E. H. SOTHERN STAYS PANIC

HELPS AUDIENCE OVER FOOTLIGHTS IN A THEATRE FIRE

Grand Opera House in Cincinnati Takes Fire During a Performance of "Hamlet" Varnish Contains and Other Properties of Mr Sothern Burned Up Loss Light.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 22. E. H. Sothern and his theatrical company acted largely in staving off a panic among the big audience tonight during a fire that finally destroyed the Grand Opera House and several other buildings causing a loss of about $100,000. After the play of "Hamlet" had progressed about half an hour a strong odor of smoke that had been generally noticed for a few moments was followed by streams of smoke and quickly by flames issuing apparently from the floor. Mr. Sothern advanced to the front of the stage and assured the people to keep calm as the danger was not pressing.

Meanwhile the opera house was emptying itself at every point of exit. The occupants of the first several rows of seats were helped over the stage by Mr. Sothern and members of his company and easily reached a back street through the stage door. Many men and women left so quickly that overcoats and waistcoats and other garments were left behind in the house. In ten minutes from the first alarm the building was full of flames. Everybody escaped so no one was reported as injured.

Mr. Sothern said to THE SUN correspondent that the properties of his play of "Hamlet" were completely wiped out. His last costumes, he said, were worth at least $10,000 not including the special armor, &c., made for him in England and costing $5,000. He destroyed scenery he valued at $10,000, making his total loss, as he estimated it, $25,000 with small insurance. He had intended putting on the play of "Camille" after leaving here, for which his wife, Virginia Harned, had been rehearsing, but the scenery for the play was also destroyed. He expects to open at Detroit next Monday in Lawrence Irving's play of "Richard Lovelace." Mr. Sothern was quite cheerful despite his experience, and the entire upsetting of future plans, although he has by no means recovered his health since his recent injury.

The local German theatrical company had its home in the Grand Opera House, where it gave Sunday performances. The company lost all its scenery and costumes and will hardly be able to secure a new home this late in the season. The headquarters building of the Cincinnati Fire Department was badly wrecked and much of the valuable apparatus destroyed. The fine new Butler Building, around the corner on Sixth street, was destroyed. Rosenthal, printing works, Achert & Hinkle, lithographers, Max Wocher surgical instruments, are among the firms who are the chief losers.

The fire attained full destructive fury more speedily than any conflagration here in years. Vine street, in front of the Grand Opera House, was soon sprinkled with persons, some hatless and coatless, others with the costumes of the play with which they had hastily quitted the stage. The heat from the burning buildings made Race street impassable for a time. Harry Rainforth, one of the lessees of the Opera House, said tonight that he was quite sure no one was seen hurt in the fire. He thinks the fire originated in the engine room.

So quickly did the fire spread that the Treasurer of the Grand Opera House was unable to open the safe and remove the day's receipts. Mrs. Leslie Carter was billed for the Grand next week and the management will try and secure another local theatre for her. Last night there was a small fire at the Lyceum Theatre on Central avenue, causing the dismissal of the audience. The Grand Opera House belonged to Charles P. Taft, the owner of the *Times-Star*.

STRUCK COAL IN ST. LOUIS

And the Townsfolk Are Busily at Work Laying Up Stores of Fuel.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 22.—A vein of coal has been discovered in the public highway on Custine avenue near McDonald avenue, in the southwestern part of the city. The coal was discovered by Sewer Department laborers who were excavating for a new sewer. Investigation showed that the vein runs in an irregular course along the street and under the roadside and is in some places seven feet wide and fifty feet deep.

The news of the discovery spread through the neighborhood and the sewer workmen had hardly left the street when a dozen men and boys with picks and baskets were digging up the street between the two manholes where the vein is. The police heard of the work of the amateur miners and orders were given to disperse them. When this order was executed the residents of the neighborhood appealed to the Street Commissioner.

"Certainly there is no objection to your taking coal out of the street," Commissioner Yarrelmann replied to the petitioners. "You can't make the street any worse than it is for it is impassible now, and I shouldn't wonder if you might improve it by digging it up."

It has not yet been determined whether the city will develop the discovery or not. Meanwhile all in that section of the city are getting their coal free from the vein.

Business Troubles.

The Huggins Boot and Shoe Company, jobbers in boots and shoes at 114 Duane street, made an assignment yesterday to Maurice Nagler. The deed was signed by Robert C. Baird as President and Julius I. Barner, Secretary. The schedules show liabilities, $47,168; nominal assets, $40,535, and actual assets, $17,467. Joseph D. Huggins, treasurer of the company, filed a petition in bankruptcy yesterday, with liabilities, $61,758, and assets, $3,165. Of the liabilities $34,000 are an account of the company.

Max M. Gumpert and Samuel Goldenson (Gumpert & Goldenson), dealers in flavoring extracts at 362 Washington street, made an assignment yesterday to Joseph Okin.

A petition in involuntary bankruptcy was filed yesterday against the Kugler Syndicate 5 and 10-cent store at 281 Grand street by several small creditors.

A petition in involuntary bankruptcy has been filed against David Linder, dealer in installment goods at 122 Essex street.

Hotel Burned at Spring Lake, N. J.

SPRING LAKE, N. J., Jan. 22.—A fire of supposed incendiary origin destroyed the Hotel Sussex to-day at a loss of $20,000. The Sussex was owned by Mrs. S. E. Urie of Philadelphia and stood on the beach near the ruins of last September's big fire. Directly opposite the Sussex is a large cottage also owned by Mrs. Urie. This was found on fire this morning but was put out without damage.

Teacher Accused of Mistreating Pupil.

HACKENSACK, N. J., Jan. 22.—J. Alfred Ackerman, a public school teacher at Old Hook, was arrested and brought to Hackensack this morning charged with spanking, hitting and kicking a pupil, William Hoffman aged 8 years, and with knocking his head against a post. Justice Heath admitted Mr. Ackerman to bail and he went back to his school. He denied that he had done more than spank the child for misbehavior.

Boy and Girl Injured by a Blast.

Sixteen-year-old Louise Reinhardt and Harry Fink, 15 years old, of 428 East 148th street, were injured by flying rock from a blast at Railroad avenue and 148th street yesterday. They failed to heed the warning given by the workmen, who saw their danger. The boy was hit in the eye and the girl in the right side by a stone weighing twenty pounds. They were taken home.

She Died While "Telephoning" to Heaven.

WARREN, Ill., Jan. 22.—Agnes Louise Davis, the 4-year old-daughter of the Rev. Cass Davis, has been in the habit of saying her prayers by telephone. The child, when ready to say her prayers, would go to the telephone and say: "Hello, Central; give me Heaven. I want to say my prayers." She seemed in perfect health last night but just as she was saying her prayers she died.

Bill for Life Imprisonment for Kidnappers.

HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 22.—Senator Sturges Whitlock of Huntington, representing the Fifteenth district, has introduced a bill for the punishment of kidnappers. It provides for imprisonment for life.

STRIKE STOPS COAL SHIPMENTS.

Industries Tied Up at Newport News Because the Trimmers Demand More Pay.

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 22.—The effect of the strike of the coal heavers, or "trimmers" as they are called, at Newport News today was practically to paralyze the coal trade of that port. The Clyde steamship Brooklyn and the Red Star steamship Lenhardtsburgh which sailed there for bunker coal were boarded by the agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company which delivers the West Virginia coal to ships. The strikers were told by the agent that no coal would be delivered to them unless their check could tell when the coal after it was dumped into the bunkers. This remaining the ships masters would not undertake, fearing that their money might be interfered with by the officers.

Both vessels immediately came over to the Lambert's Point coal piers of the Norfolk and Western Railway, at anything and everything there tonight. Even the night shifts was nearly up the aforementioned, especially in the transatlantic which has a grain of nearly 1,000,000 bushels at stake. It is believed from Wall street that the Red Star Line, by way of retaliation, will be forced to transfer its business from the Brazilian freight and passenger line which recently entered in combination with the Hamburg-American Line and Lamport and Holt Line, to a rival company. The loss of a cargo of coal in a ship is valuable.

It is believed by coal operators here that the strike may be prolonged. The trimmers strike because they are not paid as those at Lamberts Point are, for every ton of coal dumped into a vessel, but only by the hour.

The Cunarda will take in 200 tons of Pocahontas coal here.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Jan. 22.—The Chesapeake and Ohio piers are still idle because they are dissatisfied with the scale of wages now in force. About two hundred men are out and they say they will not go back until their demand is complied with. There were more than 1,000 men on the pay roll in the busiest time of the Chesapeake and Ohio contractor. Their demand an increase to 30 cents an hour, which they say is none too much for the service they render, especially as they cannot make a long day at their work. No coal was dumped on the piers to-day and everything is at a standstill.

BRYAN BRINGS OUT HIS PAPER.

He Did It With a Flourish and in the Presence of 500 Spectators.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 22.—The first number of the Commoner was issued to-night under the personal directing of William J. Bryan, its editor and owner. Four or five hundred friends were present.

At 8 o'clock promptly Mr. Bryan took off his coat and hat and mounted upon the feeder's stand by the press, which had previously been made ready. Some one threw him an apron and the crowd rolled to him to put it on. He did so. He was smiling until he grasped the first sheet. Then he realized his impatience and grew serious. With the assistance of the foreman he got the first sheet down to the pins and the signal was given. The motive power was furnished by Uncle Jake Wolf, a veteran pressman.

Mr. Bryan fed a dozen or more papers into the grippers of one press, took the half-printed sheets to another, where the operation was repeated. Then he tried the folder, but gave it up. Enough was printed, however, to supply with Mr. Bryan's signature and compliments each of the guests present. This done he breathed easier. It had been a hard task, he admitted. He has superintended everything and insisted upon doing the first thing in every step of the mechanical process.

The first edition will be 50,000. It had been the intention to issue 30,000, but many orders, one for 5,000 from a news agency today, made Mr. Bryan change his mind. The paper is set partly in double-leaded long primer and part in brevier. The pages are eight in number, each 11 by 14 inches. There is no advertising.

NORFOLK & WESTERN TAKES CHARGE.

Assumes Control of the Cincinnati, Portsmouth and Virginia System.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 22.—The Norfolk and Western Railroad Company took formal charge of the Cincinnati, Portsmouth and Virginia road to-day. The resignations of President Samuel Hunt and Messrs. Hoffman, Thompson, Dick, Lamoreaux and Williams, members of the Board of Directors, were accepted. A new Board of Directors, including Messrs. Joseph Wilby, Samuel Hunt, H. C. Yerkes, Ralph Peters, H. C. Hollister, Henry Fink, Joseph A. Doran, E. J. Kimball and A. J. Hemphill, were chosen. These elected Mr. Fink, President of the Norfolk and Western, President, and Mr. Hemphill Assistant Secretary.

Thomas A. Wilson, Secretary and Treasurer of the Cincinnati, Portsmouth and Virginia road, will continue to act in that capacity under the new owners. The resignations of General Manager T. D. Rhodes, Supt. J. C. Gleason, General Freight Agent D. F. Gray and Auditor W. D. Gray were received and accepted. Subsequently Mr. Rhodes was appointed assistant general passenger agent of the Norfolk and Western; Mr. Gleason assistant superintendent in charge of the Cincinnati division, as the C., P. & V. will be known in the future; Mr. D. F. Gray, assistant general freight agent, and Mr. W. D. Gray, assistant auditor. All will make their headquarters in Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI SOUTHERN TERMINAL.

Bonds for $2,500,000 Must Be Voted by the People, the Court Decides.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 22.—The Superior Court in general term to-day decided that the Cincinnati Southern Railroad trustees cannot issue the $2,500,000 terminal bonds without a vote of the people. The road was built by the citizens of Cincinnati through taxation at a cost of $3,000,000. The decision to-day was that where a statute provides for a vote in such a case it must be followed, despite technical quibbles.

The only bonds that could be issued without a vote of the people, the Court says, would be in case the road were to be sold and the interests of the people could only be protected by prompt action. It is also held that the lessee company must first agree to pay the interest and provide a sinking fund to pay the principal of the bonds.

Pennsylvania's Medical Course Readjusted.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22.—Provost Harrison of the University of Pennsylvania, in his annual report presented to-day, announces a readjustment of the studies required of students for the degree of doctor of medicine, by which they may complete the course in art or science and get the medical degree in seven years. By pursuing the plan outlined the course in medicine is made three instead of four years. The plan provides that under certain conditions a senior in college may be a freshman in the medical school.

German Warship in the Mississippi.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 22.—The German warship Vineta crossed the bar this morning and as soon as she can secure coal, which was early sent down on a tug, will steam up before the city. She is commanded by Capt. Wolhelm. She will be here until after Mardi Gras.

Opposed to Lottery Law Amendment.

CARSON, Nev., Jan. 22.—A resolution was introduced in the lower house of the Legislature to-day to draft a memorial to Congress to the effect that the present Legislature was opposed to passing a lottery amendment if passed, 27 to 3.

THE GRIPPE.

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SHOT IN A ROBBER CHASE.

TWO BOY KILLED AND TWO WOUNDED IN PURSUIT OF SAFE-BREAKERS.

A Chase in Tennessee and Across the Kentucky Line for Five Thieves. One of the Robbers Killed, One Wounded and One Caught. One Posseman Killed and One Wounded.

TRENTON, Tenn., Jan. 22.—Five men were killed, another mortally wounded and one dangerously injured in two battles fought Friday near Flippen between five safe robbers and a party of officers and citizens. The robbers were wanted for blowing open a safe at Willard, in Trousdale county, and were overtaken near Flippen by the members of a posse, who had chased them for many miles through Trousdale and Macon counties and over the State line into Kentucky. In the exchange of shots one robber was killed, one received a wound that may result in death and was captured, and a third was also taken into custody. On the side of the posse one man was killed and another wounded mortally.

On Sunday morning last Bunkler and Hall's store, at Willard, which was also the Post office, was entered by safe robbers, who blew open the safe and took a lot of stamps and five, leaving unbroken notes and amounts to the amount of $1,000, the property of Bunkler & Hall, and the Willard Tobacco Factory. The robbers then fired the building, and it was destroyed, the Willard Tobacco Factory adjoining, being damaged to a small extent. The notes and amounts were burned.

The robbers, after completing their work, started toward Macon county, with the intention of escaping into Kentucky. The Trousdale county officers and a number of citizens quickly started in pursuit, and a hot chase over the hills and valleys followed. Making their way through Trousdale and Macon counties, the robbers crossed the state line and sought refuge in a deserted log cabin in the neighborhood of Flippen, Ky. One of the robbers went to the town to make some purchases and was watched and followed by the posse.

Having found the man, the posse surrounded the house and proceeded to storm it. One of the leaders of the posse was Mr. Denoer, a Methodist preacher, who was accompanied by his son. They pushed open the door of the cabin and the robbers fired at the posse. Mr. Denoer was killed and his son wounded mortally. One of the robbers was captured after being dangerously wounded, but the other four succeeded in making their escape, dashing through the back door and rushing to the woods, firing at the posse and being shot at as they ran.

The chase was kept up for six or seven miles, the robbers being at last overtaken. The robbers and the posse were well provided with weapons and ammunition, and revolvers and shotguns were rapidly discharged. One of the robbers was killed and one was taken into custody, after being wounded, while the other two managed to get away. Leaving some of the party to look after the dead and wounded, the officers and other members of the posse followed in pursuit of the two robbers, and when last heard from were not far behind them.

The killing of Mr. Denoer and the wounding of his son created great indignation on the part of the people and there was much talk of lynching the captured robbers. The prisoners were hurriedly removed to Tompkinsville and lodged in jail to prevent mob violence. The names of the robbers are not known here.

TAUNTS MADE HER SEEK DEATH.

Wife of a Soldier in the Philippines Threw Herself in Front of Locomotive.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 22.—Mrs. Matilda Caum, whose husband is a soldier in the United States service in the Philippines, made two attempts to end her life by throwing herself in front of locomotives in the William street yard of the Reading Railroad early this morning. Both times the woman was pulled off the tracks just as the engine was about to strike her. She was driven to attempt to end her life by the gossip of neighbors, who have been saying that her husband, from who she has not heard for two months, has remarried in the Philippines. Unable to longer bear their taunts she locked her four-year-old child in her room and putting on her best apparel went to the yard determined to kill herself. After the second attempt she was given to a policeman, who locked her up. She told her story to Magistrate Wagner at the hearing this morning. He talked kindly to her about her duty to her child and the foolishness of paying any attention to the talk of neighbors, and then, after exacting a promise from her that she would not again attempt to injure herself, discharged her.

SUICIDE, UNDERTAKER SAID.

Reported Isaac Modes Death in a Sanitarium Without Inquiring Very Far.

The death of Isaac Mode in a sanitarium at 154 East Seventy-second street was reported to the Coroner last night by Undertaker Isaac Pick of 154 East 105th street as a suicide. It had been reported an hour earlier by Dr. Martin W. Curran, the proprietor of the sanitarium, as a death from natural causes. The physician's report was probably the correct one.

Pick got his impression that Mode had killed himself from a woman who said she was a sister of the dead man and who asked him to take charge of the body. He made the report of suicide without going to the sanitarium to investigate. He didn't go after the body because he could not find Mode's wife who lives in West 117th street, when he went to get an order from her.

Dr. Curran said that Mode had been a patient in his institution for six weeks and that before coming there had twice tried to kill himself. He was 36 years old and until recently was in the dry goods business in Florida.

Bicycle Dealer Kills Himself.

Archibald Clark, 32 years old, a bicycle dealer living at 30 Franklin place, Jamaica, L. I., committed suicide yesterday by shooting himself in the head. He had a prosperous bicycle business in Jamaica and an interest in a bicycle store in this city.

Plan for a Monster Toy Factory in Georgia.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 22.—M. S. Squiers of Binghamton, N. Y., F. W. Crandalo of Elkland, Pa., who invented and made a fortune of "Pigs in Clover," J. W. Beard of Elkland, Pa., and M. H. Colby of New York, are in the city in conference with officials of the Southern Railroad and officers of the Fourth National Bank. Through Mr. Beard they have been buying timber lands in the northern and northeastern part of the State for a year. It is understood that they are going to establish the largest toy manufacturing plant in the world.

Steve Brodie Dying.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 22.—Steve Brodie, the bridge jumper, lies in a dying condition in this city in the last stages of consumption. He has shown a slight improvement in the last few days, since the arrival of his daughter, Inez, from New York, but the attending physician believes this is only a temporary rally before the end. The patient is gradually weakening. The end is apparently only a few days off, at most.

Stewart Not to Run for Mayor of Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—A conference of friends of National Republican Committeeman Graeme Stewart was held late yesterday afternoon at State Senator Busse's office, at which the municipality situation was thoroughly canvassed. Mr. Stewart announced that he would not enter the race. Friends of Alderman Frank T. Fowler said last night that Mr. Stewart's withdrawal from the race means the nomination of their candidate.

$15,000 for Husband's Life.

A jury in the Supreme Court in Brooklyn awarded a verdict of $15,000 yesterday to Mrs. Annie Reilly in her suit against the Brooklyn Heights Railroad Company for the death of her husband, Patrick Reilly, a coachman, who was killed in a trolley car collision on Sept. 21 last.

Latest Marine Intelligence.

Arrived: Ss Jersey City, Garteck, Swansea, Jan. 4.

DOCTRINES OF THE "EVENING LIGHTS"

A New Sect in the Maryland Peninsula Which Abjures Medical Assistance.

EASTERN SHORE, Md., Jan. 22.—A physician of this town was summoned yesterday to attend a woman living between here and the town of Williamsburg. He found her suffering from a tumor and advised the relatives who had called him to have recourse to an operation which was decided upon, and Dr. Bruce W. Cuthbertson of Cambridge, one of the best known surgeons of the Peninsula, was engaged to perform the operation. When he arrived the woman's husband, a farmer named Hubbard, took the doctors to Sand and had them go to their dwelling of the sect of the "Evening Lights," or Sanctifiers, of which he is a prominent member. These doctors, Dorset says, "contract for with the leading art, and hold it to be instigated by the devil."

Physicians are regarded as the agents, emissaries and chosen instruments of the Prince of Darkness, to whom sinners, in the all the life that flesh, are to be being the prisoners of the Lord spoke, say the Evening Lights, and their doctrine, the selection of the physicians in the second place, is one wherein is recorded the 1 ch. of King Asa of Judah, who, troubled with a disease in his feet, sought not the Lord, but physicians, and whose immediate fate was that he slept with his fathers.

The Hubbard household was divided against itself. Some of the members favored surgical treatment, and the husband and his side of the house upheld the tenets of the Evening Lights. After a steady discussion the physicians withdrew.

The Evening Lights is one of several sects on the Maryland Delaware Virginia peninsula which have sprung up within the last decade and all of which hold to the belief in Divine healing, the attainment of a holy state in this life and sinless perfection.

CREEKS ON THE WARPATH.

Three Hundred of Them Scouring Indian Territory. Troops Called For.

MUSKOGEE, I. T., Jan. 22.—Three hundred Creek Indians are scouring the country forty miles southwest of here, terrorizing the whites and freedmen, and threatening to make the members of their own tribe observe the old tribal laws. Word of this was reached United States Marshal Bennett here to-day. The marshal at once telegraphed the Secretary of War for a troop of cavalry as he is unable to cope with the uprising with the force of deputies at his command.

A troop from Fort Reno, Oklahoma, can reach the scene of the uprising within twenty-four hours after receiving orders, but whether this will be sufficient to wild the Indians to check is problematical. They are four different bands now rustling around, declaring a membership of more than 5,000 men, women and children.

Their leader, Crazy Snake, was in Checotah yesterday purchasing supplies and remarked that 500 full bloods were ready to fight for their old laws and customs and were going to oppose to the end all schemes to deprive them of their independence. He said that they had better die with arms in their hands than be trampled under foot by the white man and they were going to fight for their rights.

Marshal Bennett is greatly alarmed over the situation, as he fears an Indian war which might mean the death of many white settlers in the Territory.

COLD'S VICTIMS IN ALASKA.

Many Frozen Bodies Found. Dogs Maddened by the Cold in Dawson.

TACOMA, Jan. 22.—The steamship Dolphin brings news that the Alaskan blizzard continues. Many have been frozen to death. On the night of Jan. 14 four frozen persons were picked up in Skagway. Regular patrols were organized to save the lives of persons overcome by cold. The bodies of two persons were found in the streets of Douglas city. The terrible cold causes the dogs at Dawson to go mad and gangs of men are scouring the streets with guns to kill them. The White Pass and Yukon Railroad is still snow blocked. Three hundred travellers are storm-bound at Skagway. The wind there blew ninety miles an hour for three days. A fire at Dyea last week destroyed two dozen buildings.

POTTERY TRUST WINS.

Effort in Cincinnati to Declare It Illegal Fails in a Suit.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 22.—The Circuit Court to-day dismissed the suit of the Bell Pottery Company, to break up the pottery trust, known as the American Potteries Company. The Bell company alleged that the trust was illegally crowding out competition. The suit was dismissed because the trust's directors had not been properly served. About fifteen potteries in Ohio are involved.

The Brockman Pottery Company and George Scott's Sons pottery are the only Cincinnati firms in the trust.

Wife's Death Follows Reconciliation.

Mrs. Rebecca Cornell, 54 years old, died on Monday night at her home, 146 Livingston street, Brooklyn, from an overdose of laudanum. She had been an invalid for some time and was in the habit of taking the drug as a relief from pain. A peculiar feature of the case is that Mrs. Cornell had become reconciled on Monday with her husband, William H. Cornell, a builder, from whom she had been estranged for eighteen months.

Governor McMillin Inaugurated.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Jan. 22.—Gov. Benton McMillin was inaugurated for his second term as Governor of Tennessee at Nashville to-day. The popular vote for Governor, which was canvassed at a joint session of the House and Senate yesterday afternoon, was as follows: Benton McMillin, 145,748; John E. Morrill, 119,831; B. S. Cheney, 8,964; H. J. Mullins, 1,176; C. H. Stockwell, 257.

Barnard and Columbia to Present a Play.

At a joint meeting of the men and women of the French societies of Columbia University and Barnard College it was decided to present jointly "Les Deux Timides," a comedy by Marc Michel and L. Labiche. Performances will be given on April 13 and 15, the male and female rôles to be chosen by competition in the respective colleges.

Westminster Church's New Pastor.

The Rev. John Lloyd Lee, D. D., was installed as pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church in West Twenty-third street last night. The Rev. George T. Purves, pastor of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, preached the sermon.

New Vice-President for the Westinghouses.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 22.—George C. Smith, general manager of the Louisville-St. Louis line of the Southern Railway, has resigned to accept the Vice-Presidency of the Westinghouse interests with headquarters at Pittsburg of truth, the salary now paid to him.

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POLICE CALL TO DOELGER'S

JOSEPH DOELGER FOUND WAITING A MACHETE OVER TWO PRISONERS.

Brewer Had Telephoned "Burglars" to Police Headquarters. It Appeared That He Had Settled the Others In and Had Come to Stop Made Accumulation of Larceny.

Capt. Lantry of the East Fifty-first street station was called to the telephone at 11 o'clock last night to receive this hurried message from Police Headquarters:

"There are burglars in Doelger's brewery at the East Fifty-fifth street."

The captain called for the patrol wagon and with Detectives McGaughey and Burke and five uniformed policemen set out for the brewery as fast as galloping horses could carry him. At the brewery he saw a light in the office. The doors were locked. The captain and his men beat down and knocked upon the doors, but no one within would open. The captain and detectives McGaughey went around into the yard. Found a window open and climbed in. Meanwhile emissaries opened the front door.

In the office the captain found Joseph Doelger standing in the middle of the floor waving a Colton machete over the heads of two very much frightened young men. When the captain entered the room one of the young men said with great emphasis: "Thank God you came!" and with great emphasis.

Capt. Lantry let the congratulation run on for a few moments.

Just then the five policemen from the front door burst into the room. Guided by Peter Michel, the brewery watchman, whom they had at last aroused, and using Mr. Doelger's own through more circumlocution with the machete.

He became composed enough after awhile to tell the captain that he had met the two young men on the street and that he had invited them to come into his office. After they had been there a while he said he went to bed. He claimed that he had expended his fear, then he had unpocketed his revolver through his pockets, and had immediately summoned the police. There were from 15 to 20 bulging from his pockets, he said.

The young men who said that they were William Miller, 25 East Seventy-second street, and Thomas Ryan, 1,000 East Fifty-fifth street, had a story that tallied with Doelger's up to the time he went asleep. They said that so much was their case that he was asleep they began to talk about putting on because things were rather slow. Before they had even started Doelger awoke with a whoop, ran to the telephone and began to shout at women, to the effect he was being robbed by burglars. Then, they said, he came out and waved the machete over them. They said that they were unarmed, clerks. Capt. Lantry searched them. There was not $2 between them, but Mr. Doelger insisted that they be held.

OBITUARY.

Capt. Hugh F. F. Palmer, famous as a wrecker in the service of the Lloyds, died at his home in Boston on Sunday, after an illness of many months. He was a native of London, where he was born March 4, 1844. At the age of eighteen he entered the service of the Lloyds and during a period of twelve years he was with this firm he raised many wrecked vessels. Before he was 25 years old he had successfully raised seventeen vessels. His most noteworthy achievement was a feat for the Spanish Government. He was in its employ as a secret service agent during the Carlist uprising and it was through his efforts that the whole band of plotters with their arms were surrounded in the hands of the government soldiers. For this and other marked services he was rewarded by the Queen of Spain, and was also recognized by his own Government. At the outbreak of the Turkish War he went to the front, where he continued throughout the struggle as a special correspondent of the London *Times*, writing under the nom de plume of "Warbeck." After the war his health became poor and he went to Rome where he was stricken with Roman fever. He came to America in 1882 and for the past ten years had resided in Boston.

James H. Sterrett, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, died at his home in Philadelphia last night. He was born in Tuscarora Valley, Juniata county, on Nov. 7, 1822. He was of Scotch-Irish extraction. He graduated from Washington and Jefferson College in 1845. He graduated in law at the University of Virginia in 1848. He practised law in Pittsburg for several years. In 1868 he was appointed a commissioner to revise the revenue laws of Pennsylvania. On Jan. 4, 1881, he was named President Judge of the Fifth Pennsylvania District, comprising Allegheny county. The following October he was elected for the full term of ten years. In 1887 he was appointed justice of the Supreme Court to fill a vacancy, and when the Supreme Justice Paxson resigned, he was made Chief Justice. He resigned on Jan. 1, 1900, and since that has been living in retirement in Philadelphia.

Col. F. F. Hilder, chief clerk of the Bureau of Ethnology of the Smithsonian Institution, died at his home in Washington on Monday. He was 54 years old and had been a great traveller. He was born in Hastings, England, and was educated at Rugby College. From college he entered the British Army and served six years in India, Africa and Egypt. He temporarily lost his sight from injury inflicted on his eyes by a sandstorm in the desert and he was obliged to remain in a dark room for two years. A cure was brought about and having resigned his commission in the army he came to New York and became an agent for the Remington Fire Arms Company. For this concern he travelled extensively in the Southern States and met with the Bureau of Ethnology. He was a frequent contributor to newspapers and magazines on the subject of his travels.

James H. Butterworth, senior member of the firm of Butterworth & Judson, manufacturing chemists on the Newark meadows, died on Monday evening at his home, 175 Mount Prospect avenue, Newark. He was 64 years old and was born in Manchester, England. Less than thirty-six years ago he came to this country and became identified with the manufacture of chemicals and took early advantage of Dr. Nobel's discoveries in controlling nitroglycerine by absorption. He was a pioneer in the exploitation of Alaska, and supervised the manufacture of acids on the bank of the Passaic on the southeastern boundary of Newark. He was at one time head of the Atlantic Dynamite Company at Keyport, N. J., and of the immense works on the Pacific Coast.

Mrs. Mary Winslow Dwight, widow of the late Henry William Dwight, of the American Express Company, died on Monday night in Newton, Mass. She had lived in Newton for ten years. Her grandfather was the builder of the first of American ships launched on Lake Champlain, and her father was Richard Winslow, a transportation merchant on the Hudson River before the days of steamboats. Edward Winslow, a brother, was one of the founders of the American Express Company, while John Winslow, another brother, first brought Bessemer steel into prominence. He was also the builder of the Monitor. Richard Winslow, another brother, was a member of the firm of Winslow, Lanier & Co., bankers, of New York city.

Former State Senator John Quincy Abbott of Ohio died in Washington on Monday morning after a short illness. The body will be taken to the home of the mother of the deceased at Stockport, Morgan county, Ohio, for burial. Mr. Abbott had long been a friend of Senator Hanna, who had served two terms in the State Senate, where he was known as the "Boy Senator." Two years ago he was appointed on the Uncompahgre Commission, to look after Indian lands in Utah and Indian Territory. He was then appointed attorney on the Dawes Commission. He resigned this position, and worked for the Republican ticket in Utah, Idaho and adjacent States.

Mrs. Minnie Ratchford Paige, widow of the late chief clerk to the Comptroller of the Currency, Joseph Yates Paige, died on Monday night at the family home, 924 Riggs street, Washington. Mr. Paige died of pneumonia on Sunday, Jan. 13, and Mrs. Paige, who had nursed her husband, was taken ill with the disease on the same day. A little daughter, 8 years old, is the only survivor of the family. The bodies of both Mr. and Mrs. Paige will be taken to Albany, N. Y., their former home, where funeral services will be held at All Saints' Cathedral.

James Seringson, of the firm of Doty & Seringson, manufacturers of surface-coated papers, died on Monday night at his home, 73 Macon street, Brooklyn, in his fifty-seventh year. His fatal illness resulted from a cold contracted on Dewey Day. He was a trustee of the Central Congregational Church and a member of the Lincoln Club. He leaves a widow and one son.

Alice Brainard Welles, wife of Edgar T. Welles, Vice-President of the Wabash Railroad, and daughter of Charles H. Brainard of Hartford, died yesterday at 247 Fifth avenue.

Newport Villa for W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr.

NEWPORT, R. I., Jan. 22.—Mr. and Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., arrived here this morning, coming to select a villa for the coming season, the one occupied by them for two seasons having been purchased by J. Edward Addicks. This evening it was announced that they had rented from Mr. Alfred M. Coates his new villa on Wickham road. It is on Beacon Hill overlooking the ocean. It is more modern, but not as large as the Addicks villa. Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbilt left for New York to-night.

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IN PRAISE OF JUSTICE BEEKMAN

Meeting of Bench and Bar, and Letter From Ex Mayor Hewitt.

A meeting of the bench and bar was held in the Supreme court yesterday in memory of the late Justice Henry E. Beekman of the Supreme court. Presiding Justice Van Brunt of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court was chairman. Resolutions, offered by John E. Parsons, President of the Bar Association, and seconded by Justice Francis M. Scott and others, were adopted and the clerks of the different parts of the court were instructed to make suitable entries in their minutes. A letter from Abram S. Hewitt was read. It stated that while Mr. Hewitt was Mayor and was ill for two months Mr. Beekman was acting Mayor as President of the Board of Aldermen, and continued:

"The condition of New York at the time we took office was not one of which its citizens could be proud. The ordinances were not enforced in a manner which was satisfactory to either the public or the Mayor, who was charged under the charter with the duty of supervision over the several departments. In particular, the administration of the Police Department was very bad and evil resorts were in evidence in many parts of the city, and in some of them life and property were not safe. The Board of Health was in a state of paralysis and the sanitary condition of the city was endangered by the approach of yellow fever, which required heroic measures of quarantine against the invasion of the disease. The steps necessary to be taken at once were recommended by Judge Beekman and promptly approved by me. Finding it impossible to secure prompt action on the part of the police for the suppression of what were known as dives, Judge Beekman devised a new remedy, the operation of which was hoped to be effective, and which was sustained by the courts. In less than two months, so far as outward appearances were concerned, New York became a decent city. The excise laws, which had been entirely disregarded, were enforced, and the Sabbath day became one of rest and quiet instead of disorder and debauch.

"The sorry condition of the situation led us both to devise plans by which the general situation could be improved permanently. The Board of Health was reorganized and a commission under its direction investigated the overcrowded condition of the dry and made recommendations for improvement, which were promptly adopted. The Small Park act was drafted by Judge Beekman and was promptly passed by the Legislature. Under its direction the Mulberry Bend was razed to the ground and the park created, which has relieved that portion of the city of some of its worst features. It was intended that one such park should be annually created, and during our term of office provision was made by which three of these small parks have been opened to the public. If our successors had pursued the policy of small parks, the city would have at least ten of these breathing places for the children of the poor, and much of the complaint which is now justly made as to the condition of the East Side of the city would have been avoided."

Mr. Hewitt's letter closed by saying he could scarcely speak of his personal grief at the loss of Justice Beekman in view of the greater loss sustained by the community in the death of this good man, just judge and genuine patriot."

PERILS OF ALASKAN NAVIGATION.

Insurance Companies Realizing It Raise Their Rates Accordingly.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22.—At a recent meeting the marine underwriters made a radical change in insurance rates affecting vessels in the Alaskan trade. It was decided that for the coming season vessels bound for Nome or any of the other far northern ports, by the outside passage, should pay a rate of 8 per cent, and by the inside passage, north of Unalaska, a rate of 15 per cent has been fixed, and vessels will only be insured between certain dates. The tremendous increase in rates is presumably on account of the numerous disasters which have overtaken vessels in northern waters.

Justice Clarke Right About His Salary.

Comptroller Coler has directed that Justice John Proctor Clarke's salary for December shall be paid from Dec. 22, when he was appointed and not from Dec. 26, when he filed his oath. The Comptroller says that the computation from Dec. 26, on which the voucher for December salary was made out, was the work of a subordinate. Justice Clarke sent the voucher back when it was presented for his signature, not contesting the point, but asking if a mistake had not been made and referring the Comptroller to the precedents of his office.

Yale's Junior Promenade.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 22.—About 3,