

Polish Noble Held for \$5,000 Bond Larceny

Local Colony Shocked by Arrest of Its Hero on Charges by Company in Which He Had Held Post

Bandits Steal Silk Truck Man, Hunted as Fifth Ave. Burglar, Caught After 3 Years; Loot Is Uncovered

A man who described himself as Count Jean Strelecki, a Polish nobleman, thirty-seven years old, of 60 West Sixty-eighth Street, was arrested yesterday on a charge of robbing the Polish Navigation Company, 1219 Broadway, of which he was a former officer.

Count Strelecki's arrest was a shock to the Polish colonists here, who looked upon him as a hero. He had been active in war-fund campaigns and other Polish patriotic and philanthropic movements.

At the Cambridge apartment hotel, 90 West Sixty-eighth Street, the rear door was broken open and the Count Strelecki, the clerk said, the woman's husband lived there, too, though neither was at home.

Held for Fifth Avenue Thefts Adolph Gisterer, alleged confederate negotiator of twenty-five burglaries of homes along Fifth Avenue and other fashionable thoroughfares, was arrested yesterday. After being sought by the police for three years, his work was marked by the fact that he never stole any large article, but confined his thefts to small and valuable plunder.

At the points of revolvers the bandits made the three men leave the truck and enter a taxi, in which they were driven to the Bryant Park station. In the mean time others of the bandits had taken possession of the truck and the silk and made away.

Commissioner John F. Gilchrist, of the Department of Licenses, took exception yesterday to the statement of Judge McIntyre, of the Court of General Sessions, in his charge to the January grand jury that the licensing of taxicab drivers should be vested in the Police Department instead of the Department of Licenses.

Commissioner Gilchrist declared that such a statement could hardly be made by any one in possession of the facts or any one generally familiar with the present system of licensing the 18,000 cab drivers of the city.

Miss Farrar Appears in "Ava" Miss Geraldine Farrar's "Ava" was again the attraction at the Metropolitan Opera House last evening. Mr. Crimi, having recovered from his recent indisposition, was again in the cast, with Miss Howard and Mr. De Luca, who appeared in familiar and congenial roles.

Miners Again Threaten Clash in Mingo Region

Mass for March as Protest Against Non-Union Agreement; Warrants Awaited

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., Jan. 4.—Sheriff William Yost left this afternoon for the Mingo coal field, where his office announced, miners were congregating with the avowed intention of marching into the Gaston Run territory as a protest against an alleged agreement of the miners to work on a non-union basis.

It also was reported to the sheriff that some 200 men early to-day made a demonstration against the Bunker Hill mine, which is said to have been operated on a non-union basis for several months, and induced the men to go into the Almina mine, in the same neighborhood, had been called out. The center of activity, it was said, was Osgo.

After investigating the occurrences of the morning, Sheriff Yost declined to take action against the men unless warrants charging them with violation of the law were given him, his office announced.

E. H. Gilbert, president of the Gilbert Davis Coal Company, said there was no truth in reports that its mine was to be opened to-day on an open-shop agreement.

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The man killed, he said, was an Italian from New York.

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2 Face Major; Swear He Shot Down Soldiers

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as an embalming assistant with the American Graves Registration Service, testified today he found a noose and black cap on the bodies of three American soldiers dug up in the little French cemetery at Bazailles. Another witness, immediately declared that the body was buried, noose and black cap intact, in the same cemetery where Hubbard said three so marked had been buried.

Hubbard declared there was nothing in the coffin by which the bodies could be identified.

"The bodies were identified by the cross on the outside of the coffin, and the black caps were not removed before the bodies were shipped to the United States for burial," Hubbard testified.

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