THE CARDINAL EXPLAINS.

ENGLISHMEN EXCEPT TO PART OF GIBBONS'S WRITINGS.

His Introduction to a Life of John Boyle O'Reilly Causes Objection to His Selection as Preacher of the Dedicatory Sermon at Westminster Next Year.

Cardinal Gibbons was asked some time ago by Cardinal Vaughan to deliver the sermon at the dedication next year of the new Catholic Cathedral at Westminster. The Baltimore prelate accepted the invitation and preparations were began by the Catholics of England to welcome him appropriately. In England a discordant note was struck last month by an English Catholic's attack upon Cardinal Gibbons, who, he said, would not be welcomed by Catholics, and it looked as if the Baltimore prelate's trip must be abandoned. But Cardinal Vaughan has sent to Cardinal Gibbons assurances that the English Catholics will give him a warm reception next year, when he comes to London. These assurances have been conveyed to Cardinal Gibbons by Bishop Chatard of Indianapolis, who has just returned from a visit to the Pope. On his way back to this country he called upon Cardinal Vaughan, and, on his arrival here, before he went to Indianapolis, he delivered a message from the English Cardinal to Cardinal Gibbons.

The trouble arose over an introduction written nine years ago by Cardinal Gibbons to "The Life and Writings of John Boyle O'Reilly." W. E. H. Lecky, the English historian, in a recently published book, severely criticises the Cardinal for this introduction. Mr. Lecky declares that O'Reilly, "being a sworn Fenian, entered a regiment of hussars, assumed the uniform of the Queen, and took the oath of allegiance for the express purpose of betraying his trust, and seducing the soldiers of his regiment." Mr. Lecky complains that Cardinal Gibbons has not uttered a word in condemnation of O'Reilly's alleged violation of his oath. This criticism of the Cardinal was approved by an English Catholic who, writing anonymously to the *London Times*, declared that under such circumstances the Baltimore prelate could not be welcomed by English Catholics at the dedication of the Westminster Cathedral.

Cardinal Gibbons has deemed the incident worthy of his attention, for he has written a letter of explanation to the *London Tablet*, a Catholic journal controlled by Cardinal Vaughan. In this letter, which is published in the issue of the *Tablet* just received here, he says:

"I feel it due to myself and the interests of truth to declare that till I read Mr. Lecky's criticism I did not know that Mr. O'Reilly had ever been a Fenian or a British soldier, or that he had tried to seduce other soldiers from their allegiance. In fact, up to this moment I have never read a line of the biography for which I wrote the introduction, and I hope the author of the 'Life,' if he comes across this letter, will not regard me as discourteous in making this avowal.

"My only acquaintance with Mr. O'Reilly's history before he came to America was the vague information I had that, for some political offence, the exact nature of which I did not learn, he had been exiled from his native land to a penal colony, from which he afterward escaped to the United States. I knew him only as a quiet, unobtrusive gentleman of conservative views, whose ardent temperament was mellowed by time and experience; as an exemplary husband and father; as a devoted Christian, who valiantly defended Catholic principles, and as a man who by his literary merits, considering his limited opportunities, had gained the good will and enjoyed the society not only of the Catholic citizens of New England, but of such writers as Oliver Wendell Holmes, Whittier and Lowell, our former Minister to Italy, and Lowell, our former Minister to Spain. Indeed, he was courted as much by the descendants of English Puritans as by the descendants of Irish Catholics.

"The esteem in which he was held by his fellow citizens, without distinction of race and religion, in his adopted city of Boston was attested by the invitations he received to deliver addresses on public occasions, by eulogies to our American institutions and by the tributes paid to him at his death by the American press. After a passing allusion to his early political life, of which I knew little or nothing, and with which I was not concerned, my whole introduction is taken up with comments on his writings.

"It may seem strange to some persons that any one would undertake to write an introduction to a work the merits of which he had not previously ascertained by a personal examination of the book. Without presuming to hold up such a course as an example to others, I must confess that this was not the first time I had communicated a preface to a book without even having seen the work itself, relying on the integrity and the judgment of the author. And I would not be surprised if Mr. Lecky himself, in his large experience, has heard of brevet-writers who have done likewise. To have a thorough knowledge of the subject of a memoir, and to pronounce a verdict on his public and private life, is the province of the biographer, and not of the writer of the introduction.

"I have undertaken to send these words of explanation because I have regarded Mr. Lecky as an author of a sober and dispassionate mind, as well as of distinguished ability. While sometimes obliged to dissent from his conclusions, I must bear testimony to his deep historical research, and I cheerfully confess that I am indebted to him for many profitable and entertaining hours."

Commenting editorially on this letter the *Tablet* says:

"The Cardinal's explanation is simple and ample. He was not aware that Mr. O'Reilly had ever been a Fenian, and knew nothing of the details of the charge upon which he was condemned in an English court of justice. And surely, if that had been otherwise time might have been allowed to bring forgiveness for an offence committed so long ago and so nobly atoned for." Referring to the intimation that the Cardinal would be received coldly the *Tablet* says: "Let him come and try: we will answer for his welcome."

FOR NEXT VICE-PRESIDENT.

Has Mr. Woodruff Hopes or Is His Object Merely to Defeat Root's Nomination?

The day after Vice-President Hobart's funeral THE SUN printed, without specific quotation, the views of highly influential national Republicans as to the Vice-Presidential nomination at the next National Convention. These Republicans said then that the nomination belonged to the State of New York and that Secretary of War Elihu Root was the best man in sight. They added that it was desirable that the Republican organization of the State should speak up for Mr. Root. This cannot be officially done until the State convention assembles in April next to nominate delegates-at-large to the Republican National Convention. Meanwhile Secretary Root is taking no steps toward securing the support of the New York State organization.

Last week it was announced in THE SUN from New York Republicans who came from Washington, that there was danger that both Secretary Root and Lieut.-Gov. Woodruff might be set aside and an outsider be nominated. It was apparent that the friends of Mr. Root had become convinced that Mr. Woodruff was hustling to secure the nomination, and that some feeling had been developed. Republicans close to President McKinley have said that, if the New Yorkers get into too bitter a squabble over the matter, the nomination may go to New Jersey again, and in that event Attorney-General Griggs would be the man.

Yesterday morning a Democratic newspaper, in a dispatch from Washington, told of an alleged interview between Senator Hanna, Chairman of the Republican National Committee, and Lieut.-Gov. Woodruff. It is stated that Mr. Woodruff had a long talk with Mr. Hanna in Washington the other day when Mr. Woodruff went to Washington and, with Senator Depew, advocated New York as the city in which to hold the next Republican National Convention. In the alleged interview Mr. Hannah is quoted as telling Mr. Woodruff that he was all right in certain ways, but that he was not a national character. This was a gentle way of telling Mr. Woodruff that he was not big enough politically to be nominated for Vice-President. There were various other alleged utterances of Mr. Hanna to Mr. Woodruff, and while they were friendly in a way they were all calculated to disabuse the mind of Mr. Woodruff of the notion that he was Vice-Presidential timber.

The alleged interview was submitted to Mr. Woodruff at the Waldorf-Astoria yesterday afternoon. Mr. Woodruff admitted that while in Washington he had talked with Mr. Hanna as to the Vice-Presidential nomination, but further than that Mr. Woodruff would not go. He said the conversation was a private one. It was apparent, though, that Mr. Woodruff has not given up hopes of either securing the nomination himself or developing strength enough in the New York delegation to defeat Mr. Root in order to have the nomination go to a New Yorker not yet nameless as a last resort to send it to New Jersey or some other Eastern State. Mr. Woodruff has already engaged headquarters in the Walton Hotel in Philadelphia and is to visit the City of Brotherly Love next Friday to look over the ground and if necessary hire other headquarters for the delegation of delegates from other States than New York.

Held for Miss di Zerega's Injury.

Walter Eastman, the driver, whose cab ran over Miss Florence di Zérega in front of the Waldorf-Astoria on Saturday, was held on a charge of assault in the Jefferson Market police court yesterday, for examination to-morrow afternoon. Miss di Zérega was not present in court and it was said that she would be unable to appear for some time.

YALE MAN SHOOTS A DETECTIVE.

Slayer the Son of a Trustee of the Southern Railroad—Has Been Acting Queerly.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 17.—Dudley Ferguson, son of E. A. Ferguson, trustee of the Southern Railroad, shot and killed Detective August Mehan this morning. Shortly after 7 o'clock Dudley went to his father's home at 946 Dayton street. He was admitted by a servant, and as soon as he entered the house he began to act violently and the other members of the family fled.

While they were hiding Mehan, who is a private detective, arrived and was admitted. He was warned that Dudley was violent and armed but Mehan had received orders to take Dudley, and started upstairs after him. Dudley appeared at the top and flourishing a revolver warned him to go no further. Before Mehan had taken half a dozen steps he fell dying at the foot of the staircase, a bullet wound in the top of his head. Ferguson fired four shots but only one took effect.

The police were immediately telephoned. While Lieut. Corbin was examining the wounded man Dudley appeared and said: "I am the man that shot him." A patrol was called and the wounded man was taken to the city hospital, where he died at 10 o'clock without regaining consciousness. Ferguson was at once locked up.

Dudley Ferguson was a graduate of Yale. Since reaching manhood he has done nothing and was subject to sudden fits of temper and melancholy. He was regarded as eccentric and was frequently heard talking to himself. Mehan, the murdered detective, had been connected with police work for more than a quarter of a century. He leaves a widow and three daughters.

WANTED—FIVE HUNDRED CATS.

Must Be Willing to Accept Situations in Manila as Rat Catchers.

Frederick Butler, a saloonkeeper of 103 Roseville avenue, Newark, says that he has 105 or 106 cats in his cellar and that he hopes to get 500 and ship them to his friend, John Montgomery, in Manila, who has written him that the Government needs cats there to keep down the rats in the storehouses. An advertisement for full-grown cats at 15 cents each was placed in two of the Newark papers on Saturday. Whether it was done by Butler, or by somebody who played a hackneyed joke upon him, is open to reasonable doubt, but Butler accepts the responsibility cheerfully and is getting a lot of advertising out of the affair as well as plenty of cats. He said yesterday that he would ship the cats on a transport now loading at Brooklyn for the Philippines. He was awaiting orders. He intimated that the shipment was authorized by the Government, but at the same time it was a private speculation of his friend Montgomery.

Half a dozen neighbors visited Butler's place yesterday afternoon looking for lost cats, but he refused to show his captives until the time came for shipping them. A cat with seven kittens was offered to him on Saturday evening, but he refused to take the cat.

CAR SHORTAGE IN NEW ENGLAND.

Energies of Transporting Departments Concentrated Now in Moving Coal.

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—There is a serious shortage of freight cars in New England. A local car accountant has said that in the course of his twenty-seven years' experience in that department of railroading he had never seen such a tremendous volume of business done as that which has been handled by his road during the last three or four months. While thus far this and the other New England railroads have been able to prevent any actual blockade of traffic at junctions, it has taken all the physical and mental powers which the car-moving departments have to keep the tracks clear.

During the last few weeks the biggest problem presenting itself for solution has been the moving of coal from tidewater. There has been a great scarcity of coal in New England, especially bituminous coal, so that it has been possible to bring soft coal here to Boston from Cape Breton and sell it at a profit after paying the duty of 40 cents a ton.

THE REV. W. J. HARSHA'S RESIGNATION

His Letter Read to the Church, but No Explanation Of It Publicly Made.

Any members of the Second Collegiate Dutch Reformed Church of Harlem who expected to learn at the service yesterday why their pastor, the Rev. William J. Harsha, had resigned were disappointed. The Rev. Joachim Elmendorf, senior pastor of the church, read Dr Harsha's letter of resignation without comment before the morning sermon. The letter is dated Nov. 17. It reads as follows:

To the Consistory of the Collegiate Reformed Church of Harlem:

DEAR BRETHREN: For sufficient reasons I ask for leave of absence from my pastoral duties from this date. I also tender my resignation as pastor of the Second Collegiate Reformed Church, to take effect Jan. 1, 1900, and beg your acceptance of the same.

I further wish you to unite with me in an application to the Classis of New York for a dissolution of the pastoral relations between the Rev. William J. Harsha and the Second Collegiate Reformed Church.

WILLIAM J. HARSHA.

Vanderbilt Christmas Party at Biltmore.

W. K. Vanderbilt and Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton McK. Twombly will spend Christmas at Biltmore, N. C., with Mr. and Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt.

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WHITE DEFENDS ENGLAND.

LIVELY DISPUTE OVER BOER WAR IN PLYMOUTH CHURCH PARLORS.

Mr. Hague Wants the Congregation to Start a Movement for Friendly Mediation—Mr. White Objects so Vigorously That the Resolution Is Not Introduced.

While the members of Plymouth Church in Brooklyn were waiting for the services to begin yesterday morning a lively dispute was in progress in the church parlors. Those who took part were the Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, S. V. White, the treasurer of the church, and Thomas O. Hague. The trouble arose over a resolution that Mr. Hague was anxious to have the congregation vote on. Mr. White, as is his habit, was at the church a half hour before the service began. He was talking to several friends in the parlors when Mr. Hague arrived. Mr. Hague was the Democratic candidate for Assembly in the First district of Kings county last November and was defeated by his Republican opponent. He is about 45 years old and is nearly 6 feet tall.

"I've a resolution I'm going to present to the church this morning," he said to Mr. White.

"What's it about?" asked Mr. White.

"Here it is," replied Mr. Hague. He then handed the resolution to Mr. White, who read it carefully. It called upon the Board of Trustees of Plymouth Church and congregation to send the following message to the Congregational Churches at London, Wolverhampton and Liverpool.

"Greating—Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, tenders fraternal feelings of deep sympathy with the bereaved families of England and will coöperate in any movement of Congregational Church action to end the war immediately by friendly mediation."

"This is no time to present such a thing," said Mr. White. "You ought to give notice that you intend to present a resolution."

"Well," retorted Mr. Hague, "I'm going to present it this morning."

"You wouldn't get a corporal's guard to vote for it," said Mr. White. "What's the use of doing a thing by halves? But you could never have it passed unanimously, that I know."

"I would like to know why not?" Mr. Hague said.

"Well," Mr. White replied, "because it's not a proper resolution at any rate."

"There is a precedent for it," said "Col." Hague. "At the time of the Venezuela trouble Plymouth Church sent a cablegram to the Congregational Church at Wolverhampton asking that church to coöperate with Plymouth in order to settle the dispute in a peaceful way."

"That was an entirely different matter," said Mr. White, "and has no bearing on this affair in any shape or manner."

"I don't see why this church should not be in favor of peace," said Mr. Hague.

"This is a church of peace," retorted Mr. White, "but we know how to do things in a diplomatic way. There is no diplomacy in your resolution."

Mr. Hague then began to talk about Germany, but he was interrupted by Mr. White, who said:

"Germany is not a party to the resolution. I want to tell you that when all the powers of Europe were trying to form an alliance against the United States during the Spanish-American War, England stood like a bulwark in the interests of this country. That was only a little over a year ago. The men who stood up for the United States then are still in the front of public affairs. Salisbury was Premier then. He is Premier now, and we, as Americans, should not take any action that might look like, or have the appearance of, censure. The United States has never estimated the amount of that debt. It is for this reason and others that I do not think Plymouth Church will take any action against a power that was so good to us."

It was at this time that the Rev. Dr. Hillis entered. After putting aside his hat and coat and shaking hands with Mr. White, Mr. Hague and others, he started for the church, but was overtaken by Mr. Hague, who showed him the resolution. Dr. Hillis glanced over the resolution and then said:

"I do not think this is a proper thing to present during the services, and I hope you will not undertake to make the matter public."

After Dr. Hillis went into the church Mr. Hague turned again to Mr. White and said:

"This church is run by a lot of little lawyers and some others. I do not think there is the spirit of Christ in the church."

"I'm sorry for your poor opinion of Plymouth Church," said Mr. White.

"I'm going to get out of the church," Mr. Hague fired back.

"That's right," said Mr. White, "and if you think it necessary I'll try to make it unanimous."

Mr. Hague then seized his hat and coat and left the building. Mr. White, who appeared to be unruffled by the tilt, walked into church and sat down in his pew.

"BEGGAR JIM" HAD $10,000.

It Was Found in the Feather Bed After His Death.

PERRY, O. T., Dec. 17.—James Grayson, a former Missourian, who has been living in the Osage Indian country for nearly a quarter of a century, and who was thought to be quite poor, died last week. He lived in a small hut with his wife. He was always poorly dressed and was known as "Beggar Jim."

After his death the feather bed on which he died was cut open and $10,000 in gold taken out. Other money and some valuables have been discovered in Grayson's private boxes. His wife says she knew nothing of the money and was often hungry because her husband pleaded poverty.

Last of the Kaltenborn Concerts.

Mark Hambourg was the soloist last night at Carnegie Hall and made what was announced as his last appearance here with an orchestra. He is to play to-morrow night at Mendelssohn Hall with the Kneisel Quartette, and will then disappear for a brief period. He has been a brilliant figure in the musical season, not unworthy of mention along with the greater name which is just now the most absorbing one in pianistic art. If Hamburg added to his brilliancy fire and youthful spirit some trace of Paderewski's poetry and magnetism, the combination would be irresistible.

As it was he played last night the Liszt concerto in E flat that he has given here before with the same brilliancy and superb technical mastery that he exhibited first. M. Hambourg is a pianist likely to be heard here frequently in the future, and the growth of his genius will be interesting to observe.

The concert was also announced as the last to be given here this winter by the Kaltenborn orchestra. The programme included a number of selections from the music dramas of Wagner, in which Mr. Kaltenborn exhibits always to advantage the Seidl traditions, and Mendelssohn's "Midsummer Night's Dream" overture. Grace Preston sang "*Parmitiés du Stuz*" which has recently been in active demand by contraltos as a means of exhibiting their vocal and dramatic equipment.

Gruber Surmises That Quigg Is After Him.

Col. Abraham Gruber says that President Quigg of the Republican County Committee is after him in the Twenty-first Assembly district, and that Quigg's friends there, under the leadership of George C. Austin, are going out for his scalp at the March primaries. Col. Gruber asserts that Mr. Quigg is particularly anxious to control the delegation from his Congress district at the convention to elect delegates to the National Convention. Gruber's friends maintain that he will be able to keep his leadership in spite of the opposition of Mr. Quigg.

Bookkeeper Dies in the Street.

Frank Lencioni of 163 West Forty-eighth street, head bookkeeper in the employ of Mazetti, the caterer, walked up to a policeman at Forty-sixth street and Sixth avenue last night and told him that he had been ill with consumption and was feeling so much worse that he wanted a cab to get him home. While he was talking to the policeman the man had a hemorrhage. He died on the sidewalk before an ambulance arrived.

Boy Dies in a Dentist's Chair.

WATERBURY, Conn., Dec. 17.—Andrew Terrall, aged 12, son of George Terrall, master mechanic, died in a dentist's chair in Dr. Virgil Munson's office this afternoon. He had taken gas for the extraction of a molar, from which he suffered severely. The father was with the son when he took the anaesthetic and when he died.

Higher Wages Their New Year's Present.

The men employed in the freight yards of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, at Willis avenue and the Harlem River, will receive as a New Year's present an increase in wages. It will add $5,700 a year to their collective salaries.

Bark and Schooner Not Lost.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 17.—The American bark Colusa, supposed to have been lost with all hands off the Alaskan Coast, and a schooner, also reported lost, are both reported coming in.

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HE HAD A POOR OPINION.

The influence of some free advertising must be considerable. The editor of a New York trade journal was impressed with this fact by a circumstance which he relates, as follows: Coming down on the "L," this morning, I sat next a man perhaps 60 years old, before whom was standing another man about 40 years old. They started to talk about dyspepsia, and I listened. "I have been suffering for eight months from dyspepsia," said the elder man. "You know what a poor opinion I have of all patent medicines, but here is one that is perfect. Half my eye was on my magazine and the other half on his hand and I saw him hold up a five cent package of R-I-P-A-N-S.

BATTLES WITH YAQUI INDIANS.

The Regiment Sent to Reenforce Gen. Torres Has Not Yet Reached Him.

ORTIZ, STATE OF SONORA, Mex., Dec. 17.—The severe fighting which has been in progress between the Yaqui Indians and Gen. Torres' force of Government troops for the past three weeks has resulted in neither procuring any important or permanent advantage over the other. The Indians have suffered the heaviest losses in killed and wounded, but they have not been driven back from their strong position. A number of long despatches from Gen. Torres to the War Department have been forwarded from here during the past few days, and it is reported that Gen. Torres has requested that he be provided with reenforcements without delay.

No word has been received here in regard to the Twentieth Infantry regiment. Several days ago it was reported that this regiment had arrived at the mouth of the Yaqui River and would be pushed forward to reenforce Gen. Torres' command. They have not yet reached Gen. Torres, and fears are entertained in military circles that they were intercepted by a large force of Yaquis and may now be in a precarious situation. Scouting parties have been sent out by Gen. Torres to discover, if possible, the whereabouts of the missing regiment. All telegraph wires in the Lower Yaqui River valley have been cut by the rebels, and it is impossible to communicate with that section except by mounted courier.

THREE GENERATIONS ON TRIAL.

Two Brothers, Their Mother and Grandmother Up for Murder—Three Acquitted.

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 17.—Court convened at 9 o'clock this morning to hear the verdict of the jury which had been called to pass upon the case in which four persons, representing three generations, were accused of the murder of Thomas S. Quinn, Jr., in Carbondale in last August. The prisoners were Thomas and Joseph Gallagher, brothers, their mother, Mrs. John Gallagher, and her mother, Mrs. Bridget Dempsey.

In the street fight in which these four defendants and John S. Quinn, Jr., engaged, the elder Quinn was killed with a stone. The defendants attempted to show that Quinn was chasing Tom Gallagher; that young Quinn ran after both, throwing stones, and that one of these stones struck and killed the elder Quinn. The jury convicted Tom Gallagher of manslaughter and acquitted the others.

$100,000 Fire in Erie, Pa.

ERIE, Pa., Dec. 17.—Fire gutted Jarecki's Penn Building this morning in which was the New York and Pennsylvania Bell Telephone Exchange. The loss is $100,000.

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MARRIED TWICE IN 1898.

Mr. and Mrs. Seckel's Happiness Is Now Nearly Two Years Old.

The following advertisement appeared in the "Married" column of a morning newspaper yesterday:

SECKEL—GARRAWAY.—On Saturday evening, Jan. 8, 1898, in Jersey City, N. J., by Justice of the Peace Julius Jaeckle, on Tuesday, Dec. 13, 1898, in New York city, by the Rev. Dr. Naphtali Reiter, of Temple Abraham, Emdyne B., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Garraway, of Tarrytown, N. Y., to Harry W. Seckel, of New York.

At Harry W. Seckel's address in this city a SUN reporter was told yesterday that Mr. Seckel and his wife had lived there for some time and had left for Chicago on Saturday night. Mrs. Seckel's mother keeps a boarding house.

TARRYTOWN, Dec. 17.—John Garraway is the janitor of the public schools at North Tarrytown. He said to-night that his daughter had married contrary to the wishes of himself and wife, but that the parents had become reconciled and had sent to Mrs. Seckel a sewing machine a week ago and had received from her a letter acknowledging it. He and his wife wanted their daughter to marry a man in Haverstraw-the-Hudson in whose mother's household she had worked. Then he said that Mrs. Seckel, after her private marriage to Seckel, had gone to the courts to ask protection against this suitor's importunities.

More Trouble for Queens Teachers.

Lawyer Eugene V. Daly will ask Justice Garretson of the Queens County Supreme Court to-day for an order directing the Auditor of the Central Board of Education and Comptroller Coler to show cause why the claims for back pay of the Queens borough janitors, the clerks in the office of the Queens School Board and the superintendents in that borough shall not be preferred to those of the teachers. Mr. Daly alleges that the salaries of these employes were made specific items in the budget and were allowed as such by the Board of Estimate. The School Board has no right, therefore, he says, to compel these officials to take less than their full salaries. If this contention is sustained the fund of $52,000 now available to pay the teachers' salaries for the months of October, November and December will be reduced by about $10,000.

One Union Trying to Kill Another.

The efforts of the Amalgamated Painters' Society to wipe out the Varnishers' Union by ordering strikes against it were brought to the attention of the Central Federated Union yesterday by delegate McVey of the Varnishers' Union. "The painters want us to join their union," said McVey, "but hardwood varnishing is a trade by itself and we want to keep it to ourselves."

It was stated that the wages of the hardwood varnishers are higher than those of the painters. The complaint of the varnishers was referred to a committee, which will report next Sunday. About two years ago painters destroyed the Paper Hangers' Union, which was the highest paid union in the building trades.

Elkins Gets a New Railroad Charter.

CUMBERLAND, Dec. 17.—Senator Stephen B. Elkins has obtained a charter for the Coal and Iron Railway Company to build an extension of the West Virginia Central from Elkins, W. Va., to the Forks of Greenbrier River effecting a junction with the Greenbrier River Railroad. This will afford the first through connection from the southern to the northeastern part of West Virginia. Ex-Senator Henry G. Davis of Elkins, Col. Thomas B. Davis of Keyser, ex-Congressman R. C. Kerens of St. Louis and C. M. Hendley of Washington, are interested.

Says They're Machinists in Disguise.

Isaac Cowen, delegate of the Amalgamated Engineers, declared at yesterday's meeting of the Central Federated Union that the eighty sailors brought here by the American liner St. Louis, to man the Russian warships being built at the Cramps shipyards in Philadelphia were machinists in disguise, and had been brought over to take the places of striking machinists at the yards. The C. F. U. appeared to regard the statement seriously but took no action about it.

The Weather.

The area of high pressure which brought on the cold weather was central over the Atlantic States yesterday, throwing off light to fresh north and northeast winds and causing rain in the middle Atlantic districts and rain and snow in the Lake regions and in New England. Light snow fell in scattered places in the upper Mississippi Valley and the northern Rocky Mountain States; fair weather was quite general in the Southern States.

The temperature continued below freezing point in New England and thence westward to Montana; in the latter section it was growing colder on account of a storm forming or moving in from the North Pacific coast. It was warmer in the Southwest and in this section after the morning.

In this city the day was raw, threatening with very light snow and rain; average humidity, 93 per cent.; wind north to northeast, average velocity six miles an hour, barometer corrected to read to sea level at 8 A. M., 30.03, 3 P. M., 30.50.

The temperature as recorded by the official thermometer, and also by THE SUN'S thermometer at the street level, is shown in the annexed table:

	Official. 1899.	Official. 1898.	Sun's. 1899.		Official. 1899.	Official. 1898.	Sun's. 1899.
6 A. M.	33°	35°	35°	6 P. M.	42°	34°	40°
12 M.	38°	42°	39°	9 P. M.	39°	41°	40°
3 P. M.	42°	40°	41°	12 Mid.	40°	40°	41°

WASHINGTON FORECAST FOR TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

For New England, partly cloudy to-day and Tuesday, with probably snow to-day in eastern Maine, fresh easterly to southerly winds.

For eastern New York, New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania, generally fair to-day and Tuesday, fresh east to south winds.

For the District of Columbia, Delaware and Maryland, fair and warmer to-day; Tuesday, fair, fresh south winds.

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The Willowdene Arrives at the Mississippi Passes—Coffee to Be Disinfected.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Dec. 17.—The coffee steamer Willowdene reached the passes this morning thirty-seven days out from Santos. The Willowdene reported that there were sixteen persons in the hospital sick with the bubonic plague when she left Santos. There was no person sick on the vessel when she arrived here and there has been none sick from the time she left Santos. The cargo of coffee was disinfected at Santos before being loaded upon the vessel.

The Louisiana State Board of Health decided to pay no attention to the Santos disinfection, but to disinfect the vessel anew, to detain her fifteen days at Quarantine and at the end of that time to decide whether there should be any more detention.

The indications are that the Willowdene will be admitted then, although the Cotton Exchange has protested against it and Mississippi and Texas have decided that they will have nothing to do with vessels from Santos.

Wants to Improve Shore Drive.

Park Commissioner Brower is examining plans for the improvement of the Shore Drive in Brooklyn. The drive is said to be one of the finest in the country. It overlooks the Narrows and Lower Bay. He is anxious to have a small park at the foot of Sixty-seventh street and another at the Fort Hamilton terminus of the drive. The property at the foot of Sixty-seventh street is owned by E. W. Bliss and Commissioner Brower says it could be secured for city purposes for $450,000. If the city acquires it, the land could be transformed into a park for $25,000.

May Form a Union of Cash Girls.

The Central Federated Union took up yesterday the question of organizing a union of the cash girls in the department stores. Daniel S. Jacobs, delegate of the cigarpackers, talked about their alleged grievances and said that in the Christmas holidays they were kept at work until 11 o'clock at night. A committee was appointed to investigate the matter.

Court Calendars This Day.

Appellate Division—Supreme Court—Recess.

Supreme Court—Special Term—Part I.—Motion calendar called at 10.30 A. M. Part II.—Ex-parte matters. Part III.—Case unfinished. Motions—Demurrers—Nos. 1174, 1175, 1176, 1177. Preferred Causes—Nos. 3409, 4040, 4264, 4287, 4120, 4050, 4293. Part IV.—Clear. Law and Fact—Nos. 4055, 4135, 2251, 3075, 4006, 4125, 3521, 3060, 3333, 4048, 4111, 4112, 4113, 4120, 4137, 3920, 3925, 3960, 3198, 2865, 2778. Part V.—Clear. Cases from Part IV. Part VI.—Clear. Cases from Part IV. Part VII.—Clear. Elevated R. R. Cases. Trial Term. Part II.—Clear. Preferred causes—Nos. 11086, 11314, 10122, 12026, 12050, 11973, 12125, 12036, 11881, 11947, 11574, 10241, 12078, 11487, 8340. Davidson—Mayor, &c. Part III.—Clear. Nos. 4759, 3957, 4021, 2036, 3957, 10203, 4107, 11313, 5328, 4114, 4028, 5566, 5600, 5631, 6383, 5360, 5748, 5086, 5621, 5323, 5438, 5862, 6017, 6018, 6042, 5417, 4446, 4017, 5518, 4121, 5216, 5719. Part IV.—Clear. Cases from Part III. Part V.—Case unfinished. Cases from Part III. Part VI.—Clear. Cases from Part III. Part VII.—Case unfinished. Inquests. Nos. 5-23, 6295. Day Calendar—Nos. 6375, 5474, 5245, 6070, 6090, 1061, 2288, 5775, 5765, 5822, 18, 8, 6117, 6118, 2387, 6181, 6218, 6263, 6243, 2530, 4156, 6380, 841, 4072, 860, 5500, 9, 3, 5458, 5498, 2047, 2290, 5761, 1384. Part VIII.—Clear. Cases from Part VII. Part IX.—Case unfinished. Cases from Part VII. Part X.—Clear. Cases from Part VII. Part XI.—Clear. Cases from Part VII. Part XII.—Clear. Cases from Part II.

Surrogate's Court—Chambers—No. 1484—Will of Francis M. Woodward, at 11 A. M. For Probate—Wills of John Cunningham, Mathew Morgan, Joseph Schmeckebecker, Michael Wallace, Peter Multer, James F. Reilly, Ann Burr, R. Malcas, Christian Loos, Katharine Stewart, Ann Daugher, Mary M. E. Moir, at 10.30 A. M.; Lina Schaefer, at 11 A. M. Trial Term—Nos. 1526, 1497, 1503, 1505, 1517, 1520, 1523. Estate of John Swinburne, at 10.30 A. M.

City Court—Special Term—Court opens at 10 A. M. Motions. Trial Term—Part I.—Clear. Nos. 874, 1150, 3042, 1361, 1662, 1663, 1665, 3008, 1303, 3229, 3227, 3286, 1340, 1236, 1408, 1552, 1164, 1231. Part II.—Clear. Nos. 50, 52, 1807, 1556, 1748, 1066, 884, 1177, 1834, 299, 1804, 1863, 1870, 1887, 1886, 1802, 1869, 1871. Part III.—Clear. Nos. 1750, 1760, 1742, 1739, 1717, 1699, 1585, 1655, 1477, 1523. Part IV.—Clear. Short causes—Nos. 3749, 3382, 2599, 2371, 3190, 3189, 2995, 3052, 3456, 2784, 3060, 3710, 2565, 3411, 3574, 3678, 3661, 3669, 3732, 3722, 3704, 3741, 3741.

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"GREYSTONE" A PRIVATE RESIDENCE.

Contradiction of the Report That It Was to Be a Democratic Club Annex.

The report that "Greystone," the home of the late Samuel J. Tilden at Yonkers, is to be converted into a resort for Tammany Hall men by its purchaser, Samuel Untermyer of this city, was contradicted authoritatively yesterday. A business associate of Mr. Untermyer had this to say on the subject last night:

"Mr. Untermyer bought 'Greystone' for a country house for himself and his family. Any story that the old place is to be made an adjunct of the Democratic Club is untrue. The purchase of 'Greystone' is Mr. Untermyer's private affair and no one has any interest in the place but that gentleman."

Mr. Untermyer is making extensive changes at "Greystone." The interior of the house has been almost entirely ripped out, new roads are being made, and many of the old trees about the grounds are being cut down. Mr. Untermyer and his family expect to occupy the house next summer.

Swindler Uses Mrs. Fairchild's Name.

A swindler attempted to secure $20 from Thomas Burrell, a butcher of 18 Clinton street, Brooklyn on Saturday by means of a letter purporting to be signed by Mrs. Fairchild, wife of Julian D. Fairchild, president of the Kings County Trust Company. The note was taken to Mr Burrell by a messenger boy. Mr. Burrell was suspicious and communicated with Mrs. Fairchild by telephone. He learned it was a case of swindle. Placing a blank piece of paper in the envelope, he handed it to the messenger and instructed one of his clerks to follow him, on Fulton street the clerk lost the boy in the crowd.

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