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GILKESON DEFIES QUAY.

REFUSES TO PRESIDE AT A STATE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Factional Fight Now on in Earnest—Chairman Gilkeson Says He has No Communication to Lay Before the Committee—A Majority of That Body Appoints a Committee on Credentials in Quay's Interest—Both Sides Hopeful.

HARRISBURG, Aug. 26.—Whether Senator Quay or the State leaders arrayed against him will control the Republican organization in this State after next Wednesday remains to be determined. Nothing that has occurred to-day would indicate the result of the bitter factional conflict. Both the Quay and Administration leaders are confident of victory. Several defections from the Quay ranks were reported this afternoon, among those mentioned being delegates from Erie, Butler, Berks, Indiana, and Allegheny. The cry of bribery is raised frequently, but the anti-Quay people say their opponents have been reckoning without a knowledge of the facts. They declare the fight has been won for the Administration, and that no amount of bluffing will change the result.

On the other hand Senator Quay's supporters assert positively that the victory is theirs. The figure men on Senator Quay's side say he will have from ten to thirty majority, but the Administration calculations reverse these figures in their own favor.

The State Committee met this afternoon. It was called for 3 o'clock, but nearly half an hour elapsed before Secretary Jere B. Rex called the members to order. He then stated that the committee was assembled pursuant to a request of a majority of the members for the purpose of transacting business. It was first proposed to hold the session in secret, but ex-Chairman Thomas V. Cooper moved that members of the press be admitted and his motion prevailed. Mr. Fuller of Fayette offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Chairman of the Republican State Committee, B. F. Gilkeson, on June 18, 1895, issued a call for the convening of the Republican Convention on Aug. 28, 1895, to "nominate a candidate for State Treasurer and six candidates for Judges of the Superior Court, and for the transaction of such other business as may be presented," in which call he stated he was "directed by the Republican State Committee to announce" the same; and

Whereas, The State Committee is now convened pursuant to a call of the majority of its members for the transaction of such business as may be necessary preliminary to the convening of the State convention.

Resolved, That a committee of three, consisting of the Hon. A. V. Wilcox, the Hon. W. A. Stone, and the Hon. E. L. Pinchot, be appointed to wait upon Chairman Gilkeson and notify him that the State Committee is now convened, and a majority of the committee being present it desires him to preside over its deliberations.

After a short wait the committee, which now numbered seventy-one members present, received the report of the three members who had waited on Chairman Gilkeson. The Chairman, Mr. Watres, said that Col. Gilkeson had replied in these words: "I have not called the State Committee together and I have no business to lay before it." A motion calling ex-Chairman Thomas V. Cooper to preside was unanimously agreed to, and he took the chair. He said:

I thank you for this mark of confidence, and while I am a temporary Chairman, I will always bend my self subject to your direction. I had the honor of presiding over the Republican State Committee for a period of eight consecutive years, and there never was a single moment in all that time that I was not subject to the committee's direction. [Cheers.] Every call in each and every Convention clearly stated that act. In each and every call it was reiterated, and has been stated and reiterated by each and every Chairman of the Pennsylvania State Committee, including Col. Gilkeson, since the organization of the Republican party, and it will be reiterated during its life. [Cheers.]

I find here almost two-thirds of the members of the Executive Committee of Pennsylvania. I am informed by gentlemen present that fully two-thirds of the committee will be represented in this body when the incoming trains arrive. I hope only to preside during the incapacity of Chairman Gilkeson [cheers], and that when he sees how truly representative this body is, and how great its majority, he will realize that he ought not to be Chairman of one-third, but of the whole committee.

Gentlemen of the committee, a majority of the members being present, we are now ready for business.

A resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of nine to examine credentials and to report at a meeting of the whole committee to-morrow at 11 o'clock was agreed to. The chair appointed Lieut.-Gov. Lyon, Allegheny; H. K. Boyer, Philadelphia; David H. Thomas, Chester; E. M. Marshall, Warren; J. S. Beacom, Westmoreland; George R. Scull, Somerset; J. R. Harrah, Beaver; J. K. Siegfriend, Schuylkill, and W. H. Andrews, Crawford.

A committee was appointed to make the necessary arrangements at the convention hall and to have charge of the distribution of tickets.

Then the committee adjourned. Subsequently the work of examining the credentials was taken up by the sub-committee, and it is understood that the Quay delegates from the First and Fifth wards in Philadelphia and Wyoming county will be placed on the roll.

Chairman Gilkeson has control of the Opera House, and there will probably be a controversy if any attempt is made to dispossess him on Wednesday morning. There is some talk of the Quay men attending a theatrical performance in the Opera House to-morrow night and remaining in the building until Wednesday in order to retain possession of the hall, as was done at the Democratic State Convention in 1894.

The rooms engaged by Gilkeson for State Committee headquarters at the Lochiel Hotel were secured to-day by the members of the committee opposed to him. Gilkeson subsequently opened headquarters at the Commonwealth. Chairman Gilkeson said the headquarters of the Chairman was wherever he chose to establish it, and declined to discuss the affair.

At a late hour to-night the Quay people say they have 156 delegates which cannot possibly be taken from them, while the Administration leaders declare with equal confidence that their opponents cannot muster under the most favorable circumstances more than 126 votes. One hundred and forty-five votes is a majority in the Convention.

NEGLIGENT DR. HOUGHTON.

The Clergyman May Be Prosecuted for Holding Back Marriage Certificates.

The Rev. Dr. George H. Houghton, pastor of the Little Church Around the Corner, in East Twenty-ninth street, has been violating the health laws, and unless he sends a satisfactory explanation to the Health Board to-day he may be arrested. The law requires all clergymen to file a marriage certificate with the Register of Records within ten days after a marriage ceremony has been performed. The Health Department supplies the blank forms for such certificates. Recently Dr. Houghton sent in a batch of certificates to Dr. Roger S. Tracy, the Registrar, to be filed. Dr. Tracy found that in sixteen certificates the marriages had been performed more than ten days before. The certificates dated as far back as May 1. Dr. Tracy sent the certificates to Gen. Clark, Secretary of the Board, with the recommendation that the attention of the Board's attorney be called to the delinquency. Dr. Tracy endorsed the certificates as follows:

"I have recommended a reference of these belated certificates to the attorney because the Rev. Dr. Houghton is a chronic offender against that provision of the law which requires prompt reports. He has for years been in the habit of sending in bundles of certificates like the enclosed, all of which are outside the limit required by law. He has been requested to be more prompt in his returns both by Dr. Nagle and myself, with no result."

Henry A. Steinert, attorney to the Health Department, sent Dr. Houghton a note last Friday asking him to explain why he was so dilatory, but he had not received any reply up to last evening. The offence is a misdemeanor. Lawyer Steinert said that his course in the matter would depend on the action of the Health Board at the meeting to-day. Dr. Houghton was too ill last night to see a reporter.

The passonage of the Little Church Around the Corner is a favorite resort of people who desire to be married.

HORSE DANCED ON THE TRACK.

Broken Trolley Wire, Wedged in the Switch, Heavily Charged the Rails.

A trolley wire broke at Grand street and Pacific avenue, Jersey City, last night, and fell across the feed wire, the broken end resting on the street. The wire lay on the ground, with sparks sputtering from the end, for nearly half an hour.

A west-bound car ran over the end, wedging it in the switch and charging the track with electricity. A horse stepped on the track and began to dance. Several hundred people gathered around and watched the exhibition. Traffic on the Pacific avenue line was blocked for about half an hour while the linemen were repairing the break.

LEXOW ENCOUNTERS A BURGLAR.

He Was Six Feet Tall and Pulled a Revolver, but the Senator Put Him to Flight.

NYACK, Aug. 26.—Senator Lexow had an encounter with a burglar in an unoccupied house belonging to him yesterday afternoon. The Senator left his home at about 11 o'clock on Sunday morning for the unoccupied house to see if everything about the premises was all right. He walked around the grounds, then went into the house and examined the first floor. Everything there appeared to be in its usual condition, and the Senator went up stairs. Going to a room which he desired to enter he found the door locked. He tried hard to open it, but could not succeed. After spending a little time in the house the Senator went away. When he reached home he asked his wife whether she had locked that door or ordered it locked. She replied that she had not, nor could she explain why it was locked. The Senator thought this strange, and in the afternoon at about 3 o'clock he went to the house and opened the front door. As he did so he was confronted in the hallway by a strange man, who, the Senator says, must have been at least six feet tall. The two men looked at each other for a few seconds, and then Senator Lexow asked the man who he was and what he wanted.

"I walked up from Englewood," said the man, "and came in here to sleep."

The Senator did not like the man's looks and questioned him more closely, keeping his eye steadily fixed on him. The stranger seemed inclined to give evasive answers and made an attempt to leave.

"No you don't," said the Senator. "You cannot leave this house until I know who and what you are."

The man then put his hand to his back pocket, pulled out a revolver, and said: "Now you do to me as you dare." With these words he made a jump and darted out, running through the back lot. A little later he was joined by a companion, and the two hastened together up through the woods in the vicinity of the Rev. Ross Taylor's property. The Senator followed at the top of his speed, but soon gave up the chase.

Two burglaries were committed in town early on Sunday morning, and the man found in Senator Lexow's house was probably one of the burglars. The first burglary was in the fine house of A. B. & W. T. Westervelt, well known business men at Church and Chambers streets, New York. Their home was entered and a handsome gold watch and chain, besides a sum of money, were stolen. Charles Kipp's house in South Nyack was also visited.

TURNED, AND THE TRAIN HIT HIM.

A Sixth Avenue Track Foreman Killed as He Waved His Hand to the Engineer.

Henry Schroeder, a track foreman, was killed early last evening by an express train on the Sixth avenue elevated road just north of the Grand street station. Schroeder and four others had been busy all day laying a plank walk between the tracks. They were gathering up their tools preparatory to quitting for the night. At one minute before 5 o'clock the north-bound express, which had left the Franklin street pocket two minutes before, hove in sight, and Schroeder, who was a short, heavy set man weighing 200 pounds, stepped from the up track to the longitudinal girder which runs along the outside of the outer rail from the north end of the Grand street station to the curve at West Fifty-third street. According to the general custom of the track hands, he put his feet on the angular braces beneath the girder and held himself away from the passing train by catching hold of the iron guard rail with his hands.

The engineer of the express train was George H. Lippincott of 111 West 134th street, and Schroeder was an old friend of his. As the tender of the engine passed the foreman he turned half around to wave his hand at Lippincott. The cars are slightly wider than the engine, and the forward end of the forward car struck him on the shoulder, whirling him completely around, and crushing him into insensibility. As the car passed he fell backward, and the forward end of the second car struck him on the right side of the head, inflicting a deep scalp wound, from which the blood ran into the street. His chest was crushed in. Engineer Lippincott was entirely unconscious of the fact that his train had struck Schroeder, and he did not slacken speed until the conductor gave him the signal to stop. He brought his train to a standstill about 100 feet beyond. The four men who had been working with Schroeder picked him up and carried him to the Grand street station, where he died.

Lippincott was arrested at his home at 8 o'clock last night. He made a statement in which he said he knew absolutely nothing about the accident, as the engine did not strike Schroeder. He saw Schroeder step off the track, and thought the train had passed him safely. He had slackened speed while passing the Grand street station, and the train was going slowly.

Schroeder lived with his wife and five children at 425 East Eighty-second street.

HORNETS TACKLE A WHEELMAN.

Dr. Boedecker of Centre Moriches Badly Stung by a Swarm of the Insects.

CENTRE MORICHES, L. I., Aug. 26.—A stage filled with summer visitors bound for the railroad station were startled this afternoon by the strange antics of a bicyclist who was wheeling ahead of them on the road. He dismounted in a hurry and clapped both hands to his face; then he waved them in the air, yelled, and finally rolled about in the middle of the road. The driver of the stage stopped his team and the frightened passengers made ready to jump out. They thought the bicyclist had become demented.

The driver recognized the bicyclist as Dr. C. F. H. Boedecker of this place. Getting down from his seat, the driver made a reconnoissance and found the cause of the Doctor's trouble. There was a hornets' nest near the roadway, and just before the Doctor came along a crowd of boys had smashed the nest with stones.

The swarm of hornets crossed the road and lit on the Doctor, covering his face and neck with stings. The stage driver got a limb from a tree and helped the bicyclist to drive the swarm away. The Doctor was badly stung about the head and face. He was assisted to his home.

AN UNKNOWN YACHT SUNK.

Three Persons Narrowly Escaped Drowning.

BOSTON, Aug. 26.—While on a trip to Salem Willows this morning the steamer John Endicott, Capt. Edward Doane, collided with and sunk an unknown sloop yacht, and its three occupants narrowly escaped drowning. The accident occurred off Deer Island Lighthouse. The sloop was about to cross the steamer's bow when she suddenly caught in a swift eddy. The force of the blow was considerably lessened from the fact that Capt. Doane, seeing the danger of the men in the boat, had ordered the engineer to reverse the engine. The yacht's side was stove in and she soon filled and sunk, leaving the three men struggling in the water.

The steamer Philadelphia, which was bound to Lynn and Beverly, happened to be near the spot, and rescued one of the men. The other two men were picked up in an exhausted condition by the keeper of the lighthouse at Deer Island, who put out to the men in his dory. One was severely injured, apparently by being thrown against the steamer's bow. The man rescued by the Philadelphia was landed at Lynn, while the other two were cared for at Deer Island.

BIGGEST OF FREIGHTERS.

Arrival of the White Star Company's New Steamship Georgic.

The twin screw White Star steamship Georgic, Capt. Smith, finished last evening her maiden trip to this port. She is the biggest freighter in the world, and probably the swiftest, being able to reel off thirteen and a half knots an hour.

She was built at Belfast by Harland & Wolff, and measures 10,077 tons. She is 538 feet long, of 60 feet beam, and 40 feet deep. When laden to her capacity she will draw about 28 feet. She can carry 15,000 tons of dead weight. She has tanks that will hold 4,800 tons of water. She can carry about 1,000 head of cattle on her two upper decks, and 3,800 quarters of beef in her refrigerated compartments.

When the Georgic sails hence in a week she will take 12,000 tons of general merchandise, 600 live cattle, and 2,000 sheep.

Mr. Croker Coming.

LONDON, Aug. 26.—Mr. Richard Croker will visit New York in a few weeks.

FIVE MURDERERS LYNCHED

A CALIFORNIA MOB MAKE AWAY WITH FOUR PRISONERS.

They String Up the Men to an Iron Rail Suspended Between Two Trees—A Dozen Kentucky Negroes Hang a Colored Man.

YREKA, Cal., Aug. 26.—About 1 o'clock this morning a crowd of 250 men gathered here to lynch the four murderers in the county jail. The Sheriff had no intimation of their coming. Small groups from all over Siskiyou county began to arrive on the outskirts of the town about 9 o'clock last night. At 1 A. M. the crowd secured an old iron rail at the depot and carried it to the Court House square, placing it between two trees. The local police were called away by a false alarm, and by the time they returned they realized the intention of the crowd.

The Chief of Police went to the engine house to ring the fire alarm bell, but found that the ropes had been cut. He then went to the jail, but the mob had already arrived and in such numbers that the police were powerless. A number of men, all masked, awakened Under Sheriff Radford at the Sheriff's office, in the Court House, and demanded the keys of the jail from him. He positively refused to open the door or give up the keys. Finding that Radford was immovable, the mob went across to the jail and got on top of the stone wall which surrounds it. Deputy Sheriff Brautlacht, who sleeps in the jail, fired two shots to alarm the city marshal, thinking some of the prisoners were trying to escape. Then he opened the doors and was immediately seized by the mob, who entered the jail. Having no keys to the cells, they were compelled to smash the locks with sledge hammers. Lawrence H. Johnson, who stabbed his wife to death on July 28, was first to receive the attention of the mob. They broke the lock from the door of the cell, placed a rope around his neck, and led him out of the jail and across the street to where the iron rail was laid between the forks of two trees. Johnson pleaded for mercy, but the silent gathering gave no heed to his appeals. He was quickly strung up, dying from strangulation.

The mob then returned to the jail and broke into the cell of William Null, who shot Henry Hayton at Callahan's on April 21. Null asked to make a statement, but the mob refused to listen, and he was soon hanging beside Johnson.

Louis Moreno, who killed George Sears on the 5th inst., was next taken out and hanged. The last and youngest of the four was Garland Semler, aged 19, who killed Casper Moierhaus at Bailey Hill on the 5th inst. A rope was placed around his neck, and in a few minutes he was hanging beside his companions. About this time Sheriff Hobbs arrived on the scene, but was met by several of the mob, who notified him that "the job was finished." By this time the greater part of the mob had disappeared, leaving only a few on guard. Soon these departed also, and the square was deserted.

The bodies were taken down by Coroner Scofield and Marshal Parks, who removed them in a wagon to the engine house, where they were laid side by side. The Coroner summoned a jury to hold the inquest, which is now in progress.

SPRINGFIELD, Ky., Aug. 26.—A mob composed of about a dozen men, all negroes, took Harrison Lewis, colored, from the jail here this morning and hanged him to a tree in the Court House yard. About 11 o'clock they attacked the jail and demanded the keys of Jailer Smith, who, having been warned of their approach, escaped out of the back door with the keys. The mob, nothing daunted, repaired to a neighboring blacksmith shop, procured a sledge hammer and other tools, and began battering down the doors. It took three hours' hard work to reach their victim, but their determination never wavered in the least, and at 2 o'clock this morning he was hanged.

The crime for which Lewis was lynched was a most cowardly murder. On last Friday night he went to the house of Joe Brooks, also colored, looking for another negro who had been intimate with Lewis's paramour. Brooks told him that his man was not there, whereupon Lewis fired upon Brooks with a shotgun, killing him instantly.

SCISSOR WOUND KILLED HIM.

A Young Tailor Meets His Death by a Strange Accident.

Oasic Goldman, 17 years old, of 50 Chrystie street, was working on Sunday afternoon in his father's tailor shop at 51 Chrystie street. He was sewing a pair of trousers at a machine. In swinging the trousers around they dragged along a pair of shears which rested on the edge of the machine. The scissors penetrated the boy's left side. He was carried home and Dr. Chimovitch of 136 Henry street was summoned to attend him. The Doctor said that the wound did not amount to anything. He was called to the house later in the evening, as the boy's condition had become serious. He again said that the boy was not dangerously injured, but administered some medicine.

The boy's parents sent for the Doctor for the third time near midnight. He was in Brooklyn, so Dr. Wolf of 142 Henry street was called in. He likewise expressed the opinion that the patient was not badly hurt. He made two visits. Then Dr. Levine of 117 East Broadway was called to look at the boy. The minute he examined the wound in the boy's side he advised his immediate removal to the hospital so that laparatomy could be performed, as he believed that the intestines had been punctured. An ambulance was sent for, but before it reached the house the boy was dead. The Coroner will hold an inquest.

AMBULANCE DRIVER ARRESTED.

McGuire Wouldn't Help a Policeman to Carry a Stretcher.

Francis McGuire, an ambulance driver employed by the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, was arrested last evening by a policeman of the Morrisania station on a charge of disorderly conduct, because he would not carry a stretcher up stairs to take down a sick woman. McGuire is stationed at the Harlem Hospital. Shortly before 7 o'clock last evening an ambulance call came from 161st street and Third avenue. McGuire and a surgeon answered it and found a woman ill on the fourth floor of a tenement. The surgeon and a policeman went up stairs and tried to carry the woman down. They found this impracticable, and the policeman went down stairs to get a stretcher.

He asked the ambulance driver to help him carry the stretcher up stairs. McGuire refused, claiming that he had to mind his horse. The policeman then went to the station house, got another officer, and they carried the woman down. McGuire was arrested after he had taken the patient to the hospital.

FIRE IN THE TREASURY BUILDING.

It Was in a Storage Room in the Basement, and Was Soon Extinguished.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—Fire was discovered at 4:20 this afternoon in the stationery storage room of the Treasury Department, in the basement on the north front of the big building. A general alarm was turned in, but when the engines reached the scene the blaze had been extinguished. The damage, which was slight, was to paper only and to the room. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is presumed to have been spontaneous combustion.

Nearly all the clerks had left the building at the time the alarm was given, so there was no panic. In the upper part of the Treasury building, close under the roof, an immense mass of inflammable matter, consisting of old records, is stored. A fire breaking out in that part of the building would be exceedingly dangerous. But though the necessity of providing a fireproof building for the storage of records has been urged upon Congress for many years, no action has been taken.

The White Squadron at Portland.

PORTLAND, Me., Aug. 26.—Four vessels of the white squadron arrived in the lower harbor at 5 o'clock this afternoon. They were the New York, Minneapolis, Montgomery, and Raleigh, under the command of Rear Admiral Bunce. They came from Bar Harbor.

CUBANS DEFEAT SPANIARDS.

Two Regiments Ambushed Near Puerto Principe and 170 Men Killed.

The Cuban insurgents have again been successful in their operations against Gen. Campos. Delegate Tomas Estrada Palma, the official head of the local Junta, received a letter last night from Camaquey informing him of the latest exploit of Maximo Gomez. On Aug. 18 a spy managed to pass through the lines of the Cubans, which had shut Gen. Melli within the gates of Puerto Principe and had placed the city under siege. The messenger reached Gen. Campos, and the Commander-in-Chief at once despatched a relieving force from Havana. It consisted of two regiments of the line, each 600 strong, conveying the food, medicine, and ammunition so earnestly asked for by Melli.

Maximo Gomez was warned of the approach of the two regiments and their convoy, and he intercepted them ten miles beyond Puerto Principe's capital, a city of the same name. Gomez had placed his men in ambush and the Spaniards were overwhelmed. From behind rocks and trees, and concealed by the heavy foliage, the Cubans, directed by Gomez in person, poured in a deadly fire. The supply train was abandoned, the Spanish troopers throwing down their arms and rushing into the forest for safety. Their leader, Major Alvarez, was shot in the right shoulder and was made a prisoner. One hundred and seventy of his men were killed and fifty were wounded. The Cubans lost only three men, Antonio Herrara, Diego Quinto, and Carlos Rodriquez. Quinto, a half breed, was shot down by Major Alvarez after the latter had himself been wounded. Herrara and Rodriquez were young men who had left their homes in the Principe province to join the insurgent forces under the leadership of Gomez.

The Spaniards in their flight left behind 250,000 rounds of ammunition, all food supplies, stands of Mauser rifles, and a treasure chest. The Cubans are much elated over this victory. The letter conveying the news of it to Mr. Palma was sent on by the Marquis de Santa Lucia, Minister of the Interior, and lately selected to direct the administration of foreign affairs.

Gen. Melli, since July 28, has been shut up in the city of Puesto Principe itself. His forces are suffering greatly. Yellow fever has decimated their ranks, and Melli will be forced, on the score of humanity alone, to surrender his sword to Gomez. The Cuban leader will treat the prisoners with unusual consideration. The Marquis de Santa Lucia, himself a Spaniard, declares in his letter that the success of the revolutionists is almost assured.

Señor Alfonso Porrura, a wealthy planter whose property on the outskirts of Cienfuegos has been destroyed by the insurgents, escaped within the Spanish lines. His estate was valued at $700,000, and the planter, crazed by his losses, has been ordered by Campos into confinement in an insane retreat near Havana.

MADRID, Aug. 26.—The *Dia* asserts that the Government have abandoned their intention to send 25,000 soldiers to Cuba in October. The paper also says that Gen. Martinez Campos has declared that he will resign if the Spanish Government insists upon the appointment of a Lieutenant-General to Cuba.

HAVANA, Aug. 26.—A despatch from Manzanillo says it is reported that a rebel band attacked the village of Niquero on Aug. 21 and were repulsed with a loss of many killed and wounded. The Government loss was one killed and one wounded.

A despatch from Remedios says that a body of Government troops and volunteers had an engagement at Sitio Bonito with the rebel bands commanded by Pedro Diaz, Fernando Fernandez, and Carrillo. The fight lasted two hours. The rebels lost two killed and several wounded. The Government loss was two wounded.

NIAGARA HARNESSED.

The Cataract Company Now Sending Out Electricity for Commercial Use.

NIAGARA FALLS, Aug. 26.—After almost five years of work and the expenditure of over $3,000,000, Niagara has finally been harnessed, and the power generated by the monster 5,000-horse power dynamos of the Cataract Construction Company are now sending out the electricity for commercial use. The first power was delivered to the works of the Pittsburgh Reduction Company here at 7:30 o'clock this morning, when dynamo No. 2 in the Construction Company's power house was set in motion. At the Reduction Company's works there were about a dozen men at work, and the pots used in the making of aluminum are being tested by them.

A much larger force will be employed to-morrow, when the real work begins. The power from the power house is sent over copper cables laid in a conduit to the aluminum works. The current sent out is an alternating one, and before it can be used in the making of aluminum it must be transformed to a direct current. This is done by passing through four of the largest rotary transformers ever built. These are 2,100-horse power each, and three of them are running. Everything was found to work perfectly, and great satisfaction was expressed by the officers.

RIOTING AT FLORIDA GROVE.

Wild Hoboken Excursionists Terrify and Beat Other Jerseymen.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Aug. 26.—Two large loads of excursionists from Hoboken landed yesterday at Florida Grove, a resort on Raritan Bay. The excursion was in charge of the Charles Lynn Association. When the barges were off Bedlow's Island a fight started on the lower decks, and was kept up with some intermissions all the way to Florida Grove.

When the barges reached the grove there was hardly a beer glass on board, the fighters having used them on one another's heads. There were no police on board, and the fighters had everything their own way. William Byer of this city stood on the wharf when the barges landed. He was ordered to make room by some of the excursionists and he did not obey. He was attacked, and closed with two of his assailants.

The three rolled from the wharf into the water together. After they had swum ashore, one of the excursionists beat Byer about the head and face with a stone tied in a handkerchief.

At the grove there was more fighting. The mob took possession of everything. Wagons and horses were stolen and driven away. Two of the wagons were wrecked and thrown in the ditch near the water works. The crowd tore out the spokes of the wheels for clubs.

Albert Kroneck of Elizabeth owned one of the wagons. He tried to recover his property, and was beaten and chased a mile by some of the excursionists. The Perth Amboy police were telephoned for, but they refused to respond, as the grove is out of their jurisdiction. The mob refused to leave at the appointed time, and threatened to kill the crews of the barges if they attempted to cast off the lines. It was 8 o'clock before they got away.

Over two hundred belated excursionists returned to Hoboken over the Pennsylvania Railroad, taking several of the wounded with them.

SANDBAGGED AT CONEY ISLAND.

Edward Brighton Knocked Down, Blindfolded, and Robbed of $400.

While Edward Brighton, Coney Island agent for Paul Weidman's brewing establishment, was entering the beer storehouse in Eighth street, Coney Island, last night he was attacked from behind by three men, who sandbagged him. After knocking him down one of the men blindfolded him with a handkerchief. Then he was robbed of $400 which he had in his pocket.

He was found unconscious half an hour later and was attended by the Coney Island ambulance surgeon. There is no clue to the identity of the robbers.

Cholera in Galicia.

VIENNA, Aug. 26.—It is semi-officially said that cholera has been imported into Galicia from Russian Poland, where it is widely prevalent.

One Cent Buys The Press.

The *New York Press* is an admirable illustration of a newspaper that gets the news, all the news, and knows just what to do with it.—*Adv.*

IS BOB INMAN DROWNED?

HIS YACHT HIT BY THE PERSEUS AND HE WENT OVERBOARD.

All of the Eight Aboard Rescued and Accounted For, Except the Owner—The Perseus Saved Two, a Fishing Boat Two, and Three Came Ashore in the Yacht—Inman Does Not Get Home.

The sloop yacht Adelaide, owned by Robert W. Inman, of Inman, Swann & Co., 11 Cotton Exchange, was run down by the Perseus of the Iron Steamboat Company, opposite Norton's Point, Coney Island, shortly after 7 o'clock last night, and Mr. Inman's party were thrown into the water. All were rescued and accounted for except Mr. Inman himself, whose fate is not ascertained. But he was brought to land neither by the Perseus, the Adelaide, nor the fishing boat that picked up two men.

The Adelaide, which has an auxiliary naphtha engine as part of her propelling power, had aboard a party consisting of Mr. Inman, Mr. Gilbert T. Sutton, Mrs. Sutton, another woman, and a crew of four men. According to the story told on the Perseus the Adelaide was on the starboard tack beating to the westward when she endeavored to cross the bows of the Perseus. The prow of the steamboat struck her a glancing blow amidships, smashing her boat and throwing two men and one woman into the water. Mrs. Sutton, who was standing in the forward part of the yacht, caught the hawser of the Perseus. Robert Doran, mate of the Adelaide, ran to her assistance and held her up until she was pulled on board the Perseus, and he followed her aboard the steamer.

As soon as Capt. Hultz of the Perseus saw the accident he ordered a lifeboat to be lowered. Some of the passengers on the Perseus also threw life preservers in the direction of the people struggling in the water.

A fishing schooner which was cruising near steered toward the disabled yacht, and it was reported by the lifeboat's crew that she picked up the people in the water. The lifeboat of the Perseus returned to that vessel and reported that their assistance was not needed. In boarding the Perseus, Doran crushed his hand badly between the two boats and received slight injuries about the body.

Mrs. Sutton, who had become hysterical, stretched out her arms toward the Adelaide, crying, "Gilbert, my husband!" She told one of the passengers of the Perseus later that her husband, who could not swim, had jumped overboard from the yacht to rescue the woman in the water.

The Perseus seeing that she could be of no more assistance, kept on to this city. When she last saw the Adelaide, the Adelaide was making slowly toward the shore. Those on the steamer who saw the accident believed that all the people in the water were picked up by the fishing schooner.

Doran said that the yacht was showing all her proper lights and was run into by the Perseus.

Capt. Hultz said that the yacht ran into him. When he first saw her she was on the starboard tack, running toward this city. He saw that a collision was inevitable, and ringing the bell for the engines to be reversed, he blew his whistle three times, at the same time putting the helm hard a-port. He said that the yacht struck the Perseus under the starboard guard, the collision smashing the lifeboat of the former. As far as he could judge the hull of the yacht was not seriously injured. After his own lifeboat had returned and reported that its services were not needed, he proceeded on his way toward the city. From the movements of the yacht when he last saw her running toward the Long Island shore, she appeared to be in good sailing trim.

There was great excitement among the passengers on the Perseus just before and at the time of the collision. The women screamed, and a number of men, who expected to see the yacht cut in two, ran for life preservers. Whether any of these were caught by members of the yachting party who were struggling in the water was not known by any one aboard the steamboat. Mrs. Evans was taken to her home in a cab on the arrival of the Perseus at her pier. As far as can be learned she sustained no injuries beyond shock from the accident. Mr. Inman did not get aboard the Perseus.

The version given aboard the Adelaide differs in several points from this. The Captain doesn't know what became of Mr. Inman, but supposed he had got on the Perseus. The Adelaide was sailed into the Atlantic Yacht Club basin at 10 o'clock last night by Capt. Andrew Jacobs.

Her rigging and sails were torn, and her topmast carried away, while her port gunwale was smashed to flinders. Capt. Jacobs made the boat as snug as he could, and left the steward on board. Mr. Evans and the woman who had been thrown into the water remained aboard the yacht last night. Capt. Jacobs told this story of the collision:

"We left the foot of West Eighty-third street at 6 o'clock this evening. Mr. Inman had as his guests Mr. Evans and his wife and another young woman, whose name I don't know. We were bound for the Captain's pier at Bath Beach, where they were to spend the evening.

"Along about eight o'clock we were off Bay Ridge sailing against a light southeast wind, we had entered upon the starboard tack towards Staten Island. Mr. Inman and his friends were sitting in the cockpit. Half way across the Narrows we noticed the steamboat bearing down upon us. She was about 150 feet away when Mr. Inman exclaimed:

"'My God, Captain, she will run us down!'

"I told him I could not help it; that I would have to hold to my course. In a moment the whole party became excited and jumped up on the deck. The steamboat hit the Adelaide well forward on the port bow, and the force of the glancing blow, we had both, began to drift away from each other immediately. The steamboat kept on her course, while the Adelaide drifted alongside and back toward the starboard paddlewheel. All of the Adelaide's rigging on the port side was carried away. The gunwale was smashed, and the small boat on the davits smashed to bits. Our topmast was carried away. As soon as the collision occurred everybody tried to get free. As we passed alongside the steamboat we kept within a foot of her, and I helped one of the women aboard the steamboat. I turned and told the other woman to hurry up and get aboard the steamboat. She jumped as the boats fell away from each other, and she fell into the water. One of the men jumped after her, and they clasped each other in the water. At this moment Jack took after the boat. Lafayette Jacques, my boy, told me that he saw Mr. Inman standing on the port side and saw him jump when we were passing close alongside of the steamboat. The boy saw Mr. Inman go aboard the steamboat all right. A schooner which happened to be near the spot came toward us and one of the crew of the schooner jumped into the small boat astern of her. He rowed out and got Mr. Sutton and the woman. He took them aboard the schooner and then rowed over and put them aboard the Adelaide again."

The woman was struck on the head, it was said, by the paddle wheel, but Jabobs did not believe this. Evans was hit on the right shoulder. The steward of the Adelaide was below, and he was badly bruised on the left wrist.

Mr. Inman slept in his apartment, 32 West Thirtieth street, on Sunday night. Leaving there yesterday morning he said he was going yachting. He had not returned to his apartments up to 1 o'clock this morning, and at that time his cousin, who lives with him, started out to look for him.

Robert W. Inman was a nephew of John H. Inman, the head of his firm, and for several years he has been a familiar figure about town, on the roof gardens, and at New Rochelle and Larchmont during the yachting season. Mr. Inman was less than 30 years old. He was a bachelor, with a residence at Cold Spring Harbor besides his bachelor apartments in the city. Robert Inman's name was dragged into the Lillie Low case a month ago and he promptly came forward and declared that he had never known the girl. His yachts have been noted for the gay times that went on aboard them whenever they touched a port in whooping things up for any visitors that might come aboard from shore. Mr. Inman was until recently President of the East River Silk Company, whose treasurer, Albert E. Moore, was sentenced to prison for forging Inman, Swann & Co.'s names, and the name of Robt. W. Inman on the East River Company's paper. In addition to his interest in yachting Inman was something of a horseman, and he was frequently seen driving in the Park or entertaining at the Casino.

PUNISHMENT AT KUCHENG.

Four Leaders of the Mob that Murdered the Missionaries Put to Death.

LONDON, Aug. 26.—A despatch to the *Pall Mall Gazette* from Shanghai says advices have been received there from Chengtu that the Viceroy has already caused the execution of four of the leaders of the attack recently made by natives upon the Christian mission at Kucheng.

In the House of Commons, Mr. George N. Curzon, Under Foreign Secretary, said that the report that the troops sent to escort the British Consul to Kucheng had plundered the Christian mission at that place was not confirmed by the Consul himself. The Foreign Office, he said, had heard nothing in regard to any misconduct on the part of the escort. The Government, however, upon learning that the Chinese authorities at Kucheng objected to the presence of the British Consul at the inquiry into the outrages, had sent a protest to the Pekin Government, which had immediately telegraphed orders that the Consul should receive every possible facility to enable him to watch the examinations.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—A cablegram received at the Navy Department reports the departure to-day of the gunboat Concord from Chemulpo, Corea, for Chifu, China. Her arrival there will increase the number of United States vessels at that port to three, the other two being the flagship Baltimore and the gunboat Yorktown.

A telegram received at the Navy Department this afternoon announced the departure yesterday from San Francisco for Yokohama of the cruiser Olympia, which will relieve the cruiser Baltimore as flagship of the Asiatic naval station. The Baltimore will return home.

FATAL FIRE IN GREENPOINT.

Mrs. Mary Lautner and Her Daughter Bertha Suffocated.

Late last night a fire broke out in the apartments of Jeremiah Murphy, on the second floor of 54 Clay street, Greenpoint. On this floor there also lived John Lautner, his wife, Mary, and his nine-year-old daughter, Bertha.

The Lautner family was asleep when the fire was discovered by Murphy's fourteen-year-old son, James. He gave the alarm. When the Lautner family tried to leave the house they found escape by the stairs cut off. They ran to a front window.

On the arrival of Truck Company No. 6 a ladder was raised against the house. As the ladder reached Lautner's window he stepped out and hurried down to the sidewalk, leaving his wife and daughter behind.

Four firemen went up the ladder, and when they got into the room they found Mrs. Lautner and her daughter unconscious on the floor.

The firemen carried mother and daughter down the ladder, and they were taken into a near-by drug store, where they died before the arrival of a doctor.

Ambulance Surgeon Steinberg of the Eastern District Hospital used every means to resuscitate them, but in vain. The bodies were taken to the Greenpoint avenue police station. The house was wholly destroyed.

Lautner disappeared during the confusion, and up to midnight nothing had been seen or heard of him.

THE PARIS INFERNAL MACHINE.

Searching in Various Cities for the Anarchist who Sent It.

LONDON, Aug. 26.—In pursuance of advices from Paris the Scotland Yard detectives have made a search of several foreign clubs known to be haunts of Anarchists in the Soho district of this city in the endeavor to find some clue to the sender of the infernal machine to Baron de Rothschild on Saturday afternoon. No arrests were made.

A despatch from Paris to a news agency says that a man whose name is not given was arrested at Vis-sur-Cere, near the town of Captal, in the province of that name, to-day, the local postmistress having alleged that he posted at her office a letter addressed in handwriting similar to the superscription on the parcel containing the explosive which wounded Baron de Rothschild's secretary.

PARIS, Aug. 26.—Thirty Anarchists, who were arrested on suspicion in connection with the infernal machine by the explosion of which M. Jacobsky, the confidential clerk of Baron Alphonse de Rothschild, was badly injured on Saturday, were released this