FIFTY'S FUSION RALLY.

MAYOR STRONG FOUND LITTLE "HOLLERING" AT IT.

Not Near So Much as at East Side Halls He Had Been At—The Speakers Abused the Goo Goos as Much as They Did Tammany—Speeches by James C. Carter, Mr. Choate, Carl Schurz, and Seth Low.

The Committee of Fifty's call for a mass meeting at Cooper Union to ratify the fusion ticket resulted last night in filling every seat in the great hall and every seat on the big platform. A platform had been built outside for the use of speakers to an overflow meeting, but this was not used, nor was there any need for it.

A peculiarity of the meeting was that the people who were there were evidently not from the neighborhood of the hall, and Wheeler H. Peckham called attention to this when he came to speak, saying that he didn't see many persons from the tenement district. The meeting was not a very enthusiastic one, and Mayor Strong, who wound up the speaking, rubbed this fact into both audience and speakers by telling them that they ought to go down on the east side, where he had just come from, and hear the people holler there.

"I have just come from a hall in Broome street," he said; "from a hall called Irving Hall; a name, I believe, which used to have a peculiar significance to some of our Democratic friends [laughter], but this is New Irving Hall. [Cheers.]

"It was packed from pit to dome, and three-quarters of the people there have been in the habit of voting for Tammany. Then I was at a hall called Waitholler. I never heard more hollering. [Cheers and laughter.] Your enthusiasm isn't a patch to it. Every man had his coat off there ready to fight in support of the fusion ticket.

"You folks can sit up in your Union League Club, your Union Club, your——"

"That's so! That's so!" shouted voices from the back of the hall.

"The boys on the east side and on the west side are alive and determined to down the tiger and do their duty," resumed the Mayor. "If these gentlemen will go down there," continued he, turning to the people on the platform, "and see what they are doing, they will say 'God bless the east side——'"

"Give it to 'em," shouted the men in the back of the hall. "Go on! Go on!"

The Mayor did go on at some length, but there had not been so much real life in the meeting at any time before, except when Mayor Strong entered the room and when he rose to speak, and at such times as the name of Police Commissioner Roosevelt was mentioned, which occurred frequently during the meeting.

Roosevelt's name was greeted every time with bursts of genuine applause. The next greatest demonstrations were when Joseph Choate and Carl Schurz were announced as about to speak. The greatest effort of the speakers seemed to be directed toward inducing the Goo Goos to wind intoline and support the fusion ticket. Every speaker except Mayor Strong had a hack at them, beginning with Charles Stewart Smith, who called the meeting to order, and ending with Wheeler H. Peckham.

James C. Carter, who was called upon to preside, belittled them, Joseph Choate poked fun at them, Peckham bullied them, and Carl Schurz, James Harsen Rhoades, and Seth Low pleaded with them to come to the help of the fusion candidates. Everybody, of course, had a whack at Tammany Hall as the great enemy of mankind in this city, and the source of all the evils which they were banded together to reform. Each one also told of many delightful reforms which had already been accomplished during the last year.

James C. Carter began the denunciation of Tammany and the glorification of the Strong administration by declaring that the people must do what they could from time to time to secure good government, and that now it was their duty to administer another withering blow to Tammany Hall.

"Now," he said, "we have secured clean streets, cleared off trucks also, and our police force is partially reformed.

"Our lower criminal courts were presided over by friends of the criminal classes. We have reformed these, too. For these reforms we are indebted to an admirable Board of Police [applause] under a faithful leadership [great applause], and to the absolute fidelity of Mayor Strong [applause], who has chosen these admirable men, and has stood by and upheld them. Are we going to lose all of this?"

"No, no!" shouted the people.

"We have lost some advantages," he continued. "There are some defections from our ranks. There are our German friends. I, for one, have no objections to their having Sunday beer to a reasonable extent, but are they willing to pay the price for this?

"There is another one—a very small one—I mean the members of the Good Government clubs. They have thought that their lofty and elevated ideas were in some degree sacrificed by the way this ticket was made up. Well, I am a Good Government man myself. I am willing to labor to bring about their ideas, but it can't be done in this election or the next. What shall we do in the mean time? Beat the one, the greatest enemy to good government that we have."

Then, speaking in a tone of derision, he said: "They will come back when time shall have mellowed their disappointment at the temporary abandonment of their lofty purposes." [Laughter.]

Samuel Hansen Ordway was then made Secretary, and he read part of a list of Vice-Presidents, winding up with, "and more than 300 others." These were declared elected, and so were about fifty Secretaries.

J. Harsen Rhoades was the first of the regular speakers. He began by referring to the Goo Goos in this strain:

"Split tickets, shots fired in the air after academic theories, will not answer."

Then he spoke of the enforcement of the Sunday laws and declared that Tammany knew that their enforcement would raise a great opposition when these laws were turned upon her and her natural allies.

"Something must be done," he said, "to give to the workingman a day of rest and to remove the curse of the American bar as far as possible. Well, Roosevelt has accomplished this, and the wives of the workingmen have once more food for themselves and their suffering children." [Prolonged applause].

Mr. Joseph Choate was the next and the star speaker.

"Whoever does not support the Fusion ticket," he declared, "is a friend to Tammany Hall.

"I was going to ask my friend Carter how they got along recently at a meeting of the City Club. [Laughter.]

"There was Preble Tucker in a terrible pucker." Here the whole audience began to laugh, and a moment later it burst into wild cries as Mayor Strong came in and took a seat in a front row on the platform. When quiet was restored Mr. Choate resumed:

"I had to go before Judge Barrett with the Good Government Club young men and tell him they had a right to a place on the official ballot because they had last year got what they won't get this year, one per cent. of the total vote.

"We have been fighting Tammany all these forty years, and once every few years Republicans and citizens who have yearned for honest government have united and every time they have won, and it has never once been a Republican victory. I am ashamed of Republican voters who say that last year's triumph, which I believe is equally as sure, is going to be a Republican triumph.

"Well, now, it is the same old Tammany Hall. I think I have recognized it for forty years. It changes its head, sometimes it changes its tail, more frequently it changes its catchwords, but still it is the same old Tiger.

"Well, we know Tammany's great leaders, and in a certain way we enjoy them; we know their faces, we know their names; we know their distances; we know their horses. [Laughter.] We recognize their brogue and the dear little island from which they came."

There was some hissing at this juncture.

"Well, last year," continued Mr. Choate, "we cut off the head of the Tiger, as we supposed, and I believe we did, and now it appears with a new head, hungrier than ever, for it has not had a morsel to eat for six months past. But what is this new head? We have not got used to his future yet. We have not learned even from the *Evening Post* what his proper pick name is."

After abusing Mr. Sheehan a bit, Mr. Choate continued:

"What have we gained so far in our war against Tammany? Having answered that, we shall see whether the people of this city, who, by a majority of 41,000, put Mayor Strong in office last November, whether they are ready to go back to the horrors we were delivered from? Mayor Strong came into office, and it is not too much to say that every department of city Government was reeking with corruption. Legislation gave him power to cut off heads. He proceeded to wield the axe. For every head he cut off he put in office a Democrat, and we are satisfied with his work in that direction."

After praising Roosevelt, Mr. Choate concluded with an earnest appeal to the people of this city not to return to the old methods of government.

"The eyes of not only the city are upon us, but also the State, and the entire civilized world. Foreign countries have said that municipal government is an absolute failure in the United States. In the city of New York it is in-

famous, reeking with corruption and impossible to be rescued.

"Last year we gave the lie to their reproach. Let us not fail this year to drive another nail in the coffin of Tammany Hall, and thus show the people of the entire country that we are capable of honestly governing our own city."

Seth Low spoke next and was followed by Carl Schurz, who made an appeal to the Germans to come into the fold and vote for the fusion ticket.

Of the Goo Goos he said that he did not think they should be treated as merely misguided children, for they had done as good if not better service than any one else in the election a year ago.

ROLLING PINS BUT NO DOUGH.

If the Goo Goos Watch the Polls They Musn't Be Called Names.

Every man who visited the Fifty's headquarters yesterday carried a rolling pin to roll out the dough. The pins of course were concealed. The Hon. Cornelius Van Cott had his in his overcoat pocket. Mr. Charles H. Treat carried his with an outside wrapper of campaign song. Dr. Joseph H. Senner's was wrapped in a copy of the *Staats Zeitung*.

A State Democracy man was there with his wrapped in the decision of the General Term of the Supreme Court knocking out the rooster. But, concealed though they all were, there was no doubt about the pins being there. The Advisory Committee, who run the bake shop, listened to all. They told most of them that while it was satchel week and very near satchel day, it wasn't exactly the time, and Mr. Van Cott and Mr. Treat were the only two who came away happy. They succeeded in rolling out sufficient dough for a few meetings.

There was nothing for the boys.

The Fifty took up the question of watchers, and after a long time they sent for Mr. Klein, the Chairman of the Goo Goos and their half-orphan ticket. While he was coming they adopted these resolutions:

Whereas, The friends of good government in this city are equally interested in securing an honest ballot and fair count next Tuesday, and the time between now and that day is short; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Committee of Fifty invite the members of all Good Government clubs to undertake the task of furnishing competent watchers at the polls upon election day; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to Mr. I. H. Klein, Chairman of the Campaign Committee of the Good Government clubs, and to the secretaries of all of the organizations.

Mr. Klein talked a while. He said the Goo Goos were willing to help, but the committee had cast slurs on them and they didn't propose to take the job and be responsible if anything should happen to make the work a failure. This was the best that could be got out of the Goo Goos, and the committee accepted the promise.

The Republican Campaign Committee, which meets daily at headquarters in Thirty-eighth street, and sings the song "How can we get their dough?" had finished their business and adjourned before this was known. It was thought best not to send word around to them. They will be told this morning, and will then meet again and discuss the situation.

Scraps of Local Campaign News.

Something more than one hundred well-known members of the New York bar have united in signing a circular endorsing the candidacy of Joseph M. Deuel for Judge of the City Court of General Sessions. Among the signers are ex-Gov. Hoadly, Frederic R. Coudert, L. Laflin Kellogg, David McClure, Esek Cowen, ex-Surrogate Ransom, De Lancey Nicoll, Francis L. Wellman, David Leventritt, and C. B. Alexander.

The complete registry lists for the thirty-five Assembly districts and the annexed territory were published as a supplement to the *City Record* yesterday. It was reported that Corporation Counsel Clark Howell, Recorder Goff, and several anti-Tammany reformers had not registered and could not vote. An inspection of the lists published by Editor Sleicher, however, shows that this report was an error. The reformers named are registered and may vote.

Emulating the example of the Tammany braves of the Second Assembly district, who have for many years held a political mass meeting in the Thalia Theatre regularly on the Sunday night before election day, the Tammany organization of the Thirteenth Assembly district has engaged the American Theatre, at Forty-second street and Eighth avenue, for a similar meeting next Sunday night. Among other speakers will be District Attorney John R. Fellows, Thomas F. Grady, Civil Justice James A. O'Gorman, and M. F. Holahan.

The largest State Democracy meeting and the only one of importance that will be held before election day will be held to-night in John J. Quinlan's district, the Twentieth, at Renwick Hall. Charles S. Fairchild, John De Witt Warner, and John Jeroloman will be the principal speakers.

Sixty young voters of the Twenty-seventh Assembly district met at the Democratic Club in Fifth avenue last evening and formed a campaign club in the interest of Frank Adams Acer, the Tammany Hall candidate for Assemblyman in that district. The district is a Republican one, but Mr. Acer is making a vigorous canvass and may win.

A meeting arranged by the Campaign Committee of the Democratic Club will be held at the club house to-morrow evening. Among the speakers who will be present will be E. Ellery Anderson, Frederic R. Coudert, John R. Fellows, and Postmaster Dayton, and there is a possibility that Police Commissioner Theodore Roosevelt may be present.

A campaign circular issued among the German-American voters endorsing the candidacy of John Fennel for Judge of the Court of Sessions is signed "Herm. Ritter." The signer of this circular is not Herman Ridder, the boss of the Garoos. The Garoos are for the Tammany ticket.

GIDEON GRANGER'S TROUBLES.

On Trial in Detroit for Uttering a Forged Check.

DETROIT, Oct. 30.—The trial of Gideon Granger, who figured extensively in the New York Lexow investigation, in the police court to-day for passing a bogus check attracted a crowd. Granger came here shortly after testifying against his father-in-law, McClave, of the New York Police Department. The indictment charges him with passing a forged check for $50 on Thomas Doty of J. L. Hudson & Co. This check was signed John A. Granger of Canandaigua, N. Y., and was drawn to J. L. Hudson on the German-American Bank of Rochester.

When the trial opened a petition for leniency was received. George B. Balis asked mercy on the grounds that this was Granger's first offence, that his family were prostrated over his misdoings, and that a situation was open to him in Toledo if released. Thomas Doty, the complainant, was the only witness examined, and he identified Granger and the check. The lawyers for Granger have already filed a dozen objections to Judge Chapin's rulings. The trial will be resumed to-morrow.

JOHN MAGUIRE SUSPENDED.

District Attorney Ridgway Says He Has Persistently Neglected His Duties.

District Attorney Ridgway of Brooklyn yesterday announced that he had suspended from office his third assistant, John Maguire, because of failure to attend to his duties. The District Attorney notified County Treasurer Taylor of his action, and Mr. Maguire's pay was promptly stopped.

Maguire has been regarded as one of the brightest young criminal lawyers in the city. He is a Democrat, and live in the Twenty-sixth ward of Brooklyn, where he is very popular, and there is an association, strong in membership and effective in influence, which is named after him. He is a clever speaker, and has been making speeches throughout Brooklyn for the Democratic ticket.

Mr. Ridgway says that for three years Maguire has been neglecting the work in the District Attorney's office.

Bicycle Company Sworn In.

The new bicycle club, to be known as Company E of the Eighth Battalion, was sworn in at the armory at Ninety-fourth street and Park avenue last night by State Inspector-General McLewee. The forty-two members, who are all raw recruits, after taking the oath of allegiance, were given in command of Capt. Charles F. Stanbach and Lieut. Theodore E. Lyons, to whom the oath was also administered. There was no drill of the company last night, and, after formal organization, the men were dismissed.

Bank Robbers Take Gold and Leave Silver.

McGREGOR, Tex., Oct. 30.—The First National Bank was robbed early this morning. The thieves pried open the front door. The vault was opened by the combination. The large steel safe was attacked with dynamite and blown open. The amount of booty secured is $10,000 in gold and paper, the silver being untouched. Mutilated coins were scattered about the floor.

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CROKER ON THE CAMPAIGN.

HE, HUGH J. GRANT, AND SENATOR MURPHY CONFIDENT OF VICTORY.

They Drop In at Democratic State Headquarters, Bringing Cheering News from All About—Bases of Mr. Croker's Views.

There were three Democratic visitors to Democratic State headquarters at 22 Madison avenue yesterday afternoon who brought out a heap of gossip. They were the junior Democratic Senator of the State, Edward Murphy, Jr., of Troy, Richard Croker, and Hugh J. Grant. These three Democratic gentlemen did not go to State headquarters as the result of any preconceived plan. They merely dropped in to discuss the Democratic campaign in the State and in the city, and every Democrat at headquarters was glad to see them. Senator Murphy's health has not been good for some time. He was not in good condition at the Syracuse Convention. He has suffered greatly from neuralgia. Senator Murphy, however, called yesterday for the purpose of calling upon all of his friends and all Democrats to wake up this year and vote the Democratic State ticket, the Democratic county ticket, and he did not mean by this the New York county ticket alone, but every county ticket, and ex-Mayor Grant was in full accord with all the views of the Senator, his father-in-law.

Mr. Croker's visit was the first made during the campaign. Mr. Croker said to his friends that he must be considered out of politics, and that he had consistently endeavored to refrain from interfering with the work of his successors in the management of Tammany Hall in New York county. Nevertheless Mr. Croker has kept an eye on the situation. He told his friends that he "believed that the Tammany ticket would win in New York county by 40,000 plurality." Mr. Croker has a habit of talking to coachmen, laboring men, car drivers, and voters who are near the earth. Mr. Croker, it has been said, never shoots over the head of the people. On the contrary, he gets down to the every-day plane of life, and for that reason his views as to the result of a political campaign in New York county are always valuable. He told his friends at Democratic State Headquarters yesterday that in his rambles about the town he had made it a point to discuss the interesting features of the present campaign in New York county. As far as he had observed, the men who are engaged in getting a scant livelihood out of the bitter competition of the various trades and occupations in New York county have been severely injured by the administration of Mayor Strong and his supporters. They believe, it was said, that Mayor Strong and Theodore Roosevelt have endeavored to take the life bread out of the poor people of New York county, and the testimony was all to the effect that while these people believe in the administration of the laws of New York county they will do by any means believe that they should be persecuted.

Mr. Croker also told his friends that the property owners of New York county would not stand the exorbitant tax rates demanded by Mayor Strong's administration. Mr. Croker and his friends discussed personally the exorbitant tax rates, and Mr. Croker was supported by testimony from up the State to the effect that Gov. Morton's administration had also precipitated upon the farmers a tax rate which is alarming and disturbing the minds with the Republican voters. But, above all, Mr. Croker is supremely confident that the voters of New York county have become absolutely disgusted with the Strong administration. He predicted that every Tammany candidate in New York county would be elected by a sweeping majority. It was the testimony of Democrats close to Mr. Croker that many Republicans have become tired of the Strong way of running things; that the Germans, the German Republicans, the cabinet makers, the barbers, the truckmen, and all in similar walks of life, do not propose to support the severe interpretation of the laws put upon the greatest city in the Union by the Republican party.

Mr. Croker said he did not wish to have any municipal law violated, but he believed from past experience that the only party to give the people liberal laws and personal comfort was the Democratic party; that the Republican party was confirmed in its old-time prejudices against New York city, and that no help and no aid of any kind could be expected or anticipated from a Republican Legislature at Albany.

Senator Murphy said to his friends that no Democrat in the State could have the slightest reason for voting against the Democratic State ticket nominated at Syracuse. Mr. Murphy is an old-time warrior. He believes in the Democratic party. He has spent a small fortune in advertising the Democratic ticket. While his health is not of the best at the present time, he has worked like a beaver to bring conciliation to the contending Democrats of Rensselaer county, and, moreover, he has been successful. Senator Murphy was particularly positive that no Democrat in all this broad State could for an instant object to the Democratic State ticket, and Senator Murphy was quite convinced that on election day the Democrats of the State will walk right up to the polls and make themselves felt.

PANIC IN PHILADELPHIA STOCKS.

Holdings in Local Securities Shrink Nearly $5,000,000.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 30.—The lambs in the Philadelphia stock market were caught to-day to the tune of nearly $5,000,000. The stocks in which the great decline occurred were those controlled by the Widener-Elkins-Dolan syndicate, of which the United Gas Improvement is the parent, and the others are the children. The Welsbach Light, the Electric Storage, both preferred and common, and the newly born Pennsylvania Heat, Light, and Power Company were the main objects of attack. The dealings in these securities have been tremendous, and fortunes have been made in them. About a year ago Electric Storage Battery stock sold at auction for fifty cents a share. At about the same time Welsbach Light shares could have been bought for $2.50 each. The stock of the United Gas Company was then quoted at about 60, but in the panic of 1893 had sold as low as 50, the par value.

In January of this year the lowest quotations were:

Electric Storage, common	25
Electric Storage, preferred	94
Welsbach Light	86¾
United Gas	68

Within three weeks the rise has been particularly rapid, and the daily dealings have been upon an enormous scale. On Oct. 21 the highest prices were recorded:

Electric Storage, common	75¾
Electric Storage, preferred	77
Welsbach Light	98
United Gas	93¾
Pennsylvania Heat, Light, and Power	29¾

Messrs. C. A. Griscom, George Philler, Thomas Dolan, P. A. B. Widener, William L. Elkins, W. W. Gibbs, Charles T. Yerkes, and Hamilton Disston are interested in these properties, as well as in the United Gas Improvement Company. When these men were known to be the promoters of the recently launched Pennsylvania Heat, Light and Power Company, which was formed to monopolize the electric lighting of Philadelphia, there was a rush to buy the stock. The demand was amazing. Before the books were opened the right to subscribe had advanced to $12 per share, and after $5 had been paid the stock rose to $22.50, a premium of $17.50. On Saturday last the break began, and it continued slowly until to-day, when the crash came. The panic lasted two hours, and when it subsided five stocks were worth, in the aggregate, $5,000,000 less than they commanded yesterday. Here are the figures:

	Yesterday. Close.	To-day.	Loss.
Welsbach	94¾	79	$1,600,000
Electric Storage	66	47	950,000
Electric Storage preferred	86¾	49	560,000
United Gas Improvement	87¾	84¾	600,000
Pennsylvania, H., L. and P.	19	14	1,000,000
Total loss			$4,650,000

It is understood that a pool was organized some time ago to run Electric Storage up to 75 and then unload. The pool was successful in this, and last week it closed out its holdings. It then left the market to care for itself. When it had dropped as far as the insiders desired to-day they returned to its support, and a recovery of 4 or 5 points was made.

John M. Palmer Convicted.

The trial of John M. Palmer, who in his own person constituted the Provident Mutual Aid, Casualty and Relief Association, was continued yesterday in the General Sessions Court in Jersey City. Judge Hudspeth adjourned it on Tuesday because Palmer said that he had been unable to get subpœnas for his witnesses. He instructed Clerk Purtell to give him all the subpœnas he wanted. Not a witness showed up yesterday, and Constable Meyer testified that he was unable to find any of the persons subpœnaed. Palmer was convicted of obtaining money under false pretences and was remanded for sentence.

Cane Spree at Princeton.

PRINCETON, Oct. 30.—At a moonlight cane spree to-night between sophomores and freshmen the first bout was a draw. Allland and Gilmore won the other two for the sophomores.

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HALF-CLAD LODGERS RESCUED.

Brave Work at the Erie Hotel Fire—Minor Blazes in Two Other Hotels.

The old Erie Hotel had a narrow escape from destruction by fire last night, and but for the promptness of its discovery by Mrs. Mary Buxton, who gave the alarm to Policeman James E. Hinch by shouting from a third-story window, a loss of life would have doubtless occurred.

The hotel is a six-story brick building fronting on Chambers, Reade, and West streets, and has fire escapes on the three sides. The five upper stories are let out as furnished rooms by Arthur Buxton, whose family live on the third floor.

Mrs. Buxton saw volumes of smoke coming from the baggage room about a quarter after 8 o'clock, and, seizing her ten-months-old baby, ran to the window and shouted to Hinch, who pulled a fire box on the corner and sounded an alarm with his night stick. Then he climbed up the Chambers street fire escape to go to the frantic woman's aid. Smoke was pouring from the third and fourth story windows, and Policeman Homier soon arrived and climbed up after Hinch.

A dozen men were at the upper windows calling for help. Hinch carried the Buxton child in his arms and aided its mother to reach the street. James Buxten, her nine-year-old son, was lowered from the fourth floor by a rope held by Thomas McCue, a lodger. Hinch also rescued Jeff Ferris from a room on the sixth floor and carried him down the West street side fire escape. He was nearly unconscious from the smoke when Hinch battered in his room door, and was clad only in an undershirt.

Policeman Homier found James Cleary, 30 years old, in room 25 on the sixth floor. The door was locked and Cleary could not be roused. So Homier kicked in the door and carried him, clad in one garment, down the fire escape. Thomas J. MacArthur, fireman of Engine Company No. 29, found Jimmie Connell, a lodger, also clad only in an undershirt, asleep in a fourth-story room, and he carried him down a fire escape.

The building is owned by the Rhinelander estate and was damaged about $1,500, while Buxton's loss will be about $3,000 on furniture. Edward W. Dolphin, who has a saloon on the first floor, could not estimate his loss, which is chiefly by water. L. Fountain, a produce dealer on the first floor, also suffered some water damage.

A leak occurred in the big gas meter in the basement of the Elected Majestic, Seventy-second street and Central Park West, early yesterday morning, and the escaping gas communicating with a neighboring gas jet caused a slight explosion and set the wooden platform round the meter on fire. A watchman turned in a fire alarm and a single engine quickly extinguished the fire.

Few of the guests knew that anything unusual had occurred, and there was no panic, and but little damage was done.

A flue choked with soot caught fire from a spark from the kitchen range in the Everett House, Union square, at 5:30 last night. A citizen turned in an alarm. When the engines arrived the hotel people had settled the fire by the old-fashioned method of dropping a small quantity of salt down the chimney. None of the guests was frightened, and the fire did no damage.

HAD A DEER ISLAND CREW.

Race from St. John to Bridgeport Between a Yankee and a Britisher.

BRIDGEPORT, Oct. 30.—The schooner Cora May, Capt. Harrington, waving from her mizzen peak the red cross of St. George, left St. John, N. B., on Wednesday of last week, bound for this city, with a cargo of lumber. Lying in the harbor at the same time was the Yankee schooner Sarah A. Reed of Thomaston, Me. Capt. Fanning was in command of the Reed, and a down-east crew had been shipped. There was considerable rivalry between the Captains of the Cora May and the Reed as to the relative swiftness of the two vessels.

It was not until ten hours after the Cora May had cleared that the cargo of the Reed was aboard, but ten minutes after that her sprightly crew had all sails set, and she was headed before a brisk wind for this city. All sail was kept set, and at last the British ship was sighted. Yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock off New London the Yankee passed the English boat. When opposite the Cora May the Yankee skipper ran the Stars and Stripes to the peak and dipped them three times as a salute. The British ship made no response.

About 5 o'clock the Reed ran into a fierce squall and was obliged to take in all of her canvas except her head sails, which were double reefed. The Englishman began to creep up and gain for a time, but as soon as the gale abated Capt. Harrington spred every bit of canvas and entered this harbor forty-five minutes ahead of the Cora May. The Reed's crew are all shipped from Deer Island, Me., where the Defender's crew came from. They were about the city last night. They are all tall, lank, and powerful. One of them said that his grandfather was on the Essex when taken by the Phœbe and Cherub in Valparaiso harbor in 1813, and that his father served under Farragut at Mobile and New Orleans, and that he himself had served in the navy and would reenlist in case of war, especially with England.

CUT RATES IN CHINATOWN.

Shirts Washed for Five Cents—Threats Against the Cheap Laundrymen.

Some time ago, owing to the dulness of trade, Quong Lee, a laundryman at 8 Delancey street, and Charley Sing, who is in the same business at 34 East First street, started to cut rates, with the result that they now wash shirts for five cents each, and collars and cuffs at one cent each.

It is said that the Top Hing Hong Society of 4 Mott street has made several attempts, by threats and otherwise, to force the laundrymen to sustain prices or go out of business, but have been unable to prevail upon them to do either.

The Yep Sue Society of 16 Pell street, of which the laundrymen are members, has sustained them in their decision, and Dr. Fong Yee, the acknowledged adjudicator of Chinatown, who, it is said, receives $150 a month salary for his services, has been unable to arbitrate the matter.

A meeting was called at the rooms of the Top Hing Hong Society yesterday, and, according to one of the leaders, it was resolved to trump up a charge of robbery against the two offenders, by which they might be sent to prison.

An Alleged Burglary House Thief Run In.

On Monday night last Central Office detectives arrested at the corner of Sixth avenue and Twenty-fifth street Edward Dickson, who is wanted in Philadelphia for stealing jewelry valued at $800. Nine weeks ago Dickson and a woman whom he called his wife hired a furnished room from Miss Rosa Warr of 223 Greenwich street, that city. He lived there seven weeks. Two weeks ago, during Miss Warr's absence from her home, Dickson, so it is alleged, stole the jewelry. He formerly lived in this city, and the police assert that he absconded in June last with a small sum of money from the Equitable Gas Light Company, his employers. It was on this charge that he was arrested, but when the New York police learned that the Philadelphia authorities were after him it was decided to send him there. When arraigned in Jefferson Market Court yesterday Dickson was held to await the arrival of requisition papers.

Where Yesterday's Fires Were.

A. M.—2:10, 2,204 First avenue, Joseph Pessara, damage $100; 3:25, 470 Second avenue, James Kelly, damage $1,525; 3:30, Seventy-second street and Central Park West, Jacob Rothchild, damage $200; 7:50, 755 Seventh avenue, John Knight, damage $100; 10:05, 174 Attorney street, Jacob Schuler, damage $5.

P. M.—2:25, 56 West street, Charles Geissling, damage trifling; 4:40, 548 West Fifty third street, Patrick Lynch, damage $10; 4:30, 122 East 112th street, damage trifling; 5:30, 1,797 Third avenue, Francis Vayelet, no damage; 6:20, 39 East Seventeenth street, Everett House, no damage; 8:00, 318 East Eighty-first street, Isadore Godarfky, damage $200; 8:25, 541 Madison avenue, David J. King, damage $500; 10:45, 70 Hester street, Frank C. Rosch, damage $5,000; 11:05, 57 Gouverneur street, Morris Weiss, damage trifling.

HAS GOMEZ RESIGNED?

A REPORT THAT THE CUBAN LEADER WILL LEAVE THE ISLAND.

He Wishes to Have His Wounds Treated—The Steamer Laurada, from This City, Lands Arms and Men in Cuba—The 21 Alleged Filibusters at Nassau.

HAVANA, Oct. 30.—A despatch from Puerto Principe says it is reported there that Gen. Maximo Gomez, the Commander-in-Chief of the Insurgents, has resigned and will leave the island to have the wounds in his legs cured. It is said he is now taking leave of his followers prior to departing, but his destination is not mentioned.

The rebels placed a bomb on the tracks of the Nuevitas Railroad yesterday which exploded while a train loaded with troops was passing. One soldier was seriously wounded.

It is announced that the censor will cease to retain copies of press despatches, as has been the custom since the outbreak of the rebellion.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Oct. 30.—The steamer Laurada, from New York Oct. 21, arrived here yesterday. She landed a quantity of arms and ammunition near Guantanamo, Cuba, and also twenty men under command of Carlos Manuel de Cespedes. The men and arms were landed on Sunday night. The party disembarked in great haste, and some of their guns were left on board the ship, where they were found by the customs authorities on her arrival here.

NASSAU, N. P., Oct. 30.—The alleged American filibusters who were brought here by the British gunboat Partridge from Inagua, Bahamas, on Oct. 21, and arraigned two days later on the charge of violating the British Foreign Enlistment act in using the British West Indies as a basis of operations against the Spanish Government in Cuba, were arraigned again this morning, and the case was further adjourned for eight days.

The adjournment was the result of a protest made by United States Consul McLain upon the ground that the colonial Government had not exercised due diligence in procuring evidence against the men. The names of the five American prisoners, who claim and are receiving the protection of the United States Consul upon the ground that they are American citizens, are Antonio M. Ruiz of New York, Severano Galvez of Key West, Gerardo M. Domeneck and Braulio Pena of Philadelphia, and Paolo Mencal of Brooklyn.

LONDON, Oct. 30.—A Kingston, Jamaica, despatch says that the steamer Laurada landed thirty-four Cubans and thirty-two cases of ammunition at Guantanamo, Cuba. She picked them up outside of New York harbor. It is supposed they are part of the Cespedes expedition.

CUBA'S REPRESENTATIVE ABROAD.

Minister Palma Empowered to Make Treaties for the Republic.

Tomas Estrada Palma received yesterday his credentials as Minister Plenipotentiary to the Exterior for the Cuban republic. Mr. Palma is empowered to borrow money, issue bonds, and enter into treaties for the Cuban republic, and all his acts will be binding on the Government. Mr. Palma's appointment changes materially the status of the Cuban clubs in this country. Mr. Palma has heretofore been unable to act officially for the Government, having represented only a federation of Cuban clubs in this country and on the island. The powers conferred on Mr. Palma by his appointment are almost boundless, and he is empowered to act independently of the Government.

Mr. Palma's first care will be to secure the recognition of the belligerent rights of the insurgents by the American republics. He will appeal to the United States first, and has high hopes of success. He believes that the recognition of the republic by the United States would end the rebellion and secure to the Cubans their independence.

NEW CUBAN CABLE.

To Be Finished by Nov. 10—It Will Be of Great Service to the Spaniards.

The new cable connecting Havana with Santiago de Cuba by way of Casilde, Jucaro, Tunas, Santa Cruz, and Manzanillo, which is now being laid by the Cuba Cable Company, will be completed and in operation by Nov. 10. The company, which has its headquarters in London, is indirectly under the control of the Spanish Government, and the cable will be of great service to that Government in the prosecution of the war in Cuba.

Many of the places which will be brought into communication with Havana by the new cable have been practically cut off from the rest of the world heretofore. Since Feb. 10 the land telegraph lines in the eastern part of Cuba have not been in working order, and, consequently, the commanders near the seaboard have had great difficulty in communicating with the troops in the interior. News from the towns and cities on the coast could be obtained only by means of mail steamers.

Filibusters Whip Spanish Marines.

According to despatches just received from Matanzas, a filibuster expedition numbering 250 armed men landed recently on the coast at Camarioca, fourteen miles east of Matanzas. The commander of the Spanish war ship Maria Cristina discovered the party during the disembarkation, and a detachment of marines was sent to prevent the landing.

The Cubans repulsed the Spaniards, forcing them to retire. Six marines were killed. The Spaniards withdrew and allowed them to land. They made their way into the interior.

Young Coxey Goes to Cuba.

MASSILLON, O., Oct. 30.—Jesse Coxey sailed to-day for Cuba. He expects to join the forces of the insurgents. He is the young son of Commonwealer Coxey and is a sailor, having gone to Africa before the mast a few years ago.

Damrosch Artists Arrive.

In addition to Fräulein Gisela Stoll, dramatic soprano, Fräulein Riza Eibenschuetz, mezzo-soprano, and Herr Julius von Putlitz, basso, who arrived on Tuesday on the Trave, the North German Lloyd steamer Lahn reached New York yesterday, having on board Herr Max Alvary, Fräulein Johanna Gadski, Fräulein Louise Mulder, the youthful soprano; Herr Paul Lange, tenor, and Herr Demeter Popovici, the famous baritone. Herr Wilhelm Gruening, the tenor, will follow a few days later.

These singers, together with Frau Klafsky, who has been here for some time, make Mr. Damrosch's grand opera company complete.

High Prices for Rare Stamps.

A two-nights' stamp sale at the rooms of the Philatelic Society, 25 Ann street, closed last night. The total sales amounted to $4,650. Prices ruled 50 per cent. higher than a year ago. A set of specimen department stamps brought $180, a local Confederate stamp of the Baton Rouge Post Office $80; a shilling stamp of New Brunswick brought $108, and several foreign stamps sold for over $100 each.

RIPANS TABULES

"I have been troubled with indigestion and dyspepsia for a long time," writes Miss Laura Busch of 109 So. Channing Ave., St. Louis, August 26, 1895, "and although I tried almost every kind of medicine I could not find anything to do me much good. At last I was persuaded to try Ripans Tabules, and bought a box of them more out of curiosity than anything else, and was very much surprised at the good results which followed their use. I have often seen these Tabules advertised, but being a little against patent medicines thought they would do me no good. In future I never want to be without them, and hope other sufferers will soon learn of this valuable remedy."

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LITTLE TRINIDAD.

A Rock Out in the Atlantic that Has Come Into Prominence.

LONDON, Oct. 30.—Sir John Pender, M.P., presiding at a meeting of the directors of the Brazilian Submarine Telegraph Company, to-day said the position of the company in its dealings with the Brazilian Government was unsatisfactory. Brazil, he said, ought to have treated this pioneer company better, since it had helped to build up Brazilian trade by bringing the country into cable relations with the rest of the world. It was when they had found that Brazil would not deal fairly with them that they had tried to carry on traffic with the Argentine Republic.

They had laid a cable across the Andes with the West Brazilian Company, and to prevent Brazil from interfering with that traffic they had looked out for a fresh station, and had pitched upon the island of Trinidad, which was not occupied and was an excellent station. Brazil was now trying to make the matter a political question, but the company would not object to Brazil possessing the island if she permitted the telegraph company to use it as a telegraph station.

THE KAISER LIFTED HIS HAT.

**He Tells of His Thoughts