STOOL PIGEONS FLAYED.

ONE HASTENS FROM COURT TO AVOID ARREST FOR PERJURY.

He Had Testified that He Received $2 for Every Excise Arrest that He Caused and $5 for Every Conviction—Police Justice Jerome Declares that the Police Spies Are a Lot of Blackmailers.

The police of the West Forty-seventh street station arraigned in Yorkville Court yesterday morning these saloon keepers, arrested on warrants: Garret F. Scott, Forty-sixth street and Eighth avenue; Michael Farrell, 433 West Forty-fifth street; Daniel Marron, 527 West Fiftieth street; Samuel Wilson, 665 Ninth avenue, and James McEntagarty, 817 Ninth avenue.

These arrests were made on evidence given by Franklin P. Kuntz, a young mulatto of 7 Elizabeth street.

Lawyer Elias G. Levy, counsel for the Wine and Spirit Dealers' Association of the Twenty-second precinct, appeared for the accused men. Scott's case was the first one taken up. Kuntz swore that he purchased a glass of beer from Scott's bartender, Washington M. Dickinson, on last Sunday and paid for it. Lawyer Levy elicited the statement from Kuntz that he was employed by Inspector Brooks of the Second district, who, Kuntz said, paid him $2 for every arrest and $5 for every conviction.

Mr. Scott testified that his saloon was not open on Sunday. Kuntz had testified that the name on the saloon was Garry Scott. It was shown, however, that Mr. Scott's first name was Garret. Bartender Dickinson said that he closed the saloon and locked it at 12 on Saturday night, and that it was not opened until 5 o'clock on the following Monday morning. Magistrate Kudlich called Kuntz before him.

"Remember," he said sternly, "that you are under oath, sworn to tell the truth. Now, did this man sell you beer on Sunday? Consider well before you answer."

Kuntz looked at Dickinson and said:

"I think he's the man; he looks like him."

"You think he's the man? Either he is or he is not; which is it?"

"I can not say."

"And yet you came here and swore that he was the man, and his employer was arrested." Then, turning to Mr. Scott, the Magistrate added: "If you will make and substantiate a charge of perjury, I will entertain it against this man."

Mr. Scott made the charge, and the warrant was drawn up.

"The other cases in which this man appears as complainant are dismissed," said the Magistrate, "and I believe public opinion will sustain my action."

Kuntz stepped up and said the Inspector told him to do as he did.

"The Inspector didn't tell you to commit perjury," replied the Magistrate.

Kuntz hurried from court before the order of arrest was made ready for execution.

Policeman W. F. Deering of the West Thirty-seventh street station reported in Special Sessions yesterday that John Brady and William Conlon, stool pigeons in the case of excise violation against Bartender Bernard Goodman, could not be found.

"This savors too much of blackmail," said Justice Jerome. "Tell Capt. Kear that if he does not use policemen, he must use men that can be found. These men make complaints and then don't turn up. They are a lot of blackmailers. Tell your Captain to look out for Brady and Conlon. We'll send them to the House of Detention as witnesses. Some of these men want to be careful, or we'll have them before us on charges of perjury."

The cases against Goodman were adjourned, in the case of John Doonan, accused of excise violation, Justice Jerome sent word to Capt. Westervelt to produce his citizen witness by Sept. 15 or Doonan would be discharged.

On Sunday last Nathan Greenfield of 202 Mulberry street, accompanied by another man, acted as stool pigeons for Acting Capt. Curry of the Union Market station in obtaining evidence of excise violations. Among the saloon keepers in his district was L. S. Meyer of 83 Columbia street, but Greenfield did not say a word to the police about his visit there. However, he called on Meyer on Monday, Tuesday, and again yesterday, and told him, it is alleged, that he had the evidence but could fix the case. He displayed a brass badge inscribed "Special Officer." Meyer says he gave him a two-dollar bill, on which he had written his name in pencil, and placed a cross in ink. He then called in Policeman Quinn of the Union Market station, who arrested Greenfield. The two-dollar bill was found at Greenfield's home. In Police Court yesterday Greenfield denied the charge.

Lawyer Thomas Garrett Fennell raised a point of law in Yorkville Court yesterday afternoon that may be of interest to every saloon keeper whose trial is pending before a court of record.

The excise statutes of 1892 and 1893, in the language of the statute is: "Caused, suffered, or permitted to be sold or given away any strong and spirituous," &c. The law was changed in 1892, and the reading was changed to this: "Commands, counsels, induces, procures, aids, or abets the sale," &c.

Warrant blanks with the new reading have never been issued, he said; consequently he questioned the validity of the cases brought upon the defective warrants. Magistrate Kudlich took the question under advisement. The point was also to make this point: "A saloon keeper cannot be arrested, pending the decision of a complaint against his bartender, in case the former was not present when the bartender was arrested, nor was accessory to the acts for which the arrest was made."

This point was raised in the case of Saloon Keeper Michael O'Donnell of 703 Tenth avenue, whose bartender, arrested on Sunday, waived examination on Monday. Until the bartender's case was disposed of, Fennell maintained, O'Donnell could not be deprived of his liberty, it being shown that he was out of the city when the former was arrested.

The Magistrate paroled O'Donnell, and said he would give an opinion to-day.

A POLICE SPY HELD.

He Induced a Bookmaker to Record a Bet and Arrested Him.

Police Justice Tighe of Brooklyn yesterday surprised Policeman Thomas J. Donovan, who appeared as a complaining witness before him in a gambling case, by suddenly announcing that he would hold him for the Grand Jury.

Donovan had been taken from a quiet post in Williamsburgh, and was sent out in plain clothes to collect evidence against bookmakers. There was a place near the Hoffman House, at Atlantic avenue and Manhattan crossing, where, it was alleged, Charles Brown and Tony Jenkins made a small book on the races. Donovan went there on the 3d inst. and said he wanted to put $2 straight on Charade, which ran at Brighton Beach that day. Jenkins gave him a pad of paper and told him to jot down the name of the horse, the amount of the bet, and his initials. Donovan did so, and handed the slip and his money to Jenkins, who put them in a wallet. Charade won, and later in the afternoon Donovan collected $6 from Brown, the business partner of Jenkins. Next day he went to the Adams Street Court and secured a warrant for the arrest of the bookmakers, who were taken into custody.

Their hearing was held before Justice Tighe yesterday, and Donovan told his story of the alleged violation of the law.

"Did you know," asked the Magistrate, "that when you induced these men to record a bet they were committing a crime?"

"Yes," answered the policeman, and then the lawyer for the defence announced that his clients would waive any further examination. The Magistrate held them for the action of the Grand Jury, and, turning to Donovan, added, "Donovan, you are equally guilty, and I will hold you, too, for the Grand Jury, under the same section that was used in the McKane case."

Justice Tighe jotted down on the complaint the fact that the prisoners were held for the Grand Jury and that the complaining witness was also held under section 29 of the Penal Code. That section reads as follows:

A person concerned in the commission of a crime, whether he directly commits the offence or aids and abets in its commission, and, whether present or absent, a person who directly or indirectly counsels, commands, induces, or procures another to commit a crime, is a principal.

The Magistrate paroled the officer. Justice Tighe was asked if the Superintendent of Police or the official who assigned Donovan to the work of collecting the evidence was not equally guilty, and this was his reply:

"I have not heard the name of the Superintendent mentioned in this case, but if he instructed this officer to induce anybody to violate the law he is alike guilty. The law does not grant the police any special privileges. A crime is a crime under any guise."

Chiropodist in Jail at His Wife's Suit.

James P. Mahoney, of 307 Sixth avenue has been lodged in Ludlow street jail upon an order of arrest granted by Judge Freedman of the Supreme Court, at the instance of his wife, Belle Mahoney, who has brought an action against him for an absolute divorce. Mrs. Mahoney says that her husband has been engaged as a chiropodist at 307 Sixth avenue as "Dr. James P. Thomas." She says he abandoned her at Bridgeport, Conn., in 1893, and that he has announced his intention of going to Europe.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

LICENSES FOR STENOGRAPHERS.

The State Stenographers' Association in Favor of Them.

The twentieth annual convention of the members of the New York State Stenographers' Association was begun yesterday at the St. Denis Hotel, Eleventh street and Broadway. In the absence of the President, George R. Bishop, Prof. Norman P. Heffley of the Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, presided. The Secretary, Kendrick C. Hill, read the report, which showed the association to be in a flourishing financial condition. Twenty new members were elected, including J. E. Munson, William Anderson, Frank S. Beard, B. L. Dusenbury, E. S. Webster, S. H. Ormsby, E. M. Miner, S. C. Ormsby, Dr. Rudolph Tombo, A. R. Cook, T. T. Craig, and W. L. Mason of this city.

Francis H. Hemperley of Philadelphia delivered a short address on proficiency in stenography.

Oliver McEwen of London, England, contrasted the condition of stenographers in England and here.

"On the other side of the Atlantic," he said, "it was impossible for an incompetent stenographer to obtain an appointment in any court, on account of the severe examinations to be passed, while here, I understand, many appointments are made solely through political influence and without any regard to competency."

This proved to be a good introduction to the subject which occupied most of the time of the afternoon session, which was whether stenographers who do court or reference work should or should not be obliged to have some kind of a certificate of competency.

Miss Sarah A. Moor of Elmira read the first paper in this discussion, entitled "Is Stenography a Profession?" She argued that it is a profession and that it should be recognized and protected by the issuing of degrees to competent persons by some competent body.

This was followed by a paper from Col. Edwin B. Dickinson of Brooklyn, which was read by Peter P. McLoughlin of this city. Col. Dickinson argued in favor of licenses for such stenographers as are to do work in courts of record and similar places, and suggested that legislation be had making it obligatory that such licenses should be procured before a person could do such work. He suggested that the method of getting these licenses should be by applying to a Judge of a court of record while that Judge was sitting in trials, and upon getting permission the candidate should then sit in the court and take testimony in the regular course of some trial or trials for a time of not less than two hours. When this testimony had been written out the transcript and the notes were to be compared with those of the regular court stenographer by the Judge and his stenographer, and if found to be substantially correct the certificate or license was to be issued.

A general discussion of this suggestion followed the reading of the papers, and then, upon the motion of Mr. McLoughlin, it was ordered that the Chairman should appoint a committee of five who shall be instructed to prepare a bill upon the lines suggested by Col. Dickinson, and to present this to the next Legislature for adoption.

Then the meeting adjourned, and the members of the Convention went to Manhattan Beach in a body for dinner and to see the fireworks.

To-day there will be another session at which more papers will be read, and some other matters will be discussed.

TROUBLE IN A FLAT HOUSE.

Mrs. Eggo Loses Clothing—She Causes Mrs. Kleinheimer's Arrest.

Mrs. Emily Eggo, a young married woman, and her husband occupy a second flat at 820 Broadway, Williamsburgh. The flat on the opposite side of the hall is occupied by Mrs. Meta Kleinheimer, an elderly widow, and her three grown children. Mrs. Frances E. Varien and Mrs. Isabella White occupy the flats on the third floor. On Monday Mrs. Eggo went on an excursion. Before leaving she locked all the doors leading from her flat to the hall. Early in the afternoon Mrs. Varien and Mrs. White heard a noise on the second floor, and they say they saw Mrs. Kleinheimer fumbling at the lock of Mrs. Eggo's kitchen door. When Mrs. Kleinheimer discovered that she was being watched she went back to her room. Mrs. White was under the impression that Mrs. Kleinheimer had forced an entrance into Mrs. Eggo's flat, and she called a policeman. When the policeman questioned Mrs. Kleinheimer she declared in the most emphatic terms that she simply passed Mrs. Eggo's kitchen door to go into her own room.

Mrs. Eggo returned home at 10 o'clock on Monday night. All her doors were locked. Upon entering her flat she went to a wardrobe, and discovered that her best dresses were gone, and, on making a closer inspection, she found that some of her husband's clothes had disappeared. Mrs. Eggo raised an alarm, which brought some of the tenants, and Mrs. White related the alleged actions of Mrs. Kleinheimer. Mrs. Eggo went to the Vernon Avenue Police Station and demanded that Mrs. Kleinheimer be arrested. Detective Brady went to Mrs. Kleinheimer's rooms and asked her about the robbery. She became hysterical, and declared that she was innocent.

Brady searched her rooms, but did not find any of Mrs. Eggo's property. Mrs. Eggo went to the Lee Avenue Police Court on Wednesday with Mrs. White and Mrs. Varien and secured a warrant against Mrs. Kleinheimer for burglary. Detective Brady arrested Mrs. Kleinheimer yesterday morning and took her to court, where she declared she was a victim of mistaken identity. She was represented by Lawyer William Kramer, who demanded an immediate examination.

Justice Goetting paroled Mrs. Kleinheimer until to-day, when she is to produce witnesses to testify to her good character. The property stolen from Mrs. Eggo was worth $100.

FORTY-FOUR SAGAMORES SUED.

Judgments for Club Dues Entered Against Twenty-seven of Them.

Forty-four members of the Sagamore Club of Harlem, located at 21 West 124th street, have been sued for the annual dues of $20. The dues were all payable on Jan. 1, and to the original amount of each claim has been added interest to date. Judgments have been obtained against twenty-seven of the members in the Harlem Civil Court. The cases against the remaining seventeen are still pending.

The members against whom the club has obtained judgments are Henry Hartman, Henry M. Jennings, Amasa Lyon, Philip Maling, Joseph F. Magee, John J. Leahy, William H. Clark, Samuel S. Cox, August M. Cohn, Agil Honan, Edward J. Keech, Edward J. Kellard, Patrick Mullen, Donald Grant, James A. Hanley, Andrew C. Baige, C. Walton Mooney, Michael Edesheimer, Emile F. Englehard, Ellis Morris, Henry C. Jenkins, Joseph W. Bingham, Dennis Doyle, Thomas F. Galway, Charles E. Le Paige, Moses Levy, and Patrick J. Andrews. Suits are pending against Joseph Carroll, Lewis and John C. Munzinger, Edward J. Kiely, David C. Myers, Thomas J. McGibney, Jr., William D. Hickey, William Ahearn, Louis Cassidy, William Kennelly, Adolph Luthy, Thomas M. Horan, Edward J. Hare, John Fish, John De Rivera, Frank J. Burke, and Charles Heidelberg. The judgments average about $24.85 each.

A member of the Sagamore Club said yesterday:

"The end is not yet. Before the officers are through judgments will be out against about sixty members in all. These have been hard times. All clubs have suffered from lack of promptness in the payment of dues, and several large clubs have had to go to this same extreme."

The club now has about 700 members.

Arrested on Aitken, Son & Co.'s Complaint.

Henry Herzog of 203 East 114th street was arrested on Wednesday morning on an order issued two weeks ago by Judge O'Brien of the Supreme Court on the charge of obtaining goods from Aitken, Son & Co. of Eighteenth street and Broadway under false pretences. The plaintiffs say that Herzog represented himself as the owner of a flat house in 114th street, which is worth about $18,000, and that on the strength of this representation they opened an account with him. Between Jan. 24 and March 14 he purchased on account silks to the value of $1,119.39, but when they attempted to collect the bill they say payment was refused. The flat house was in his wife's name, so the firm brought suit. Herzog was held under $1,000 bail.

Cross Divorce Suits of the McLoughlins.

Edmund McLoughlin, now or formerly of the firm of M. N. Edwards & Co., commission merchants in this city, sued his wife, Dorothea, for divorce, accusing her of intimacy with several men not named. She has brought a cross suit alleging that he took a Mrs. Platt to the Chicago Fair as his wife. She says that she is without means, and has had to pawn her jewelry to get money to live on. Her husband, she says, gets $5,000 a year from Edwards & Co. McLoughlin denies that he has any money, and says that his interest in the firm of Edwards & Co. was purchased with borrowed money and has since been sold out. Judge Freedman made an order in the Superior Court yesterday allowing Mrs. McLoughlin $100 counsel fee and $5 a week alimony.

RUSHING EXCISE TRIALS.

SEVENTY-FIVE CASES ON IN THE GENERAL SESSIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Many Transfers of Licenses—It Looks as if Retailers Were Being Driven Out of Business in Battalions—Elder's Plea.

Recorder Goff has decided to try all of the pending excise cases to-day, and yesterday he ordered the twenty-five liquor dealers who were indicted for violations of the Excise law before him for pleading. Twenty-two pleaded not guilty. The other three were represented by lawyers, who begged for time. The Recorder insisted that pleas should be entered. The lawyers then entered pleas of not guilty. Personal attendance on a plea is not required in cases of misdemeanor.

It may be necessary to keep court open until midnight to dispose of all of the cases. Altogether, fifty excise indictments have been returned this week. Assistant District Attorney Battle has twenty other cases on hand and they will be submitted to the Grand Jury to-day.

A lawyer named Cohn requested the Recorder to transfer the cases of Herman Suesseus and John H. Darrity from Special Sessions to General Sessions yesterday. The men are charged with interfering with an officer who was making an excise arrest. While making his motion the lawyer happened to mention that Dorrity was an attorney.

"What!" exclaimed the Recorder, "an attorney accused of excise violation? I am astonished."

"That is not quite the case," said Cohn. "He simply interfered with the policeman who was arresting Luesseus. He lives in the house and didn't know that the officer was an officer, the policeman being in plain clothes."

Recorder Goff granted the motion.

The Grand Jury refused to indict James P. Quigley, a bartender of 309 East Seventy-seventh street, who was charged by Policeman James Spotler of the East Sixty-seventh street station with interfering with him. The evidence was insufficient.

President Murray of the Excise Board said yesterday that the increase in the number of saloon license transfers showed that, since the crusade against Sunday liquor selling was begun, a large number of people are getting out of the business. Last August, he said, there were 137 transfers, and so far this month there have been 144.

Judge Beekman heard argument yesterday, in Supreme Court, Chambers, on the application for a certificate of reasonable doubt in the case of Augustus Elder, who was convicted before Recorder Goff of violating the law in exposing liquor for sale on Sunday, July 28, in the saloon at Fifty-second street and Ninth avenue, and was sentenced to thirty days, imprisonment in the penitentiary. It was urged that the only evidence against Elder was that of two policemen, who climbed up on the window sill of the saloon, and, looking in, saw three men in front of the bar and the barkeeper behind it, and three glasses on the bar with some liquid in them, which looked like beer. Mr. House contended that the Recorder assumed that the contents of the glasses was beer in his charge to the jury, and that he had also failed to charge upon the question of a reasonable doubt.

Assistant District Attorney Battle insisted that the evidence was sufficient to justify the finding of the jury and that the Recorder had charged the jury on the question of a reasonable doubt.

Judge Beekman inquired if it was not the privilege of the jury to infer from the testimony of the officer that the contents of the glasses looked like beer—that it was in fact beer. He was inclined to think that if it was absolutely necessary in every instance to prove positively the nature of the liquid, the law would be rendered useless. He said he would look at the testimony, and he reserved his decision.

CATCHING PETTY CRIMINALS.

Murphy Says He Has Been Arrested Four Times in Ten Days and Will Go West.

Several criminals were arrested by Central Office detectives on Wednesday night. Detectives Reap and Weiser arrested Julius Rottenberg, 34 years old, of 245 Seventh street, who has a stationery store at 7 Barclay street, on a charge of having received stolen goods. He is supposed to have been in collusion with the employees of the Stafford Ink Manufacturing Company of 603 Washington street, who were arrested a few days ago for robbing their employers.

Detectives Flay and Reilly arrested Patrick Costello, 18 years old, a locksmith, of 153 Hudson street; Peter Smith, 24 years old, a typewriter, and John Smith, 20 years old, a driver, of 69 Greenwich street, on a Delancey street car for attempting to take a passenger's watch. Costello was identified as Paddy McKay, an old time burglar.

Detectives Madden and Reilly arrested James Murphy, 30 years old, of 335 Cherry street, at Morton and West streets last night. He is a so-called pocketbook dropper. His picture was taken for the Rogues' Gallery. Murphy was discharged in Jefferson Market Court yesterday. He said he had been arrested four times in ten days and had decided to go West.

Detectives Wade and Birmingham saw John Owens, 17 years old, of 248 West Seventy-second street, go into Stone's pawn shop at 229 Third avenue with a box of clothing. They followed him and arrested him on suspicion. Owens confessed that he had stolen the articles from 246 West Seventy-second street, where his mother was in charge during the family's absence.

TATE'S GARBAGE CREMATORY.

Col. Waring's Experiment Station to Be Ready Next Month.

The new crematory at Twelfth avenue, between Fifty-second and Fifty-third streets, which is building as an experiment for the disposal of garbage, will be ready for use by the first of the month. This crematory, which Herbert Tate is putting up at his own expense, is expected to demonstrate the practicability of burning garbage at a profit to the city. It will be run for four months, and at the end of that time, if the experiment is successful, five or six more crematories will be erected to dispose of all the garbage of the city.

A profit is expected from the residue. The ashes of the cremated garbage will be sold to contractors for fillings, and the compensation of the men who erect and operate the crematories will come from whatever merchantable stuff is found in the garbage before it is burned, for it will be carefully picked over and sorted. Of this income the contractors will get only a percentage, the rest going to the city.

It is hoped that the experiment will show as large an income as the trimming of scows used to produce, and, in addition to that, the coast of Long Island will no longer be littered with refuse from the city.

Bequests of Sister Carmelita.

The will of Mary Frances Baker of 205 West Fifteenth street was filed in the Surrogate's office yesterday. She was known as Sister Mary Carmelita, and she died at Harrison, Westchester county, last Saturday. Her estate of $75,000 is distributed as follows:

To her brother-in-law, Maurice J. Sullivan, $5,000, to be paid in annual installments of $500.

To Archbishop Corrigan $1,800 to defray the expenses of educating one or more young men for the priesthood at the seminary at Troy, to be paid in annual installments of $300; and for masses for the souls of her father, mother, and herself, $500.

She directs that her interest in the estate of James Barry be given to St. Joseph's Home for the Aged at 209 West Fifteenth street, on condition that 500 masses be said for the late James Barry.

The residue is left to her niece, Mary Isabella Sullivan.

A Green Hedge Blocks the Railroad.

Early last spring the New Jersey and New York Railroad Company commenced the work of extending their double track from Cherry Hill to Oradell, a distance of less than four miles, and the job is still unfinished. The main difficulty encountered was about 100 feet of evergreen hedge between Cherry Hill and River Edge.

The hedge forms the rear line of Thomas Glazier's lot, and the main track of the railroad is so near the river that the new track must be laid on the west side, which cannot be done while the owner of the hedge objects. It is stated that Mr. Glazier wants $5,000 for the hedge, or $10,000 for his house and lot, figures which the railroad company consider outrageous. The matter has been carried to the New Jersey Supreme Court.

The Troy Steel and Iron Company's Plant Sold.

TROY, Aug. 22.—The entire plant of the Troy Steel and Iron Company was sold at public auction this morning by the receivers, William Kemp and James Keenan. The plant was purchased by E. S. Witherbee for the Reorganization Committee of the company, the price being $100,000. The committee will be in charge until the organization of a new company is completed, and the work will be commenced soon to place the plant in condition for resumption of operations. New buildings will be added, and the basic system of steel making adopted.

UNIFORMITY OF LEGISLATION.

Commissioners from Twenty-six States to Meet in Detroit on Monday Next.

A conference of State Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States will be held at the Hotel Cadillac, Detroit, on Monday, Aug. 26. The movement to secure uniformity of law on marriage and divorce, notarial certificates, wills, deeds, and commercial law by the voluntary action of the States was initiated by Albert E. Henschel, a member of the New York bar, who is also Secretary of the Greater New York Commission. An act drafted by him creating the New York Commission was passed in 1890, and was soon followed by the creation of similar commissions in other States.

There are now twenty-six States where Uniformity Law Commissioners have been appointed, as follows: New York, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Michigan, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Mississippi, Connecticut, Wisconsin, Kansas, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Wyoming, Minnesota, Nebraska, Illinois, South Dakota, Montana, South Carolina, Florida, Maine, Missouri, Colorado, Iowa, and Vermont.

The New York Commissioners are Henry C. Willcox, solicitor for the American Surety Company; William L. Snyder, author of "Geography of Marriage" and other legal works, and Irving Browne, editor of the Albany *Law Journal*. Mr. Willcox was appointed by Gov. Morton in place of Judge Henry B. Beekman, who resigned because of his election as Judge of the Supreme Court. Judge Beekman was the Chairman of each of the conferences heretofore held, and Frederick J. Stimson of Boston, Secretary. The resignation of Judge Beekman necessitates the election of a new Chairman of the conference.

The Hon. Hannibal E. Hamlin of Maine was recently appointed a Commissioner for that State.

The movement is regarded as one of the most important juristic works undertaken in the United States, affecting as it does in its results the legal status of every man, woman, and child in this country.

WRECKED IN A STOLEN LAUNCH.

One Man, Starved Out on the Boat, Swam Ashore and was Captured.

Paul Fontana, an Italian, 25 years old, who says he is a clerk and lives at 46 St. Mark's place, and Oswald Gesecus, 25 years old, a clerk living in the same house, were prisoners in the Morrisania Court yesterday afternoon charged by Percy Pell of City Island with having stolen the naphtha launch Sea Bird, valued at $1,000, from her moorings at City Island last Saturday night. The stolen launch belongs to Frederick Folz of 1,395 Washington avenue, who is a member of the present Grand Jury. Mr. Folz keeps the launch at City Island and hires Pell to care for it.

Pell used the boat on Saturday afternoon, and at dusk tied her securely near the shore in front of his boat house. On Sunday morning Pell found that the hawser had been cut and the launch had been stolen. A description of the boat was telegraphed up and down the coast. On Tuesday the police at City Island were notified by Sheriff Dolan, of Piermont, at Riverhead, L. I., that the Sea Bird was hard aground off Roanoke Landing and a man was under arrest. The man was Paul Fontana. He came ashore, dripping wet, on Tuesday morning with a tale of shipwreck and disaster. He gave this history of the voyage:

"I made the acquaintance of Gesecus, and supposed he owned the launch. He said he wanted to take it to New London to find a purchaser, and hired me to go along. There was little to eat aboard, and Gesecus did not seem to have money to buy more. We were pretty hungry when the machinery broke down on Monday. We couldn't control the boat, and she drifted ashore.

"Gesecus took the dingy and rowed ashore. He said he had got to get some money and would return in two days, which said that I was about starved, and then had to swim ashore."

Roundsman Wolf went to Riverhead, and the prisoner was surrendered to him on Wednesday. Wolf telegraphed to Acting Captain Frers, who sent Policeman Devine to 40 St. Mark's place, where Gesecus was found in bed.

Gesecus yesterday refused to give any explanation of his conduct, waived examination, and was held in $2,000 bail for trial. Fontana pleaded not guilty and was held in the same amount for trial.

KINGS COUNTY FINANCE MUDDLE.

No Money in the Treasury to Pay Salaries or Buy Food for County Charges.

The absence of ready money in the treasury of Kings county is giving the public officials no little uneasiness. Unless steps are immediately taken to raise cash by the issue of tax certificates, salaries will be unpaid and bills for supplies not only to the county offices, but to the almshouse, penitentiary, and county buildings, cannot be met. Treasurer Taylor says that he needs $500,000 at once, and declares that he will not draw from special funds now in his possession to meet current expenses. He has practically declared that he has no money in the treasury now to meet outstanding bills.

County Auditor Kellar says that he cannot legally audit any more bills until he is satisfied that there is money on hand to pay them.

The action of the County Treasurer in declaring that he has no money on hand for the general purposes of the Government has brought me to a standstill," said Mr. Kellar yesterday. "In auditing every bill that comes before me, I am compelled to certify that there is money in the county treasury wherewith to pay it, and now that Mr. Taylor has officially stated that he has no cash with which to meet obligations, I shall be compelled to withhold my signature from all bills presented to me for audit.

"If the County Treasurer does not get some money soon the whole business will go to pieces. Salaries will stop, and if contractors are not willing to take chances there will be no food for the county charges."

Of course, there is no danger of starvation, and it is likely that the supervisors will take steps without delay to put money in the county's purse.

BAY HEAD POST OFFICE ROBBED.

Safe Blown Open and $400 in Money and Stamps Stolen.

BAY HEAD, N. J., Aug. 22.—Late last night the general store of Julius Foster, Postmaster of this place, was entered by burglars. Holes were sawed through an addition built to the main store, and the main building entered by sawing holes through the inner door and turning the key, which had been left in the lock.

The robbers drilled holes in the safe and blew open the door with some powerful explosive. They took about $250 in cash and postage stamps to the value of $150.

In gathering the papers that were scattered over the floor an old envelope was found under the safe containing $150 which the robbers had overlooked. The burglars left some of their tools, including a dark lantern, chisel, and a bit.

There is no clue to the robbers. Government detectives from the Post Office Department are investigating. The work is believed to have been done by professionals.

New Corporations.

ALBANY, Aug. 22.—The following companies were incorporated to-day:

The New York Steam Blower Company, to manufacture Crozier steam jet blowers, in New York city. Capital, $200,000. Directors, Albert F. Hochstadter, Edward B. Myers, Harry C. Hochstadter, Louis H. Hausman, and Joseph Jacobson of New York city.

The Hall Pharmacal Company, to manufacture proprietary medicines from pressed pitcons, in the late Dr. Marion Warren Hall, in New York city. Capital, $500. Directors, Mildred A. Hall, Mary A. Mancely of New York city, and Lillian Hall of Boston.

The Columbia Hotel Supply Company of New York city. Capital, $5,000. Directors, Henry F. Haggerty, Joseph A. Kane, and William Hughes of Brooklyn, and others.

The International Leather and Down Company of Brooklyn, to import feathers and manufacture feather beds and like articles. Capital, $60,000. Directors, Napoleon Dubral of Cincinnati, Cyriac and Ernest A. Dubral of New York city.

West Out for a Walk and Were Married.

Waldemar C. Medholdt, an actor, engaged board two weeks ago at Mrs. Lindsay's house, 238½ Henderson street, Jersey City. Mrs. Lindsay has a pretty daughter, May Belle. The young woman's parents had no idea that she was receiving attentions from the actor until last Wednesday night.

That evening the couple went out for a walk, and when they returned, about 10 o'clock, Mr. Medholdt introduced May Belle to her father and mother as Mrs. Medholdt. The old folks were surprised and not particularly pleased at first, but in a little while they consented to give their daughter and new son-in-law the proverbial blessing. The marriage ceremony was performed by Justice of the Peace Geiger.

Grand Boulevard Commissioners.

Judge O'Brien has appointed James A. Blanchard, John H. Knoeppel, and John C. De la Vergne Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment to acquire title to property which may be needed for the Grand Boulevard and Concourse and nine transverse roads which are to be constructed from a point on the east side of 161st street at the intersection of Mott avenue northerly to Mosholu Parkway.

HOW SURPRISING THAT COWPERTHWAIT & CO. of 104 WEST 14TH ST. SHOULD BE THE ONLY FIRM TO FORESEE THAT WOOL AND WAGES WERE GOING UP, SO MADE CONTRACTS FOR THEIR RELIABLE CARPETS AT THE OLD LOW PRICES.

Select Board.

East Side.

10TH ST., 34 EAST.—Large, cool room, well furnished; ample closets; every convenience; excellent board; moderate.

West Side.

SAN MARCO,
21 WEST 32D ST.
Select family house, suites and single rooms, with bath and toilet, at moderate rates. Transients $2 to $3 per day. Table board $7 per week.

7TH AV., 25.—Small and large rooms; all conveniences; first-class board; terms moderate.

Select Board—Brooklyn.

ASHLAND PLACE, 15, near Fulton st.—First-class room and board, $5; improvements; ventilation; good home.

Board Wanted.

11TH ST., 214 EAST.—Single and double extra large room and closet, front; party quite; terms moderate.

Furnished Rooms & Apartments to Let

East Side.

34TH ST., 244 EAST.—Large and small rooms, with or without board; all conveniences; use of the piano.

West Side.

A LADY will take a few desirable boarders; nicely furnished rooms with bath; references exchanged. 57 West 93d st., near Park.

10TH ST., 135 WEST.—Newly furnished large and small rooms; superior table; also table board.

12TH ST., 108 WEST.—Large, handsomely furnished room; all conveniences; suitable for two; terms moderate.

27TH ST., 354 WEST.—Nicely furnished large and small rooms, all conveniences; house private; references exchanged.

46TH ST., 140 WEST.—Large and small rooms nicely furnished.

Flats and Apartments To Let.

28TH ST., 138-142 EAST.—Six rooms; baths heated; $22 to $27.
30TH ST., 534 WEST.—Three and four rooms; $6 to $11.
7TH ST., 420 EAST.—Three rooms; $9.
LEXINGTON AV., 1,475-1,477.—Five rooms and bath; halls heated; $17 to $22.
103D ST., 93 WEST.—Six and seven rooms and bath; steam heat; $40 to $45.
COLUMBUS AV., 883-889.—Six rooms and bath; steam heat; $25 to $35.
115TH ST., 115-117 WEST.—Four rooms and bath; hot water; $17 to $22.
137TH ST., 115-117 WEST.—Five rooms and bath; steam heat; $20 to $25.
134TH ST., 195-197 WEST.—Six rooms and bath; steam heat; hot water; $25 to $28.
Apply to janitors on premises or
MACLAY & DAVIES,
44 Pine st.

STEAM HEATED CORNER FLATS.
1,428 Lexington av., corner 93d st.; healthiest location in New York city; 6 or 7 large, light rooms, handsomely decorated; rents from $35 to $42. A ply to janitor on premises, or **ARTHUR GORSCH,** 1,543 3d av., corner 82d st.

BACHELOR APARTMENTS, central location, suitable for physicians, editors, or lawyers; all improvements. Apply Dr. MASON, 557 5th av.

ELEGANT, light 6-room and bath flats, private halls, near Central Park; as good as living in country, from $28 to $38, at 7 to 23 East 99th st., near 5th av.; also at 78 East 96th st., corner Park av.; 7 rooms and bath; single flats at 64 East 96th st., near Madison av., $38 and $45; 4 rooms and bath, 97th st. and Park av., $13 to $16; at 350-352 West 56th st., near St. Nicholas av., 5 rooms and bath, dining room, $18 to $22; accessible from every where; look at these; these are new houses.
FRANCIS J. SCHNUGG,
78 East 96th st.

ELEGANT six and seven room flats; steam heat and all improvements; reasonable.
BEWLEY, 1,775 Madison av.

FINEST LOCATED apartments on West Side, 7 and 8 rooms and bath, all the very latest improvements; rents $40 to $70.
J. HAMILTON HUNT, 211 Boulevard, 70th st., West.

FLATS AND APARTMENTS, unfurnished and furnished in desirable locations; rent $340 to $3,000.
FOLSOM BROTHERS, 826 Broadway, cor. 12th st.

NINTH WARD FLAT TO LET—Six large rooms, all light; all improvements; must be seen to be appreciated. Apply to owner on premises, 80½ and 82 Jane st.

THE MARLBOROUGH ARMS,
57 WEST 10TH ST.
Charming little apartments; restaurant run by French chef; house just renovated and under new management. Inquire 57 West 10th st., or
A. R. CRUGER & CO., 187 Fulton st.

"VICTORIA FLATS," 11th st., bet. 5th and 6th avs.—Five rooms and bath; halls redecorated; low rents; janitor attendance. W. DOWNES, 154 6th av.

24TH ST., 230 WEST.
DESIRABLE; FIVE ROOMS AND BATH; ALL IMPROVEMENTS.

33D ST., 235 EAST.—Third flat, five rooms; improvements; rent, $25; decorated. 209 East 34th st.

54TH ST., 220 EAST.—Fourth floor to let; five rooms, all light, with improvements; rent, $15.

77TH ST., 334 EAST.—$13, three rooms and bath; 4 room; owner supplies hot water; all improvements.

125TH ST., 248 EAST.—Apartments of three and four rooms; all light rooms; cheap rent.

133D ST., 14 WEST.
FIVE ROOMS AND BATH.
ALSO THREE ROOMS AND BATH.

Dwelling Houses to Let—City.

A SUPERB 4-story private dwelling, light stone, near 72d st., magnificent decorations. Finest of silk and velvet drapery on walls; moderate rent; furnished or un furnished. Seen only by appointment with J. HAMILTON HUNT, 211 Boulevard, 70th st., West.

A 20-FOOT PRIVATE DWELLING, West End av., near 72d st.; moderate rent; seen by permit only. J. HAMILTON HUNT, 211 Boulevard, 70th st., West.

DESIRABLE HOUSES, furnished and unfurnished, in desirable locations; rent $1,200 to $6,000.
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Dwelling Houses To Let—Brooklyn.

TO LET—HOUSES.—The modern brick and stone dwellings in Lefferts Place and Agate courts are the most desirable 2½-story houses in Brooklyn; 9 rooms and bath, furnace, &c.; rents $40 to $45; send for descriptive circular. HAVILAND & SONS, 982 Fulton st., Brooklyn.

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A BAKERY for rent in thickly populated neighborhood, and where there is no competition; new building. Apply at 844 Amsterdam av., adjoining corner 101st st.

BUILDINGS, stores, lofts, offices, and studios to let in desirable locations.
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Desk room on Broadway or 6th av. to let.
Apply on premises, 1,265 Broadway.

TO LET—Large light basement, with good show window, 19 Beekman st., near Nassau.
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33D ST., 235 EAST.—Three-story basement and extension, brownstone; mortgage $5,000, Bowery Savings Bank; make offer. Call at 209 East 34th street.

North of 125th St.

LOTS, 2, 24th ward, New York, on easy terms. Bargain. **REICHE,** 230 East 14th st.

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