

CONNERY'S DAMAGED NOSE.

COURT HEARS HOW AND WHY IT WAS TWAKED BY HIS AUNT, "F. R. S. LIT."

Though He Did It in a Dignified Manner and a White Glove, Magistrate Ordered the Author of the Assault to be Fined for the Same.

A formal hearing in Author Thomas D. Connery's assault charged against Charles E. Riddell, "F. R. S. Lit." was given by Magistrate Olinson in the Jefferson Market police court yesterday.

"I assure your Honor," remarked Lawyer Marvin, "that I have been practicing for eleven years, although not in this court."

A moment later Author Connery, who was standing very close to him, and exclaimed: "Please, don't rise in the ribs all the time with that nose of yours!"

The defendant made a statement in his own behalf, mentioning incidentally that he had remarked to complainant while pulling his nose: "If you were a young man, I should knock you down."

"Your Honor," "Ha, ha, ha," immediately after the author insisted on his right to be heard by the court.

"You don't know," said the author, "I am a lawyer, replied Author Connery with pride. "I am admitted to the bar some thirty years ago. The only thing is, that I have not practiced."

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BOURGOGNE'S OWNERS ABSOLVED.

French Court of Appeals Holds Them Blameless for Loss of Her Passengers.

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4 WHITE HORSES DIDN'T FETCH HER.

Pokorny Exhausts His Only Means of Appealing His Wife.

John J. Pokorny, a hotel keeper at Astoria, has obtained a divorce separation from Justice Russell of the Supreme Court against Bertha Pokorny, whom he married seven years ago.

She is the widow of his first wife, by whom he had six children. Pokorny testified that his wife left him a number of times and returned to her mother in this city.

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WRONG GROUND IN JAIL.

Mistake of Constable May End in a Suit for Damages for False Arrest.

PEANFIELD, N. J., Feb. 5.—James Johnson, a constable, was arrested for an infraction of the law by the January Grand Jury. There was another James Johnson living at Westfield.

ARRESTED FOR ARSON.

Coachman Jenkins Is Charged With Setting Fire to a Hotel.

PORT CHESTER, N. Y., Feb. 5.—Matthew Jenkins, a coachman of Erie, is under arrest here charged with setting fire to a hotel in which there were twenty persons. The complaint is Anthony Casara, the owner.

ECHO MOUNTAIN HOUSE BURNED.

It Was a Favorite Resort of Tourists in California.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 5.—The Echo Mountain House, on Mount Low, was totally destroyed by fire this morning. There were forty-five guests and all escaped uninjured.

MARRIED IN A SALOON.

Theological Wedding at Which a Justice of the Peace Officiated.

Montgomery Moses, advance agent of the Cyprian Bazaar Company, and Miss Ada Raymond, a member of the company, were married in Jersey City at an early hour yesterday morning.

Police Capt. Wood on Duty Again.

Police Capt. Anthony S. Wood, who was ousted from his place four years ago when Patrick J. Gleason became his third term as Mayor of Long Beach, is back on duty again.

POLICE SHUFFLE COMPLETE.

IT LEAVES CAPT. PRICE IN THE GRAND CENTRAL STATION.

Detectives Who Sought Sergeants' Pay Formed Into a Central Office Squad From Which Constables, Yard Patrolmen, the Deserving Can Be Promoted.

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BANKERS' DINNER TONIGHT.

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SEVEN HORSES BURNED TO DEATH.

A Large Two-Story Frame Storehouse and Stable on the South Cove at the foot of Henderson street, Jersey City, was destroyed by fire yesterday.

NOONAN AND SIMPSON FREE.

Prosecutor James S. Erwin moved in the Over and Terminal court in Jersey City to discontinue an indictment against Lawrence Noonan and Alexander Simpson for conspiracy.

HUSBAND AND WIFE DROWNED.

From a Barge Which Drifted Ashore in Huntington Bay.

NORTHPORT, L. I., Feb. 5.—The tug Edward Lauterbach of New York with eleven barges in tow put into Huntington Bay last night for shelter.

COURT CALENDAR THIS DAY.

Appellate Division—Supreme Court—Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Annual Dinner of Amherst Alumni.

The annual dinner of the Amherst Alumni Association will be held at Sherry's on the evening. It will be preceded at 9:30 by a reception in honor of Dr. George Harris, the new President of the college.

BIDDERS PRACTICALLY NOT SEALED.

Bidders Groggily Because They Certified Checks (See First Page). The bids were opened yesterday by the Street Cleaning Department for the reconstruction of the waste paper delivered at the Eighteenth street crematory.

AYER'S PILLS. Cures you? Bad taste in your mouth? Does your liver? Ayer's Pills are the best. They cure constipation, liver pills, dyspepsia, and all liver complaints. 25c. All druggists.

A BOUNCER SHOT DEAD.

Killed by an Italian, Who Had Just Wounded Another Man.

Charles Messinger, a "bouncer" employed in John Dieffenbach's cigar store at 380 Bushwick avenue, Williamsburg, was shot and instantly killed yesterday by John Colombo, an Italian, 30 years old.

Colombo, with Celestino Ferraro, appeared at Dieffenbach's store late on Sunday night. He had been drinking and was in an ugly mood.

CHALLENGE TO GEO. W. LEDBER.

Sagui Smith Agrees Not to Sue Him if He'll Fight.

Sagui Smith writes to THE SUN to say that some of the newspapers have erroneously described his encounter with George W. Lederer at the Casino on Saturday night.

MASKED MEN BLOW UP SAFE.

Enter Ferryhouse and Blind and Gag the Night Watchman.

The ferryhouse of the Elizabethport and Hook Island Ferry Company at Holland's Hook, Staten Island, was entered by five masked men early yesterday morning and after they had overpowered Joseph Long, the night watchman, they went to the safe in the building.

LIABILITIES.

Assurance Fund (or Reserve) on all existing policies by Society's valuation (Computation by N. Y. Insurance Department \$216,225,257. See Superintendent's certificate) \$216,384,975.00

All other liabilities \$216,384,975.00

Total Liabilities \$216,384,975.00

Surplus \$61,117,477.77

ADVISORY SENT TO JAIL.

Eugene Bostwick Gets Five Months for Stealing a Watch and Clothing.

BROOKLYN, N. J., Feb. 5.—Eugene Bostwick, 320 known as Arthur Alan, a member of a theatrical company which recently stranded here, was sentenced today in the County Court for stealing clothing and a watch from Andrew G. (Creed) Bostwick.

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FORTIETH ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE Equitable Life Assurance Society OF THE United States, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1899. ASSETS. Bonds and Mortgages \$36,994,231.92 Real Estate, including the Equitable Building and purchases under foreclosure of mortgages 24,914,870.61 United States, State, City and Railroad Bonds, and other investments, as per market quotations Dec. 31, 1899 (market value over cost, \$13,717,213.45) 159,969,062.00 Loans secured by Bonds and Stocks (market value Dec. 31, 1899, \$21,418,995.00) 17,134,800.00 Policy Loans 2,671,489.17 Real Estate outside the State of New York, including purchases under foreclosure and office buildings 13,717,356.50 Cash in Banks and Trust Companies at interest 18,271,871.74 Balances due from agents 643,128.99 Interest and Rents due (\$100,774.22) and accrued (\$194,121.65) 504,893.87 Premiums due and in process of collection 3,005,246.00 Deferred Premiums 2,274,334.00 Total Assets \$280,191,286.80

We hereby certify that, after a personal examination of the securities and accounts described in the foregoing statement for the year 1899, we find the same to be true and correct as stated. The stocks and bonds in the above statements are valued at the market price December 31, 1899. Francis W. Jackson, Auditor. Alfred W. Maine, and Auditor.

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In the foregoing Statement the rate of interest assumed for the future in computing the reserve on each class of policies corresponds with the rate which was employed in computing the premiums on the same, as stated in the Superintendent's certificate below. If, in computing the Reserve on all outstanding policies, it should be assumed that only 3% will be realized in the future, the Surplus Assets, after deducting all liabilities, would be \$38,903,704. The Society holds a larger amount of Assets in excess of Total Liabilities than any other life assurance company in the United States or Europe on similar computations. All interest actually realized in excess of the rates assumed, will be added to surplus for the benefit of the policyholders. An apportionment of profits will be made as usual to policyholders during the year 1900 in the manner specified in their respective policies. We hereby certify to the correctness of the above statement. J. G. Van Cise, Actuary. R. G. Hann, Assistant Actuary.

STATE OF NEW YORK, INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, ALBANY, January 31, 1900. I hereby certify that, in accordance with the provisions of Section Eighty-four of the Insurance Law of the State of New York, and in conformity with the rates assumed in the calculation of premiums on the policies so valued, I have caused the policy obligations of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, outstanding on the 30th day of December, 1899, to be valued as per the Combined Experience Table of Mortality, at four per cent. interest; and by the American Experience Table of Mortality, with interest at three per cent., and at three and a half per cent., as assumed in premium rates; and I find the same to be \$216,225,257. Louis F. Payn, Superintendent of Insurance.

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