OUR PARKS GOING TO RUIN.

COMMISSIONER WALES'S PICTURE OF DEMORALIZATION AND DECAY.

Dilapidated Buildings, Untidy Walks, Untrimmed Trees, Insufficiently Supplied Lakes, and Inadequate Driveways.

The Park Commissioners yesterday devoted over two hours to the discussion of the proposed Spuyten Duyvil parkway. S. D. Babcock, A. Van Cortlandt, L. L. Delafield, Waldo Hutchings, and W. P. Dickson were present to oppose it, and Hiram Barney, T. H. Edsall, and H. W. Hayden were on hand to speak in its favor. Mr. Delafield said that the improvement, as originally planned by the Park Commissioners, would consist of a broad roadway running from the Spuyten Duyvil depot to Broadway, with eight or ten small parks placed at different intervals. The estimated cost was $750,000 to $1,000,000, one-half to be assessed upon property owners and the rest to be paid by the city. He said that the alleged improvement would not warrant such an outlay. It would not be of any benefit.

Mr. Hayden said that such a roadway was much needed, and that it would not be necessary to expend the sum named by Mr. Delafield. He believed that the cost would not amount to more than $103,000.

An opinion was received from Corporation Counsel Whitney that the Park Board could not grant permission to place a "floating palace" alongside the Battery, as is proposed.

Commissioner Lane objected to the paying of more money toward the patching of McComb's Dam Bridge. It was rotten, and should be replaced.

Mr. Wales, as Chairman of the committee on the personnel of the department, raised a breeze by calling up the original motion to dismiss Mr. Van Valkenburgh, the purchasing clerk. He said: "The man's character is spotless, but he is of no earthly use."

Mr. McLean was in favor of allowing Mr. Van Valkenburgh to appear before the Board for examination. This amendment was lost, as was also the original resolution.

"This is wrong," exclaimed Mr. Wales excitedly. "I will give bonds to run this department for $2,400, although we now pay $5,400. (Holding up his right hand) I declare that I will not sign the rolls if this man is retained at $3,000 per year."

Mr. McLean said: "To tell you the truth, I have found him to be the best-informed man I have met in regard to the departmental affairs."

"For four years," said Mr. Wales, "this man has been kept in this position by reason of the deadlock in the Board. He occupies a sinecure that should be abolished."

By a vote of three to one Mr. Olliffe was authorized to audit the accounts of the department until the election of a President.

"This is in violation of Cushing's Manual," exclaimed Commissioner Lane, excitedly. "You have overridden Cushing's Manual."

Mr. Wales presented a long report on the condition of the parks, of which the following is the substance:

Six weeks' service in the Department of Parks, followed by a somewhat careful examination into its affairs, forces me to the conclusion that they are in a very unsatisfactory condition.

It is well understood that the general condition of Central Park is notoriously bad. Its roads, walks, bridges, arbors, and cottages are easily out of repair, presenting evidences of negligence and waste. The same is generally true of the walks and structures in the smaller city parks.

The drainage of the Central Park is very imperfect. The lakes are poorly supplied with water. They have become foul and are sources of danger to the health of the people, and unless some measures can be effectively taken to furnish a more abundant supply of water, by artesian wells or otherwise, some of the smaller lakes will have to be filled up and planted.

A thorough and comprehensive system of drainage for the Central Park should be established and drainage maps prepared.

The trees and shrubs of the Central Park and the planting generally need most careful attention. The enclosing wall on the Eighth avenue should be finished, and one or two surface transverse carriage roads are called for and ought to be built.

The rolling stock belonging to the department is in a most dilapidated condition. It has been allowed to run down to such an extent that it is now generally unfit for this spring work soon to open. It should be repaired at once, and additional mechanics must be employed on this important work.

Manhattan square is both unsightly and unwholesome. Its improvement in some shape, together with the approaches from the Central Park, are urgently demanded not only in the interest of those who visit that square or the Museum of Natural History and the adjacent property owners. The under drainage is complete. It requires that the sunken places should be filled as speedily as possible with earth and the surface dressed and properly planted.

The zoological collection at Fifth avenue and Sixty-fourth street is a nuisance to the neighborhood and to the comfort of the surrounding neighborhood. Measures should be taken for its early removal.

The old Arsenal building is noisome and unclean; moreover, it is liable to be destroyed by fire, and should such a calamity happen, the imagination can easily picture a scene of considerable confusion.

It is possible that lions, tigers, and elephants may some time roam about our streets.

The roads, streets, and walks in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards are seriously in need of repair.

I am informed that money has been improperly expended upon unimportant roads, while thoroughfares subject to constant traffic have been entirely neglected.

All the sewers and culverts in this district need to be cleaned and put in proper order. Prominent taxpayers residing in these wards have made many complaints to me of the manner in which the limited appropriations have been expended.

Bridges over the Harlem and Bronx Rivers and intersecting creeks are rotten, dangerous structures. One on Cromwell Creek has been permanently closed, to the great inconvenience of the public, and it cannot be repaired; others cannot safely be allowed to be closed for the same reason, but they are dangerous, but to do so now would be a serious detriment to pleasure and business travel. New bridges, either Third avenue, Morris avenue bridge, are urgently needed at a large outlay of money.

Our insignificant appropriation for this year is not sufficient to enable us to put the Central Park in a condition to meet the demands of an exacting public. The neglect of past years cannot be remedied in a single season, but we are bound to do the best we can with the means placed at our disposal. Some work has to be carried on in the Central Park in the direction I have pointed out, plans and estimates must be prepared and an application made to the Legislature for authority to use the money necessary for the proper direction.

I am aware that this is a very thankless business, but the public will understand that these great and valuable pleasure grounds and public works must be completed and properly maintained without large expenditures of money.

Reviewing the situation of the department without prejudice, I am of the opinion that it is more thoroughly out of order, and requires more careful care and attention, than any other department of the city government.

Such, briefly and in mere outline, is the uncomfortable legacy to which we have succeeded. The difficulties I propose upon us task in the utmost our time and attention, and that the public may not in justice hold us responsible for a condition of things which some of us at least have had no share in creating, I deem that this statement be entered upon the minutes of the Board.

HOW THE SAVINGS BANKS STAND.

The Condition of Several of the City Institutions on the First of January.

Following are additional reports of the condition of city savings banks:

BANK FOR SAVINGS.—Total resources, $36,483,297.26. Liabilities—Due depositors, $31,579,710.93. Surplus, $4,903,577.33. This bank reported Jan. 1, 1880: Due depositors, $28,954,926.09. Surplus, $4,084,742.70.

BOWERY.—Total resources, $4,908,496.95. Liabilities—Due depositors, $4,321,376.51. Surplus, $587,119.57. This bank reported Jan. 1, 1880: Due depositors, $3,926,632.05. Surplus, $846,526.04.

BROADWAY.—Total resources, $3,180,904.46. Liabilities—Due depositors, $2,869,733.70. Surplus, $247,203.70. This bank reported Jan. 1, 1880: Due depositors, $2,779,520.55. Surplus, $240,928.14.

EQUITABLE.—This bank is closing; has received no deposits during the year.

EXCELSIOR.—Total resources, $179,948.54. Liabilities—Due depositors, $100,964.61. Surplus, $10,483.70. This bank reported Jan. 1, 1880: Due depositors, $124,015.12. Surplus, $3,814.22.

EAST RIVER.—Total resources, $9,161,945.51. Liabilities—Due depositors, $8,148,803.21. Surplus, $1,013,142.30. This bank reported Jan. 1, 1880: Due depositors, $7,450,994.93. Surplus, $740,305.61.

MANHATTAN.—Total resources, $4,841,477.41. Liabilities—Due depositors, $4,384,697.08; other liabilities, $26,008.80. Surplus, $433,771.53. This bank reported Jan. 1, 1880: Due depositors, $4,226,260.35. Surplus, $377,111.

SEVENTH WARD.—Total resources, $104,593.93. Liabilities—Due depositors, $95,134.26. Surplus, $9,459.67. This bank reported Jan. 1, 1880: Due depositors, $87,022.34. Surplus, $7,561.29.

BANKS.—Total resources, $26,779,931.83. Liabilities—Due depositors, $22,893,549.78. Surplus, $4,113,796.05. This bank reported Jan. 1, 1880: Due depositors, $20,962,137.15. Surplus, $2,849,081.38.

The Price of Piers.

At the meeting of the Dock Commissioners yesterday, Mr. Lambeer offered a resolution indefinitely postponing the leasing of Pier 1, North River. He said that several companies had made offers for the pier. One had offered $10,000 per year, and another $15,000, and yet neither had made an offer in writing. Each, in his opinion, was watching the other, and playing with the Dock Board.

Mr. Dimock thought the pier, which was really worth $50,000 a year, should be put up at auction, but that nothing less should be accepted for it. The resolution was lost.

The Board rented to the Hudson River Tunnel Company, for the purpose of sinking a shaft and building a tunnel, that portion of the water front recently reclaimed and filled in by the department, between Morton and Leroy streets, at a rent of $3,000 per year, quarterly in advance. The company will furnish bonds in the sum of $50,000.

Dramatic Suicide in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—Joseph Stearns, a workman in the Brunswick Billiard Factory, entered a saloon on the west side last night and ordered a glass of beer. Taking it to a table he drank it quietly, and then drawing a short pocket knife, he opened it, and ran his thumb coolly along its keen edge, but without causing any apprehension among the people in the saloon. Letting his head drop back, with one slash he cut his throat from ear to ear. He then quietly turned over the table before him filling the empty glass which he had just drained, before the startled bystanders could reach him he dropped by his chair dead. No cause is assigned for the act.

Murdered by a Church Elder.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 2.—A despatch from Somerset, Ky., reports the murder at Hickory Ridge of William McKinney by Columbus Case last Monday. They were walking on the road, and an old bitter feud arose, which quite and fight, and when Case had killed McKinney down with an axe, then beat his head into a jelly, and fled. Both were prominent members of the Methodist Church. Case being an elder and McKinney a Sabbath school superintendent.

Destitution in Bleecker Street.

Mrs. Webster of 152 Bleecker street, who lives on the top floor with her little child, is destitute. The landlord says that he will turn her out of the room to-day unless she pays her rent of $2.50. She is not in condition to work for the support of herself and her little girl. Her husband is out of employment, and has not been home for many days. Mrs. Webster is partially supported by her neighbors, who are almost as poor as she.

POLICEMEN HELD TO ACCOUNT.

All Sorts of Excuses for Being in Saloons—What the Little Girl Said.

Twenty-seven policemen were on the calendar for trial by the Police Commissioners yesterday for various offences. This was considered a light day. Twenty of the charges were made by sergeants and roundsmen for infractions of the rules of the department. Most of the complaints were for absence from the post of duty. The excuses were various.

Policeman Thomas S. Wall had gone into the saloon, in which the sergeant caught him, to tell the proprietor that he ought to clean his sidewalk. Policeman J. J. Farley frankly admitted that he had taken a drink in the saloon in which he had been seen. He had been on duty at a fire and had gone in to warm his feet.

Patrolman John Malloy said that he had only stopped in Irving Hall two or three minutes. His sergeant said that he could not find Malloy anywhere on his post, and on inquiry was told that Malloy was at the hall. Policeman Jas. A. Gilroy had gone into a car starter's warm box to rub his frosted and aching feet with turpentine. His sergeant, in his testimony, described Malloy as sitting there comfortably with his shoes on.

Policeman Peter Kenney's excuse for being in a hallway, two blocks off his post, was that a little girl had told him that her father and her uncle were fighting in that hall. "You must not pay attention to what little girls say hereafter," said Commissioner Mason.

Policeman Daniel Lewis had gone into the saloon in which he was found simply to oblige the proprietor, who was afraid that there was going to be a disturbance.

Policeman Henry Slay had gone off his post in pursuit of a runaway butcher wagon, and he produced a fireman who had seen him after the wagon.

Policeman Henry M. Brown's excuse for not being in front of a certain school at a certain time was that he was midway between that and another school whose pupils he had to look after as they came out.

Policeman Henry Interman contended that he was only in the public school a few minutes, where his sergeant declared that Interman had remained twenty-five minutes.

Policeman James Burke was charged with being twenty minutes late at roll call. He admitted it, but excused himself by stating that the cars were blocked when he went home to his dinner. Commissioner Mason suggested to him that the sidewalks were not blocked, and that when the cars were blocked a policeman might walk to his dinner.

Policeman James Moore was charged by Sergeant Buckley with having been off his post half an hour. Moore's defence was that possibly the sergeant missed him as he claimed to have been on his post.

Policeman Philip Blass of the Seventeenth Precinct was charged with having sworn he was a native of New York city when he was appointed, in 1873. At the election of 1880 he voted on naturalization papers procured in 1880, on his affidavit that he was born in Germany. After permitting his lawyer, Albert Steckler, to make technical objections in his behalf, Blass made a sworn statement that at the time he came to this country he was but a few months old; that he always supposed that he was born in this country until a year after he was appointed a policeman; that it was not until 1879, six years after his appointment, that he found out the true facts, and that he had not mentioned the matter to the police authorities because he had not thought of it. He declared that he had no intention to deceive. He was really a citizen on account of his father's naturalization in 1868. Mr. Mason hinted that he believed Blass's story.

Policemen John Crowley and Charles Conway were charged with assaulting and interfering with United States Marshal William H. Bisser at the last election. It appeared that they had been tried and found guilty by Judge Benedict, and sentence suspended because it was admitted that they did what they believed to be their duty. The complainant was not present, and Commissioner Mason said that, in view of Judge Benedict's decision, he would dismiss the complaint, but he warned the officers not to interfere again with United States Marshals.

Policeman Landers was charged with beating Daniel McCort, a liquor dealer, and with using foul language and threats to McCort, but the complainant did not appear against him. The complainants in a number of cases were absent, and in each of these Mr. Mason questioned the officer closely as to whether he knew why the complainants were not present. When asked his motive for these questions, Commissioner Mason said that it was a common thing for complainants to be bought off or frightened off or spirited off. In this way many complaints by citizens against policemen are allowed to die out. The general rule lately is when a complainant is present to take his testimony so as to secure it, even if the case is adjourned subsequently.

PACKING AN ELEPHANT.

A Tropical Beast's Trip Through the Blizzard Country Without a Fire.

Capt. J. Mullett, the famous sea lion catcher, arrived in the city yesterday from San Francisco. The Captain did not bring his usual assortment of sea lions this time. He had an elephant on his hands. Unlike some other people in that situation the Captain knew just what to do with it. The elephant, a medium-sized quadruped of the Asiatic variety, was purchased in Japan by Adam Forepaugh, the showman, and was to be delivered in good condition at the show quarters in Philadelphia.

There was no trouble on the voyage over the placid Pacific to San Francisco, but when the time for the overland journey from San Francisco came Arctic weather prevailed this side of the Rocky Mountains. The temperature was so low as to congeal the lungs of the biggest elephant ever imported.

The Central Pacific Railroad Company refused to let Capt. Mullett put a stove in the elephant's car, because of supposed danger to the company's property, and the Captain set his wits to work to devise means of getting him without fire. The scheme hit upon a practical plan. The elephant was led into the box car, and stable compost was thrown in by the cart load. It was piled high around the sides of the car and loosely heaped around the elephant until only the head and back of the big beast were visible. Enough of the compost to fill links in the car were stopped up, and the journey was begun. As the temperature lowered a few pails of water were thrown upon the compost, and the warm vapor from the fermenting heap filled the car. In this way the monster from the tropics invaded the home of the Blizzard, and travelled in his pathway from Cheyenne to Philadelphia, where he was safely delivered to his owners.

Capt. Mullett visited Central Park yesterday to see one of the sea lions that is his property. He found the pinnigrade enjoying an afternoon nap on an ice cake. The Captain will start for San Francisco in a few days to capture another lot of sea lions, for which he has customers.

A Lover of Nature.

Frank Williams, 58 years of age, a tramp, was found sleeping in a gutter on Second avenue on Tuesday evening. The thermometer was about 40 above zero. Yesterday he was arraigned before Justice Power in the Harlem Police Court. He said he had just come off the Island.

"Where is your home?" asked the Justice.

"This city is my home," said Williams, with a sweeping wave of his arm; "but when the gentle zephyrs fan the cheek, and the songs of birds gladden the heart, I wander through the undulating woods of the rural districts, listening to the bobolink calling to its mate, and the merry chirp of the cricket. I am a lover of nature."

"Yes, I understand," interrupted the Justice "and until that happy time arrives I will send you to feast upon the bean soup and dark-hued bread of the Workhouse. Your eye for nature's grandeur will be gratified by the sights on the East River as it flows by your island home."

Williams read "Three months" on the commitment in the hands of the officer who was taking him down stairs, and a smile of peace and serenity lighted up his face.

A Beggar's Bank Account.

Peter O'Donohue, a blind beggar, was sent to the Workhouse for three months from the Yorkville Police Court yesterday, and Valentine Sheffield, a boy of 12, who led him, was sent to the Catholic Protectory, both on a charge of begging.

In Donohue's pockets was found, when arrested on Tuesday, a book of the Emigrants Industrial Savings Bank, crediting him with $50, and $14.90 in cash. The boy said that Donohue had received $3 from 10 o'clock in the morning until 4 in the afternoon when arrested, and paid him 50 cents a day for his services.

Both Donohue and the boy lived at 91 Mulberry street, which is inhabited almost entirely by professional beggars. The arrest was caused by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children on account of the improper employment of the boy by Donohue.

Royal Arch Masons.

ALBANY, Feb. 2.—The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons to-day elected and installed the following officers: G. H. P. M. E., Wm. T. Woodruff of New York; D. G. H. P. M. E., James D. Pollard of Seneca Falls; G. K. R. E., Richard H. Parker of Syracuse; G. T. R. E., John S. Dickerman of Albany; G. S. R. E., Christopher T. Fox of Buffalo; G. C. R. E., Rev. James B. Murray of Hamilton; G. C. of H. R. E., James E. Morrison of New York; G. P. S. R. E., John B. Hasted of Brooklyn; G. R. A. C. R. E., John L. Norton of Carthage; G. M. Third Veil R. E., Edward S. Ionet of New York; G. M. Second Veil R. E., John Keyes Page of Schenectady; G. M. First Veil R. E., Daniel M. Van Cott of Mount Vernon; Grand Tiler R. E., William H. Gladding of Albany; Grand Lecturer R. E., William Sherer of Brooklyn.

Bear Day.

Yesterday, according to the old superstition, was "Bear day," when some superstitious brute comes out of his winter quarters, sees himself, and tries to find other employment than sucking his paw. Should the sun be shining and the bear's body cast a shadow on the snow, says the old woman's story, he will return to his winter quarters for another long nap. As these were the conditions yesterday, those who have faith in the superstition think that a good deal of cold weather is yet in store.

Court Calendars This Day.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.—Nos. 81, 84, 115, 205, 209, 251, 255, 259, 262, 285, 287, 289, 301, 303, 306, 308, 309, 310. Assessment Calendar—Nos. 1 to 25 inclusive. GENERAL TERM—Adjourned until to-morrow. COURT OF APPEALS—Nos. 38, 48.

All the other courts adjourned for the term.

ROOM FOR THE CARTS.

The Mayor Suggesting a Method of Partly Removing the Ice Barriers in Streets.

Mayor Grace is continuing his efforts to have the snow and ice removed from the downtown streets. He sent to the Police Commissioners yesterday the following:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, Feb. 2, 1881.

To the Board of Police:

The Mayor has to-day caused an examination to be made of the most crowded streets in the lower part of the city with a view to some plan of relieving the blockades which now seriously impede traffic. As one method of partially accomplishing this and facilitating transportation along the water fronts and between the east and west sides, the Mayor suggests that in addition to the streets that have already been cleared, ice and snow be removed from the following localities so as to permit the easy passage of trucks and carts, viz.: Chambers street, from Hudson to West street; Cortlandt street, from Greenwich to New Church street; the east side of Greenwich and the west side of Washington street; Fulton street, from West to Washington street; Maiden lane, from Broadway to south street; Nassau street, from Fulton to Maiden lane; South street, from Old slip to Broad street, and Coenties slip, from South street to Front street. The heavy traffic in the vicinity of St. John's Park depot would be greatly relieved by clearing Varick street from Beach to Canal, and Laight street from Hudson to Canal.

By removing the obstructions in these and other localities where travel concentrates, cartage routes can be opened without great expense or the delay of waiting for the melting of snow and ice. Yours, respectfully,

JOHN TRACEY, Chief Clerk.

John W. Van Allen's Death.

John W. Van Allen, the financial member of the firm of Van Allen, Gush & Co., machinists at 59 Ann street, died on Monday in the 49th year of his age. He attended to the financial business of the firm since its organization, about seventeen years ago. He was a sagacious business man, and was persistent in the encouragement of invention and of art. He was widely known and esteemed.

Archbishop Purcell's Illness.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 2.—A despatch from St. Martin's Ursuline Convent in Brown County reports that Archbishop J. B. Purcell is paralyzed as to his right side, but in full possession of his mental faculties. The feeling of his friends is divided between hope for his recovery and fear that it will be quickly fatal. He has just recovered from an attack of pneumonia.

Wanted—Females.

A.—UP-TOWN ADVERTISERS May leave their favors for THE SUN at the only authorized uptown advertisement offices.
1,238 Broadway, corner of 31st st., till 9 P. M.
642 6th av., between 47th and 48th sts., till 8:30 P. M.
1008 Third avenue, corner of 85th st., till 8 P. M.
760 3d av., corner of 47th st., till 8 P. M.
92 East 14th st., corner Union square, till 8 P. M.
No extra charge.

A.—EXPERT tuckers and operators on ladies' underwear. DANNHAUSER & MONSHEIMER, 155 South 5th av.

ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS.—Wanted, good branchers; liberal wages; steady work. Apply to HANSON, WOOD & CO., 557 Broadway.

A.—EXPERT HANDS on men's scarfs; a few good needle women taught; no work given out. FISK, CLARK & CO., 440, 688 Broadway.

ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS.—Good ross makers; best pay; steady employment. L. HENRY & CO., 538 Broadway.

A NORWEGIAN or German Protestant girl or woman wanted for housework. 195 Worth st, 3d floor, near Chatham square.

A.—OPERATORS on lace goods; good pay and steady work. FALKENBERG & MAYER, 229 Church st.

AN EXPERIENCED presser on fine lace goods; steady work year round. J. KEARNEY, 37 Walker st.

A FEW first-class operators on lace goods wanted at 11 Marion st. Mrs. PAYNTER.

A COMPETENT girl for general housework; small family. 52 Catharine st., top floor.

BONNAZ.—None but experienced hands on lace goods; will make from $10 to $12. C. F. BRUNDER & CO., 89 Walker st.

BONNAZ operators wanted on lace work. 2 Washington place, between Concord and Tillary sts., Brooklyn.

BONNAZ operators; only good hands; steady work. Brooklyn Embroidering Co., 191 Canal st.

BONNAZ—Good pay and steady work. ACME EMBROIDERING CO., 305 and 307 Broadway.

CARHART, WHITFORD & CO. want experienced operators on cloaks; first-class hands only need apply, before 10 A. M., at the factory, 35 Howard st. THOMAS J. JOHNSTON, Superintendent.

EXPERIENCED operators on children's and misses cloaks and suits. STRAUSS & KAYTON, 46 to 50 Greene st.

EXPERIENCED operators on undergarments on Domestic machines inside. ARLOWICH & CO., 217 Church st.

EXPERIENCED operators and finishers on boys' sailor flannel suits. Call at 697 1st av., 3d floor, room No. 12, for a week.

EXPERIENCED forewoman for a factory of ladies' muckwear wanted. Apply at 119 Mercer st., first loft.

FIRST-CLASS lace hands wanted; good wages and steady work to competent operators. NEW YORK NOVELTY CO., 10 and 12 Thomas st.

FIRST-CLASS operators on suits and cloaks. L. KOCH, 34 Walker st.

HOTEL ironer, $16; plain washer, $12; starcher, $12. Labor Bureau, 29 Clinton place.

OPERATORS, basters, and men pressers on alpaca coats. 398 West 25th st., corner 9th av.

OPERATORS, basters on fine alpaca coats; none but first-class. 362 9th av.

OPERATORS and finishers on knee pants. 790 Gates av., Brooklyn.

PAPER BOXES.—Girls on round and all other kinds of collar boxes; prices advanced. Apply at once to JDS. SPOONER, 250 West 27th st.

PAPER BOXES.—Girls and paste hands wanted. ADAMS & YOUNG, 84 Thomas st.

STRAW SEWERS.—Experienced on Willcox & Gibbs machines. 160 Mercer st., near Houston.

WANTED—A few girls who understand labelling, tinfoiling and wrapping bottles. Apply at LANMAN & KEMP'S W. India Exp. Co., 4 Liberty st., this morning.

WANTED—A saleswoman, must be neat in appearance, write well, and be correct at figures. Address J. H. H., box 151, Sun office.

WANTED—An operator on ladies' shoes. 199 9th st., Brooklyn, E. D. None but experienced hands need apply.

WANTED—Good fancy straw and lace sewers over 15 years, for inside and outside work. at 43 and 45 4th avenue.

WANTED—2 first-class starchers at the Union Laundry, 15 Willoughby st., Brooklyn. Call for 3 days.

WANTED—First-class hands on gents' neckwear. HELLMAN & HERRMAN, 537 and 539 Broadway.

WANTED—Experienced operators on Willcox & Gibbs machine for lace work. 202 Church st.

WANTED—20 girls for stamping in factory, near New York. 109 West 34th st., ODELL'S office.

WANTED—Hands to make tassels, fringe, and bead work; also one good warper. 69 Mercer st.

WANTED—Two small girls to make paper tags. 161 Chambers st.

YOUNG GIRLS can obtain situations free, lodgings and meals at 6 cents each, at the Girls' Lodging House, 27 St. Mark's place, one block east of Cooper Institute (Colored Girls' Children's Aid Society).

50 IRONERS on new calico shirts; also learners. Franklin Laundry, 209 and 211 West 33d st.

Wanted—Males.

A.—OVERCOATS and sisters 50 per cent below cost, must be sold before 1st of March. J. L. DAVIES, 172 Bridge st., near High, Brooklyn.

A COMPETENT MECHANIC in brass work, lamps, chandeliers, and fancy mountings, to act as foreman in factory in Brooklyn. German or American preferred. Apply by letter, stating capability, references, and wages required, to P. O. box 1,481, New York.

A SMALL carriage and wagon shop for sale cheap or to lease, doing a good business, corner Murray and Austin sts., Newark, N. J.

A.—WANTED—Rent collector, $10 week; restaurant manager, light porter, $9 week; useful men at 1,329 Broadway.

A MACHINIST wanted; one accustomed to running envelope machinery preferred. Address MACHINES, box 142, Sun office.

A MIDDLE-AGED MAN, experienced in cutting ladies' fine undergarments. 812 Broadway; call all week.

A.—MEN'S overcoats (second-hand) $4, $5, $6, $8; suits $5, $6, $8, $10; 1,000 at 77 Nassau st. Saulis A. B'klyn.

AGENTS wanted.—"Hit a Cent." $1.15 per 100. REIMANN & CO., 300 Spring st., corner Renwick.

AGENTS and canvassers required at once. F. F. COLLIER, 95 Liberty st.

A GOOD job compositor wanted at the Evening Journal office, Jersey City. No slouches.

A COMPETENT fitter on a clothing cutting machine, at 49 Crosby st., up stairs.

BONNAZ.—Men for night work; will make $3c. an hour. Can call after 6 o'clock. C. F. BRUNDER & CO., 89 Walker st.

BOYS wanted. Fan factory, 147 Mulberry st. E. FRIEDMANN.

BOY WANTED. 24 Old slip, S. A. M.

BOY to "kick" press. 60 Cedar st.

COLORED MIDDLE-AGED MAN as waiter, cook, &c., to small family; no children; no other servants; on a fair good wages. Address, with references, HICKS, box 103, Sun office, for one week.

CIGARMAKERS.—Wanted, 10 good cigarmakers for hand work, Spanish style; steady work. Apply to or address WILLIAM MORRISON, 32 Central Wharf, Boston, Mass.

CARPENTERS.—Wanted, three men on frame buildings. H. EVERSON 62 Grove st., Jersey City.

ENGINEER wanted, at 80 and 82 Greene st. MARKS' BROS.

GOOD floorman horseshoer; steady man; no other need apply. MATHEW HAMILL, 81 New Chambers street.

OYSTERMEN'S UNION meet to-night at 8, at West End Hotel, corner 39th st. and 8th av.

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SMART BOY wanted to feed small Gordon press. Apply at office Dr. O. P. BROWN'S Herbal Remedies, No. 21 Grand st., Jersey City, N. J.

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WANTED—Wire railing makers; steady work to good men. HOWARD & MOURSE, 1,197 to 1,211 De-Kalb av., Brooklyn.

WANTED—Engineer for upright 6-horse engine; must have his papers. Ashland Steam Laundry, 56 East 13th st.

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WANTED—An experienced retail shoe salesman in first-class gentlemen's retail shoe store. 573 B'way.

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WANTED—Plumbers. Apply at KEHIAN & BRO.'S, corner 21st st. and 3d av.

WANTED—Blacksmith, a good workman. Apply at new building, foot of Adams st., Brooklyn.

WANTED—A small boy at room 29, Harlem freight depot, corner White and Centre sts.

WANTED—A young man as a practical restaurant waiter. 417 3d av.

WANTED—2 plumbers at 426 8th av.; bring tools; 7 o'clock.

WANTED—A feeder at SIMON'S, 612 Broadway.

YOUNG MAN in fish and oyster market. 169 Franklin st.

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A RESPECTABLE American lady wishes to adopt, to some respectable well-to-do couple, a fine, healthy male child 7 months old. Address or call at 7 Elm st., Newark, N. J.

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Balls.

THE CHARITY BALL OF 1881 WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC THIS THURSDAY EVENING, FEB. 3, Under the usual management.

Boxes are in charge of Mrs. Edward Cooper, 12 Washington square, north corner 5th av.

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Real Estate.

FOR SALE—4-story brick dwelling, 25x80.9.9, near 10th and 2d st. ferry, Greenpoint; pays over 13 per cent; price, $4,500; terms easy. D. B. TREADWELL, 79 Greenpoint av.

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Savings Banks.

EXCELSIOR SAVINGS BANK, 6TH AV. CORNER 23D ST., NEW YORK. Twenty-fourth interest dividend to Jan. 1, 1881. FIVE Per Cent. on accounts of $5, and not exceeding $500. TWO Per Cent. on accounts exceeding $500. Deposits made now will draw interest from Feb. 1, 1881. E. S. HAZARD, President, of Caswell, Hazard & Co. H. K. THURBER, Vice-Pres., of H. K. & F. B. Thurber & Co. GEORGE C. WALDO, Sec.

Auction Notices.

JOHN H. DRAPER & CO., Auctioneers, will sell on FRIDAY, FEB. 4, 1881, at 10:30 o'clock A. M., at 202 BOWERY, New York, administrator's sale of personal property of the estate of Samuel R. Winfield, deceased, 50 barrels whiskeys, 7 barrels apple brandy, New England rum, rock and rye, port wine, etc., 15 cases claret, 37 cases brandy, 16 cases gin, iron safe, and other goods.

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LOST—Bank book No. 119,465 on Dry Dock Savings Bank. Please return to the Bank.

$5 REWARD.—Lost, a large black Newfoundland dog, Tuesday, Feb. 1, answers to Spot. Finder will receive the reward from J. G. KRAUSS, 121 Pitt st.

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