PORTE WILL FLY, MINUS STABILIZER

Sperry Unable to Complete Safety Device in Time for Start.

TRANS-SEA FLIGHT TO BEGIN AUGUST 10

De Lloyd Thompson May Try for American Altitude Record July 23.

Lieutenant John C. Porte will be unable to obtain a Sperry stabilizer for use when he tries to fly across the Atlantic Ocean next month, according to information given out last night by William D. Gash, who is in charge of the preparations for the attempt to win the $50,000 prize offered by "The London Daily Mail."

After a conference with Mr. Sperry, Mr. Gash said that it would be impossible to finish one of the instruments in time for the flight, which is expected to take place about August 10. It had been planned to ask the United States government, for which the first six stabilizers are to be made, to relinquish its claim to the first one, that Porte might use it. In view of the short time which will elapse before the flight, however, it is not likely that such a request will be made.

Mr. Sperry has been in Washington for several days, consulting with navy officials, and he reports that there is a growing optimism among them regarding the possibility of a successful trip across the ocean. Mr. Sperry spent some time yesterday consulting with Lieutenant Porte and Captain Creagh-Osborne. Porte will take things easy until he is advised that the America is in shape for further experiments. This will be two or three days.

President Alan R. Hawley of the Aero Club of America is in receipt of a telegram from W. B. Strang, who represents the club in Kansas City, asking for the loan of a barograph capable of registering an altitude of 25,000 feet. The message says that DeLloyd Thompson, one of the few "loopers" in America, intends to try for the world's altitude record at Overland Aviation Field July 23.

No instrument in this country will register the height mentioned, and it would take six weeks to obtain the barograph from France, so it is unlikely that Thompson will be able to make the attempt at the time named. He may go out for the American record, however, in an effort to beat the mark of 12,139 feet made by Theodore C. MacCauley. In order to win an official record Thompson would have to ascend to an altitude of 150 metres above the existing record.

CURTISS HANDLES SEA FLIER BETTER

Raises America from Lake's Surface with Load of 1,300 Pounds.

Hammondsport, N. Y., July 16.—With Glenn Curtiss in the pilot's seat, the transatlantic flying boat America planed to-day more successfully than in her previous tests. The America arose on slow speed from the surface of Lake Keuka with a load of approximately 1,300 pounds.

The new sea sled of the craft was boarded at each side to-day to prevent the wash of waters over the upper surface, and the boards ripped off in tests yesterday were replaced. Mr. Curtiss said that he may make tests tomorrow with the full transatlantic load.

There is a question of the temporary hull being able to sustain the shock of landing. Its principle is right, Mr. Curtiss and Lieutenant Porte believe, and after a few trials with the temporary hull Mr. Curtiss will notify Lieutenant Porte to return here from New York.

If Lieutenant Porte finds the new hull satisfactory he will immediately prepare for his departure for St. John's, Nfld. Meanwhile the America will be equipped with a permanent sea sled bottom and shipped to Newfoundland for a start across the ocean, probably about August 10, it was said today.

WOMAN'S DEATH PUZZLES POLICE

Body Found at Foot of Stairway in Basement—Skull Fractured.

Mrs. Mary Fitzpatrick, of 230 7th st., Brooklyn, was found dead early this morning at the foot of the basement stairs in the home of her niece, Mrs. Frederick B. Adams, at 550 8th st.

The Adams family were out for the evening. When they returned they noticed that the door leading to the basement was open. One of them switched on the lights and saw the body of Mrs. Fitzpatrick lying on the floor near the bottom of the stairway.

Dr. Wood was called from the Methodist Episcopal Hospital. He said that the woman's skull had been fractured and that she had been dead some time. The physician did not agree with the theory of the police that Mrs. Fitzpatrick had been attacked by burglars. Detectives are puzzled by the case.

It is believed that she started to enter the parlor when she arrived last night and found the family out, and mistook the basement door, which is on the same level.

The accident theory was further strengthened by a careful examination of the house. There was no sign of burglars.

WOMAN KILLED BY TRAIN

Five-Year-Old Boy with Her Fatally Injured.

Paterson, N. J., July 16. An unidentified woman was killed instantly and a boy, evidently her son, fatally injured this evening when they were struck by a Lackawanna Railroad train. The lad was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital suffering from a fractured skull.

While the woman, who was about thirty-five years old, was walking on the railroad track near West Paterson the accident occurred. Her body was tossed high in the air, and the boy, who is five years old, was thrown to one side.

Marines Ordered to Cuba.

Thirty of the sixty marines stationed at the New York Navy Yard will leave by train to-morrow for Hampton Roads, where they will join four hundred others and be transported on the Hancock to Guantanamo, Cuba. The order was received from Washington yesterday, and is believed to be in expectation of trouble at Santo Domingo.

MR. AND MRS. SIVARD AND THEIR LIFEBOAT.

NO RELIEF FOR BANKRUPT

Judge Refuses Discharge Because Surplus Vanished.

Because Max Loeb of the firm of M. Loeb & Co., wholesale milliners, of 13 Division st., issued a statement indicating that the firm had a surplus of $12,000 a few months before it went on the rocks, in 1912, Judge Hand, in the federal district court, yesterday declined to discharge him from bankruptcy. The court consented, however, to the discharge of Solomon Liblan, Loeb's partner.

Loeb's discharge was opposed by Martin C. Ansorge for the Bryant Park Bank, one of the creditors. The referee decided in favor of the bankrupts on the ground that Loeb may have made a mistake in making up his inventory. Judge Hand held that suggested error may have been either way and ought to be disregarded.

WANT U. S. TO OWN COLORADO MINES

Resolution to This Effect To Be Voted Upon at Mass Meeting To-night.

Amos R. Pinchot will preside at a mass meeting at Webster Hall to-night, the object of which is to advocate government ownership of the mines in Colorado as a means of terminating the labor troubles in that state. The speakers will include United States Senator James E. Martine, of New Jersey; "Mother" Jones, John W. Brown and a number of labor leaders and Congressmen.

The meeting will be held under the auspices of a committee of citizens, among whom are Dudley Field Malone, Collector of the Port; Register John J. Hopper, William Dean Howells, Civil Service Commissioner Henry Moskowitz, Hamilton Holt, editor of the Independent; Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, Park Commissioner Raymond Ingersoll, John Moody, editor of "Moody's Manuel," and Hugh Frayne, New York representative of the American Federation of Labor.

A resolution will be offered at the meeting calling upon Congress to institute such measures as may be necessary to take possession of the coal mines in Colorado, to be operated by the government or leased for limited periods under restrictions which will protect both the miners and the public.

HOME CRICKETERS BOW

All-Philadelphia Eleven Captures a Lively Match.

All-New York was decisively beaten yesterday by All-Philadelphia in the first of the two intercity matches arranged jointly by the New York Association and the Metropolitan League. The game was played at Livingston, Staten Island, and the Quakers won by 115 runs, totalling 222, against 107 made by the local players.

Up to within twenty minutes of the finish there was every indication of a draw. The hundred mark was passed by New York and only four batsmen had been retired. A change of bowling was resorted to by the Philadelphia captain.

In one over, on four successive balls, Waad dismissed Hoskings, Jackson, Arrowsmith and H. Poyer, and in the succeeding over got rid of Marshall. His record for the game was the splendid one of eight wickets, at a cost of 40 runs.

H. Furness batted in fine style for 82 runs in the Philadelphia innings, and was out to a fine running catch at deep square-leg by Marshall. He made fifteen boundary hits during his stay and punished Ireland severely in one over, sending him five times in succession to the boundary.

CLAFLIN LIABILITIES TOTAL $40,000,000

Accountants' Report Now Shows $6,000,000 More than Was First Estimated.

The liabilities of the H. B. Claflin Company and its subsidiaries, estimated at the time of the failure at $34,000,000, are, according to the figures of the preliminary report of the accountants, approximately $40,000,000. No corrected figures of the assets, nominally placed at $44,000,000, but actually much less, are as yet available.

Of the $40,000,000 owed by the Claflin Company and the allied stores whose paper it indorsed, $2,000,000 is owed to merchants who kept deposits with the firm. This money was, in the main, subject to draft; all was deposited against merchandise and drew interest, usually at the rate of 4 to 4½ per cent.

Of the balance, the smaller stores owe $3,000,000 for merchandise, the H. B. Claflin Company owes $4,000,000 for merchandise, and there are notes indorsed by the Claflin company for $31,600,000.

The committee formed to protect the interests of the mercantile creditors will to-day send an appeal to them.

The letter will point out that about 80 per cent of the mercantile claims against the company have now joined hands, and that the interests of all demand united action if litigation is to be avoided.

The volume of business at the Claflin store slumped sharply yesterday. Apparently the dealers who sought small amounts of goods to justify them in advertising "Claflin receivership sales" had satisfied their wants, and the larger buyers were holding off for the auction sale they believe is inevitable.

WEDDED, TO CROSS SEA IN LIFEBOAT

Honeymoon Trip in 36-Footer Planned by Capt. Sivard and Bride.

A trip across the Atlantic in a thirty-six-foot power lifeboat is not a journey that many honeymoon couples enjoy. In fact, Einar Sivard, a naval architect and superintendent of the Welin Marine Equipment Company, of Long Island City, and his young wife, Signe Holm Sivard, will be the first ones to attempt it. They expect to sail from the Battery July 25 and go by way of Boston and Halifax to St. Johns, and cross the ocean from that point to Queenstown.

The Sivards were married recently. In order that the young wife may accompany her husband on the trip she will muster in as cook. The crew will include a navigator, a wireless operator, an engineer and one sailor. They expect to make the trip in about a month unless the weather proves too unfavorable.

The lifeboat is a Lundin of the type asserted to be non-capsizable, non-smashable and practically non-sinkable. The boat is expected to weather any seas. Captain Sivard says the only danger is in being run down by an ocean liner. The little vessel was launched at the yards of the Welin company Wednesday afternoon.

While she was constructed especially for this trip, she differs only in size from power lifeboats of the same type designed for actual use on ocean liners. She has a length of thirty-six feet and a beam of twelve feet, while the largest similar craft previously built is thirty feet long and ten feet wide. Her upper structure is fitted with a tiny cabin for the captain and his wife and sleeping quarters for the crew.

The craft is built of galvanized steel, with a watertight deck about six inches above the load water line. The space between this deck and the bottom is subdivided into numerous watertight compartments, several of which may become filled with water without in the least endangering the boat. A steel house with watertight portholes, doors and ventilators encloses all but a small part of the boat fore and aft, where short decks are provided for the helmsman and the lookout.

It is equipped with a thirty-two-horse power, four-cylinder engine and gasolene tanks that will enable it to remain at sea for many days. It has also a Marconi wireless apparatus with a radius of from 50 to 100 miles.

The power boat will tow an open lifeboat on the journey. The open sea trip from St. Johns to Queenstown is expected to occupy from fifteen to seventeen days. From Queenstown the little craft will proceed along the English coast to London. If all goes well the return trip may be made over the same route.

PIDGEON CASE DROPPED

Theatre Man Was Accused of Illegal Advertising.

Justices Salmon, Russell and Kernochan in Special Sessions yesterday dismissed the charge against Edward Everett Pidgeon, the theatrical manager who was accused by Mrs. Charles H. Israels, of the Committee on Amusement Resources for Working Girls, of having inserted illegal advertisements in the newspapers.

Pidgeon had advertised instruction in the tango as an added attraction for the Jardin de Danse on the roof of the New York Theatre. Mrs. Israels obtained a warrant for his arrest January 15 on the charge that he was advertising as a dancing school a resort in which liquor was sold.

When the case was called yesterday Assistant District Attorney Sullivan informed the court that he had received a letter from Mrs. Israels to the effect that the objectionable advertisements had been discontinued and stating that she was willing that the case should be dropped.

GOULLET DEFEATS RUTT

Wins Three Cornered Cycle Race at Newark Velodrome.

Alfred Goullet, the Australian, showed a world of speed to-night at the Newark Velodrome track and won the three-cornered match race from Walter Rutt, of Germany, and Jackie Clark, of Australia.

He won in straight heats, with the others finishing in order named above. In the second heat Goullet and Rutt raced the entire last lap, but the world's champion was unable to pass the Australian.

Goullet also equalled the world's record for an eighth of a mile, held by Frank Kramer, riding the distance in 11 3-5 seconds in the deciding heat.

Donald MacDougall, amateur champion for two years, created a new world's record for half a mile amateur event by riding the distance in 55 seconds. The former record was 55 2-5 seconds, held by himself, made here June 11, 1913. To accomplish the feat he had to ride high and around the field.

Samuel Brill Going to Europe.

Samuel Brill, of Brill Brothers, will sail Saturday morning on the Imperator for an extended motor tour through Europe. From Hamburg he will go to Berlin, Budapest, Carlsbad and Marienbad, after which he will go to Norway, where he will attend the Norwegian Centennial Exposition. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Brill and will be away two months.

HORSES KILL AND MAIM

One Baby Injured and Another Dead in The Bronx.

Horses, instead of automobiles, were guilty of the death of one child and the injury of another in The Bronx yesterday.

Edith Johnson, two and a half years old, was playing with some children in a vacant lot near the beach at Lohbauer's Park while her mother was bathing. A construction company had teams in the lot, and the baby wandered under one of the carts. A horse kicked her on the head and killed her.

Peter Matesse, eighteen months old, trudged up to a horse attached to an express wagon in Lorillard Place, The Bronx, yesterday afternoon, and the animal seized him by the shoulder, biting out a piece of flesh. The wound was a superficial one, surgeons at Fordham Hospital said.

SEVEN ARRESTED IN DRUG CRUSADE

Youth of 17 Is Charged with Pedling Heroin—Two Women Are Held.

The crusade against drug pedlers yesterday resulted in the arrest of two women and five men.

Richard Vagnorie, of 204 West 39th st., and Helen Burns, of 453 Seventh av., were watched by Patrolman Mack, who saw them go into a restaurant on Eighth av., near 37th st. The man passed a package to the woman, and Mack arrested them. The package contained morphine, cocaine, a pound of heroin and some pill moulds.

Vagnorie has a record as a drug seller. The pair were held in $1,000 for examination.

Two boys, one eighteen years old and one nineteen, were arrested in Williamsburg and locked up in $1,000 bail each. They are Christopher Caruso, of 185 Graham av; Peter Merkin, of 1128 Willoughby av., and John Ingargiola, of 138 Scholes st.

The police say they caught Caruso passing thirty-five boxes of heroin to Merkin. Ingargiola had fifteen boxes of heroin in his pockets.

The youngest alleged drug pedler yet caught was arrested last night in West 38th st. He says he is Edward Wilson, 17 years old, of 308 West 27th st.

Detectives Wood and Scheis followed Wilson up Seventh av. and into 38th st. They saw him meet a woman and pass her something. Then they arrested both. In Wilson's pockets were seventeen "decks," believed to contain heroin, and a small vial of powder which may be morphine. The woman was locked up, charged with having drugs in her possession.

TWO DIE UNDER WHEELS OF AUTOS

Twelve-Ton Truck Runs Over Lad, 14, When He Falls from Load.

DR. BORDEN HELD ON CHARGE OF HOMICIDE

Long Island Railroad Appeals to Drivers for More Care at Grade Crossings.

Two died under the wheels of automobiles yesterday, several were injured and the epidemic of accidents on grade crossings caused the Long Island Railroad to issue a public appeal for more careful driving.

One of the dead was Henry Geredetta, four years old, of 2173 Arthur av., The Bronx. He was playing in the street while his mother was at her work. He fell under a truck and his skull was fractured. An ambulance started with him for Fordham Hospital, but he died on the way.

John Reichert, fourteen years old, and, with his brother, the sole support of his mother, was almost cut in two by a motor truck loaded with brick. The boy was riding on the load and slipped off under one of the rear wheels as the truck left some yards near Hackensack.

Two other boys jumped and tried to grab him as he stumbled and pitched forward. They missed, and the wheel ran over young Reichert's body. The truck with its load weighed twelve tons.

Though injured beyond all hope of recovery, the boy had his senses and talked with his friends until a physician arrived, three-quarters of an hour later. He died while his injuries were being examined. He lived at 292 Main st., Passaic.

The grand jury held Dr. Matthew S. Borden for the killing of Mounted Patrolman John Mee in Broadway, Flushing, early Wednesday morning. The physician was charged with homicide and put under $5,000 bail.

Though Borden's car ran down the policeman as he sat on his horse, killed the man and broke the horse's leg, Patrolman Abraham Newman, who saw the accident, preferred against Dr. Borden a charge of running his car with the muffler open.

"It is almost like comic opera," said Magistrate Fitch, "to bring a man to court on such a charge after he had been connected with the death of another. When the engineer of a train kills a man he is held on a charge of homicide, and I do not see why it should not be so in this case. An engineer uses rails on a private highway, while this man used a public highway. I should therefore consider him even more responsible than an engineer."

Mrs. James A. Blair, wife of the Broad st. banker, and her nurse, Miss Ellen Hahan, who were pitched through a window when the Blair automobile bumped a Corona trolley car Wednesday afternoon, are doing well at St. John's Hospital, Long Island City. Their injuries are confined to cuts on the head and face and, in Mrs. Blair's case, severe shock. They will be out within a week.

The Long Island Railroad's appeal is, in part, as follows:

"An epidemic of automobile accidents at grade crossings on the Long Island Railroad has reached such alarming proportions in the last six weeks that the management is compelled to call the attention of the public to the reckless driving that characterizes much of the automobiling on the island.

"Since June 10 there have been five instances where automobiles have been driven through crossing gates that were down or have been driven over crossings regardless of the danger signals given by the watchmen."

An automobile owned and operated by Dr. Warren S. Simmons knocked down Peter Monegetto, of 35 Christopher st., Manhattan, on Surf av., Coney Island, last night. Monegetto was taken dying to Coney Island Hospital. He had severe internal and other injuries.

Dr. Simmons, who is house surgeon at the Swedish Hospital, Brooklyn, and lives at 216 St. James's Place, that borough, was locked up, charged with reckless driving, intoxication and violation of highway rules.

JIM CORBETT OUT AS FRIAR BATTERS SIZZLE AT PLATE

Baseball Game Only Temporarily Interrupted, However, for Pugilist Proves He Can Come Back, Even Though George Cohan Hands Him a Hot One.

Notwithstanding "Jim" Corbett's fainting dead away and interrupting things for a while, it was a great day the Friars had up at Glenwood-on-the-Sound. "Jim" didn't take much time out. He just went quietly off and lay down under the trees while the ball game was going on, and Dr. Henry Carey put ice on the gentlemanly waloper's head until he came completely back.

Yes, completely back although not ten minutes before a young man scarcely known to the public, but whose initials are George M. Cohan, had said something hard and crool about Corbett. It came about this way:

"Jim," who was playing for the Collier-Collier senior and Collier junior team, took one more base than Frank Sheridan was willing to give free. "Go back! Go back!" yelled Sheridan.

"Yes, go back! go back!" muttered the son of Jerry J. Cohan, the brother of Josephine Niblo, the husband of ——, well, anyhow, "Huh! that fellow's been going back for years!" he concluded, in a stage whisper.

It Wasn't the Cigar.

Some persons thought it was this remark that made "Jim" faint; others fancied it was the cigar he smoked while playing first base. But it couldn't have been the cigar, for "Jim" was still working on the butt, as he sat, looking fit and fine, on the porch at Karatsonyi's Hotel an hour later.

Dr. J. Victor Wilson, who does the press work for the Strand Theatre, fainted a bit later in the day, and Willie Collier had his nose slammed by Al Cross's elbow until it near bled, but these were the only other tragic happenings.

And now, having listed the casualties first, as is always proper in a newspaper story, it's worth mentioning that the Cohan team licked the Collier aggregation by a score of 10 to 3.

The sorest person of all, necessarily, was "Buster" Collier, who is an actor, too, sometimes, when they have juvenile casts. His aged father, who pitched, and "Jack" Gleason, who caught, and Johnny Hyams, who played third base, and "Monty" Sampter, who really starred at second, didn't seem to mind nearly so much as "Buster" did although, to be sure, Collier pere did kick like a real big leaguer when Sam Harris, who pitched for the Cohan team, tried to establish the pitcher's box some thirty-two feet from the plate.

Georgie Cohan played second for his team for two innings, but when he interrupted the game in order to get something amber and cool in a stone mug, Fred Block, who acted as master of ceremonies, put Jim Montgomery in his place. It was soon afteward that the crowd mobbed Frank Sheridan, Billy Murray and Frank Fogarty, who said they were umpires.

McIntosh Fastest Fat Man.

Like the roar of a wounded bull, as they say in the Nick Carter stuff, the voice of Joe Humphreys then rang out, summoning all willing victims to the sports in the arena, the first of which turned out to be a fifty-yard dash for fat men. Hugh McIntosh, the fight promoter, won this, with James P. Gilroy second and George Dougherty, erstwhile Second Deputy Police Commissioner, third. This was merely the opening event for quite a programme, in which the list of participants sounded like a directory of this city's Theatre Alley.

Hal Forde, Frank Sheridan and one Chames Britt came one, two, three, respectively, in the actors' fifty-yard dash, Carter De Haven finishing nowhere, because his new mustache evidently overweighted him.

"Buster" Collier finished first in the egg race, successfully carrying the benfruit balanced in a spoon past the goal line, while George B. Hunt and Louis Weickum trailed in his wake. Weickum, who is head of the Hamburg-American Line's tourist department and hates you to mention it, won the half-mile walk, with McIntosh and John Campbell second and third. The other events were, with the winners:

Fifty-yard race—Louis Silvers, T. R. Brown, Thomas J. Penfold. Managers' race—George B. Hunt, Sam H. Harris, Al Cross. Backward race—D. Frank Dodge, Louis Weickum, Ivan Rudisill. Obstacle race—David Bennett, D. White.

After the races, there were swimming and fancy diving, and then there was a clambake. Sometime during the evening the majority of the Friars took passage on board the Merchant, bound for Manhattan. Irving Berlin, however, crowded Eddie Dunn, George Beban and Jerome Remick into Joe Schenck's fast motor boat, Mollie K. Then Berlin looked up at Marshall P. Wilder, standing on the deck of the Merchant.

"Say, I like the name of that boat," he yelled. "It makes me think of the Tired Business Man that pays money to hear my songs."

KIDNAPPING BAIL CUT

New Indictments Against One Man Held in Longo Case.

The six Italians, one of them a woman, who were indicted Wednesday on a charge of kidnapping Frank Longo, of 190 Bleecker st., were arraigned yesterday before Judge Swann in General Sessions. Antonio Siragusa, the alleged leader of the gang, has had his bail reduced from $25,000 to $20,000.

The bail of $15,000 in the case of the others, as set by Magistrate McQuaide, stands.

In opposing the reduction of Siragusa's bail Assistant District Attorney Weller said that the man had many friends who would gladly give bail to the extent of $15,000 and that if Siragusa was released he would doubtlessly go back to Italy and escape punishment. None of the prisoners will be placed on trial until the investigation of the so-called "kidnapper trust" has been completed. They were unable to furnish bail and were sent back to the Tombs.

Nicola Ratola, one of the men held in connection with the Longo case, was also indicted yesterday on a charge of being implicated in the kidnapping of Cosmo de Fiore, of 133 West Houston st. Four indictments were returned in all. Ratola will be brought up to plead to the new indictment to-day.

SAYS CANDY TALK WON HER $60,000

Mrs. White, 79, Witness in Federal Suit Against Franklin Concern.

Mrs. Mary Ann White, of New Haven, Conn., a widow, seventy-nine years old, who said the defendants described her as a "J. P. Morgan in petticoats," took the stand yesterday in the Federal District Court, before Judge Gordon Russell, and told how Nova Adolphus Brown and Floyd N. Franklin, of N. A. Brown, Inc., 1 Wall st., induced her to dispose of $60,000 worth of gilt-edged securities and invest the proceeds with them to make "Franklin's candy." Mrs. White testified that the candy men were obliging; that they even provided a lawyer to alter her will so that her dead husband's nephew might "cut the melon." She said the lawyer fixed the will so that the stock could not be sold until three years after her death.

Brown, Franklin and Thomas P. Cowbey are the principals of seven defendants in the government's criminal suit charging fraudulent use of the mails to sell $650,000 worth of stock in the candy concern.

"Didn't Mr. Cowbey talk about religion when he visited you?" asked Assistant United States Attorney Spence.

"I don't exactly remember as to that," Mrs. White replied hazily.

According to the government's contention, Mr. Cowbey's special ability as a salesman of stock lay in his habit of joining in prayer with prospective buyers for guidance in investing their money.

As a reward for Mrs. White's faith in "Franklin's Incorporated" Cowbey and Brown promised to make a special brand of candy and label it "Widow White's." The witness said she demurred to their proposition.

Mrs. Janet C. Harmount, a sister of Mrs. White, also of New Haven, another witness, testified that Brown and Cowbey tried to get her to sell all the stock she had and invest in Franklin's.

"I told them frankly that I considered their proposition a swindle and I wouldn't give them one dollar."

"What did they say?" asked Mr. Spence.

"They said they were sorry that I didn't have the business foresight of my sister. They said if she wasn't a woman she'd be a second J. P. Morgan."

"What did you say?"

"I told them I thought one Morgan in petticoats was enough for one family," replied the witness drily.

NO TRANSFER FOR DOCTOR

Special Sessions, Not Jury, Will Hear About Vivisection.

Application by counsel for Dr. A. L. Seresi, of 218 West 59th st., the vivisectionist who is charged with maintaining a public nuisance at 318 West 70th st., where his laboratories are, for the transfer of his trial from Special Sessions to General Sessions was denied by Judge Swann, of General Sessions, yesterday. William E. Butler, of 41 Park Row, appeared for Dr. Seresi.

Herman Stiefel, Assistant Corporation Counsel, opposed the application and stated that the Board of Health had acted in the matter and made formal complaint against Dr. Seresi after several persons living in the neighborhood of the laboratory had petitioned Mayor Mitchel to take some action to abate the nuisance. He said the neighbors objected to the crying of dogs and cats and the noise made by rats, guinea pigs and rabbits which were kept in the place for experimental purposes.

RATTLESNAKE PETE BITTEN; MAY DIE

New Jersey Expert on Reptiles Fails to Hold Big Copperhead He Had Cornered.

Dover, N. J., July 16.—"Rattlesnake Pete," at Lake Denmark, who has captured more live snakes than any other man in this section, was bitten by a big copperhead this morning. It is feared to-night he will die.

Pete cornered the snake—one of the largest specimens ever seen here—but after grabbing it could not hold it, and the reptile sank its fangs into his left hand. Pete was rushed to Dr. H. W. Rice, at Wharton, but to-night the veteran's hand is as large as a ham.

Rockaway, N. J., July 16.—William Odell, of Picatinny, was bitten on the right hand to-day as he was catching a pilot snake. He had been offered $25 for a live pilot. When he became unconscious he was hurried to a doctor; but the doctor said his condition was due to the whiskey he had taken as a cure and that he would recover.

Stony Point, N. Y., July 16.—Superintendent Herbert Andrew, of Palisade Park, where two women have been bitten by copperheads this week, one of whom—Miss May I. Lere, of Brooklyn—died yesterday, said to-day that the unusual number of snakes seen this season is the result of the wet weather. In ordinary summers the snakes would have sought the swamps before this time.

John Saunders was attacked by a copperhead at Rockland Lake to-day, but succeeded in killing it with a crowbar.

Man's Body Identified.

The body of a man found floating in the Housatonic River near Stratford, Conn., yesterday, was identified as Hugh J. Keenan, who lived with his wife and seven children at 645 Jefferson Place, The Bronx. The railroad officials said that a train struck the man Sunday as he was walking over a bridge, and that the body fell into the river.

NO VOORHIS AID IN FRAUD CASES

Rubin Says Superintendent Took No Part in the Prosecutions.

WATCHER TELLS OF VIOLENCE THREATS

Teacher Testifies That Ballots Were Folded with Their Emblems Visible.

That the office of the State Superintendent of Elections did not aid or seek to aid the District Attorney in the prosecution of cases of illegal registration and voting last election or the previous year was brought out at the hearing of the charges of neglect and incompetence against John R. Voorhis, State Superintendent of Elections, at the Bar Association yesterday. J. Robert Rubin, Second Deputy Police Commissioner, who, prior to his appointment to that office in February, was an Assistant District Attorney, gave the evidence of Mr. Voorhis's neglect in that respect.

Last year, he said, he was in charge of a special bureau of the District Attorney's office that dealt with all election cases.

"Did you secure any convictions?" W. Cleveland Runyon, attorney for the Honest Ballot Association, asked.

"We got six or seven," Commissioner Rubin replied. He himself presented some eighty-nine cases to the Grand Jury, he added, about 95 per cent of which were for false registration.

More than 100 warrants for illegal voting were sworn out last election day, Commissioner Rubin said, and of the cases presented later to magistrates, he added, he handled about fifty of them personally.

"Did the State Superintendent of Elections offer to aid you in your prosecution?"

"No," replied Rubin. "There were no representatives of the State Superintendent at any of the trials that I saw."

On cross-examination by Leslie J. Tompkins, counsel for Voorhis, Commissioner Rubin said the District Attorney's office did not ask assistance of the State Superintendent of Elections.

Says Threats Were Made.

Arthur L. Bergida, a watcher at the polls for the Honest Ballot Association, was the first witness called yesterday. He told of an attempt on the part of Deputy Superintendent of Elections William N. Boyd to intimidate him when he was performing his duty in a Brooklyn polling place.

"If you don't get out of here I'll take you by the neck and kick you out," Bergida testified Boyd said to him.

Jacob Braun, another poll watcher, told of detecting a voter who was not a resident of the city, but whom the election officials permitted to cast his ballot.

Another watcher called on to testify was Henry J. Lauer, of 537 Broadway, Long Island City, who, because of his zeal, got into difficulties with the State Superintendent of Elections. Bernard Ajorean, a Bronx schoolteacher, told how the ballots at one polling place were being folded so that the emblem at the top of the ballot was visible. When he remonstrated, he said elections officers ignored his suggestion and threatened unpleasant things.

The hearing will be resumed before Special Commissioner McMahon, of Rome, N. Y., at 10 o'clock this morning.

HELD BY OOZE, HE DROWNS IN TIDE

Steps Off Bridge Over Marsh at Night—Find Boy's Body in Staten Island Sound.

Haverstraw, July 16.—Persons living in the neighborhood recalled, after the body of Paul Fisher had been found to-day near Iona Island, that they had heard terrible cries a little before dawn. Fisher was caught in the mud and held there, slowly sinking, until the tide drowned him.

It is believed that he walked off the narrow bridge over the marsh late at night. He sank until only his head and shoulders were above the surface.

Fisher was a man of powerful build and a former sailor. He was sixty-five years old.

A body which had been in the water less than twenty-four hours, physicians think, was found in Staten Island Sound off the Bergen Point lighthouse yesterday.

It was the body of a boy about fourteen years old, four feet five inches tall and weighing about sixty-five pounds. It was clad in a blue bathing suit. On the middle finger of the left hand was a signet ring with the initials "K. R."

Frank M. Packard, of Continentalville, lost his train by five seconds at the Storm King station yesterday, and Albert Adams, twelve years old, and Louis Wixon, fourteen, owe their lives to Packard's ill luck.

Packard had seated himself on the river bank to cool off after his futile run. He heard cries and saw the boys struggling in the water beside an overturned canoe. He swam out and got the Adams boy, leaving Wixon clinging to the canoe. Then he went back and brought Wixon ashore.

Edward Reineck, nine years old, of 211 East 59th st., was saved last night from the East River by Frederick Hefen, of the East 55th st. lifesaving station. The boy was caught by the current and carried beyond the reach of the youngsters with him.

None of them could swim, so they screamed for help. Hefen jumped in, got the child by the hair and brought him ashore after a hard fight with the eddies off the 55th st. docks. A Flower Hospital ambulance surgeon revived Reineck and sent him home.

Finn Gets $9,000 Job.

Alfred D. Finn, for several years one of the department engineers of the Board of Water Supply, yesterday was appointed deputy chief engineer by Commissioner Chadwick. The salary will be $9,000, which is $1,000 less than was paid to his predecessor, Merritt H. Smith, who has been made chief engineer of the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity.

Thaddeus Merriman received the post made vacant by Finn's promotion. The three appointments are made possible by the resignation of I. M. de Varona, former chief engineer, who was retired on a pension of $3,600 a year.

PLEA FOR EX-PRISONERS

Work Sought for Them from Employers Here.

A plea to employers in the city was made yesterday by George H. Bell, Commissioner of Licenses, who has jurisdiction over the Municipal Employment Exchange, to find work for ex-prisoners of the city penal institutions. Employers are asked to send to the exchange for applicants for work. The innovation was planned by Commissioner Davis, who said that no man or woman released from prison would be placed in positions from this special branch unless approved by the authorities, and with the understanding that the employer should know the full history of the applicant.

Commissioner Davis said that it was most difficult to find work for women prisoners.

Miss Davis announced that thirty-five ringleaders of the recent outbreak among the prisoners on Blackwell's island had been singled out by Warden Hayes and put in single cells, and that she intended to segregate the good prisoners and place them in a cell block of their own. They will be situated in the best quarters in the institution.

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19TH ST. TH. Eves. 8:30. Mats. Tom'w & Wed. TOO MANY COOKS. Casino. 2:15 p.m. Hi Seats 25c. Eves. 8:15-50c. PAUL 3 Rainey's 1914 African Hunt Pictures. COMEDY Theatre, 41st St., nr. B'way. Eves. 8:20. Mats. Tom'w & Thurs. 2:20. KITTY MacKAY

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Strand Broadway & 47th St. Noon to 11:30 P. M. 10-50c. "THE LITTLE GRAY LADY." Strand Orch. & Soloists. Newsreel. Man on the Box.

VITAGRAPH 44th & Broadway. 2:30, 8:30. CLARA KIMBALL YOUNG in "My Official Wife"—"Uncle Bill."

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