THE HIGH LICENSE BILL.

SMALL PROSPECTS THAT IT WILL BECOME A LAW THIS YEAR.

Blighted by Republican Lukewarmness—The Country Trying to Saddle All Costs of Government upon New York City.

ALBANY, March 10.—The prospects of the Crosby High License bill becoming a law are bad, and its chances of passing the Assembly and Senate are not much better. The bill could have passed the Assembly a fortnight ago, and it would probably get through the Senate if it were offered to-day, but a strong opposition has recently developed to it that may cause its early demise. Another week has passed without its even getting before the Committee of the Whole, and it will be some time before it comes up for final passage in the Assembly. It has not yet a place in the Senate.

If no high license bill is passed this session it will be because of the lukewarmness and treachery of Republicans who should be, from their professions and pledges, its warm supporters, but who will be glad to help it to an easy death and a comfortable grave anywhere near the tail of the calendar. The bill was offered early in the session by Mr. Ernest Crosby, son of the Rev. Dr. Howard Crosby, a bright young man who came from the Twenty-first district of New York to make a name for himself by decreasing the evils of intemperance in New York. The bill was sent to an excise committee that had been made up to report it favorably. There the bill languished. A follower of Mr. Davenport, and a representative of the Davenport Wine Company, was Chairman of the committee, and through him the wine license was reduced greatly. Other interests came in to make the bill easier for them, and for a month the committee dallied with it. Then, through the absence and dodging of a dozen Republicans, the bill escaped a recommitment by only one vote, and failed of progress on the calendar.

Since then nothing has been done. A thorough canvass of the supporters of the bill has not been made. A caucus was held, but the Republican leader took care especially to announce that the action was not binding, and Senator Raines proclaimed on the floor of the Senate this morning, when cornered by the interrogatories of Senator Reilly, that the High License bill was not a Republican party measure. This enables a half dozen Republicans to vote for it without breaking party discipline, and next fall they can say to the Republican liquor dealers that it was the Republicans who defeated the bill, while with the farmers and temperance people they can point to the deceptive action of the caucus.

When the Crosby bill does come up Mr. Ives will move to substitute his home rule High License bill. This bill gives the Board of Estimate and Apportionment power to fix the rate of licenses, with a $1,000 maximum, and also to limit the number in an Assembly district, thus directly accomplishing what the high license people are straining for. It does not make arbitrary rates, but leaves the important executory power to the chief Board of New York city. This bill receives the support of the majority of the Democrats and of those Republicans who believe in allowing New York city to deal with its own questions.

Chairman Brundage has had a row with Edmund C. Lee, clerk of the Excise Committee. This Mr. Lee was here last year to work against the High License bill on the floor of the Assembly. This year the anti-high license men, by the influence of Mr. Sheridan Shook, had Mr. Lee made clerk of the Excise Committee, where he has been working against the Crosby bill. He has been discovered, and trouble resulted. Miles Gibbons, President of the Wine and Liquor Dealers' Association, and President Wheeler of the Prohibition Committee were together on the floor of the Assembly this evening, expecting that the Crosby bill might come up.

Senator Vedder brought up in the Senate to-day his bill to take license fees for the State Treasury. The country members have an abhorrence to paying any taxes at all. They have saddled half the budget of the State on New York city; they take money from New York to give it to the St. Lawrence county schools; they make New York pay for bridges in Buffalo, local improvements all over the State, and now they want to take the whole excise revenue of New York and turn it into the State Treasury. It would be simpler were they to pass an act adding the State and city tax of New York city and Brooklyn. It would make an addition of only one-third or so, and if to pay for the burden, New York city could get exemption from Senator Vedder's raids on the brokers, Senator Coggeshall's attacks on the insurance companies, and the interminable and costly tinkering of the Legislature with city affairs, New York would make a good bargain. The country legislators, the Senators in particular, look on New York as a golden lamb, made to be shorn.

Senators Daly and Reilly made earnest protests against this injustice to New York. Senator Daly showed how it worked when the Albany Armory bill came up. The Legislature appropriates from the State Treasury money to pay for armories in every town but New York, where the city has to beg for a bill to be allowed to build an armory and pay for it itself. The State pays for bridges over the Erie Canal and every creek in the State. Yet they refuse to aid New York in furthering navigation on the Harlem, while they give $50,000 annually for expenditure at Albany and Troy.

The Chamber of Commerce sent up a protest against one of Senator Plunkitt's mysterious bills. The bill nominally provides for making free a bridge over the Harlem. In reality it revives a charter given in 1851, and allows the Second Avenue Railroad Company to build a bridge over the Harlem. The Chamber of Commerce says that additional bridges will destroy any chance of getting the Harlem improved, and charges Senator Plunkitt with trying to sneak his bill through.

Senators Raines and Plunkitt had a fierce debate over the plan to take the license fees from New York city and pay them to the State. Senator Raines called Senator Plunkitt Ephraim, and said he had idols.

The Senate passed an appropriation of $12,000 to buy the old Senate House building at Kingston.

The Governor sent in the names of the present Board of Arbitration—William Purcell, F. F. Donovan, and Gilbert Robertson, Jr., for another term. They will be confirmed.

The Republican Senators held a caucus after the session to-day to consider the nominations. They decided to confirm the Arbitration Board. The nomination of ex-Senator Arkell was postponed to a caucus to be held on next Wednesday. Unless some of the great men in the Republican party relent, he is not likely to be confirmed.

The Assembly made Senator Daly's new Criminal Court House bill a special order for Tuesday, and refused to put the Elevator bill higher up on the list.

Mr. Youngman offered a bill to give $1,177,750 to help finish the Capitol. Part of the money will go to prop up the Assembly chamber, which may tumble down some day. The people of Albany also regard the Capitol as an eyesore and the legislators as monsters of unrighteousness. They want the legislators to hold a joint convention in the Assembly chamber, gather all the woman suffragists, lobbyists, and hangers on in the rear of the chamber and then let it crumble. Mr. Youngman hopes to defeat this intention.

Orange county wants a $300,000 State prison. Mr. Hayes wants to tax all people who live in New Jersey and Connecticut and work in New York 2 per cent. of their incomes if they make over $5,000 a year.

Mr. Giegerich's bill to allow the sale of light wines and beer on Sunday afternoons between 2 o'clock and midnight was reported by the License Committee, who are opposed to it, as a compliment to Mr. Giegerich, who represents a German east side district.

Senator Cullen's bill to fix telephone rentals in Brooklyn and New York at $6.50 a month, $4 in Buffalo, and $3 in the rest of the State, was reported favorably in the Senate.

The Assembly had an evening session to consider general orders. Mr. Cantor's Tenement House bill was ordered to third reading; so was his bill for condensed and more simple forms of deeds and mortgages. The tax system of indexing was discussed until 10 P. M., and went over till Tuesday evening.

Both Houses adjourned to Monday to go to the funeral of Mr. Beecher.

Big Panic Among School Children.

DUBUQUE, March 10.—A panic occurred here last evening in a theatre where over 700 school children were gathered to witness a ventriloquist entertainment. Shortly after the performance commenced some person raised the cry of "Fire," and a terrible scene ensued. The frightened children rushed for the doors, blocking up the passageways and rushing madly one over the other. Prof. Irish of the Third ward school and a number of others near the door to e down the partition, opened the outside doors, and broke in the windows. They seized the children, throwing them right and left as they drew them out, and by extraordinary efforts succeeded in clearing the passages. A number of children were injured, but none seriously.

Failure of the Printers' Strike.

MILWAUKEE, March 10.—The strike of the printers in this city is at an end, the Typographical Union having allowed its members to procure work wherever they can get it. The newspaper offices are fully manned by strange men, however, and few of the strikers will be able to obtain work. The blow is a heavy one to the union, and it is doubtful if it can hold together under the strain.

Heating Cars and Steamboats.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The acting Secretary of the Treasury has already received about one hundred letters in answer to his circular of Feb. 19 inviting suggestions for the better protection of life and property from fire in case of accidents to railroad cars and steamboats. They have been referred to Supervising Inspector Gen. Dumont and will be carefully examined and scheduled.

A Sudden Death from Pneumonia

Frequently results from failure to apply Benson's Plasters to back and chest at first symptoms.—Adv.

ANNIE NIBLICK'S DEATH.

Arrest of Two Women upon the Story of a Five-year-old Boy.

PHILADELPHIA, March 10.—Further investigation into the case of the little girl, Annie Niblick, whose lifeless body was found by her father last evening hanging from the transom of a door at her home, leads to the suspicion that the girl's death was neither the result of accident nor suicide. When the father found his daughter, his two other children, a boy aged 5 years and an infant, were crouched in a corner of the room, badly frightened. Upon questioning the boy he told his father that Mrs. McClelland and Flora, her daughter, had been there, and that Mrs. McClelland had tied Annie to the door transom. Mrs. McClelland is a neighbor. Little notice was at first taken of the child's story, but later in the night Niblick reported the matter to the police. Mrs. McClelland and her daughter were placed under arrest, and this morning were committed to await the action of the Coroner.

Mr. Niblick is a widower, and Annie, who was 13 years of age, has been his housekeeper since the death of her mother. Mrs. McClelland had separated from her husband, and it is asserted by some that she wanted to marry Niblick, and that her chances of success would be improved were the little housekeeper out of the way.

At the hearing to-day the boy repeated his story, and answered all questions in a straightforward manner. Mrs. McClelland admitted that she visited the Niblick house yesterday afternoon, but she denied that she knew anything of the girl's death.

Detective Geyer, who was detailed to investigate the case, this evening sent this telegram to Chief Kelly:

> I was present at the post-mortem examination of the body of Annie Niblick to-day. There was nothing to indicate murder. The girl stole two handkerchiefs yesterday, and her father told her if she did not return them before he came from work he would whip her. This is all the information I have been able to obtain.

AMUSEMENTS.

Thomas Popular Matinees.

The orchestral programme of yesterday's Thomas popular matinée at the Metropolitan Opera House was as varied and interesting and as admirably interpreted as usual. Massenet's "Marche Heroique" was given with superb power; the "Bacchanale," from "Tannhäuser," with many alluring nuances; three movements from Fuchs's "Serenade," in D, for string orchestra, with dainty grace; Doorak's "Scherza Capriccioso," with charming variety of phrasing, and Rubinstein's overture, "Triomphale," with due brilliancy.

Mr. Rafael Joseffy played Liszt's second concerto for the pianoforte. This is a work of noble proportions. Its leading motive is a broad, elegiac theme, which Liszt, with great skill, varies throughout the composition progresses, so that it reflects various moods. Yet it never quite loses its original characteristic. It is like a great, sad beauty wandering among flowers, her sadness softened by her joyous surroundings, but never quite obliterated. Mr. Joseffy played this composition with great depth of feeling and peerless execution.

Faust in Brooklyn.

For the second night of the season in the Brooklyn Academy of Music the National Opera Company presented "Faust" last evening to an unusually large and appreciative audience, with Charles Bassett as *Faust*, William Ludwig as *Mephistopheles*, Alonzo Stoddard as *Valentine*, Joseph Silvers as *Brander*, Jessie Bartlett Davis as *Siebel*, Emma Juch as *Marguerite*, and Mathilde Phillips as *Martha*. The Jewell Song received a round of applause, Miss Juch being in excellent voice, and at the close of the second act she appeared before the curtain. Miss Davis was also one of the favorites of the evening. The grand bacchanale ballet in the fourth act was a revelation of the resources of the ballet school. Marie Giurl and Felicita Carozzi were the principal dancers. Next week "The Flying Dutchman" is to be the opera, and on March 24 "Nero" is to be given.

Anton Schott's Song Recital.

Herr Anton Schott's song recitals, of which the second and last was given at Steinway Hall yesterday afternoon, deserve to be considered the most charming of the minor musical entertainments of the season. Herr Schott's rich, beautiful voice, his ease of method, and his perfect appreciation of the music he sings, make his interpretation of *lieder* delightful to any one who has musical sensitiveness.

The programme of yesterday's recital included Beethoven's "Adelaide," Schubert's "Der Neugierige," "Trock'ne Blumen," "Frühlingsglaube," and "Staendchen," the love song from "Die Walküre," and Mendelssohn's "Ich hört ein Vöglein." All these were sung with admirable variety of phrasing, and with great depth of feeling. Herr Schott's interpretation of "Adelaide" may be especially pointed to as a model of tender expression.

Emil Thomas at the Thalia.

Emil Thomas, the leading comedian of the Imperial Theatre, Berlin, made his first appearance in this country at the Thalia Theatre last evening. The theatre was crowded to the doors by an audience which included most of the prominent German residents of this city. Herr Thomas was warmly received, and gained an immediate success. The play was filled and Ely's comedy, "Von Schrot und Korn," in which Thomas takes the character of a choleric but good-hearted old mechanic, who proves to be the good angel of the piece and gets everybody out of difficulties. The audience laughed continually and called him out several times after every act. Johanna Schatz and Ludwig Steingade were also very amusing.

"Von Schrot und Korn" will be repeated this evening.

A Murderous Tramp.

MILWAUKEE, March 10.—A tramp giving his name as Schmidt went to a house last evening with one of his hands tied in a sling, and asked for money. He said he had met with an accident. Theodore Krischinski gave him a few cents, and the fellow left and asked a woman who was in the yard for money. She refused to give him any, whereupon he dropped his arm from the sling and drew from his pocket a piece of iron covered with a handkerchief and struck her on the head. He then grabbed hold of her and partly tore her clothes from her body.

Krischinski and Valentine Schiller, a saloon keeper, ran to the woman's assistance. The tramp took refuge in the cellar of an adjoining house, and the men made an attempt to capture him. Schiller got a pitchfork and tried to dislodge him, when he opened fire with a revolver. Schiller received a ball in his face, which entered the jaw and came out below the ear, and Krischinski was wounded in the abdomen. The tramp then fled, and was followed later by the police, who found him hiding in a thrashing machine. A large crowd gathered with ropes, and the police had great difficulty in landing the prisoner in jail.

Gov. Ames's Son Fined $10.

TAUNTON, March 10.—William H. Ames, a son of Gov. Ames, and employed at the shovel works at North Easton, was arraigned before the District Court to-day on a charge of assaulting a lad named Donohue. The testimony showed that the boys employed in an adjoining shop had made trouble by going through the shovel works. On the day of the assault Ames saw the Donohue boy going through, and, catching him, threw him into a tank of water. He then gave him a kick, and sent him home. The day was very cold, the little fellow's clothes were frozen to him, and he was confined to his bed for three days. Judge Fox fined Ames $10 and costs.

An Anarchist Funeral.

CHICAGO, March 10.—Oscar Neebe, the Anarchist, to-day selected Paul Grottkau and George Schilling to deliver the orations at his wife's funeral services in Miller's Hall on Sunday. Grottkau was Spies's predecessor as editor of the *Arbeiter Zeitung*, and figured in the riots at Milwaukee last spring. Schilling is a noted local Socialist, labor agitator, and ward politician. Nothing of a religious character will enter into the ceremonies. Sheriff Mattson to-day decided that Neebe should be allowed to accompany his wife's body to the cemetery, guarded by a single deputy.

Fighting With Firearms and Axes.

FAYETTE, Miss., March 10.—A deadly affray occurred here to-day between Mr. Orr and his three sons, all armed with revolvers, and Lud Churchwell and his two sons, the former being armed with a shotgun and the latter with axes. In the fight Lud Churchwell was killed and one of his sons was mortally wounded. James Orr was also killed and his brother Asa was badly hurt. As Orr was killed by a pistol shot, it is thought that the wound was inflicted by one of his own party, as their antagonists had no pistols.

Trafficking in Young Girls.

TORONTO, March 10.—Daniel N. Stewart, a private detective, has been arrested here on a charge of trafficking in young girls, who were sent to American cities for immoral purposes. One young girl, who gave her name as Florence Andrews of Port Huron, Mich., was found in Stewart's place when he was arrested. She was held on a charge of vagrancy, but is really detained as a material witness.

Not Likely to Live to be Hanged.

ST. LOUIS, March 10.—Gov. Marmaduke today granted a respite for thirty days to Dan Jewell, who was under sentence to be hanged here to-morrow. The convicted man is suffering from pneumonia, and the Sheriff objected to hanging a man in his condition. It is not thought he will live until the date fixed for the hanging.

A Female Bull Fighter.

HAVANA, March 5.—A female bull-fighter named Mrs. Gloria has arrived here and will give exhibitions. The novelty of seeing a woman engage in this dangerous sport will doubtless add to the enthusiasm of the spectators.

Navigation on the Hudson.

NEWBURGH, March 10.—The Homer Ramsdell Transportation Company's steamers will endeavor to open navigation between New York and Newburgh on Saturday. The ice is still solid in the Highlands.

BROKER BUDD TO BE IN COURT TO-DAY.

Accused of Using About $25,000 of Marshall H. Mallory's Money.

The prisoner that Detective Heidelberg brought from Canada on Wednesday night and locked up at Police Headquarters is Frank C. Budd, a petroleum broker, of 66 Broadway. He is accused of having defrauded Marshall H. Mallory, publisher of the *Churchman*, and one of the owners of the Madison Square Theatre, out of about $25,000. He is 22 years old and married, and lives at 264 Lexington avenue. He fled to Canada a few weeks ago after the alleged misappropriation. It is understood that Mr. Mallory lent him the money to start him in the brokerage business, and that after it had disappeared Budd resorted to forgery to cover it.

Detective Heidelberg arrested him at the Windsor Hotel in Montreal, on a warrant issued by Justice White at the Tombs last week. The young man consented to return to New York without the formality of a requisition.

Lawyer James R. Cuming of Vanderpoel, Greene & Cuming had an interview with Budd in his cell yesterday morning, and afterward told Justice Duffy he would like that his client be not brought to court until to-day. This morning Budd will be arraigned at the Tombs.

Mr. Cuming said that he was not at liberty to talk about the case. All he would say was that Mr. Budd had taken between $10,000 and $30,000 belonging to Mr. Mallory. Mr. Mallory had made a sort of protégé of Budd, although Budd was no relation of his.

Mr. Mallory refused to tell yesterday how Budd had defrauded him. He wanted the matter kept out of the papers if possible. Budd's office were unoccupied yesterday, and were in a state of great confusion. Inspector Byrnes would say nothing about his prisoner, whom he has on his blotter as a "suspicious person," no complainant's name being given.

FANNIE BRIGGS'S BETRAYER.

Coroner Lindsay's Inquest into the Cause and Circumstances of her Death.

Coroner Lindsay of Brooklyn last night resumed the inquest in the case of Miss Fannie M. Briggs, the pretty saleswoman, who died from malpractice on Feb. 28 at 45 Hoyt street after a week's absence from her home. Mrs. Finnegan, in whose house at 110 Lawrence street Miss Briggs had boarded a few days before her removal to Hoyt street, testified that Miss Briggs had informed her that she had injured herself by falling on the stairs. One day when Miss Briggs was very sick Dr. Briggs called four or five times. The patient always seemed to be worse after his visits. A Mrs. Morse called upon Miss Briggs, and stated, as she was leaving the room, that Miss Briggs had been in trouble for five months, and that Mr. Hettrick was responsible.

Mrs. Mary J. Troy, a boarder in the house, testified that Mr. Hettrick frequently called on Miss Briggs. She once heard him say: "I know I am doing wrong, but it is from charitable motives." Mrs. Rossa, in whose house Miss Briggs died, also testified that Mr. Hettrick was very devoted in his attentions to the dying girl. He was much agitated, and once exclaimed: "My God, this is terrible."

The inquest will be continued next week.

WORK PEOPLE THRONG THE CHURCH.

Scenes Before Daylight and After Dark in St. Teresa's in the Seventh Ward.

St. Teresa's Church, Rutgers and Henry streets, has been densely packed every night these four weeks back. The young workingmen from the crowded tenements thereabouts gather in the church and listen to the Paulist fathers, who have come down from their own big church at Ninth avenue and Fifty-ninth street, on a mission specially to instruct them. Even the spaces back of the pews and of the seats in the galleries are filled with the standing listeners.

The Rev. Father Elliott stood last night by a large cross that has been erected in front of the altar and talked of the Passion of the Saviour. Dr. Hoyt advised repentance, and Father Lynch, the next word, picturing their unending torments. Strong men were moved by the vivid language.

Every morning at 5 o'clock the priests again meet the parishioners and talk to them before they go to work, keeping it up until the whole parish is away to work long after 8 o'clock. In all, six of the Paulist Fathers, Wyman, Clark, Nevins, and Elliott, all converts to the Catholic faith, with Fathers Doyle and Smith, are in charge of the devotions. While some of them are up in the church instructing the people the others are in the basement confessionals, those who have been negligent in their church duties. The mission ends next Sunday.

Shaking the Chestnut Tree.

Judge David McAdam entertained the Gaelic Society at 17 West Twenty-eighth street last night with a lecture on "Legal Chestnuts." Legal jurisprudence was, he said, a collection of chestnuts, which was another name for precedents. He then kept the society laughing with stories about lawyers and Judges, which, he said, he introduced because they were chestnuts. Here is one: "A merchant lawyer was examining a drippery witness in a liquor case. 'What was in the barrel' asked the lawyer.

"'Hey? Why I know! I didn't open it.'

"'Couldn't you tell by the endorsement on either end of the barrel?'

"'Well, sir, one end said "Whiskey" and the other "Pat Rooney."'

The most troublesome clients were by common consent women who wanted to get married, married women who wanted to get divorced, and old maids who didn't know what they did want.

Strike on the Bedlow's Island Steamboat.

The two firemen employed on the steamboat Florence, running between this city and Bedlow's Island, struck when the boat arrived at the Barge Office about 10 A. M. yesterday. The Florence had just taken over about twenty passengers, who stood about on the windswept island waiting to be taken ashore. The strikers' places were filled, so that the Florence went for the relief of the prisoners at 1 o'clock. There is a hotel on the island with a stove in it, but no rum.

It Was the Cat.

John Busse, a restaurant keeper at 7 Second avenue, went to bed early last evening, slightly indisposed. A kerosene lamp stood on a table at his elbow, and a pet cat gambolled alternately on the bed and on the table. The result was the upsetting of the lighted lamp, and a slight fire, through which the sick man escaped, a good second to a big-eyed, screeching cat with arched back and a tail of triple circumference.

Ladies Want Senator Cullen's Scalp.

A delegation of ladies called upon the Mayor yesterday. They represented the Murray Hill Association, and wanted the Mayor to use his influence to prevent the passage of Senator Cullen's bill to establish a manure dump at Ninety-fifth street, East River. They also wanted the Mayor to prevent the reelection of Senator Cullen. The Mayor said they were asking for rather more than he could accomplish.

The Yorickes Want to Boycott a Cemetery.

The Yorick Club of grave diggers employed at Calvary Cemetery has appealed to District Assembly 49, of which it is a local assembly, for aid in securing an advance in pay, which has been demanded of the cemetery trustees. The dissatisfied grave diggers think that a boycott of Calvary Cemetery would bring the trustees to the terms of the strikers.

Mr. Corbin Goes to Florida.

Austin Corbin, his wife, and his daughter, Miss Annie, started for a trip through Florida yesterday afternoon. They will be gone until April 1. Mr. Corbin is travelling in his private car on Manhattan, and goes South for a rest from business cares.

BROOKLYN.

Adam Orpen has been elected President of the United Boat Club.

The Rev. Father M. J. Hickey sailed for Europe yesterday from the City of Chicago.

The Twentieth Ward Republican Association has endorsed the High License bill.

The Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Brooklyn has been incorporated with a capital of $500,000.

The Rev. Jesse W. Brooks will be installed as pastor of the Seventeenth Avenue Congregational Church next Tuesday night.

Justice Cullen has granted Minna C. Samuels a limited divorce from Alexander R. Samuels, former manager of the Park Theatre.

The Brooklyn Yacht Club has decided to hold the annual regatta on June 16, and also to have a reception at the Gravesend Club House, and a regatta on Decoration Day.

The Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor caused 11,782 persons to be relieved during February, and disbursed for food, clothing, funerals, and medicine, $6,102.06.

John McCormick, aged 26 years, of 244 Third street, has been sent to the penitentiary for sixty days by Justice Massey. While drunk he threw his arms around ten-year old Maggie Phillips.

At the Oxford Club it is decided that the question of keeping the bar open on Sunday entered into the recent election of directors. The rule of having no Sunday drinking in the club house will be continued.

The suit of George Wiedner against Henry Loeffler for $50,000 for alienating the affections of his wife was brought to a sudden ending in the Circuit Court yesterday with a verdict for the defendant, who was also granted $500 for legal expenses.

Angelina Prout is suing Robert T. Prout for divorce. Each is over 60 years of age, and they have not lived together since 1844. A year ago Mr. Prout received $100,000 from an uncle. He says that he has disposed of all the money since the suit was commenced.

Harriet Burton is suing Washington Burton in the City Court for separation, on the allegation that he has squandered almost everything in the house in his outbursts of anger, and has made her life miserable. She still loves him, but has found it necessary for her own protection to seek a divorce.

Wm. B. Wadsworth, who is in jail awaiting sentence for forgery, said yesterday that he still has the greater part of the $85,000, the amount of his swindling operations, and that if he is sent to the penitentiary he will not disclose where it is, but will use it in business when he gets out.

The second quarterly "Harvest Meeting" of the Woman's Auxiliary of Brooklyn City Mission Society will be held on Wednesday, March 16, at the Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church. Dr. T. L. Cuyler will deliver the address. The seven recently appointed lady missionaries of the society will be present.

Wm. B. Brownell, a Grand Army man, of 396 Franklin avenue, was arrested for acting in a disorderly manner on the bridge on Wednesday evening. Policeman Lauterborn accused him of making a motion as if to draw a pistol, and threatening to shoot him if he should lay a hand on him. Mr. Brownell says that the arrest was entirely unjustifiable. His examination has been adjourned by Justice Walsh.

Miss Jennie C. Sloane is suing Dentist John F. Stevens in the Supreme Court for $10,000 damages for alleged malpractice. She avers that in operating on a wisdom tooth, which she wanted extracted, Dr. Stevens left the roots buried in the gum, causing her great pain, and afflicting her with St. Vitus's dance. Dr. Stevens says that Miss Sloane neglected to return to have the tooth operated upon a second time, as she had promised.

NO B. AND O. DEAL MADE YET.

MR. SULLY'S FIRST MILLION FAILS TO MATERIALIZE.

His Efforts to Buy the Stock Impeded by a Puff Fired Off Too Soon—Perhaps Somebody Else Will Kindly Take His Contract.

The first step toward consummating the bargain for the sale of a majority of the stock of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company by Mr. Robert Garrett, which President Alfred Sully of the Richmond Terminal Company negotiated, was to have been taken yesterday. It would have consisted of the payment of $1,000,000 on account. No money was paid, however, and, so far as is known, Mr. Garrett is no longer bound by the terms of the contract he made with Mr. Sully. The reasons for this failure appear in the following narration of what has taken place:

According to excellent authority, Mr. Garrett appears to have negotiated with Mr. Sully upon the assumption that he was dealing with the President of the Richmond Terminal Company, while Mr. Sully apparently was negotiating with the view of working the deal for all it was worth in every direction. He succeeded in getting a contract from Mr. Garrett upon the terms given in THE SUN of yesterday. This contract was with Alfred Sully, and no one else. It was undoubtedly a good thing to have, and was promptly advertised as such. In this particular case, however, it seems that the advertising could have been dispensed with to advantage. Mr. Sully's friends now say that he regrets that it was advertised, while Mr. Sully himself disclaimed through one of the Wall street news agencies yesterday that he was responsible for the advertisement.

Mr. Garrett's idea in offering to sell his property was, according to one of the prospective buyers, to effect some sort of an alliance or amalgamation with the Richmond Terminal Company. He was willing to take some of the assets of that company as security for the payment on account of his stock, pending the completion of the merging of the two systems. The assumption was made, however, that if Mr. Garrett would sell at all, he would sell to anybody, whereas he was desirous of making a deal which would result in extending his own railroad system into the South. There is a very strong suspicion that Mr. Jay Gould had the opportunity to act upon the Sully contract before any one else. Then efforts were made with partial success to draw a syndicate around the contract. Though a number of the prospective members of this syndicate are interested in the Richmond Terminal Company, the idea that the deal should be made with that company was not seriously entertained by them until yesterday.

The way that the Terminal Company came to consider it was this. When Mr. Garrett found that a syndicate, and not the Terminal Company, was going to act upon his contract, he threw some light upon the subject, and it then appeared that the contract must be considered by the Terminal Company, and no one else. By the time the proposition got before the Terminal directors as such, there was not time enough to turn around, much less to decide upon a question of such magnitude. Consequently no $1,000,000 was raised or paid yesterday, and the first step toward consummating Mr. Sully's bargain has not been taken.

Unless Mr. Garrett should withdraw his proposition altogether, the matter may now be considered *in statu quo*, except that the visions of large commissions must be somewhat dimmed.

Ought "Any" Woman to be Hanged?

Three score men sat down in Martinelli's Bowling Green restaurant last evening to the 121st dinner of the Twilight Club. Broker Ernest Dichman presided. The subject of the club's discussion was, "Ought Any Woman to be Hanged?" Almost all were inclined to the affirmative view, which, one man stated, would be, "Any woman ought to be hanged," and Mr. Dichman had considerable difficulty in finding speakers who thought that women should be hanged. Dr. Hoyt advised sequestration of criminals, especially women who had "gone wrong while drawing a heart in the wayward lottery of circumstances."

Gen. Winants of the National Rifle Association spoke about woman suffrage and woman hanging. The Chairman said both would be settled when women learned to fire revolvers without shutting both eyes.

A Word of Cheer from Gen. Schofield.

At the monthly meeting of the Military Service Institute on Governor's Island, yesterday, Gen. Schofield said:

"I know that there is a good deal to discourage army officers. Promotion is so slow there are no inducements for them to remain in the service. My advice to you is to stay on a while. There may not be opportunities for you now, but it is better to be prepared in case your services are required. Your knowledge may be required for the instruction of others who will need it."

Deaf Firemen in Jersey City.

Edward H. Norton, a hoseman-at-call of the Jersey City Fire Department, was arraigned before the Fire Commissioners on Wednesday charged with having failed to answer the required number of alarms during the last three months. His excuse was that he is deaf, and did not hear the bell rings. Commissioners let him off with a reprimand. Chief Engineer Farrier says there are several deaf men in the department.

Robbed of Watch and Money.

Edward A. Skelton, a printing press manufacturer of 718 Whyte street, Brooklyn, went to Jersey City yesterday, and while intoxicated was knocked down and robbed of a gold watch and some money. Neal Murray, aged 18 years, whom a policeman found standing over Skelton, was arrested.

A $1,500 Dog Killed.

When Mr. William Page of Passaic city went to Europe some months since, he left a $1,500 dog he had bought for James Gordon Bennett in charge of George Walter. On Wednesday night the dog got loose, and was run over by an Erie train and killed.

College Base Ball.

President Archbald and Treasurer Leeds of the Yale Base Ball Club will attend the meeting of the old Intercollegiate Base Ball Association at Springfield to-day, and, after seeing that the championship for last year is duly awarded to Yale, they will withdraw the latter from the league.

Archbald, Capt. Corbin, and Pitcher Stagg will attend the meeting of delegates from Harvard, Princeton, and Columbia at the Parker House in Boston to-morrow, and will join in forming a league of the colleges named, unless a very strong protest should be received from New York graduates against such a course. The graduates are understood to be strongly opposed to anything smaller than a league of five colleges, while the undergraduates are hot for the league of four.

SPRINGFIELD, March 10.—The Inter-Collegiate Base Ball Association will hold its annual convention in this city to-morrow. Delegates from Amherst, Brown, and Dartmouth are in town, and have been making plans for action. Harvard has already sent in its resignation, and those of Yale and Princeton are expected.

The conditions imposed on Dartmouth last year being removed by the withdrawal of these colleges, the Dartmouth will take their old place in the League. The association will then be composed of Amherst, Brown, Williams, and Dartmouth, unless some other college is admitted.

Malone Defeats Balbo at Pool.

Three hundred spectators crowded the Columbia billiard rooms in Broadway yesterday to witness the match game at fifteen ball pool between J. H. Malone, who took second place in the recent pool tourney, and Alfredo Balbo, the Cuban champion, who won third prize. Balbo was handicapped for $100 a side, the best in sixteen games. Malone conceding the odds of spotting two balls in each game. Malone was in fine condition, and won the match, and he won with ease by a score of 11 to 5. Balbo played steadily, but in hard luck, and was very anxious to play another match on the same terms right off. He wasn't accommodated, however, but it is probable that the men will meet again shortly.

Racing at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, March 10.—The track was heavy to-day. FirstRace—Six furlongs, for three-year olds. *McLoughlin* won by a head, Withrow second, two lengths ahead of Jambert. Time, 1:20¾.

Second Race—Six furlongs selling. *Handy Andy* won by three lengths, Pat Daly second, the same distance ahead of Cathcart. Time 1:18¾.

Third Race—Seven and one-half furlongs. *Brooke* won by three lengths, Kensington second, four lengths ahead of Miss. Time, 1:41½.

Sporting Notes.

At the New York Racquet Club yesterday afternoon Mr. La Montague and D. Lydig contested one of the final ties in the championship competition, the latter winning by six games, and Mr. Lydig now has to play the final contest will take place between him and Mr. Lydig, probably to-morrow.

Ernest Leroy Caldwell of the class of '87, who stroked Yale's crew to victory at the Lonsdale, and who has so far refused to row again, has changed his mind and began training with the crew yesterday. He will take his old seat in the boat as soon as he can get in condition, and as Yale escapes a winning race through his absence he is thought to be as good as doubled by his decision, Yale men were jubilant last night.

Court Calendars This Day.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.—Nos. 46, 52, 95, 104, 115, 118, 121, 122, 124, 126, 127, 139, 147, 149, 151, 194, 215, 220, 222, 223, 228, 231, 233, 236, 240, 244, 241, 242, 244, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 260, 261 GENERAL TERM.—Nos. 41, 9, 8, 10, 21, 24, 30, 31, 35, 36, 82, 85, 86, 87, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 112, 112½, 113. SPECIAL TERM.—Part I.—Nos. 456, 875, 1025, 1193, 1294, 1330, 888, 985, 1216, 1217, 1218, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223, 1241, 1242, 1274, 1235, 1236, 1237, 1238, 1239, 1240, 1243. Part II.—Nos. 4364, 4765, 4828, 4801, 4846, 4847, 4867. Part IV—Case unfinished, Nos. 3732, 3736, 3756, 3787, 3813, 3822, 3833, 3788, 3789, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 3850, 4341, 3854, 3875, 3876, 3877, 3888, 3882, 3887, 4001, 4006, 4012, 3912, 4004, 4005, 4008, 4013, 4009, 4010, 4011, 4012, 4013, 4014, 4015, 4016, 4017, 4018, 4019, 4020, 4021, 4022, 4023, 4025, 4026, 4027, 4028.

SURROGATE'S COURT—Estate of Bridget Hussey; will of Bridget Cassidy. A. M. Lyman, F. C. Giessel, Geo. Wadingham, and G. C. Townsend II A. M.; Thos. M. Argall, 10 P. M.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.—No calendar. Part I.—Case on, Boston Marine Ins. Co. vs. Slocovich. Part II.—Clear. Nos. 374, 1242, 1741. Part III.—Case to be summed up. Nos. 1540, 1454, 1650, 1619. Part IV.—Clear. Nos. 1569, 1456, 1561.

COMMON PLEAS—GENERAL TERM.—Nos. 3, 10, 12, 13, 14, 19. SPECIAL TERM.—No calendar. Part I.—Clear. Nos. 2367, 746, 2555, 2461, 2529, 2421, 2267, 1751, 2527, 2530, 2380, 2384, 1976, 2380, 1937, 2270, 2277, 880, 1974, 1980.

CITY COURT.—Part I.—Short causes. Nos. 774, 771, 2469, 1944, 2525, 2542, 2544, 2545, 2563, 1865, 2555, 2570, 2580, 2588, 2527, 2563, 2597, 2581, 2520, 2298, 2403, 2565, 2604. Part II.—Short causes. Nos. 340, 2535, 1422, 734, 1943, 1836, 2589, 1428, 1820, 1520, 2134, 1864, 2566, 2547, 2388, 2512, 2524, 2578, 2243, 2624, 2644, 2380. Part III.—Short causes. Nos. 781, 1986, 2315, 2421, 2402, 2471, 2571, 2218, 1166, 2380, 2623, 1971, 2643, 2577, 2608, 2593, 2461, 2655, 2668, 2668, 2684, 1978, 2508.

DOWN-TOWN GOSSIP.

Mr. I. B. Newcombe of the Stock Exchange, in speaking of the stock market yesterday, said that on Monday morning last there were good evidences that the market was widening. This was shown in the increased number of out-of-town orders. "Now," added Mr. Newcombe, "evidences of strong manipulation are plenty, especially since the Sully-Baltimore and Ohio matter has been made public. I believe that the proposed amalgamation scheme will go through, but I also believe that it has been the means of securing cheaper stocks. I repeat that there are evidences of strong manipulative influences in the market at the moment. I do not, however, apprehend any trouble from tight money, for the reason that all of the conservative houses in the street have provided themselves with funds on time loans."

Mr. Alfred De Cordova of the Stock Exchange also believed that the Sully-Baltimore and Ohio negotiations had been used to depress prices, and Mr. De Cordova did not express hopeful views of the situation. "There is little or no short interest," he added, "and yet conservative men are afraid of another tight money scare. They do not want to buy stocks so long as the bank surplus is so meagre an amount as $6,000,000. They saw in December how easy it was for the big men to handle a narrow bank surplus and use it to crush down prices, and perhaps are afraid of a repetition of the December tactics."

A personal friend of Mr. Alfred Sully and Mr. C. S. Brice, in referring to the sensation in financial circles, said yesterday: "Mr. Brice did all the work in the whole affair, but stepped aside when the time came for signing documents. He could easily rely on Mr. Sully's desire to be known as the projector of the great scheme. Mr. Sully wishes to be known as a great leader in the street, and is anxious to occupy a place on