"NOT A TRUE AMERICAN"

So Jacob Schiff Says of an Honest Zionist Adherent.

"The American Hebrew" will publish to-day a letter written by Jacob H. Schiff to Dr. Solomon Schechter, president of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, in which the banker declares that a true American cannot be a good Zionist. The letter was written in reply to one from Dr. Schechter, which the writer does not consider it advisable to publish, owing to personal references contained therein. Mr. Schiff's letter is, in part, as follows:

I freely concede the right of whosoever may choose to do so to join the Zionist movement, and cannot see any good reason why any one who becomes a Zionist, so long as he does this from honest motives, should draw upon himself the attacks of others who may think differently. But, speaking as an American, I cannot for a moment concede that one can be at the same time a true American and an honest adherent of the Zionist movement.

The men whom you mention by name may have or may have had as far as they have passed away the thorough conviction of a deep attachment to this country, but if they are honest Zionists—I mean, if they believe and hope and labor for an ultimate restoration of Jewish political life and the re-establishment of a Jewish nation—they place a prior lien upon their citizenship, which, if there would be a possibility for their desire and plans to become effective, would prevent them from maintaining allegiance to the country of which they now claim to be good citizens. The Jew should not for a moment feel that he has found only an asylum in this country; he must not feel that he is in exile, and that his abode here is only a temporary or passing one. If those who come after us are to be freed from the prejudice from which this generation is not unnaturally suffering, we need feel that politically no one has any claim upon us but the country of which, of our free will, we have become citizens; that even if we are Jews in faith there is no string to our citizenship.

I have no quarrel with you in your yearning for a return to Jewish ideals; to the contrary, I join in this; but I fear that to a very great number of Zionists, and certainly to many of the distinguished leaders of the movement, this yearning to which you give expression is entirely foreign, and in their desire and ambition for the restoration of a Jewish nation in Palestine the religious moment and motive have but a small, if any, part.

Discussing the Jewish question with Israel Zangwill, John Hay, the late Secretary of State, made and permitted the Jewish novelist to publish the following statement:

Participation in the Zionist movement cannot in the faintest degree discredit the loyalty of American Jews.

MILLIONAIRE COUNCILMAN IN COURT.

George B. Christman Opposes Mother's Plan to Mortgage Home.

"The Millionaire Councilman," George B. Christman, as he was known while a city father, during Mayor Van Wyck's regime, appeared before Justice Guy yesterday to oppose an application of his mother to mortgage the family home, No. 168 East 3d street, valued at $25,000, for the sum of $10,000.

Mrs. Elizabeth Christman is eighty-two years old. Some time ago she was judicially declared incompetent, and Joseph H. Hayes, of No. 280 Broadway, was appointed as "committee of the estate." Upon his application Roy M. Robinson was appointed referee. His report yesterday was favorable to Mrs. Christman, but her son opposed it.

Through his attorney, T. Louis Britt, he told the court that his mother had only a life interest in the estate, which was bequeathed by his father in 1866. The estate was to be divided among the children, share and share alike, at Mrs. Christman's death.

While he was willing to let his mother have the interest and income of the property undivided during her lifetime, he did not want the estate encumbered. Justice Guy reserved decision.

ITALIAN HELD FOR KEHRER MURDER.

Awaits Extradition from Jersey City—Said To Be "Charles Davis."

Giuseppe Capuzzo, who is suspected of being the man known as Charles Davis, was held yesterday by Justice Higgins in the First Criminal Court in Jersey City to await extradition to New York on a charge of having murdered Sophie Kehrer, at No. 475 West 22d street.

Edward Smith testified that the prisoner was known as "Charlie Davis" in a shop in which they had both worked, in West 30th street, Manhattan. Richard Wilson, of No. 237 Whiton street, Jersey City, identified the prisoner as the man he had seen on two occasions in the company of the murdered woman, who lived at his house for seven months. Wilson said that Davis was with the woman when she left the house. Capuzzo had nothing to say in court and was not represented by counsel.

Coroner Acritelli has issued a warrant for the arrest of Capuzzo. District Attorney Jerome will submit the case at once to the grand jury.

GARDNER DISAGREES WITH BURROWS.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Kalamazoo, Mich., Aug. 22.—Congressman Washington Gardner takes issue with a statement made by Senator Burrows in which the latter said the time had arrived for the government to take over the telegraph companies and conduct the business. Gardner declared the time had not arrived, and said not until the company managers have displayed their inability to conduct the business should the government consider the purchase of the property.

"Ownership of public utilities is a question I do not think the government should deal with at the present time," said Gardner.

VESSEL ABANDONED AT SEA.

London, Aug. 22.—The American ship Tillie E. Starbuck, Captain Winn, which left New York April 10 bound for Honolulu, has been abandoned at sea. Her crew were rescued and landed at Coquimbo. The Tillie E. Starbuck was built in Chester, Penn., in 1883, was of 2,033 gross tonnage, and was owned in San Francisco.

MISS GLASER IN A NEW PIECE.

Rochester, Aug. 22.—Miss Lulu Glaser appeared here to-night in a new musical piece by John J. McNally, called "Lola from Berlin." She was assisted in the entertainment by John Standing, William Glaser, R. C. Herz, Miss Lavinia Shannon, Walter Pennington, Miss Lillian Spencer and Miss Lester.

THEATRICAL NEWS.

A new feature will be introduced a week from to-morrow night when the Hipodrome opens for the season. It is called the "Flight of the Ballet Girls and the Doves." When the curtain rises a group of ballet girls will be seen suspended from wire, gliding over the stage, and at a signal five hundred doves are to be released from the top of the structure. They have been trained to fly toward the ballet girls, and at the same time a chorus of five hundred voices will appear on the stage singing "Two Little Doves."

"Hip, Hip, Hurrah!" is the name of the new burlesque Edgar Smith has written for Mr. Weber and with which the Weber company will open Weber's Music Hall October 7.

The first performance of "Anna Karenina," a dramatization of Tolstoy's novel, will be held Friday night, August 30, at Albany. Miss Harned will appear in the principal part. The first performance in this city will be at the Herald Square Theatre on September 2. "The Orchid" will be transferred to the Casino and "Fascinating Flora" will be taken on the road.

The first performance of "The Girl Behind the Counter," with Lew Fields and company, will be held Monday night at Atlantic City.

Leo Ditrichstein and his company started out yesterday to play "Before and After" in several of the large cities of this country and Canada.

Beginning September 6, Miss Blanche Walsh will appear at McVicker's Theatre, Chicago, in "The Straight Road."

With the engagement yesterday of Stephen Grattan and Frank E. Aiken, Mr. Hackett completed the company that will support E. M. Holland in "The House of a Thousand Candles."

TRANSATLANTIC TRAVELLERS.

Among the passengers who arrived yesterday from abroad were:

DEUTSCHLAND, FROM HAMBURG.

James C. Bell. | S. S. McClure.
S. R. Bliss. | Colonel Matsuiki.
Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Cheever. | Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Ritz.
Dr. George F. Doyle. | Charles Stewart.
Mr. and Mrs. James Lee. | Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Wolcott.

Travellers who will sail to-morrow for Europe are:

COLUMBIA, FOR GLASGOW.

Richard W. Austin. | Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Watson.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Burnett. | Miss Bessie Walker.
John P. Henry. | William M. Ramsay.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert K. Young. | J. S. Morgan.
Mrs. Henry Morrow.

MAN KILLS ASSAILANT.

Italian Barber Shoots Former Employe Who Brandished Razor.

When Joseph Volpe, who with his brother has a barber shop at No. 212 Third avenue, tired several months ago of Dominick Beide's way of conducting himself in the establishment and decided to discharge him Beide declared he would get even. He made one attempt during the festivities attendant upon the celebration of St. Rocco's day, on August 16, and succeeded in getting a razor into his former employer's body. Not satisfied with the job, he visited Volpe as he was closing up last night, and renewed the attack. Volpe had a revolver in the back of the shop, and as Beide brandished the razor over him he fired four shots, killing the ex-employe.

Beide did not bear the best of reputations in the neighborhood for sobriety. His drinking habits made him quarrelsome, but he was a good workman when sober. Shortly after he was discharged the barber shop was robbed. Volpe suspected Beide and taxed him with the deed. Beide denied knowledge of the robbery. There was a short discussion, and then Beide drew a razor and slashed his former employer.

When Beide appeared last night Volpe prepared for an attack. When he saw the razor, with which Beide is said to have declared he would finish the job, he sprang for the revolver. Three of the shots went into Beide's body and one struck his right hand. Beide then tottered to a chair and sat down, but slipped off dead to the floor a moment or two after.

Volpe gave himself up to the police of the East 22d street station. He has a wife and six children and has a good reputation in the neighborhood.

MELLEN IS OBDURATE.

Pennsylvania and Central Men Fail to Keep New Haven in Association.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

New Haven, Aug. 22.—The formal notice which has been served upon the American Railway Association by the New Haven road to the effect that the road will withdraw from the association because of the new demurrage law resulted in an important conference here to-day.

W. W. Atterbury, general manager of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and A. H. Smith, vice president and general manager of the New York Central, conferred with President Mellen about his decision, which they make no secret of proclaiming the most revolutionary step taken by the New Haven road since the radical administration of President Mellen began.

At to-day's conference it is stated that the representatives of the Pennsylvania and the New York Central lines spent several hours in trying to persuade President Mellen to reconsider his action. From the office of President Mellen to-night a statement was issued, saying that the notice of withdrawal had not been cancelled.

The rate of demurrage or amount charged railroads for every day longer than the forty-eight hours allotted without charge for holding a freight cas has been raised from 25 to 50 cents, despite the protest of President Mellen.

It was estimated when he gave notice of withdrawal that the raise in demurrage would cost the New Haven road $500,000 a year. President Mellen said to-night that the sum would be considerably in excess of that figure.

RIVAL ARMY OFFICERS MEET.

Colonel Matsuiki and Russian General Still Friends, Despite War.

Colonel Matsuiki, of the Japanese Army, who went abroad several months ago in the suite of Prince Fushimi, arrived here yesterday, on his way to Tokio, on the Hamburg-American liner Deutschland. He said that, after leaving the prince's party, he went to Odessa, where he met his old friend, General Linovitch, against whom he fought at Moukden. "The general was glad to see me," said Colonel Matsuiki, "and he made my visit to Odessa exceedingly pleasant. We talked over the old days when we were together during the Boxer insurrection. I knew the general long before that time, and neither war nor time has changed our old friendship." Colonel Matsuiki said he would spend a few days at Washington before he started for Japan.

While the Deutschland was at Cherbourg a young man whose name did not appear on the passenger list went aboard and engaged in conversation with a party of friends whom he had not seen for many years. Before he was aware the steamer was well out to sea, and he had no alternative except to pay his passage and make the best of the situation. He gave the name of J. S. Burton when the steamer docked yesterday, and declared that he would return to Europe on Saturday.

Among the Deutschland's passengers was Mrs. J. Frederick Zimmerman, who is known on the stage as Edna Jackson. She went abroad to see the London production of the comedy, "The Merry Widow," in which she will appear in New York on September 23.

NATIONAL AIR SPELLS FREEDOM.

Italian Band Released After Playing "Star Spangled Banner."

Signor Lorenzo Pupillo, manager of an Italian band of forty-two pieces, was much incensed yesterday when his "artists" were classified as contract laborers and escorted to Ellis Island.

"Ah, eet is such an offence to my arteests," exclaimed the manager, as the forty-two members of the band were huddled together on the North German Lloyd pier from the steamer Main and put aboard a barge bound for Ellis Island. "Eet ees what you call the eendeegneety to the art of music to do such," he continued. "Wait! I have the arteests play the stars and the banner for the gentlemen an' tnan you let tham go."

The board of special inquiry made the men play several selections and then decided that they were the "real goods" and were entitled to go whither they chose. The musicians were conveyed to the Battery on the federal ferryboat Ellis Island, and later took the municipal ferryboat Queens to Staten Island, where they will appear at a summer park.

FAST AUTO RUN FROM CHICAGO.

1908 Franklin Runabout Makes the Trip in 39 Hours 53 Minutes.

Clayton Carris, driving a 1908 Model D Franklin runabout, arrived here last night, having completed the Chicago-New York run in 39 hours 53 minutes. The former record was 56 hours 58 minutes.

The start was made from Chicago at 3 a. m. on August 21. The route from Chicago was through Elkhart, Ind.; Bowling Green, Cleveland, Erie, Penn.; Buffalo, Syracuse, Newburg, Weehawken and over the 42d street ferry.

James Daly drove the first relay from Chicago to Elkhart, where Melville Bates took the wheel to Bowling Green. Charles Talbot drove from Bowling Green to Cleveland, and Clayton Carris from Cleveland to Erie, Penn. Daly drove to Buffalo, where he was relieved by Bates, who drove to Syracuse, Talbot relieving him by driving from Syracuse to Newburg, and Carris completing the journey from Newburg to New York.

BODIES OF BOYS RECOVERED.

The bodies of Joseph C. Strassman, nineteen years old, of No. 1622 71st street, and Raymond H. Kelsey, eighteen years old, of No. 1822 83d street, Brooklyn, were recovered yesterday. Strassman's body was picked up by Captain Keenerman, of the yacht Greenville, off Bay 19th street, Bath Beach, while that of Kelsey was washed ashore last night at 96th street, Bath Beach. They started out on Monday morning in a skiff on a fishing and swimming expedition in Gravesend Bay. Several hours later the skiff was found anchored and deserted off Bay 19th street, Bath Beach.

NEW QUEBEC LINER HERE.

The new Quebec liner Guiana arrived here yesterday from the shipbuilding yards of Sir James Laing & Sons, Ltd., Sunderland, England. The Guiana, which was built for the West India service of the Quebec Steamship Company, is 345 feet long, has a breadth of 44 feet, a depth of 27 feet and a carrying capacity of 4,800 tons. The steamer is fitted to accommodate sixty-two first class and eighty steerage passengers. She will sail on her maiden trip on August 31.

CHASE OVER ROOF TOPS

Detectives Storm Five Young Alleged Burglars.

Five young men, none of them more than eighteen years old, led two detectives a merry chase over roof tops yesterday at Park avenue and 37th street, when they were caught looting the house at No. 51 Park avenue, belonging to August Belmont. The boys were trying to steal several hundred dollars' worth of brass and lead fixtures. The excitement of the chase was increased by the detectives firing their revolvers to deter the youngsters from their bombardment of the law's officers with bricks.

The arrest of the boys was brought about through the alertness of a telegraph messenger. This messenger was very much awake. He saw the five daring youths scale a high picket fence which surrounds the Park avenue house. Of course, a messenger boy knows a detective when he sees one; this youngster saw two standing near and he told them of his discovery. Gallagher and Clinchy, the detectives, went to the basement door and found that the lock had been forced. They went up to the third floor, when they heard footsteps in the chamber above. The young thieves saw the detectives and made for the roof. Then there was a chase that extended over a half dozen roof tops. The boys intrenched themselves behind a chimney and, loosening the bricks, began a bombardment.

The wideawake messenger had in the mean time run to the East 35th street station and informed Lieutenant McAdams. The latter dispatched three policemen to the front. The shots and the overwhelming numbers induced the boys to come out from their breastworks and surrender.

They gave the following names, ages and addresses: Bernard Zeller, seventeen years of age, No. 228 East 45th street; Henry Rossner, eighteen years of age, No. 224 East 44th street; James Connelly, eighteen years, No. 223 East 44th street; Louis Brettman, eighteen years, No. 317 East 43d street, and Joseph Hartnett, seventeen years of age, No. 304 East 44th street.

Magistrate Crane, in Yorkville court, later held the boys in $500 bail each until to-day.

DEVERY OBTAINS EMPLOYE'S RELEASE

Expert Weaver from England Detained at Ellis Island Until "Big Chief" Arrives.

"Big Bill" Devery, ex-Chief of Police, accompanied by ex-Police Captain Diamond, his partner in the Lackey Manufacturing Company of Newburg, went to Ellis Island yesterday and obtained the release of Henry Smedley, an instructor in weaving in the Newburg plant.

Smedley came from Nottingham, England, it is said, in response to an advertisement for an expert weaver to take charge of a factory and instruct apprentices. Engagement by this means is in violation of the Immigration law. On complaint of some of his shopmates Smedley was taken to Ellis Island. Pending the action of the Department of Commerce and Labor, Smedley was released under $1,500 bond and returned to the mill yesterday, accompanied by Devery.

OPTIMISM FROM HARRIMAN IN WEST.

Reported Message to Friend that the Business Outlook Never Was Better.

One of the Wall Street news agencies stated yesterday that E. H. Harriman had arrived on the Pacific Coast, and as a result of detailed observations of the railroad situation all the way from Chicago to San Francisco and conferences with his lieutenants and others had wired to a friend in New York as follows:

"Business outlook in the West was never better than it is to-day. We look for a big fall business. Union Pacific was never in such shape as it is at the present time."

DENIES COLELL'S LONG SWIM.

Came On at the Pier, Like Other Passengers, Declares the Huron's Captain.

The Clyde liner Huron, on which Edward H. Colell, of Rockaway Point, made his mysterious trip to Jacksonville a week ago, arrived here yesterday with an account entirely different from the dramatic story told by Colell when he arrived here on Tuesday on the Old Dominion liner Jamestown from Norfolk.

Colell told of a midnight plunge into the surf off Rockaway Point, a long drift with the tide, a lapsing into unconsciousness, his rescue by a fishing smack, and his subsequent transfer from the fishing craft to the Clyde liner Huron, bound for Jacksonville. A wireless message sent by him from the steamer to his wife contained a synopsis of the strange tale told on his arrival in this city.

"Nothing of the sort," said Captain Ingraham, of the Huron yesterday, when Colell's version was repeated to him. "Mr. Colell boarded the Huron at her pier, just as the other passengers had done. He had no ticket, but had plenty of money, and paid for cabin accommodations to Charleston. On the first night out he was much worried and was anxious to send a wireless message to his wife. After sending the message he calmed down and entertained the passengers with selections on the piano, on which he played with skill. He was a good fellow throughout the trip. Why he should tell such a weird story is beyond me."

MOTHER TRIES TO KIDNAP HER CHILD.

Mrs. John Dunn, Separated from Husband, Checked by Police at Norwalk.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Norwalk, Conn., Aug. 22.—An attempt to kidnap the little daughter of John Dunn, a New Yorker, who is spending the summer in a cottage on Riverview Terrace, was made last night by Mrs. Dunn, who has not lived with her husband for several years.

Mr. Dunn went out for the evening, and during his absence Mrs. Dunn and a man wearing a New York policeman's badge appeared and tried to get the girl. The nurse refused to give her up. The policeman showed his badge as a proof of his authority, but the nurse was obdurate and called for help. Mrs. Dunn tried to take the child by force, but the arrival of two policemen prevented her. She admitted she was the girl's mother. The man refused to give his name until this morning. Then he said it was John Coyne, and said he was a member of the New York force. He begged so hard to be allowed to go that he was released.

FEWER SALOONS FOR INDIANAPOLIS.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Indianapolis, Aug. 22.—Convinced that the temperance element will demand a high license law at the next session of the Legislature on account of the practice of the brewers of establishing saloons to get a retail market, all of the large brewery owners have signed an agreement to discontinue the practice. This means that two thousand saloons will go out of business when the present licenses expire.

APPROVES DE FESTETICS'S REQUISITION.

Albany, Aug. 22.—Governor Hughes approved to-night requisition papers on the Governor of New Jersey for the return to New York of Gyula de Festetics, who is under arrest in Perth Amboy, charged with kidnapping. De Festetics was indicted by the Grand Jury of New York County on August 10, on complaint of Elsie H. de Festetics, who asserted that he had kidnapped her son, Dwight L. H. de Festetics, March 20 of last year. De Festetics is fifty-four years old, an artist, and lived in New York City.

BOY ADMITS WRECKING TRAIN.

Plymouth, Mass., Aug. 22.—The identity of the person who placed a bolt on the track of the Plymouth & Middleboro Branch of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad yesterday, causing a wreck of a passenger train from Providence, was discovered to-night, when Peter Silva, nine years old, acknowledged that he put the bolt there to see the train flatten it out. The boy was not arrested, but will be called into court.

FIGHTS SNAKE IN AIR.

Blaster on Rope, with Dynamite in Hand, Battles for Life.

Trenton, Aug. 22 (Special).—John Hutchinson, a blaster at the workhouse quarries on the Delaware River, had a midair encounter with a pilot snake to-day that resulted in the suspension of all work. A hundred quarrymen watched the fight, powerless to aid.

Hutchinson had been lowered over the side of the quarry and was suspended about a hundred feet from the top and seventy-five feet from the bottom of the chasm when his attention was attracted by a peculiar gliding movement on the rope above him. He saw a large pilot snake making its way down the rope in his direction. Escape was impossible, and Hutchinson's danger was increased by the fact that he was carrying in his hand a stick of dynamite and a small drill. He managed to shove the dynamite into his pocket and then prepared to give battle with the small drill.

As the snake came within reach Hutchinson aimed a blow at its head, but missed. The second blow was more successful. Another ended the fight. Hutchinson signalled, and his comrades above pulled him up.

Hutchinson was nearly exhausted when he arrived at the top. The other quarrymen who witnessed the struggle were so unstrung that they refused to go back to work, which was therefore suspended for the day.

CHANGED GROUND FOR DIVORCE.

Mrs. Jungbluth's Amended Petition Said Nothing of Cruelty or Alimony.

Louisville, Aug. 22.—Absolute divorce was granted to-day to Mrs. Amanthis Jungbluth from Karl Jungbluth, of New York, by Judge Samuel E. Kirby on the ground of abandonment. The petition alleging abandonment was filed on August 4 as a substitute for one filed last November, in which sensational charges of cruelty were made by the plaintiff, and in which she asked for alimony in the sum of $200,000, while the amended petition contained no reference to alimony.

Mr. Jungbluth's answer, which was filed by his counsel to-day, admitted that he had lived apart from his wife for the past year, and further that he did not intend to return to her. It is said the terms of alimony were settled privately, but Judge Kirby allowed the attachments against the defendant's real estate to stand until a further settlement.

BERG WINS PRESIDENT'S MATCH.

Washington Man Gets Individual Rifle Shooting Championship of America.

Camp Perry, Ohio, Aug. 22.—A. D. Berg, of the 2d Washington, won the President's match in to-day's contest, and thereby won the individual shooting championship of America. He made 310 points out of a possible 500.

Major C. B. Winder, of Washington, was second, with 308 points. Berg also won the skirmish fire, with 90 points, and Major Winder was second, with 81 points. For rapid fire Berg was tied by Captain Darlington, of Washington, with 48 points. The rapid fire was for 200 yards and the President's match for 1,000 yards.

President Roosevelt was informed of Berg's victory. Major Winder carried off the honors at Sea Girt in 1903.

REFORM WAVE SWEEPS OUT POLICE.

San Francisco Chief and Commissioners Give in to Mayor Taylor.

San Francisco, Aug. 22.—The old Board of Police Commissioners, which was deposed by Mayor Taylor, decided to-day to relinquish office to the new board. Chief of Police Dinan, after consultation with the former commissioners, handed his resignation to the new commissioners this afternoon.

COMMISSION DENIES APPLICATION.

Newburg Light, Heat and Power Company Cannot Increase Capital Stock.

Albany, Aug. 22.—The Public Service Commission in the Second District announced to-day that it had denied the application of the Newburg Light, Heat and Power Company for permission to increase its capital stock from $500,000 to $750,000. The application, the commission says, was really for permission to issue $250,000 8 per cent cumulative preferred stock.

The decision, prepared by Commissioner Decker, says that if the proposed increase was approved, it "would create a permanent annual charge of $20,000 upon the property, and, in our judgment, allowance of a permanent fixed charge of this character to meet temporary exigencies of the money market is not justified. The distinction between a continuing capital burden of that description and an issue of bonds or notes for a short term bearing a fair rate of interest, even if sold at a moderate discount, is obvious. Favorable action upon this petition would constitute a precedent which, if followed in other cases, might operate disastrously to minority stockholders, and also work hardship upon affected communities through the continuous necessity for service rates or charges sufficiently high to meet such permanent obligations."

NOT TO RESUME WORK.

President of Chesapeake & Ohio Denies Report.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Richmond, Va., Aug. 22.—President Stevens of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company, in an interview to-day concerning the report that there would be a resumption of construction on the Chesapeake & Ohio since the stockholders of that company had approved the $10,000,000 deal with the Blair-Ryan syndicate, and that a double track would be completed between this city and Newport News the present year, said positively that there would be nothing to it.

NIAGARA CONFERENCE PLANS.

Boston, Aug. 22.—The 100th anniversary of the abolition of the slave trade and the centenary of the births of Whittier, Longfellow and Agassiz will be observed in this city on August 26, 27 and 28, at the third annual conference of the Niagara movement. Many speakers, both white and negro, will address the conference. Among those who are expected to speak are Professor W. S. Scarborough, of Wilberforce University, Ohio; the Rev. Dr. Reverdy C. Ransom, of New York; Frederick L. McGhee, of St. Paul, and Dr. William E. Bulkeley, of New York.

SMITH NOT IN RACE FOR SENATOR.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Council Bluffs, Iowa, Aug. 22.—Congressman Walter I. Smith, of this district, who has been spoken of as a candidate for United States Senator to succeed Senator Allison, has made the following statement: "I am not an aspirant, much less a candidate, for the United States Senate, and will not be a candidate to succeed Senator Allison. This declaration is good this year and it's good next year, too. My candidacy is out of the question."

TWO BADLY HURT IN AUTO SPILL.

Hagerstown, Md., Aug. 22.—Mrs. W. Cruse, of New Jersey, is in a hospital at Chambersburg, possibly fatally injured, as a result of the overturning of an automobile about three miles west of Chambersburg this afternoon. Albert Kaufman, of Carlisle, Penn., the chauffeur, was also badly injured and burned by blazing gasolene. The car went over the embankment while the chauffeur was attempting to pass a wagon.

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HERMIT'S TREASURES UNEARTHED.

More Money Belonging to Aged Mountain Recluse Found by Brother.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 22.—Another jar full of money belonging to the late W. J. Cleveland, of Salem, N. Y., known as a hermit on account of the secluded life he led, has been unearthed by Henry J. Cleveland, a brother, who has been here for several weeks searching, and has found about $12,000.

Money was found hidden in many places, and several jars filled with money were found buried in the ground underneath Cleveland's home, where he had lived for twenty years.

Cleveland was eighty years old and had for twenty years denied himself to all callers. He lived in the mountains about twelve miles from Asheville, with an old negro servant, and owned several hundred acres of land.

ENJOYED DRINKING THE EVIDENCE.

But Justice Saves Enough from Witnesses to Arrest Bartender.

Hempstead, Long Island, Aug. 22.—Charles F. Gittens has proved that he is as keen a detective as he is a justice of the peace. Last Sunday by a little deduction the justice caught one Ella Dorsey leaving the Gardner House Café with a pail of beer. He had the bartender arrested and the owner of the hotel may lose his license.

Justice Gittens was sitting in front of Akley's cigar store, in Greenwich street, when he saw a woman pass with a pail in her hand and enter the café. In a few minutes the woman came out with the pail under her apron. The justice stepped in front of her, and, raising her apron, asked: "What have you there?" Miss Dorsey, with great surprise, said, "Why, beer."

Justice Gittens called Wallace Baxter, a realty broker, and asked him what was in the pail. Baxter raised the pail to his lips, and after keeping it there until the justice grabbed it for fear all the evidence would be gone replied: "That's beer, judge." Just then Officer William Cooper, in full uniform, came around the corner, twirling his trusty billie in a manner that makes all the nurse maids of Hempstead regret that he is a married man, and Justice Gittens called him and asked him what was in the pail.

Cooper looked and at once replied, "That's beer."

"How do you know?" asked the judge.

"Well, if you had drunk all—— Well, because I can tell by the look."

He tasted the liquid, however, and again pronounced it beer, and the justice laconically remarked that there was just enough left for evidence. Cooper with a grin of complete satisfaction asked the justice to take a drink himself to make proof positive.

The justice then took the pail of beer to his office, sealed it up and dated it, with full inscription. He then called on Justice Wallace, who issued a warrant for the arrest of George Finley, the bartender, who was placed under bonds, furnished by the hotel owner. The case will be called before Justice Wallace to-morrow.

SAYS SHERIFF IS N. Y. DESERTER.

Wisconsin Action Alleges Official Quit Two Regiments in the Civil War.

Chippewa Falls, Wis., Aug. 22.—Robert E. Bundy has begun a quo warranto action in the Circuit Court of Pepin County to remove Frank L. Taylor, Sheriff of the county, from office.

The grounds for the action, as set forth in the complaint, are that the defendant is not a citizen of the United States. Mr. Bundy alleges that Sheriff Taylor was a deserter from the United States military service on two occasions, once in 1862 and again in 1863.

The complaint states that the defendant was a soldier in the 60th New York Infantry on the first occasion, and a member of the 16th New York Cavalry when he is alleged to have deserted the second time. The complainant alleges that the standing of deserter has never been removed from the military records.

SIOUX INDIAN COMMITS SUICIDE.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Aug. 22.—Because his mother-in-law would not share her home with himself and bride and chop all the wood Red Shirt, a Sioux warrior, who lived in the extreme northern part of the Rosebud reservation, near White River, committed suicide by shooting himself to-day.

It is one of the few cases which are on record of a Sioux Indian ending his own life.

NIECE OF CARNEGIE WEDS QUICKLY.

Atlantic City, Aug. 22.—Harry Darcy Lentz and Miss Annie B. Rowley, a niece of Andrew Carnegie, met on the boardwalk here to-day and were married shortly afterward. They had known one another for a long time, but had not met recently and neither knew of the presence of the other. Lentz, it is said, had asked Miss Rowley to marry him, but had been refused, and to-day, after their meeting, he renewed his proposal, and she not only accepted him, but also consented to be married at once. The ceremony was performed in a hotel parlor, and after wiring to Pittsburg, where they live, asking for forgiveness, they left on their wedding journey.

POSTMASTERS ELECT OFFICERS.

Erie, Penn., Aug. 22.—The tenth annual convention of the Postmasters' Association of the First Class Cities of America, closed to-day, when officers were elected and Chattanooga, Tenn., was chosen as the place for the convention next year. The officers chosen are:

President, J. L. Waite, Burlington, Iowa; first vice-president, Henry Blun, jr., Savannah, Ga.; second vice-president, E. N. Morgan, New York City; third vice-president, F. G. Withoft, Dayton, Ohio; fourth vice-president, E. B. Sizer, Lincoln, Neb.; fifth vice-president, Isadore Sobel, Erie, Penn.; treasurer, Thomas G. Lawler, Rockford, Ill.

Amusements.

AERIAL GARDENS Atop New Amsterdam Theatre, W. 42d St. NIGHTS AT 8:30. LAST TWO TIMES. GEO. M. COHAN THE HONEYMOONERS.

NEW AMSTERDAM THEATRE West 42d St. Beginning Monday, Aug. 26, SEATS SELLING. Wed. & Sat. Mats. EXTRA MAT. LABOR DAY. Klaw & Erlanger's Massive Production. THE ROUND UP

ZIEGFELD'S GREAT REVUE. FOLLIES OF 1907 STILL PLAYING TO CAPACITY. AT THE JARDIN de PARIS WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE LIBERTY THEATRE TO-MORROW NIGHT Seats Selling. SPECIAL MATINEE LABOR DAY.

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CARRICK 35th St., near B'way. Eves. 8:20. Mat. Sat., 2:15. MR. WILSON HAS NEVER DONE ANYTHING FUNNIER—EVE. SUN. FRANCIS WILSON WHEN KNIGHTS WERE BOLD.

CRITERION THEATRE. B'way and 44th St. Eves. 8:15. Mat. Sat., 2:15. 7TH MONTH—LAST 2 NIGHTS. HATTIE WILLIAMS THE LITTLE CHERUB. NEXT MON., THE DAIRY MAIDS SEATS SELLING.

LYCEUM Broadway and 45th St. Eves. 8:30. Mats. Thurs. & Sat. GRACE GEORGE IN DIVORCONS!

KNICKERBOCKER. Broadway and 38th Street. Evenings 8:10 sharp. Matinee Saturday, 2:15. THE ALASKAN A NEW COMIC OPERA.

SAVOY 34th St. and B'way. Evgs. 8:15. Mats. Thurs. & Sat., 2:15. MAN OF THE HOUR By George Broadhurst.

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LYRIC 42d St., W. of B'way. Tele. 1646 Bryant. Evgs. 8:15. Mats. Wed. & Sat. 2:15. THE LADY FROM LANE'S.

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HAMMERSTEIN'S 42d St. Eve. 8:15. ROOF and Daily Mat. in Theatre with Roof Bill. "A NIGHT IN A RATHSKELLER." ARTHUR PRINCE. MLLE. FOUGERE. Sheila.

BLANEY'S Lincoln Square. Broadway, 66th St. Evgs. 8:20. Mats. Wed. & Sat., 2:15. S. MILLER KENT in "RAFFLES." Next week—Red Feather, with Cheridah Simpson.

ASTOR B'way, 45th St. Eve. 8:15. Mat. Sat. Extra Matinee Labor Day. RAYMOND HITCHCOCK "A YANKEE TOURIST." Musical farce in three acts.

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