STOLE MRS. REMSEN'S CLOAK

THE THIEF COLLARED IN FIFTH AVENUE AFTER A CHASE.

Mrs. Remsen, After Getting Back the Cloak, Has to Appear in Jefferson Market Police Court—The Thief Held for Trial.

Mrs. Robert G. Remsen of 87 Fifth avenue went to Stern Bros.' dry goods store, in West Twenty-third street, about 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon to do some shopping. On leaving her carriage she threw off her mink and sable cloak and left it on the seat of the carriage. Her footman, William Smiddy, escorted her to the shop door. Neither he nor the coachman saw a small, dark, poorly dressed man open the door of the carriage, take out the $500 mantle, and make off up the street toward Fifth avenue.

"Hey dere, blokey, he's swiped yer warmers," shouted a passing truck driver.

The coachman, seeing the carriage door open, signalled to the footman. The footman rushed in the direction indicated by the coachman. Others had seen the theft, and, shouting "Stop thief!" a crowd followed the footman.

The footman jumped on an east-bound Twenty-third street car, and arrived at Fifth avenue just as Policeman Meyer of the Broadway squad tried to head off the thief, who turned and ran down Fifth avenue, with the policeman and crowd in hot pursuit. Meyer was not so good a runner as a big colored coachman who had joined in the pursuit. He gained on the thief, whose running was encumbered by the mantle, and, at the corner of Twenty-second street, made a spring forward and clutched him around the neck. Both men tumbled to the ground, the big coachman on top, and it looked as if the mantle would be badly soiled. When the policeman came up, however, and arrested the thief, it was found that beyond a small rip and a little dirt it was unharmed.

"I'll trouble you for the wrap," said the coachman, who had come up.

"I guess not," answered the policeman. "You will have your mistress come to the station house at once and make a complaint against this man."

"But she cannot be bothered with anything so disagreeable," said the footman.

"All right," answered the policeman, walking off with the wrap and his prisoner, followed by a crowd. The little man, when arraigned before the Sergeant of the Twenty-ninth street station, described himself as Edward Bernard, a florist, of 34 Cottage place. He said he had been driven to stealing by want of work.

Mrs. Remsen had hurriedly driven around to the station, and arrived there while the prisoner was being questioned. Affected by the man's pitiful appearance she said she did not wish to send him to jail, and asked for the mantle, insisting that she must have it to wear to the opera that night. The Sergeant said somebody would have to appear as complainant against the man, so the footman, Smiddy, made the complaint. The Sergeant gave Mrs. Remsen her mantle, but said she would have to appear in court against the thief.

When Bernard was arraigned in the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday morning, Smiddy, the footman, was the only complainant. The policeman told Justice Simms that Mrs. Remsen would not come to court, because she did not wish to be instrumental in sending the man to jail. Justice Simms decided that she would have to appear, and sent Policeman Meyer after her.

As soon as she came, accompanied by a woman friend and the footman, Mrs. Remsen exhibited the mantle. Her footman made the complaint. The policeman related how it had all happened. Bernard had nothing to say. Justice Simms held him in $1,500 for trial.

WATER PURVEYOR ARRESTED.

Stephen Ward of Kearney Charged with Profiting by a Meter's Eccentricities.

Stephen Ward, Water Purveyor of the town of Kearney, was arraigned in the General Sessions Court, in Jersey City, yesterday, to plead to an indictment for having embezzled $860 of the town's money. The indictment alleges that on Feb. 28 last year Ward collected $860 for water rents and has not turned it over to the town Treasurer. He is accused of having tampered with the water meters so that they indicated a greater supply than the consumers received, and then collected for the supply indicated by the meters and accounted to the Town Treasurer for the actual quantity used.

Assistant Prosecutor Noonan says it is not known how much money Ward realized by this plan, but the figures will probably run up into thousands. The defendant pleaded not guilty, and his father, John Ward, furnished $2,000 bonds for him. Ward refused to make any statement except that if his books show any discrepancies they are clerical errors. He is a young man who has hitherto borne an excellent reputation, and the indictment was a great surprise to the town.

To Build Water Works in Iowa.

The Fort Madison Water Company filed articles of incorporation yesterday in the County Clerk's office in Jersey City. The capital stock is $275,000 and the incorporators are Charles N. Brown of Jersey City and Alfred E. Brown, Louis Hallock, Jr., Robert H. Dallingham, and Herbert F. Hatch of East Orange. The object of the company is to build water works at Fort Madison, Iowa.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Exchange—Sales Jan. 24.

UNITED STATES AND STATE BONDS (IN $1,000s).

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
1 U S 4s c		113¾	5 Ala. Class A		103½
21 U S 4s, r		113	16 Tenn Set 3s		88
15 U S 5s, c	116½@116¾		5 Va 6s def'd, T R		3
1 U S 5s, r	115¾		S		99½

RAILROAD AND OTHER BONDS (IN $1,000s).

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U S 4s, r	97		U S 6s, 1895	100	—
U S 4s, r, 1907	113	113½	U S 6s, 1896	101	—
U S 4s, c	113	113½	U S 6s, 1897	103½	—
U S 4s, r, 1904	115¾	115¾	U S 6s, 1898	108	—
U S 4s, c	116¼	116¾	U S 6s, 1899	111	—

CLOSING PRICES OF UNITED STATES BONDS.

19 Atchison 4s	65	50 N Y Cen 1st, r	122
6	65¼	2 Nash & Chat'n	100½
5	65¾	3	100¾
5 Atchison 2d s. A	64¾	3 N Y, N H & H 4s,	
37 Boston & Me 1st	140	debentures	105
14 N Y El 1st	107¾	4 N Y El 1st	107¾
4 N Y, Ch & St L 4s	104	3 Nat Starch M 1st	92
2 N Y Lake Erie & W 2d	110	2 N W 1st	110
6 N Y Gold, r	122	5 N Y Gold, c	122
2 N Y Cent 6s	114	1 N Y, O & W 4s	80½
1 N Y, O & W 4s	80½	5 Ohio Soul 1st	93¾
5 Ohio Soul gtd	93¾	2 Ohio Soul gtd	93¾
14 Oregon S L & U R	90	5	90
5	90	18 Oregon S L 6s	89½
1	89½	5	89½
5 Oregon S L C 75s	105	1 Oregon Imp 1st	98
1 Oregon Imp 5s	52¼	5 Oregon Imp 5s	52¼
5 Pitts, C, C & St L 4½s, S A	107	13 Penna 4½s	104½
10	104½	5 Rock Isl ex 5s	102
5 Reading gtd 4s	79	6 Reading gtd 4s, T C coffs	63
5	63	50 Reading 1st pf in	21½
30 Reading 3d pf in	7¾	6 Reading 2d pf in	11½
5	7½	10 Scioto V & N E 4s	73
15 Reading def in	17	5 So Pac of Calif	90
10 Scioto V & N E 4s	73	10 St P & Man 4½s	102½
2 St P & Man 2d	140	3 St P & M & M 4s	87
1 St L & S F gen 5s	90	12 St L & S F con 4s	53¾
1 St P gtd 4s	74	1 St P con 4s	109½
5 St P term	109½	4 St L So W 1st	63
1 St L So W pf	28	26 So Rway 5s	72
12	87¾	5	87¾
13	87¾	5	87¾
25	87¾	5 Tex Pac 1st 5s	8½
5	8½	7 Tex Pac 2d in	24
20	23¾	5	23¾
2	23¾	13 Third Av 5s	118½
5 Union Pac, '98s	104½	3 Union Pac, '98s	104½
1	104½	1	104½
1 Un Pac D & G 1st	35¾	5	35¾
1	35	1 U S Cordage 1st	53
10	51	10	51
10 Wabash 1st	105½	1	105½
1	105½	1	105½
1	105½	6 Wabash 2d	70½
5	70½	5	70½
5	70½	5	70½
5	70½	5