

THE HOUSE IN SPRINKLING.

LITTLE FOR THE CITY, BUT 1,000 PER CENT. FOR THE SPRINKLERS.

Tragedy Up Routes and Scrambling for the License—Private and Publicly—The House for the City, But 1,000 Per Cent. for the Sprinklers.

The house for the city street sprinkling was given out rather late than usual this year, and the delay was the result of a very hot contest over the ownership of the routes as represented by the possession of the permit to use Croton water for this purpose.

The fortunate holder of the paper is the virtual owner of the privilege for the season. Lately the approval of the routes has become quite general, especially in political circles, where "crumbs" of patronage are now as eagerly sought as "bones" were in former days.

The State's investigation of these charges against the water companies is being conducted with a view to showing that a privilege, whose value is entirely unappreciated by the general public, has been sold to the highest bidder with an astonishing irresponsibility and with a merely nominal return to the city.

The payment of political assessments is one direction in which this further outlay is made, and it is very generally held that the presents and other testimonials raised by subscription among the watermen have had a powerful influence in securing the routes to the usually irresponsible controllers of these privileges.

The sprinkling routes are irregularly numbered, and the numbering is done in a haphazard way, and the routes are not uniform in shape or extent.

A few routes are in the business district around Broadway, and a few others are in the business district around Broadway, and a few others are in the business district around Broadway.

Mr. Chamberlain estimates the expense of running a one-horse route at about \$300 a season, which estimate is very moderate, and the amount of water used is about 100,000 gallons.

The following is a list of the holders of street sprinkling permits for the season and the amount paid by each:

- Route 1, Christopher Nooney of 301 East 117th street, amount paid \$100. Route 2, John McManis, 602 East 117th street, amount paid \$100. Route 3, John McManis, 602 East 117th street, amount paid \$100.

AN ATTACK ON GLADSTONE.

SALESBURY'S FRANTIC EFFORTS TO HOLD HIM UP TO RIDICULE.

The Grand Old Man Calls for Information from America—Belligerent Will See the Times for Libel—The Foreigner's Letter.

LONDON, April 20.—Lord Salisbury, in the address delivered last night before the Intransigent League at Albert Palace, said the hollow agitation carried on during the Easter holidays by the opposition had failed, and that the Government's cause was the country's.

We repudiate the word "corruption," because by long usage that is applied to repression of political opinion with which we have nothing to do.

Mr. Gladstone's idea when, on the morning in 1855, he had been all his life a vigorous opponent of the Liberal party, was to wake Home Rulers up to the fact that the Liberal party was not a party of the future.

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NEW EVIDENCE IN THE WEEKS CASE.

A Car Driver who Saw Greenwell and Miller on the Night of the Murder.

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A car driver, whose name is not revealed by the police, has turned up with some important evidence in the Lyman S. Weeks murder case. He says that at 12:18 o'clock on the night of the killing two men got on his car in Broadway near Mr. Weeks's house, and that they left the car at the South Street ferry at 12:30.

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BLAINE IN CHICAGO.

He is Well, but Needs Rest After his Long Journey—His Call.

CHICAGO, April 20.—James G. Blaine arrived this morning. He was met at the depot by his sons, Walker and Emmons. A crowd assembled at the station. Accompanying Mr. Blaine were his wife, his daughter, Miss Harlow, and Miss Abigail Dodge.

Mr. Blaine was looking extremely well, and seemed to have grown stouter than he was when he left Chicago. During the morning United States Senator Jones of Illinois, Chairman of the Illinois State Central Committee, called on Mr. Blaine at his residence and explained his father's need of rest, and the call of his personal friends, but positively declined to see reporters or to be interviewed on any subject.

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LIFE IN THE METROPOLIS.

DASHES HERE AND THERE BY THE SUN'S UBQUIQUITOUS REPORTER.

Dr. Knapp Wins the Billiard Match at the Metropolitan Club—The Game.

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POLICEMEN ON TRIAL.

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