

METZ PRODS BINGHAM.

Says He Tried to Melt City for Unnecessary Notary Fees.

Controller Metz gave out another statement yesterday in his controversy with Police Commissioner Bingham over the contingent fund. He said that the whole thing was a tempest in a teapot, and that if the Police Commissioner had come to him in a manly way, instead of going to the Corporation Counsel, the matter might have been settled long ago. Incidentally the Controller announced that he is the only man in the city administration, from the Mayor down, who is not afraid of the Police Commissioner.

All that Commissioner Bingham had to say yesterday was that the "incident" would not be closed until he obtained the money to carry on the work of the department.

Controller Metz gave out the report of the chief auditor of accounts on the requisition which caused all the trouble. It appeared that the entire amount was due to the requisition being sent back to the Commissioner, with a protest against certain notaries' fees, and with a request that receipts be transmitted to the Controller's office for several payments made to persons not on the roster of the Police Department.

The notaries' fees to which objections were made were in connection with affidavits regarding the alleged violation of the Sunday law by theatres. The auditor says that for many years notaries' fees have not been allowed, and that those under consideration were entirely unnecessary because the officers who made the affidavits could have sworn to their statements before a city magistrate. His report says:

If the precedent of allowing notaries' fees, as in the instances cited, be established, it will lead to very grave abuses in the city. The city is now paying thousands of dollars, which heretofore have not been considered proper charges against the city treasury. It is proper to allow notaries' fees with respect to the reports of the officers detailed to witness Sunday exhibitions, it will follow that it would likewise be proper to allow affidavits taken in the 28 instances that appear in the requisition at present on file in this department. If the proper steps toward co-operation with this office in the matter of the items of previous requisitions disallowed had been taken by the Police Commissioner, the major portion of the amount asked for in the requisition under consideration might with due promptitude have been paid to him.

Commenting on the report of the auditor, Controller Metz said:

I find this entire matter might have been adjusted by the Commissioner if he had simply followed the rules governing the functions of this department with all others on questions which arise daily. Instead of doing this he ignored this department entirely and went to the Corporation Counsel with his vouchers, and then returned them to me with the Corporation Counsel's opinion on November 7, and on November 8, the next day was a half holiday. On Monday I was exceedingly busy on all payrolls on account of financial conditions. The 5th was a holiday. On the 6th I took up the matter and passed it to Deputy McCooey to attend to. On the 7th there were headlines in the daily papers about this department regarding the Police Department. On the 8th I took it up again and referred it to the auditor for a report. To-day I got the report.

The auditors are entirely within their charter rights in insisting on the information they want. I have no power to allow the auditors, and if any of them allow dictation from any source they are not fit to be auditors.

Controller Metz said he would send a copy of the auditors' report to the Corporation Counsel and refer the entire matter to the Mayor. "I certainly am not going to allow any criticism by an appointed subordinate of the Mayor," he said, "to go without resenting it and setting this department right in the public mind."

TRIED STRONG DRINK AND RELIGION.

Both Failed to Relieve His Conscience, So Chicago Crook Confessed.

Chicago, Nov. 9.—Failing to relieve his troubled conscience with strong drink and religion, Anthony Kelly, forty-three years old, who says he is the black sheep of a wealthy Philadelphia family, went to a police station last night and confessed to having committed numerous burglaries. The police believe that he also may know something about the recent murder of James W. Alaway, the Los Angeles commission merchant, who was shot and killed on November 5 by a burglar.

TWO ELEVATORS IN ONE SHAFT.

Chicago Inventor Expects to Revolutionize Service in Tall Buildings.

Chicago, Nov. 9.—An invention which, it is asserted, will revolutionize elevator service in tall buildings, will be installed soon by Jarvis Hunt, an architect, in several of the largest office structures in Chicago and New York. The key to the invention is the operation of two elevators in one shaft. With the practical devices to be used as equipments for the cars, the running of two elevators in one shaft appears to be as safe as the running of one elevator car at present.

I. T. U. CONSTITUTION AMENDED.

Indianapolis, Nov. 9.—Six amendments have been made to the constitution of the International Typographical Union. The first provides for relinquishing jurisdiction over newspaper writers; the second, to increase the bond of the secretary-treasurer from \$5,000 to \$10,000; the third, to increase the salary of the international president from \$1,500 to \$2,000; the fourth, to increase the salary of the international secretary-treasurer from \$1,000 to \$1,500; the fifth, to increase the burial benefits from \$75 to \$100; and the sixth, to provide for a pension of \$4 a week to superannuated members.

MURDER AND SUICIDE IN BUFFALO.

Buffalo, Nov. 9.—Mrs. Stephen Dohmer, a widow, forty-eight years old, was hacked to death with a lathing hatchet by Shreve Yeager, forty years old, this afternoon. The man, who was a roofer in her house, then slashed his throat with a razor and died in a few minutes.

LANDSLIDE BLOCKS B. & O.

Clarksburg, W. Va., Nov. 9.—A landslide occurred at Elderswood last night, which covered the tracks of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad to a depth of fifty feet for a distance of half a mile. Hundreds of men were put to work, but as soon as the earth was removed from the track another slide would take place. It is thought that the route of the road will have to be changed before a safe bed will be found.

NAVIGATORS OBJECT TO SEARCHLIGHT.

Wilmington, Del., Nov. 9.—It was announced to-day that Delaware Bay pilots and masters of vessels will protest to the War Department against the rays of an electric searchlight at Fort Mott, New Jersey, being thrown promiscuously up and down the bay. The navigators declare they are blinded, and unable to navigate their vessels.

WET PASSENGERS CANOE VICTIMS.

Without stopping to give their names or addresses, a man and a woman, who had been rescued from the Hackensack River by William Flaget, of Oradell, N. J., when their canoe upset off that place, hurried to the railroad station and boarded the 4 o'clock train for New York on Friday afternoon. The canoe's passengers were clinging to the boat when it was overturned, and, with their clothes drenched, rushed to the station in time to board the train.

DEATH FAILS TO PART AGED COUPLE.

Only a day and a half intervened between the death of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Boyd, of No. 33 East 12th street, Williamsburg. Mr. Boyd was eighty-two years old and his wife, Elizabeth, was eighty-two years old. There will be a double funeral to-morrow from their late home, and later they will be laid side by side in the family plot in Evergreen Cemetery. One son and two daughters survive them.

TO STUDY ITALIAN EMIGRATION.

Representative William S. Bennett, who returned from abroad several months ago, where, as a member of the Immigration Commission, he had been studying the immigration problem, again sailed for Europe yesterday on the American liner St. Louis. He will go from Southampton to Italy and make a special investigation of emigration from Italian ports.

TO HELP FIRE FIGHTERS.

Commissioner Lantry to Charter Revisers—Wants More Power.

Fire Commissioner Lantry sent a long letter yesterday to the Charter Revision Commission suggesting changes which, he believes, would be for the best interests of the Fire Department. Among his recommendations is one that the Commissioner should be given power to create such bureaus, in addition to those already established, "as in his judgment may be necessary for the proper conduct of the business of the department."

At present the wife of a fireman killed in the discharge of his duty gets as a pension one-half of the salary of the grade in which the man was at the time of his death. Commissioner Lantry suggests that the charter should in all cases make the pension half the pay of a fireman of the first grade. He also advocates increasing the amount to which the principal of the life insurance fund can go, as in cases of excessive mortality the heirs have to wait for some time for payments.

Another suggestion is that the high water pressure service being installed by the Water Department be turned over to the Fire Department. The Commissioner asks for permission to fix a fee for searches, the fees to go to the relief fund. No compensation is received for such work now.

Provision should be made, he says, whereby the New York department could legally give aid to other cities in case of conflagration, such as the one at Baltimore. The sending in of a false alarm, he says, should be punishable by imprisonment for six months, in lieu of a fine. It should be possible, he also suggests, to declare that a fireman has severed his connection with the department by an unexplained absence of five days.

At the request of the superintendent of the fire alarm telegraph, Commissioner Lantry recommends that the charter provide that all contractors and others requesting the removal of any part of the system should pay for the work, and that any part of the system injured through accident or design should be repaired at the expense of the persons responsible for the damage. It is also recommended that the charter and all laws and ordinances regulating the sale of explosives be made uniform.

Commissioner Lantry says that while he does not want to present the matter to the Charter Revision Commission, he does purpose at the proper time to ask the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to increase the salary of all officers, engineers and firemen of all grades.

BONE REMOVED AND BRAIN INCISED.

Bellevue Physicians Check Paralysis by Heroic Operation.

To remove a blood clot and check paralysis of the right side, which would have resulted fatally, doctors in Bellevue Hospital removed a section of the temporal bone from the skull of Thomas Duffy, of No. 33 East 30th street, Manhattan, yesterday. After the bone had been removed and the brain exposed an incision was made into the brain one-half an inch in length and one-fourth of an inch deep. At this point the clot of blood which caused the paralysis was found.

As the incision was continued on half an inch deeper the physicians found a second clot, which was also removed before the triangular section of the temporal bone was reset. When Duffy was taken into the hospital, more than a week ago, he had lost the power of speech and was deaf in his right ear. He called first at the hospital on October 27, when he said that he had been assaulted in a fight, but he refused to remain for treatment and did not return until paralysis set in. Last night his condition was so far improved that he was able to raise his right hand and articulate several numbers.

ORIENTAL RUGS ON EXHIBITION.

H. H. Topakyan, one of the recognized rug experts in the United States, is exhibiting this week at the Fifth Avenue Art Galleries a collection of Oriental rugs which it is said has never been equalled in this city. On Monday and Tuesday the collection will be on exhibition in the afternoon and evening, and on Wednesday at 3 p. m. the sale at auction will begin.

GOVERNOR'S ROOM REDECORATED.

The Governor's Room, in the City Hall, which has been closed for nearly two years, will be reopened to-morrow. It has been entirely redecorated and refurnished. The Colonial design of the room has been retained, but the color scheme has been changed. The room contains many interesting antiques, such as desks used by Presidents Washington and Jefferson, and a valuable collection of paintings of historical characters. Mrs. Elizabeth Little, who has been in charge of the room for many years, will be retained to care for it.

APHASIA SUBJECT BECOMES INSANE.

Rudolph Gross, the nineteen-year-old boy who was taken to the Williamsburg Hospital on Tuesday suffering from a remarkable form of aphasia, went insane at the home of his grandfather, No. 154 Throop avenue, Brooklyn, last night. He is now in the observation ward of the Kings County Hospital. A week ago Gross lost his power of speech and was unable to move from his chair. Yesterday he was taken to his grandfather's home, and after being there a few hours suddenly beat both his grandfather and grandmother and wrecked the place.

BLAST MADE HIM SWALLOW TEETH.

John Slavin, of No. 109 Flushing street, Long Island City, is recovering from an operation made necessary by a set of teeth becoming imbedded in his throat as the result of shock from a blast in the Pennsylvania tunnel excavation at that place on Thursday. The teeth lodged above the "Adam's apple," and all efforts to remove them failed until the man was taken to St. John's Hospital, where the operation was performed.

PUBLIC LECTURES AT COOPER UNION.

Cooper Union was opened as a public lecture centre last night under the auspices of the Board of Education. Charles H. Carter, lecturer at Yale University, and the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts and other institutions, opened with a talk on "The Classical or Academic Motive in the Artistic Ideals of the Nineteenth Century." Next Wednesday Daniel Gregory Mason will begin a course on music, and five other new courses will be begun in the week. These are designed especially for adults.

AUSTRIAN PORTRAIT PAINTER HERE.

Among the passengers arriving yesterday on the America was Arthur de Ferraris, an Austrian portrait painter, who first came to this country about five years ago. He has spent several years in New York. In the last two years he has painted portraits of the Emperor of Germany, Prince von Bulow and the Crown Princess of Rumania. He will go from here direct to Chicago and will return to New York to spend the winter.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Following an autopsy on the body of Mrs. Cesaro Vigil, who was found dead in her room at No. 27 West 138th street on Friday, it was said by Coroner Heuriger yesterday that the woman died of a complication of diseases, and that she had not been murdered as was indicated by a wound on her forehead. Samuel Gerwitz, of No. 576 Fox street, The Bronx, was held in \$2,500 bail by Magistrate Barlow in the Jefferson Market police court yesterday, where he was charged with taking \$500 from Miss Anna Schwartz, a casiner, while she was returning from the bank. Gerwitz was arrested at 13th street and University Place. Having a mania to turn in fire alarms in the Boston Road section of The Bronx, Louis Dollenka, of No. 148 Boston Road, was committed for a test of his mental condition in the Court of Special Sessions on Friday. A verdict of \$2,000 was awarded by a jury in the Supreme Court before Justice Dayton yesterday, in favor of Isidor Duchoff, thirteen years old, whose favor was scratched by a leopard in a Grand street bird store two years ago. It was said that the injury was incurable. After being discharged from the psychopathic ward in Bellevue Hospital Severin E. De Angelis, a lawyer, who shot Walter L. Messee, was arrested yesterday and locked up in the Tombs prison. The arrest was made on a bench warrant, following an indictment by the grand jury.

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A Most Extraordinary Sale of Fine Tailor-made Suits

Gowns for Afternoon and Theatre Wear

Rugs from the Orient

French Seamless Rugs

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Our own customers are doing so much good and effective advertising for us, as each tells her neighbor of the advantages to be found here, that newspaper space need be given only to a few typical offers of fine goods underpriced for to-morrow's selling. These show well the unique and characteristic feature of this new store—merchandise of the very finest classes at prices lower than such merchandise had ever been sold before these doors were opened.

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The materials are sumptuous velvet, chiffon velvet, broadcloth and two-toned striped velvets. The suits are in models suitable for street, carriage, visiting or reception wear. Many are three-piece. The prices are extraordinary.

Suits usually sold at 75.00 to 85.00 at 45.00
Suits usually sold at 90.00 to 100.00 at 58.00
Gowns for afternoon and theatre wear of crepe de Chine in new princess and two-piece effects; in fashionable street and evening colorings, including ciel blue, mauve, ivory and flesh tint. Silk-lined throughout. Usually sold for 50.00 37.50
Graceful costumes for home receptions, small parties and the like, in day and evening colors. Usually sold for 37.50 25.00

Oriental Rugs eminent in beauty and distinction.
Royal Kermanshah carpets, highest grade Persian weave; the designs and colorings that can be found only in these truly regal carpets. Sizes 8.3 ft. to 9.0 ft. wide and 11.7 ft. to 13.3 ft. long 225.00 to 270.00
Gorovan carpets, designs and colorings suitable for dining room, library and hall. Sizes 8.0 ft. to 10.0 ft. wide and 11.0 ft. to 14.6 ft. long 90.00 to 145.00
Persian carpets, Mahal and Mushkabad weaves, heavy texture, excellent for general use. Sizes 8.0 ft. to 10.0 ft. wide and 10.0 ft. to 15.0 ft. long 90.00 to 145.00
150 Mousoul rugs. Antique and modern pieces of very heavy texture and soft, silky appearance. Average size 4x7 ft., some larger 17.50 and 20.00
100 Belochistan, Shirvan and Daghestan rugs, very silky, average size about 3.6x5.6 ft. 14.50 to 24.00
75 Caradja rugs, chiefly antiques, in soft subdued colorings, 3.0 ft. to 4.0 ft. wide and 8.0 to 12.0 ft. long, 25.00 to 45.00
One lot Hamidan rugs. Excellent weaves and good colorings, nearly all in strong color effects. Size about 2.6x4.0, 5.50

French Seamless Axminster Rugs—Formerly sold "Aux Tapis Francais," 22d Street and Fifth Avenue—now shown exclusively by us.

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22.50 to 47.50	30.00 to 80.00	40.00 to 120.00	60.00 to 165.00	82.50 to 175.00

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Fur hats of finest black lynx and caracul in exclusive models 18.50
Carriage and evening hats 25.00
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French model hats from the leading Paris modistes; values 35.00 to 65.00 25.00
Dress Waists in exclusive models, for semi-formal occasions. Chiffon-over-silk, yoke of laces, sleeves appliqued with lace insertion and ruffling; others in combinations of net and filet lace, appliqued with Japanese embroidery; elbow-length draped sleeves. This waist can be valued conservatively at 11.75 8.50
Fancy Waists of plain, ringed and dotted net, in white, cream and ecru; trimmed with hand crocheted banding and medallions or combinations of Cluny and Valenciennes laces; Drecoll sleeve effect; silk lined. Value 6.75 5.00

Sixth Avenue, Eighteenth to Nineteenth Street, New York.
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FAVOR ARBITRATION.

Unions Decide to Form a Central Body to Uphold That Principle.

It was decided yesterday at a convention of the unions, under an arbitration agreement with the Building Trades' Employers' Association, to form a central body in the building trades. The convention was attended by the delegates of twenty-four unions, which have an aggregate membership of between 50,000 and 60,000. The methods of walking delegates, who ordered strikes without consulting the union members were condemned at yesterday's meeting. Arbitration was held to be the best plan, and it was decided to endeavor to make this the guiding principle for all unions. Several delegates said that arbitration benefited both sides in the construction of the present subway. The contractors for the work had an agreement with the rapid transit committee of the Central Federated Union, by which the prevailing rates of wages were to be paid and all disputes arbitrated. This, while it did not prevent strikes, reduced them to a minimum and allowed the subway to be completed sooner than if there had not been such a plan.

WASHINGTON STRIKERS ENJOINED.

Washington, Nov. 9.—Suits were instituted in the District Supreme Court to-day by a dozen master builders against twenty-eight defendants allied with the Building Trades Council for an injunction to restrain them from interfering with or molesting the employees of the builders or from using force or boycott methods in carrying out the strikes for a closed shop initiated by the building trades. Justice Gould directed the defendants to show cause next Friday why they should not be restrained. The petition alleges that union men paid bribes to employes of builders to induce them to break contracts.

SOCIALISTS TO OPPOSE GOMPERS.

About a hundred delegates, representing the affiliated unions in New York and vicinity, left here yesterday for Jamestown, Va., to attend the convention of the American Federation of Labor, the sessions of which begin to-morrow. It is expected that the convention will last about two weeks. The representatives of the socialistic unions will try to prevent the re-election of Samuel Gompers as president. The Eastern delegates will support him.

YONKERS STRIKERS TO KNOW TUESDAY.

The answer of the Union Railway Company to the demand of the Yonkers employes for an increase in wages will not be given until Tuesday, the men having consented to wait until then for an answer. The men have appointed a committee to investigate charges that political considerations entered into the calling of the last strike. These charges affect the president of the union. A meeting is to be held at 3 o'clock this afternoon to decide as to another strike in case the demand for increased wages is refused Tuesday.

OLD FOURTH WARD HOTEL IN DANGER.

Tenants Ordered Out by Buildings Department—Old Scene of Murders.

After fifty years of service the old Fourth Ward Hotel, now a tenement house, has been doomed, at least temporarily, by the Buildings Department. It was declared to be unsafe at noon yesterday, and the families living there were ordered out. But for the Sheriff-elect, "Tom" Foley, they would have been compelled to abandon all their possessions. The building, which is now a five story frame double tenement house, No. 14 to 16 Catharine slip, has been under the ban of the Buildings Department for some time. The inspectors sent there to make a report were roughly handled, but yesterday they made a flank movement, and escaped violence, but not tongue lashings. They went to the roof of the building adjoining. Then they slipped to the hallways of the house, immediately after which they ordered the eviction. When the tenants had all been ousted the Buildings Department informed Lieutenant McKinney, of the Oak street police station, that no one should be allowed to re-enter the place for any purpose. Then there was a wild clamor, and somebody went to carry the news to "Big Tom" Foley. He sent Peter Hughes, who runs a sailors' boarding house at No. 27 Water street, to the aid of the evicted families. Hughes contrived that the tenants, in spite of the positive orders of the Buildings Department, should carry out their possessions, and then he saw to it that none should be without shelter.

WANTS SMOKE CASE REOPENED.

Justice Burr, in the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, listened to an argument yesterday on a motion for a certificate of reasonable doubt in the case of the people against the Transit Development Company, a subsidiary concern of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, which was recently fined \$500 for maintaining a smoke and clatter nuisance in its powerhouse in Kent avenue. Ex-Judge Hatch, counsel for the company, argued that the company was a public utility, as it supplied 40 per cent of the power used by the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, and declared that every possible means had been employed to abate the nuisance. Assistant District Attorney Elder consented that the company was a private concern and should be treated as any other private business is. Justice Burr reserved decision.

Art Exhibitions and Sales.

The Fifth Avenue Art Galleries
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Mr. JAMES P. SILO, AUCTIONEER,
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Mr. H. H. Topakyan
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Extraordinary Collection of Fine Persian Rugs and Carpets
Consisting of 707 Superb Pieces
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AT 3 O'CLOCK EACH DAY.
Exhibition To-morrow, Monday, November 11,
OPEN EVENINGS.
A deposit will be required from all unknown to the auctioneer.
CATALOGUES MAILED UPON APPLICATION.

NO ACTION ON 'PHONE FRANCHISE.

committee of which Controller Metz is chairman simply to avoid taking any action on the proposition.

No Hurry About Considering Atlantic Company's Petition, Says Metz.

Controller Metz, who is the head of a special committee of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to which the application for a franchise of the Atlantic Telephone Company and the offer of the New York Telephone Company to reduce rates were made many months ago, did not seem to think yesterday that there was any great rush to decide what should be done in the premises. "We have been too busy to take up the subject," he said, "and there does not seem to be any great demand for a settlement just now. Martin W. Littleton, counsel for the Atlantic company, has not been pushing the subject recently. We shall take it up as soon as we have time." When Mr. Littleton was asked if he had anything to say about the matter, he said: "I pushed that franchise for two years, and we spent the best part of \$35,000 to show the board the advantages of our proposition. We did not make much headway, and I thought perhaps I would have more influence if I stayed away from the board. What I want to know is why, after the committee on the whole accepted a favorable report from the special committee, they suddenly dropped the whole matter. They referred it to the

'FRISCO PLAGUE STATEMENT.

San Francisco, Nov. 9.—Bubonic plague totals to date are as follows: Verified cases, 90; deaths, 57; death rate, 63.3 per cent; discharged as cured, 22; remaining under care at the city and county hospital, 11; suspects under observation, 39.

FOURTH POWERS TRIAL MONDAY.

Lexington, Ky., Nov. 9.—For the fourth time Caleb Powers will be put on trial at Georgetown, Scott County, on Monday, for alleged complicity in the assassination of Senator William Goebel. Considerable new testimony is expected to be brought out at the coming trial. Powers denies he will ask a continuance of his case until Governor-elect Wilson can take his seat. Judge J. S. Morris will preside, having been appointed special judge by Governor Beckham.

COMMITTS SUICIDE FROM HIGH BRIDGE.

Binghamton, N. Y., Nov. 9.—James Donovan, a former resident of Elmira, ended his life at Great Lend, Penn., yesterday afternoon by dropping fifty feet from a bridge into the Susquehanna River. The body has not been recovered. Donovan is thought to have been of unsound mind. Several months ago he drank carbolic acid.