NO MAN-EATING SHARKS?

OLD QUESTION REVIVED BY A STORY FROM CHARLESTON.

Capt. Billy De Nyse of the Aquarium Says He Doesn't Believe That Such Fishes Exist and Assistant Supt. Spencer Holds With Him—Offer Herman Oelrichs Once Made.

Old-time fishermen around town smiled yesterday when they read the Charleston despatch printed in the morning newspapers which stated that the crew of the lightship off Charleston Bar had captured a ten-foot shark and found in its belly the left arm of a negro. The despatch added that since the drowning of fifteen fishermen off the South Carolina coast on Friday last a school of sharks had been skirting the water and it was believed that the sharks had attacked the men and in the struggle a man-eating shark had snapped off the negro's arm at the elbow. The other fishermen it was believed had been devoured by the sharks.

"That's a good fish story," said Capt. Billy DeNyse, the New York shark expert, "when seen at the Aquarium yesterday. "I don't believe a shark would attack a man if the man was simply swimming. Of course, a shark, like a rat, would fight back when attacked and would probably use his ugly teeth, but I never knew of a case where it was proved that a shark had eaten a man. I've seen a great many sharks in my time and I've heard about man eaters, but I never saw one of that kind. The other day a fellow came here to the Aquarium and asked me why we didn't keep a man-eating shark on exhibition. I told him we would if he would supply the men for lunch. He replied that he never thought of that end of it, but other fellows come here and ask questions just as silly.

"The only kind of sharks that come north to our waters are harmless, so far as I know. First there is the basking shark, a fellow 10 or 12 feet in length; then there is the sand shark, which measures as much as 7 or 8 feet; then comes the blue shark, which is from 10 to 12 feet long, and which only comes north in summers that are extremely warm. We also run across the thrasher or whiptail shark, which has a tail as long as his body and measures over all from 30 to 36 feet, and the hammerhead, which is 10 or 12 feet long and has a head shaped like a double-headed hammer. His eyes are in the end of the hammer, and he has an ugly looking mouth. None of these sharks are man-eaters. They chase the bluefish, when the latter comes north following the menhaden. You see, the bluefish feed on menhaden, and the sharks lay low and then feed on the bluefish. It's like a case of cat catch the rat and dog catch the cat. The shark comes last and gets a double meal of menhaden and bluefish.

"Down around Havana and in the tropics you'll find sharks that will fight when attacked, and I've heard people say these tropical sharks ate men, but I'd never believe it until I saw the trick turned off. I've seen sharks attack a school of porpoises and kill one of the porpoises, but the shark will always attack a porpoise. It is a strange battle to witness. Just as soon as one of the porpoises is injured all of the others attack him and then follows a battle royal. The sharks get mixed up with each other in these fights and keep at it until one victim goes by the boards, as the saying is. If there are sharks along the South Carolina coast just now they came from the tropics with the Gulf stream. Sharks often get out of their latitude by swimming along in water that has not found the cold. You see water is somewhat different from air. It takes water twenty-four hours to lose one degree of heat, so the shark is buncoed when the weather changes, and sometimes he goes further than he contracts to go. But as for sharks eating men, why, it's a good story to tell to sailors and women."

Capt. Spencer, the assistant superintendent of the Aquarium, said he did not believe there were any man-eating sharks.

"A shark would rather have a bluefish any time," said Capt. Spencer. "Just imagine a shark seeing a big fat brewer swimming in the water and a school of bluefish nearby. The shark would no more want that brewer for dinner than an Irishman would want limburger cheese. The shark would turn tail and follow the bluefish. But if the fat brewer cornered him he would fight like any animal that wanted to get away and in a case like that he would certainly show his teeth. But he would have no particular liking for the brewer. In fact he would consider the fat man unpalatable. But while fighting to get away he might amputate an arm or a leg. I've heard stories of peculiar finds in the belly of a shark, such as a human arm or part of a leg, but when you go to look for such cases its the old story of up near the four corners' and when you get there no one can say exactly which corner the case occurred on.

"I've seen many sharks cut up, but all I ever saw in a shark's belly was a portion of a large fish, or of some other shark. I've cut one open myself and found a ten-pound bluefish, but I never found a man. If there is such a thing as a shark that delights in a man for dinner he never came my way.

"And as for sharks foraging for bodies of dead men I don't believe that, either. Of course a shark will eat any old thing and if a dead body floated along he might bite the arm of it not knowing what he was tackling. In that way a shark might eat a human arm or leg. But you can put me down as saying I don't believe there is such a thing as a man-eating shark."

Some years ago Herman Oelrichs made the same declaration and offered $5,000 to any one who could prove anything to the contrary. The matter caused a heap of discussion at the time, but the question is still open for dispute.

CRAZY MAID SOUGHT BRIDAL OUTFIT.

House Watchman Saved Nelson Morris's Daughter From Her Attack.

CHICAGO, June 6.—Marie Hoffman, a maid in the family of Nelson Morris, the millionaire packer, became violently insane at the Morris residence yesterday morning and but for timely interference might have destroyed the costly wedding trousseau of Miss Maud Morris, and even injured Miss Morris. Miss Morris was married at the Standard Club to-night to H. C. Schwab.

The maid, armed with a butcher knife, insisted that she be allowed to go to Miss Morris's apartments, declaring that she and not Miss Morris was to be the bride, and that she intended to try on the wedding gown and bridal veil. Other servants finally got the frenzied woman into the laundry, where they kept her prisoner until a policeman arrived. Edward Ryan, Mr. Morris's watchman, saw the woman enter the yard and walk across the lawn to the rear of the house. She glanced around stealthily and then opened the back door with a pass key. Knowing that the maid had been away for several days, Ryan followed her into the house and was just in time to see her pick up a long butcher knife and start upstairs to Miss Morris's apartments. Ryan caught her by the wrist before she was half way up the stairs.

HAD TO SLIDE DOWN THE POLE.

Freshman President at Ann Arbor Caught While Performing a Difficult Feat.

ANN ARBOR, June 6.—Howard Blakeslee, of Detroit, freshman Class President, was caught at 3 o'clock yesterday morning near the top of the 150-foot flag pole that came from the World's Fair, attempting to affix his class flag to the highest point on the campus. Warden Armbruser noticed a dark object on the pole and yelled for it to come down. Superintendent of Grounds Reeves and a boiler room contingent were attracted to the spot, and as the unknown refused to come down, they sat at the foot of the pole smoking. At last Blakeslee became exhausted and slowly slid to the ground, where he was identified. The halliards of the pole had been cut and a big freshman flag was confiscated.

Recorder Moir of Scranton Resigns.

HARRISBURG, Pa., June 6.—James Moir, the first appointed Recorder of the city of Scranton, resigned yesterday. His resignation reached Gov. Stone this morning. Congressman Connell followed fast after. In a few moments a new commission naming William L. Connell, a nephew of the Congressman, was made out and signed. It went to Scranton on the 11 o'clock train, and another chapter in "Ripper" history was added.

Towne to Deliver Fourth of July Oration at Dallas.

DALLAS, Tex., June 6.—The Hon. Charles A. Towne has been selected to deliver the principal oration at the Independence Day celebration at Dallas on July 4. Mr. Towne is now at Beaumont looking after oil interests with which he is identified.

MORE VISITORS TO THE EXPOSITION.

The Number of Complaints to the Police Also Increasing.

BUFFALO, June 6.—Evidence that straw-hat weather is bringing visitors to the Exposition is furnished by the turnstiles and by the increasing number of complaints to the police. Casual acquaintances made on the Midway are the source of a number of reports to the police of missing watches and money, while the second-story workers and duplicate-key men are getting their percentage. A thief made a specialty of fire extinguishers in the temporary hotel district last night. Three hotels and four saloons reported this morning having been looted of extinguishers which the fire department has required them to maintain in hallways and lobby. One thief gathered a crop of eighteen.

The brewers and hotel men finished their conventions to-day. The hotel men wound up the trip with a banquet in the Stadium restaurant to-night, where James H. Breslin made a speech and Simon Ford of New York furnished his usual supply of wit. Half a dozen long-titled newspaper associations, including the New York State Press Association and the National Editorial Association, will hold forth in Convention Hall for a week. On Sunday morning the Gridiron Club is coming from Washington.

Missouri carried off the strawberry prizes in the horticultural exhibit to-day. The Missouri delegation found expression for its joy by giving away a carload of berries. Visitors with appetites satisfied romped red handed out of the building, and the catering company had to send a ton of shortcake to the garbage man.

The St. John's Cadets will march away to-morrow morning and their place in camp will be taken by the boys from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and the Pony Battery from the Hudson River Military School.

SHOT HIS WIFE AND FLED.

Binghamton Cigarmaker Captured After Wandering All Night.

BINGHAMTON, June 6.—Robert O. Stanley shot his wife last night while she was holding their four-year-old daughter in her arms, and then tried to kill himself, but could not make the revolver discharge. Stanley is a cigarmaker. He has been drinking of late and had failed to furnish proper maintenance for his family, and the daughters went to work in a department store. Mrs. Stanley caused her husband's arrest for non-support some time ago, and at that time he tried to kill her, but was prevented. They had separated and Stanley was living alone.

Last evening, when a daughter called to collect the monthly installment of alimony due her mother on a court order, Stanley asked that his wife come in person. Taking their four-year-old child, she went to his home. He met her at the door and remarked: "Here's where you get your alimony in a lump, for I have decided to end the whole thing." He shot her through the chest, barely missing his little girl. As the woman sank to the ground he fired again with the remark: "I'll make a sure job of it." The ball grazed her head. He then placed the revolver to his head and snapped the trigger several times, but the pistol was not discharged.

Neighbors approached and he turned and fled to the woods. The surrounding country was searched all night by the police and posses of citizens, and at 3 o'clock this morning Stanley was arrested in the outskirts of the city. He had wandered through the woods in a circle and pretended to have no knowledge of the shooting. The revolver and empty cartridges were found on him. His wife's condition to-day is critical.

FORAKER RESENTS AN ATTACK.

Denies That He Was Retained by the Porto Rican Cable Company.

CINCINNATI, June 6.—A despatch from Columbus to a local paper says that the Democrats are preparing to spring a sensation in connection with the passage of the Porto Rican bill which will be intended to injure Senator Foraker in his candidacy for reelection. They assert that they have discovered that Senator Foraker accepted a retainer from the Western Union Telegraph Company and the Porto Rican Cable Company, notwithstanding the fact that he was the author of the bill.

When Senator Foraker left the Governor's office years ago they alleged that he was $17,000 in debt. Senator Foraker made the following statement last night:

"I do not happen to know any officer of representative of the Western Union or of any cable company going to Porto Rico, or to any other point, and I never represented the Western Union or any cable company in any capacity and was never paid one cent, directly or indirectly, by the Western Union or any cable company for any service or on any account whatsoever, and never heard a suggestion of such character until now.

"It would seem that the liars and the libellers are commencing their campaign early, and it would be rather discouraging to see from such an attack as this what the approaching campaign is likely to bring forth if it were not for the consciousness that the people will understand such wickedness and rebuke it and the cowardly assassinators who are the authority of it."

YOUNG WOMAN MISSING.

She Left a Friend's Home in a Rainstorm Without a Hat.

PORT JERVIS, N. Y., June 6.—Miss Florence De Bevoise, 27 years old, daughter of John De Bevoise, of Greenville, near here, suddenly disappeared from the home of her friend, Mrs. Loren Keller, of Port Jervis, whom she was visiting, on Sunday night, and has not since been seen. While the rain was descending in torrents she hoisted an umbrella, and walked out of doors, hatless, clad in a black skirt, white waist and tee slippers. Mrs. Keller supposed she had gone to neighbors and would return, and retired. Next morning she inquired, but no one had seen her. Miss De Bevoise usually wore glasses, but these were left behind. The parents have since been notified of the disappearance, and last night they placed the matter in the hands of the police. It is feared that the young woman has either met with foul play or become insane.

James Debevoise of New York city, a member of the metropolitan police force, arrived in town to-day to aid in the search for Miss Debevoise, the missing young woman, who is his sister. The grief-stricken parents are invalids and were only able to reach Port Jervis to-day. There is no clue as yet.

WEDDED WHILE UNDER BAIL.

Breach of Promise Suit Fails to Stop Mr. Goslin's Marriage to Miss Blair.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., June 6.—R. Willis Goslin, an insurance man of this city, was married last night to Miss Estella Blair, but he was under bail for breach of promise at the time. Miss Katie Heery complains that he promised to marry her. It had been arranged to have him arrested a few minutes before the ceremony, but his attorney chanced to discover that the warrant was out. He insisted that it be served at once and Brice Blair, Goslin's prospective father-in-law, became his bondsman. The bride knew of it, but the wedding was not postponed.

Miss Heery charges that four years ago Goslin promised to marry her and has repeated the promise several times since, the last time being no later than two months ago. She also says he is the father of her four-year-old child. A week ago she went to the Blair residence, and asking for Miss Blair, cried

"Here is your little stepson."

Goslin explained in a manner satisfactory to the family.

Work on Yale's Memorial Gateway to Be Started Soon.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., June 6.—Work on the Memorial Gateway presented to Yale University by the class of '96 will be begun immediately after commencement. The gateway will be entirely finished during the summer months. It is to be a memorial to Gerard M. Ives and Ward Cheney, both members of the class, who died during the Spanish war. The memorial is to be of brownstone with bronze tablets. It is to be placed between Welch Hall and Osborn Hall. The estimated cost is from $2,600 to $2,800. Out of 284 members in the class, 192 have already subscribed, the total amount of subscriptions to date being $2,350.

Stole Packages From Dry Goods Messengers.

Louis Harris of 230 Division street was held in $1,000 bail in the Centre street police court yesterday, for trial on the charge of stealing valuable packages from delivery boys employed by silk firms. Several boys testified that he had met them in the street and pretending to be from the firms to which they were taking packages had induced them to give up the bundles. It is an old trick.

YESTERDAY'S WEDDINGS.

Lloyd—Herrick.

PEEKSKILL, N. Y., June 6.—The social event of the season in Peekskill was the marriage, at a quarter after 6 o'clock this evening, in the First Presbyterian Church, of Miss Bertha Frances Herrick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight S. Herrick, and Frederick Merwin Lloyd, Yale, '93, of New Haven, Conn. The maid of honor was Miss Emily J. Betts of Brooklyn and the bridesmaids were Miss Percey Ruth Herrick of Peekskill, Miss Edith J. Lloyd of New Haven, Miss Cora M. Herrick of Buffalo, Miss Viola P. Conklin of Plainfield, N. J., and Miss Harriet A. Husted, Miss Helen S. Husted, Miss Anna H. Wells and Miss Elizabeth H. Lewis, all of Peekskill. The best man was James Woodward Hemingway of New Haven, and the ushers were Horace H. Soule, Jr., of Boston, John R. Herrick of Peekskill, D. Edgar Mansan of New Haven, John T. Mansan of New Haven, Dr. C. A. Tuttle of New Haven, Ernest Merwin of New York city, Edward P. Merwin of East Orange, Henry W. Merwin of New Haven. The Rev. A. G. Fessenden, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiated. A reception followed the church wedding, at the home of the bride's parents on Union avenue.

King—Marvin.

ALBANY, June 6.—Miss Grace Parker Marvin and Mr. Rupert Cochrane King of New York city were married here to-night by the Right Rev. Bishop William Croswell Doane, at the Episcopal Cathedral. Miss Grace Parker was the maid of honor, and Mr. Duer Irving of New York the best man. The ushers were Mr. Dexter Blagden, Mr. Ezra Lincoln, Mr. Arthur Sturges, Mr. James Gore King, Mr. Howland Hunt and Mr. David R. Vail of New York; Mr. Edmund Marvin and Mr. Edward Marvin of Albany.

Miss Marvin is a niece of Mrs. John V. L. Pruyn and made her début about four years ago. She is a tall, beautiful blonde of the English type, is an expert golf player, as is also Mr. King, and holds the approaching cup from the ladies' class played at Shinnecock last year. Mr. King is the son of Mr. Edward King, President of the Union Trust Company of New York. He is a member of the Stock Exchange and of the Union, Harvard and University clubs.

Huger—Beekman.

The marriage of Miss Catherine A. Beekman, daughter of the late William Bedlow Beekman, and John Wells Huger took place yesterday afternoon at the Church of Zion and St. Timothy in West Fifty-seventh street. The ceremony was performed at 3:30 o'clock by the rector, the Rev. Dr. Lubeck, and Bishop McVickar of Rhode Island, a cousin of the bride. Miss Heloise Beekman, Miss Margaretta Beekman and Miss Gertrude Beekman, all sisters of the bride, attended her as bridesmaids. Stockton Colt, Robert Mead Parker, Arthur Skelton Wiley and Fenwick Beekman, brother of the bride, were the ushers. After the ceremony there was a small reception at the home of the bride's stepmother, Mrs. William Bedlow Beekman, 55 Fifth avenue.

Robbins—Knowlton.

Miss Edith Knowlton and Allan Appleton Robbins were married yesterday afternoon in the Church of the Incarnation, Madison avenue and Thirty-fifth street. The Rev. William Mercer Grosvenor, the rector, performed the ceremony. Miss Madeleine Knowlton was maid of honor and the Misses Louise de Peyster Webb, Alice Van Rensselaer, Florence Vanderbilt Twombly, and Caroline L. Morgan were bridesmaids. Vance C. McCormick of Harrisburg, Pa., was best man. Franklin L. Polk, Alexander S. Webb, Jr., Edwin O. Holter, William Sloane and Erskine Hewitt were the ushers. There was a reception afterward at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Danford Henry Knowlton, 102 East Thirty-eighth street.

Prentice—Fowler.

Miss Maud Brevoort Fowler, daughter of the late George W. Fowler, and Augustus Browning Prentice were married last evening at the home of the bridegroom's father, Augustus Prentice, 7 West Eighty-first street. The Rev. Dr. D. Parker Morgan, the rector of the Church of the Heavenly Rest, performed the ceremony at 8 o'clock. The bridesmaids were Miss Iole M. Crawford, Miss Maud Becker, Miss Carrie Virginia Gulick and Miss Minnie Humphreys. H. Stuart Hollis, Jarvis H. Miller, Edward Prentice, Edward Browning, Dr. George P. Biggs and Capt. Ernestus Schenck Gulick were the ushers. A reception and supper followed the ceremony. The bride is a niece of Mrs. Henry F. Brevoort of this city, with whom she has made her home.

Dunkak—Ottman.

Miss Helen Ottman and Mr. Henry Dunkak were married yesterday afternoon by Chancellor MacCracken at the Brick Presbyterian Church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ottman of 88 West Seventy-third street. The bridesmaids, who wore white with white picture hats and carried shower bouquets of roses, were the Misses Elise Ehret, Madeline Ehret, Emma Dunkak, Florence Stinsny, Alice Brown and Dorothy Raegener. Mr. Walter H. Brainard was best man, and the ushers were Oswald W. Uhl, F. J. Tindale, N. Engel, Philip Dayas and William Ottman. After the ceremony a reception was held at Delmonico's. Three months of the wedding journey will be spent abroad.

West—Duer.

BALTIMORE, June 6.—The marriage of Miss Isabel Duer, daughter of the late Argate Duer of Baltimore, to William West of Philadelphia, took place this afternoon at the Church of St.-Mark's-on-the-Hill, Pikesville. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Charles Holt of New York, an uncle of the bride, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Lawrence, rector of the parish. The bridesmaids were Miss Agnes Duer, Miss Agnes Barton, Miss Louise Harrison, Miss Charlotte Taylor, Miss Eleanor Reynold and Miss Ethel Hough, the maid of honor was the bride's sister, Miss Frances Duer. The best man was David Brown of Philadelphia.

Scott—Fullerton.

PLAINFIELD, N. J., June 6.—This afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in All Saints' Protestant Episcopal church, Scotch Plains, Miss Edith Fullerton, a sister of Henry S. Fullerton of Washington Valley, and Walter W. Scott of New York, were married. The bride was attended by Henry and Donald Fullerton, nephews, who served as pages. The best man was Timothy F. Allen, Jr., of New York. After the wedding a reception was held at the home of the bride's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Scott will reside in New York.

SAVING ON STATE PRINTING.

Lowest Bid for New Contract One-fifth Lower Than Present Price.

ALBANY, June 6.—A saving of at least $133,000 in two years on legislative printing will be effected through the passage by the last Legislature upon Gov. Odell's recommendation of a new law governing the letting of State printing contracts. To-day the first bids under this law were opened and were for doing the legislative printing for two years from next Oct. 1. The bidders were confined to Albany. Apparently James B. Lyon is the lowest bidder. For the two years the work aggregates about $600,000 and Mr. Lyon says the figures of his bid this year are over one-fifth lower than the figures upon which the work is being done at present, which would mean a saving of $133,000. James H. Manning, for the Weed Parsons Printing Company, says his bid is for the best interest of the State, and that the Secretary of State, State Comptroller and Attorney-General, acting as the Printing Board of Award, have discretionary power in awarding the contract.

Fulton Navigation Company Incorporated.

ALBANY, June 6.—The Fulton Navigation Company was incorporated to-day with a capital of $35,000 to operate boats on the Fulton chain of lakes in Herkimer and Hamilton counties. The principal office of the company will be at Raquette Lake, Hamilton county. The directors are J. Pierpont Morgan, W. Seward Webb, Charles H. Tweed, William C. Whitney, C. M. Depew, Samuel Callaway, Robert Bacon, Harry Payne Whitney, William P. Hamilton and W. West Durant of New York city, Isaac E. Gates of East Orange, N. J., Edward M. Burns of Middleville and Charles E. Snyder of Herkimer.

More Canal Bridge Accident Claims.

ALBANY, June 6.—Two more of the victims of the James street bridge accident in Syracuse have filed claims against the State. Lucy Hopkins wants $10,000 and Hugh J. Hopkins $5,000.

BANKRUPT WARSZAWIAK:

CREDITORS INQUIRING ABOUT THE FUNDS OF HIS MISSION.

Books Missing—Who Has Got Them?—Comstock and Others Repeat the Testimony That the Missionary Was a Gambler—Objections to His Discharge—Woman Creditor.

Herman Warszawiak, the converted Hebrew missionary, about whom there was controversy in the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church during the pastorate of Dr. John Hall, has applied for a discharge in bankruptcy. The third hearing in the case was held yesterday before Referee Margrave Coxe at 63 Wall street. Lawyer C. T. Terry of 167 Broadway on behalf of Warszawiak's creditors opposed the application. An effort was made to obtain Warszawiak's books to learn what method he used in disbursing the funds contributed to his mission fund for the conversion of Hebrews to Christianity, but Warszawiak said that they were all lost when he was dispossessed from his office in the Bible House while absent in Europe in 1897 and that he had never kept any books since.

A. Spievaque, at one time Warszawiak's assistant, testified that at Mrs. Warszawiak's request he went to the Bible House and brought all the books and papers to her just before the dispossession.

The main creditor, Mrs. Aninka Nicolas, who contributed $26,000 to the mission alleges a careless handling of the funds to say the least, and to support her testimony that Warszawiak was a gambler, secured Anthony Comstock's evidence to the effect that Warszawiak had confessed to him that he had often frequented poolrooms and gambling houses in Weehawken and had played heavily. Warszawiak told him furthermore, said Mr. Comstock, that he did not see any more harm in speculating in a small way in his own fashion than in speculating in Wall Street.

He apparently experienced a change of heart, however, for he subsequently stated that he thought it might be wrong and had asked his Heavenly Father to forgive him and that he knew he was forgiven. Detective J. B. McManus also testified to seeing Warszawiak play roulette, as did also Charles Stewart, a printer on a proselytizing paper called *Salvation* which is the organ of the American Mission to Jews, with which Warszawiak is connected.

Warszawiak avers that all the money received by him for his mission was properly expended.

The next hearing will be on June 20.

HEAD NURSE AND SUPERINTENDENT TO GO.

Board of Health Settles Quarrel at Paterson Isolation Hospital.

PATERSON, June 6.—Miss Laura Woodruff, head nurse, and Joseph Durget, superintendent of the Isolation Hospital, have caused a lot of trouble for the Board of Health by their quarrels, but the storm broke over their heads to-day. Both of them have to get out. Miss Woodruff has resigned and left the institution to-night. Mr. Durget has been asked to resign and leave by next Tuesday or he will be forced out.

The trouble has been going on for a year. Miss Woodruff wanted to have full charge of the institution, and, as Mr. Durget resisted this, bitter feeling prevailed. The board has been holding a secret investigation for the last week. Testimony was taken at the hospital by a committee, and the evidence shows that the patients were the sufferers from the rupture. It was shown that Harry Goetschius, son of the manager of the Opera House, was taken there with smallpox, but he died in the institution of scarlet fever, this being due to the fact that the ambulance was not fumigated before being sent out for the boy. The vehicle had just come in from a trip for the daughter of Health Officer Magennis, who was suffering with scarlet fever, and there is no doubt that the boy caught the contagion in the wagon.

It was said by the witnesses who took Mr. Durget's part that Miss Woodruff was careless in her duties. Sometimes she passed from the smallpox pavilion to the scarlet fever pavilion without taking any precautions. She also went from the diphtheria ward to the erysipelas ward in the same manner. The testimony of Dr. Magennis was to this effect. One child was taken to the hospital suffering with smallpox and there it caught scarlet fever.

Mr. Durget says that Miss Woodruff insisted on coming to his kitchen and cooking. He stopped this because he saw her on one occasion putting her hands on the sores on the face of a smallpox patient and then, without washing her hands, go into the kitchen and start to cook.

Mr. Durget is accused of intemperance. At the investigation he was asked:

"How much are you in the habit of drinking?"

"Only a matter of half a pint of the old stuff a day."

"Anything else?"

"I get a case of ale and two cases of beer every two weeks."

"Are you sure that you never take any more than that mere bagatelle?"

"Well, one day I had the grip and that day I drank a quart of whiskey."

"Was that last Friday, when you went out into the pouring rain and played the hose on the lawn?"

Mr. Durget denied this.

It is well understood that the root of the trouble is a fight for supremacy between Dr. Magennis, the health officer, and Dr. J. W. Smith, the assistant health officer, who has always had the actual supervision of the hospital. Miss Woodruff acted under the instructions of Dr. Smith, while Mr. Durget took his instructions from Dr. Magennis. The Board of Health has formally turned over the care of the hospital to Dr. Smith, but both the nurse and the superintendent have to go. It is said that Dr. Magennis will probably resign his position in consequence of having his assistant put over him in this way.

Mr. Durget says that he will not resign. He is a brother of Alderman Durget who, it is said, is using his political influence to retain his brother.

A surprise was sprung in the Isolations Hospital scandals to-night when the Board of Alderman took a hand in the matter. Joseph Durget, the superintendent, who has been practically discharged by the Board of Health, may remain. At the meeting to-night, by a vote of 13 to 1, it was decided to take the Isolation Hospital out of the hands of the Board of Health. The Aldermen built the hospital and turned it over to the Board of Health and now they say that they can resume control of it, so far as the superintendency is concerned. They do not propose to interfere with the nurse or the interior arrangements.

The Aldermen also appointed Joseph Durget superintendent at the same salary he has been getting.

AUSTRIAN OFFICERS ON A CRUISE.

Yacht Taormina, With Naval Officers on Board, Comes Into Newport Harbor.

NEWPORT, R. I., June 6.—The yacht Taormina, yawl rigged, flying the Austrian flag, arrived here this afternoon in a heavy southwester. She had on board three young Lieutenants in the Austrian navy, who are making a year's cruise in the Atlantic. The party on the Taormina consists of Count von Colloredo-Mansfeld, Lieut. Fachner and Lieut. Dolene, who last August got a leave of absence for a year, tiring of the routine on shipboard. Since leaving Austria they have visited Gibraltar, Trinidad, Martinique, La Guayra, Virgin Island, St. Thomas, Porto Rico, Bahamas, Jacksonville, Fla., Savannah, Charleston, Baltimore, Annapolis, New York and several other places along Long Island Sound.

They went up the Orinoco River for a distance of 230 miles and barely escaped being hung up there on a bar. At Annapolis they visited the Naval Academy. They expect to cruise to the eastward and hope to be in this country for the Cup races, after which they will return to Austria and resume their duties in the navy. They will make the homeward trip by steamer.

Trying to Break Up Pension Frauds in the South

MEMPHIS, June 6.—Judge Hammond of the United States Court started to-day to break up pension frauds in the South. He began with Silva Lynch, whom he fined $1,000. Her first husband was a Federal soldier from Illinois, and she concealed the fact of a second marriage in her successful application for a pension.

Utah's Governor Marries a Gentile.

SALT LAKE, Utah, June 6.—Miss Emily Katz, for years a newspaper woman in this city, and Gov. Heber M. Wells were married here last night. Miss Katz is a gentile and the Governor is a Mormon. The ceremony was performed by B. F. Whitney, a Mormon Bishop. Mr. and Mrs. Wells leave to-morrow for Buffalo and New York.

TRUTH ABOUT TEXAS OIL.

The Fake Side of It and the Real Side—Beaumont's Boom Over.

PITTSBURG, June 6.—W. S. Watson, a prominent Pittsburg oil man, returned from Beaumont, Tex., last night, where he had been since the oil excitement first broke out and had witnessed the kaleidoscopic changes that have taken place. The boomers and excitement have vanished, he stated to a *Despatch* reporter, but at one period, a month or two ago, he had never seen anything to equal it. Along the public streets booths, resembling lemonade stands at a country fair, had been erected and rented for $200 a week. Organizers of fake stock companies occupied them, and for a short time did a rushing business. The chairs, he said, had been removed from the opera house and stalls erected on all sides for stock selling purposes. These gentry, he said, stood in about the same relation to the Beaumont oil development that the shell men, wheel-of-fortune and three-card men hold to a county fair or circus. The early exposure of their game in the local papers had driven nearly all of them out of the business, but there was still plenty of sharp practice.

When he left Beaumont last week there were a dozen producing wells in the field, covering an area of 20 or 30 acres, and as many dry holes.

Ask the owners of any of the dusters for information and the answer would be that they were not deep enough. To admit that their venture was dry would interfere with the game of selling stocks, and so long as they could get Eastern capital to invest they would keep drilling and claiming "not deep enough." All the wells so reported had been drilled below, some 1,000 feet, where the J. M. Guffey Lucas well got the oil. In Mr. Watson's opinion the territory had been defined in every direction from the producing wells except to the south and southwest. In these two directions nothing had been completed, and there was still a chance for an extension in one or both directions. Mr. Watson says he, in all the time he was there, saw nothing to warrant the fictitious boom, and took no part in it other than as a looker-on. He, with other Pittsburgers, had secured some leases, and is drilling a well to the southeast of the cluster of producing wells.

JURORS FOOLED THE COURT.

Now They Will Pay Fines Imposed by Judge Rich or Go to Jail.

Twelve men who comprised the jury in the trial of the suit of Edward Kranac, a milk man, against the Brooklyn Heights Railroad Company to recover $5,000 damages for personal injuries were fined by Justice Adelbert Rich in Part V. of the Supreme Court in Brooklyn yesterday. The jurors are W. H. Frizel, I. Ehrman, Charles D. Norton, J. P. A. Bates, Hugh J. Callary, Bernard Bester, Henry Tamke, Walter D. Munson, E. Kearsing, Paul Voigt, Daniel Mangin and Charles H. McKee.

The case was given to them at 2 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. Justice Rich told them that when they had agreed upon a verdict they could make known the fact to Clerk Doubleday, who would discharge them. About 5 o'clock in the afternoon they notified the court attendants, James McMullen and Richard E. Jackson, that they had agreed upon a verdict and they were ushered into the court room, where they handed a sealed envelope to the Clerk, who then discharged them. On Wednesday morning when Justice Rich opened the envelope he found therein written "We disagree." The names of the jurors were attached to this.

Justice Rich said this was trifling with the Court and showing it great disrespect. He ordered the jurors before him yesterday and began an investigation. He found that six of the jurors had to a certain extent been drawn into the scheme. These six he fined $10 each. He fined Henry Tamke, Walter S. Munson, E. Kearsing, Paul Voigt, Daniel Mangin and Charles H. McKee $25 each and revoked the payment of their fees for the week, amounting to $10 each. If the fines are not paid by 10 o'clock this morning the jurors will be committed to jail.

Justice Rich granted a new trial in the case.

NAVAL ACADEMY EXERCISES.

Cadets Practise Artillery Drill—Loving Cup Given to Col. R. M. Thompson.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., June 6.—The exercises at the Naval Academy to-day consisted of artillery and machine ship drill. The Board of Visitors publicly complimented the cadets on their drill. The cadets seemed to enjoy the exercises notwithstanding the excessive heat and opened fire upon the imaginary enemy. Ensign W. T. Cluverius had charge of the cadets during the exercises.

Col. Robert M. Thompson of the class of 1868, United States Naval Academy, was presented this morning with a handsome silver loving cup, the gift of the battalion of cadets. Cadet E. J. King, Lieutenant-Commander of the cadet battalion, made the presentation speech, in which he said the gift was a small token of the high esteem in which he is held by the cadets of the navy, and the many kindnesses he has shown them. Col. Thompson is the donor of the Thompson cup upon which the name of the best cadet athlete is yearly engraved.

By invitation of the United States Government the officers and cadets of the Brazilian practice ship Benjamin Constant, now at New York, are visiting the Naval Academy to be present at the graduation exercises to-morrow. A special car brought them from Jersey City. They will return on Saturday.

Assistant Secretary of the Navy Tackitt arrived at the Naval Academy this afternoon and was received officially. A salute of fifteen guns was fired in his honor, and the battalion of cadets was reviewed by him.

Antique Furniture for W. K. Vanderbilt's House.

OAKDALE, L. I., June 6.—Two carloads of antique furniture for William K. Vanderbilt's new house here arrived yesterday and to-day were removed to the residence. The furniture is part of a collection made in Europe especially for the new house.

Snowfall in North Dakota.

GRAND FORKS, N. D., June 6.—Snow is falling at Rugby, Larimore and Landon, covering the northeastern part of this State. The precipitation has been about three inches.

Catarrh and Diseases of the Stomach.

GOUT AND RHEUMATISM.

Dr. Hofmeister in a recent lecture, said:

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GREAT SUNDAY SCHOOL PARADE.

Gov. Odell Sees the 20,000 Children and Teachers Pass By in Williamsburg.

Gov. Odell witnessed the annual parade of the Eastern District Sabbath School Association in Williamsburg yesterday. Forty churches belong to the organization and the event was made interesting by the presence for the first time in the forty years' existence of the association of the Sunday school of the Temple Beth-Elohim, a Hebrew congregation. These scholars with their teachers were the guests of the Sunday school of the First Reformed Church and the two bodies marched together. More than 20,000 children and teachers were in line.

The Governor was escorted from the Fifth Avenue Hotel, where he arrived from Albany in the forenoon, to Williamsburg by Eugene G. Blackford, the Grand Marshal, and other members of the Anniversary Committee. He was immediately taken to the Hanover Club at Rodney street and Bedford avenue, in front of which a large reviewing stand had been built. Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, former United States Minister to Spain, and Mr. Chow, the Chinese Consul-General in New York, were also present.

The line of march was along Bedford avenue from the fountain at Division avenue to Flushing avenue. Both sides of the thoroughfare were crowded with spectators, and so were the stoops of