shown, for they doubt his capture.

"The same night, June 11, Esperidion Rota, the fighting man of the outfit, came in with his rifle. They had had enough and could not stand the pressure. The next day Colonel Smith, from Tacloban, the Governor and other notables, came down, and the white troops are already started out. To-day the troops were drawn up and more speeches given to the people by the presidents (the village officials) and others, ending with "Viva Los Estados Unidos" and "Viva Roosevelt," etc. You probably will hear very little about this, but nearly two thousand troops have been working a year at it. I was very glad to be in at the finish.

"Everybody made a rush to get souvenirs of Faustino. I got his blue coat and also some pictures, which one of the soldiers took. You may be interested in seeing them. Faustino seems a very mild mannered, religious fanatic and quite sentimental. The other morning he was lying quietly on a cot when he saw his wife and daughter coming. Immediately he began to draw deep breaths and sob and groan. A constabulary officer, standing near, gave me the wink and said they all acted that way. He signs himself "Jesus y Maria." He will probably be held prisoner a little while and then pardoned, when he may start over again, due to our overkind policy, but I think he has had enough."

A LOST LUNCH AND THE GOOD IT DID.

How an Alderman, Station Agent, Merchant and Poor Family Were Made Happy.

Bloomfield, July 30 (Special).—Mr. and Mrs. George S. Jenkins, old residents of Bloomfield, have enjoyed the best dinner to-day they have had in many months—since Thanksgiving, in fact—while Thomas C. Dancer, the Glenwood avenue newsdealer, and his clerk, for whom the dinner was intended, had to be satisfied with free lunch. It all happened because of a Sunday school excursion, too.

The Methodist Episcopal Church, the Watsessing Methodist Church and the First Baptist Church, all of Bloomfield, held a union outing to-day to Cranberry Lake.

Among the excursionists was Mrs. Dancer. Believing that her first duty lay in preparing for her husband's wants, she cooked a fine luncheon. There was roast chicken, bread and butter, stewed corn, potatoes au gratin, dill pickles, olives, coffee and a generous amount of blackberry pie, for "Tom," she thought, "just loves blackberry pie. Far be it from me," she said, "to let Thomas go hungry while I go gallivantin' about on church picnics."

She took the basket down to the Lackawanna station, where Mr. Dancer met her. He put the basket on a bench in the station waiting room while he assisted his wife up the high steps. He then returned to his place of business and never thought of the basket again until lunch time.

"Abe" Doremus, the station agent, saw the basket and decided that some one of the excursionists had forgotten her lunch. Alderman Frank N. Unangst came along. Doremus told the alderman of his find and asked what he had better do with it.

"Give it to some poor family," said the alderman, "and they can return the dishes to you. The contents might spoil before night."

Calling a porter, Doremus said: "Take this over to Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins. Tell them to eat the contents and return the dishes."

Two hours after Mrs. Jenkins returned the dishes cleanly washed and thanked the station agent for his kindness.

"How did you enjoy it?" asked the latter.

"It was fine," answered Mrs. Jenkins, "and we used the silver knives and forks to eat it with, too. My, but that chicken was good!"

Just one hour after the return of the dishes Mr. Dancer ran into the station looking for his basket. The station agent explained matters.

"Wasn't very hungry, any way, to-day," he said. "Anyhow, I'm glad I didn't get it 'cause I know it must er tasted mighty good to the Jenkinses. Oh, my wife's a good cook, Abe!"

"Bet the Jenkinses think so," he called back.

"That's what made the station agent, newsdealer and alderman so happy to-day," said Mrs. Dancer when she came home.

ALLEGED BLACK HAND MEN EXTRADITED

Plainfield, July 30.—Representatives of Sheriff Waddington, of New Castle, Penn., arrived here today with extradition papers for Loblanco and Novetta, the Black Hand men who were arrested here last week as being leaders of the gang that has been operating throughout Pennsylvania towns. When the men are returned to New Castle they will have to stand trial with other members of the gang, who were arrested a few weeks ago.

PRIEST LEAVES ALL TO HOUSEKEEPER.

The will of the Very Rev. Patrick L. Byrne, who was pastor of St. Aloysius's Church, Caldwell, was probated in the office of Surrogate Russell, Newark, yesterday. The clergyman left all his worldly possessions to Miss Rose A. Doonan, who had been his housekeeper for many years.

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