CRITICISE DR. VANDEWATER.

PHYSICIANS OPPOSE RECTOR'S VIEWS ON SPIRITUALISM.

Refers in Sermon to Correct Diagnosis Made by Clairvoyant After the Doctors Had Failed—Certain Manifestations Which Impressed the Clergyman.

The Rev. George R. Vandewater, rector of St. Andrew's Protestant Episcopal Church at 127th street and Fifth avenue, has been criticised by several physicians in Harlem for his views on spiritualism as given in a sermon last week. In the sermon Dr. Vandewater mentioned a surgical operation recently performed upon a man who died of cancer of the stomach. It was said that the man consulted a number of physicians who were unable to tell exactly what he was suffering from. Friends advised him to consult a clairvoyant, which was done. The clairvoyant said he was suffering from cancer of the stomach and that an operation was necessary.

Physicians were consulted again and, it is said, made light of the diagnosis. The friends of the man insisted on an operation, and the cancer was discovered.

Dr. Vandewater, in his Lenten sermon last Wednesday night, referred to the work of the Harlem clairvoyant as a modern instance of what clairvoyants and spiritualists can do. He told the story of the man who died of cancer but did not mention any names. He said he was not prepared to deny certain established facts in connection with spiritualism. When seen yesterday he said:

"I do not attach any religious significance to any of the acts of clairvoyants, nor do I attempt to draw any inferences as to the value of the power which they exercise, but there are certain undisputed facts which, though you may not believe in spiritualists or clairvoyants, cannot be denied. For instance, when a woman will tell you the number of your watch, in your pocket, she has never seen. That is a fact you cannot dispute, although you may marvel much as to how she does it.

"I don't know how it is, but glasses on a table will shake before your eyes from some unseen cause. The fact that they move cannot be disputed. You may hear a voice in the room. That it is a voice there is no doubt, but when a person tells you that it is the voice of William Shakespeare or some other notable I don't believe it, for I don't admit that any voice can come back from the grave, especially when the voice speaks bad English, which we know Shakespeare did not use.

"Oriental jugglery to-day is as great a mystery as ever, and is recognized by some of the leading universities as a subject of fascinating interest. You may lock a door and a man possessed of this power will place his finger on the door and it will spring open. All these things are wonderful and they are facts. How they are done I am not able to tell, but it is apparent these people possess such power, the precise value of which I do not know."

DR. HILLIS ON CITY PERILS.

Could We Return to "Early to Bed" We Might Return to Virtue.

The Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis in Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, preached last night on "Some of the Perils for Young Men and Women in a Great City."

He gave a scathing rebuke to the parents of young boys and girls who permit their children to choose for themselves whether they shall go to church and Sunday school. He said:

"There never was an era when there were so many forces of gilding sin. We have come to a time when all the places where vice reigns are made beautiful. It is a popular saying among the thousands of young men who come to this city from the country: 'When in Rome do as the Romans do.' But that sentence should only be interpreted to mean: 'When in hell do as the devils do.' It is an age when beautiful paintings and stained-glass windows adorn saloons and hotels, when men are hired to write alluring plays, when tunes are made catchy to convey suggestive words, a time when gardens such as those on the road to Coney Island abound, where young men and girls stop first for a chop or a roll and then for worse.

"According to the American notion, nowadays the revised version of the Bible seems to be: 'Obey your children.' If to-day a child does not wish to go to church or Sunday school he is not made to go. Men and women, if you find your children go astray do not blame them, but their fathers and mothers.

"Another peril is the tendency of Americans to turn night into day. All the wreckages of life are in the nighttime. If we could only go back to old-fashioned candles and bed at 8 o'clock we would soon get back to virtue and integrity. Men and women, if you want to ruin your children, turn them loose in the streets at night. Give them parties when they are 10 or 12 years old, give the boys dress suits, the girls party dresses, teach the latter to count their little lovers before they are 12, and then God pity the man who marries one of these unmarried widows of 15."

SOCIETY INGOBLE AND VULGAR?

Rev. Dr. Savage Compares a Woman at the Opera to a Tiffany Showcase.

The Rev. Dr. Minot J. Savage, pastor of the Church of the Messiah, preached yesterday on "Home and Society." In the course of his sermon he said:

There is in New York, and similar things in all our great cities, that which calls itself, par excellence, society. It is made up of the Four Hundred, or, I think some recent authority has been reducing it to One Hundred and Fifty; whatever the number may be, I do not mean to say anything against the persons who constitute this interior organization in society; many of them are noble, intellectually cultivated, charitable and generous; I have no word to say against them as individuals.

But a society that is organized around the idea of wealth alone must of necessity be ignoble and vulgar; there is nothing in the highest and finest sense of the word human merely in the possession of wealth, and if these people who meet together and constitute a certain section of society merely because they are rich will excuse me for not wanting to be with them, I will freely pardon them for not asking me. There is nothing there that is in any way attractive to a person who cares for what is essentially high and fine in humanity, and it degenerates sometimes into that which is exceedingly vulgar.

I was at the opera the other night and I saw one lady—I do not know who she was, though I might find out by seeking the number of the box on the programme and reading the name—who illustrates what this sort of thing comes to when it degenerates and gets itself perfect expression. I have never seen anything outside a show case at Tiffany's that in any way suggested this lady. It was barbaric in the extreme. She had the air of telling everybody that she had not come there to hear the music, but merely to be looked at, and she was loaded and hung all over, in every possible place, with diamonds and gems and jewels of every kind.

Now we can forgive an Indian or a Fiji Islander for his anklets and bracelets, for his noserings and earrings, because he has not, presumably, been developed to anything higher than these; but the type of society whose distinguishing feature is that kind of thing certainly is not human in the true sense in which that word ought to be used.

I know women—I have known of them. I have nobody at present in New York in mind in saying this—and I speak of them because they are specially and peculiarly the homemakers—who have given themselves up so unreservedly, so indulgently to the pleasure side of society that they have little time for the home, for their children, for their husband, for cultivating the highest and finest things in themselves. They exceed the just limits and proportions, perhaps without any intention, by giving themselves so largely to the mere pleasure side of social interests.

For example, I have known women to belong to three or four whist clubs and spend half of the week, perhaps more, to playing whist. I have nothing to say against whist, but no matter what the thing may be, it is quite impossible for them to spend more time on it than they have a right to spend, in view of a hundred other things that demand their attention.

PLAY EXCUSES SHOPLIFTER,

Though Actress Annie Russell Doesn't Believe It Made Mrs. Keating Steal.

Mrs. Frederick L. C. Keating of 222 Central Park South, who, when arrested for alleged shoplifting in a Sixth avenue department store on Saturday night, said that she had become a victim of kleptomania after witnessing a performance of "The Girl and the Judge" at the Lyceum, did not appear for arraignment in the Jefferson Market police court yesterday morning. On the motion of her counsel Lawyer Louis Lowenstein, however, and with the consent of the complainants, Magistrate Olmsted dismissed the case against her in her absence.

Mrs. Keating's husband, accompanied by a man said to be the family physician of the Keatings, entered the court room before court opened yesterday morning. There they were met by an Assistant District Attorney, with whom they remained in conversation for some time.

When the case was called Lawyer Lowenstein told the Magistrate that his client was confined to her bed as a result of the arrest and that she was unable to appear. He asked that the case be disposed of at once, notwithstanding her absence. The Magistrate said he had no objection, as the law, in a case of misdemeanor, did not demand the presence of the prisoner at the arraignment. Store Detective John F. Larkin, who arrested Mrs. Keating, then handed to the Magistrate a sworn affidavit, showing that his employers refused to press the charge against the prisoner.

In making the motion for dismissal, Lawyer Lowenstein said that if the refusal of the complainants to prosecute was not enough, he would put the family physician of the Keatings on the stand to show that the defendant was constantly troubled by hallucinations and that she could not be considered responsible while committing the act that had led to her arrest. Magistrate Olmsted granted at once the motion to dismiss.

At the Keating home it was said that Mrs. Keating, who at the time of her arrest had showed herself entirely unaffected, had broken down entirely after reaching home, and that a physician had been in constant attendance on her since.

Miss Annie Russell, who plays the star part in "The Girl and the Judge," said that she was personally acquainted with the Keating family. Mrs. Keating, she said, had attended her initial performance. Since then she had met other members of the family, Miss Russell said, but had not heard anything mentioned about the alleged effect of the play on Mrs. Keating. Miss Russell expressed doubt that "The Girl and the Judge" had anything at all to do with the matter.

LITTLE MILL AT THE CLUB.

Spoiled by the Police, but Declared by the Magistrate to Be Within the Law.

Some one told Detective Sherwood of the West Thirty-seventh street station, late on Saturday night that a prizefight was going on at 654 West Thirty-fourth street. In the rooms of the Pricello Club on the third floor at that address Sherwood found about 100 members gathered.

In the centre of the club room, which was simply a big loft, was a raised platform roped in on which were two men, in tights, fighting each other hammer and tongs. There was a referee in the ring to see that everything was done according to the rules.

Sherwood arrested the three men on the platform on the charge of violating Section 458 of the Penal Code by engaging in a prize fight. The referee said he was John Smith of 350 West Thirty-ninth street. He said that the club had been chartered seven years and that he was its President. The fighters said that they were Anthony Patrico of 406 Tenth avenue and Alfred Hanlon of 488 Warren street, Brooklyn.

In the West Side police court yesterday morning Sherwood told his story to Magistrate Meade and displayed the gloves used in the fight. There was no doubt about it being a prize fight, he declared.

Magistrate Meade wasn't so sure. He said that the violation of the law depended on whether an admission fee had been charged or not. Sherwood couldn't say, but twenty-five members of the club who were in court declared their willingness to testify that only members of the club were admitted and that it cost nothing to get in. It was the club's regular monthly "stag," they said; on this the Magistrate discharged the prisoners. The club got back the gloves.

ARMORY RUIN UNSAFE.

Traffic to Be Stopped at 8 o'Clock This Morning While Cupola Is Pulled Down.

Supt. Perez M. Stewart of the Building Department decided yesterday that the big iron cupola still remaining upon the northwest turret of the burned Seventy-first Regiment Armory was unsafe and must be removed without delay. Under the direction of John O'Connor, his chief inspector, and Daniel Canovar, the contractor in charge of the work at the armory, strong steel cables were attached to the cupola yesterday. At 8 o'clock this morning it is proposed to pull the cupola back into the ruined armory. As it is thought that a good part of the masonry will go with the cupola, trolley cars, pedestrians and other traffic will be shut off in Fourth avenue, Park avenue and Thirty-fourth street until the cupola falls.

Architect Louis Korn made a thorough inspection of the armory walls on Saturday. Acting upon his recommendation, Supt. Stewart has braced the Fourth avenue walls of the building with steel cables. He has ordered the Madison avenue cars to make no stops between Thirty-second and Thirty-eighth streets until the dangerous portions of the wall are removed. Calcium lights are played upon the ruined walls at night and many watchers are placed there to detect the slightest signs of danger.

Much work has already been done in the ruins. Over 200 wagonloads of rubbish have been taken out and the tottering east wall, which menaced apartment houses in East Thirty-fourth and Thirty-third streets, has been entirely removed. Supt. Stewart has had 200 men working under his personal direction night and day since the fire making the building safe.

HONOR LEO XIII.

Flags and Red Fire at Church of the Blessed Sacrament.

The twenty-fourth anniversary of the election of Pope Leo was celebrated with solemn vespers last night at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Seventy-first street and Broadway. The Rev. Father Matthew A. Taylor, rector, was the celebrant. The church was decorated inside with American and Papal flags. As the congregation was leaving the service the sexton and assistants burned a quantity of red fire, illuminating brilliantly the front of the church, which was decked with flags, and a large American flag which had been raised on a newly erected pole.

Mass for the Pope To-day.

The beginning of the twenty-fifth year of the pontificate of Leo XIII. will be celebrated in St. Patrick's Cathedral this morning by a solemn pontifical jubilee mass. Archbishop Corrigan will be the celebrant and he will be surrounded by the Bishops of the province and by most of the priests of the archdiocese. The Bishops who will attend are Bishop McQuaid of Rochester, Bishop Gabriels of Ogdensburgh, Bishop McDonnell of Brooklyn, Bishop Burke of Albany, Bishop Quigley of Buffalo, Bishop McFaul of Trenton, N. J., and Bishop O'Connor of Newark, N. J. Father William O'Brien Pardow, S. J., will preach the sermon upon the subject of the "Life, Character and Deeds of the Holy Father." An elaborate programme of music has been arranged.

Tammany Society Meets To-night.

The Tammany Society or Columbian Order will meet this evening, sing the et-ho song, and elect thirty-two members.

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ANOTHER ENGAGEMENT IN SAMAR ISLAND.

Many Surrenders Reported in Luzon—Former Insurgents Now Taking the Field Against Their Old Comrades—Desire for Peaceful Conditions Spreading.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

MANILA, March 2.—A mass meeting of merchants and manufacturers has been held here to remonstrate against the establishment by the United States of a prohibitive tariff on Philippine imports. It was declared that an insufficient reduction of the tariff rates would cripple industry and destroy commerce.

A detachment of the First Infantry encountered 200 fanatic bolomen in the island of Samar and killed eighty of them. The Americans sustained no casualties.

The constabulary reports numerous surrenders of small detachments of rebels in Cavité and Laguna provinces. The ex-insurgents are being urged to continue the popular movement which originated in Lipa, Batangas Province, against the insurgents in the field. The movement is meeting with much success. Gen. Cailles, formerly of the insurgent army, has obtained special permission to recommission three of his ex-staff officers to take the field against his old subordinate, Caballes, who has terrorized Laguna Province.

Gen. Chaffee has commuted to life imprisonment the sentence of death imposed upon four natives for murdering five men of the Twenty-fourth Infantry, who were caught straggling behind their column.

The correspondence captured at the time Gen. Lucban was made a prisoner reveals the entire organization of the rebels and gives the names of the officers. This discovery will lead to many important arrests.

Admiral Remey, with the flagship Brooklyn, has sailed for New York.

ENGLAND'S NEW LIBERAL LEAGUE

Mr. Asquith's Statement of Its Policy Brings Out Varied Comment.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, March 3.—Mr. Herbert Asquith's letter defining his political position, which is practically that of Lord Rosebery, is the subject of editorials in all the morning papers here.

The *Chronicle* accepts the letter as expressing the policy of the new Liberal League with sobriety and clearness. It rejoices that Mr. Asquith, like Lord Rosebery, has no intention of abandoning work for the Liberal party.

It approves his declaration regarding Irish home rule. It calls the Liberalism of the league practical Liberalism, and declares there is no reason why Liberals should never speak of the Empire without a "but," or be prone to find their own countrymen always in the wrong.

The *Daily News*, which to-day makes its first appearance under the latest phase of its very checkered career, declares that Mr. Asquith's pronouncement on home rule is a lamentable change of front, and his pronouncement that the sanction and sympathy of British opinion are necessary, step by step, for attaining the end is an amazing doctrine for a Liberal politician.

With two Liberal papers thus opposed, which is only characteristic of the Liberal party, the opinion expressed by the rest of the press may be imagined.

The *Telegraph* applauds the Home Rule statement, and then attacks the Oxford Dons for their letter objecting to the trial of Boer leaders by courts-martial. It hysterically stigmatizes the charge that British officers are not competent under present circumstances to try their enemies fairly as an atrocious insult.

The *Standard* congratulates Mr. Asquith and Lord Rosebery upon recognizing what Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Goschen recognized sixteen years ago. It says it is the day of repentance for the Liberals and repentance is wholesome even if it comes late.

The *Morning Post* considers the letter an attempt to restate Lord Rosebery's views in such a form as may make them acceptable to the followers of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, but declares that this is impossible. It adds: "Lord Rosebery at Chesterfield made an appeal to Cæsar. It is disappointing to find that he is satisfied with the Liberal League."

The *Times* approves Mr. Asquith's letter but contends that his declarations regarding home rule and imperialism merely place him on the same plane with the Unionists, not conferring any superiority, even if he had the whole Liberal party with him. The paper says it is necessary to see what his social programme is.

SEND BACK EMPRESS'S GIFTS.

Legations at Pekin Return the Money She Gave to the Children.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PEKIN, March 2.—The money that was given to the legation children by the Dowager Empress at her reception last Thursday, amounting to $100 each, was returned by the various legations to the Board of Foreign Affairs yesterday.

Prince Ching says that the rebels in Kiangsi Province are discharged soldiers. It is understood here that they are rebelling because they were discharged without their arrears of pay, which is a common trick among Chinese officials. An edict has been issued ordering the decapitation of the leaders. Prince Ching declares that the Government has plenty of troops to restore order.

THE STEAMSHIP POOL CLASH.

Row Over Running Steamers Merion and Haverford to Boston.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, March 2.—The two new steamers which the transatlantic pool wishes to run between Boston and Liverpool, to which the Cunard company objects, with the result that the existence of the pool is threatened, are the Merion and Haverford.

They are owned by the International Navigation Company, but are temporarily chartered by the Dominion Line for the Boston service. Their draught is too great at present to allow them to be used in the Philadelphia service.

NEW THIRD-RAIL ROAD.

It Is to Run From Poughkeepsie to Hudson and South to a Point Near This City.

POUGHKEEPSIE, March 2.—Right of way is being acquired by the promoters for a third-rail road from Hudson to Poughkeepsie, passing through Red Hook and Rhinebeck and in Poughkeepsie crossing Main street overhead. The project also embraces a railway to some point near the city of New York. Much of the right of way has already been secured. A corps of surveyors is now in the field.

The third-rail trolley line from Hudson to Albany is paying and lines are either in operation or being built from Albany to Utica, to Syracuse, to Rochester, to Buffalo and to Cleveland. Benjamin H. H. Brevoort of this city is the chief engineer of the road, and he and his assistants have been running lines since September last.

Two lines have been run between Hudson and Poughkeepsie. South of here the line is proposed to run near Vassar College and then through the country to a point near Hopewell, and from there to Carmel over the old Boston and Montreal roadbed. There is every indication that this road will be built and that it will be equipped for both freight and passenger service.

DOG LAY IN WAIT.

Picked Up Two Bites at the Door of a Harlem Apartment House.

Robert Paine, the negro elevator boy at the Emerson apartment house at 116th street and Lenox avenue, was standing in front of the house at 8:30 o'clock last night when a dog leaped up from behind the curbstone, seized Paine's right trousers leg and yanked at it until he pulled it off. The dog ran away, scattering a crowd that was waiting at the corner for a car.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Weil, who live at the Emerson, were coming in from a visit just three hours later when the same dog, which was accompanied by another this time, leaped up and caught Mr. Weil by the right leg, tearing his trousers and biting his leg severely. Mr. Weil freed himself by a vigorous kick. Mrs. Weil telephoned to Police Headquarters for relief.

The police couldn't find the biting dog or his companion.

DEAD IN ARMY BUILDING.

Julius's Son Found His Father There After Search With the Janitor.

Waldemar C. F. Julius, who had been a clerk in the Engineers' Department in the Department of the East of the United States Army, was found dead late last night in a room on the eighth floor of the Army Building at 39 Whitehall street.

He left his home at 1040 Macy place in The Bronx early yesterday, saying he was going to do some unfinished work at the building.

When he failed to return last night his son went to the building and got Timothy Hunter, the janitor, to make a search for the man. He was found dead.

The police said at midnight that they knew nothing of the cause of his death. Detective Neely of the Old Slip police station was sent to investigate.

PIETY IN A FIRE COMPANY.

Cliffside Hose to Give Up a Member to the Presidency of a College.

MONTCLAIR, N. J., March 2.—The members of Cliffside Hose Company 4, of the fire department in upper Montclair are arranging to give one of their members, the Rev. Howard S. Bliss, a farewell reception before he leaves this country to accept the Presidency of the Protestant College in Beyrout, Syria. Mr. Bliss will become an exempt fireman in May, having served seven years.

The company's Secretary is also a minister of the gospel. He is the Rev. C. W. Gulick, pastor of the Montclair Heights Reformed Church, and he, too, will become exempt in the near future. Prayer services in the firehouse are not an uncommon thing.

BRITISH SHIPS' POOR SHOOTING.

Capt. Scott of the Terrible Discusses It in an Address at Hong Kong.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

HONG KONG, March 2.—Capt. Percy M. Scott of the British cruiser Terrible in a lecture before the United Service Institute on naval fighting efficiency said that the shooting results of the British China squadron were not nice reading, but like other nasty things it might prove a tonic. He thought that naval officers who were followers of the fashion of putting glass balls on the trucks were going out of style, and shooting straight with heavy guns was coming in. He thought the bad shooting of the China squadron was due to insufficient application to the study and practice of gunnery.

Death Rate Cut in Concentration Camps.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PRETORIA, March 2.—The returns from the concentration camps in the Transvaal for the week ended Feb. 21 show that there were fifty-five deaths. Considering that there are 60,000 persons of all ages and sexes in the camps, the death rate compares favorably with those of the healthiest English towns.

French Prime Minister Recovering.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PARIS, March 2.—The condition of M. Waldeck-Rousseau, the Prime Minister, who was injured Friday in a collision between a tram car and his carriage, is improving.

WAYWARD PAUL JONES

Arrested on the Bowery on Father's Charge of Theft—Not So Very Young.

Paul Jones, 27 years old, who said he lived at 75 Taylor street, Brooklyn, was arrested last evening at Houston street and the Bowery on the complaint of his father, Robert Jones, who gave the same address as the son. The elder Jones accused the younger of having visited his home on Saturday and stolen a pair of diamond earrings, a gold watch and chain, two rings and an overcoat.

At the Fifth street police station pawntickets for the missing articles were found in the pockets of the young man. His father said that the young man was wearing the stolen overcoat.

"He has been so wayward that lately I can do nothing with him," said the father.

Young Jones was locked up, charged with grand larceny.

Bishop Doane's Birthday Present.

ALBANY, March 2.—Friends of the Rt. Rev. William Croswell Doane, Episcopal Bishop of Albany, without regard to religious views, surprised him at the Episcopal residence to-night and presented him with a purse of $1,200 in gold, the occasion being the Bishop's seventieth birthday.

POLICY BY TELEPHONE NEXT.

BACKERS OF CHEAP GAMBLING TO TRY TO EVADE THE LAW.

Raid on "Al" Dakins's Place Has Thrown Their System Out of Gear—But Without Papers They Could'nt Hold Patrons Together—Anti-Policy Men Gleeful.

It was learned yesterday that, frightened by Saturday's raid on "Al" Dakins's policy printing shop at 22 Church street, the policy men are contemplating a new scheme to evade the law which makes the finding of slips or other policy paraphernalia upon them evidence of complicity. Their project is to do away with slips and runners and to do their business entirely by telephone.

"Such a scheme would certainly successfully defeat the present law," said Capt F. Norton Goddard, head of the Anti-Policy Society, which made the raid, "but it would not amount to anything. With a telephone system the writers could not hold their patrons together and besides it would be too cumbrous and costly to continue long in operation."

Capt. Goddard and Charles P. Blaney, counsel to the Anti-Policy Society, said that except in the raid on "Al" Adams's headquarters, no severer blow had been struck at the policy backers than the pulling of Dakins's printing place. The policy shops on the West Side of the city for which Dakins prints the official list of winning numbers were thrown completely out of gear. It was several hours before the winning gig could be distributed and then it was made known by means of written manifold slips instead of by the usual printed lists. A great many of the writers had trouble in convincing their patrons that these written lists were official and in some instances it was necessary to return money to bettors who declined to accept anything but the printed numbers as authoritative.

"The raiding of the Dakins place," said Mr. Blaney, who has been at work for a month to obtain evidence against the printing shop, "has disconcerted the whole policy gang to a greater extent than we had even hoped for. For the time being it has thrown the whole system out of joint and the effect will be felt for some time to come.

"The raid moreover was more successful even than we had expected. We did not expect to get Dakins. We had no warrant for his arrest and could not have touched him had he not come into the shop while we were there and claimed the printing press as belonging to him. That was enough for us. As the case makes progress it will be found that there will be plenty of evidence to convict him.

"It is these men we are after now, the men who are at the head of the game, not the poor devils of writers. A few more such raids as those made upon Adams and Dakins and there will be very little life left in policy in this city."

From the fact that County Detective Hammond saw near Dakins's shop two runners formerly employed by Adams it was thought that the former policy king was back again in the business despite the pending trial hanging over him. Capt. Goddard said last night, however, that Adams had not resumed business.

"Adams, Jensen and 'Mike' Bergin are out of policy for the time being at least," Capt. Goddard said "The backing is still done by a syndicate but Adams is not a member of it. So far as I know, nothing was found in Dakins's place tending to link Adams with it. Most of his runners and writers are still at work, but they are now in the employ of other backers. But these people are beginning to realize that their jobs are not worth while holding because of the risk they run. It is becoming unprofitable to them, too.

"The receipts of the policy shops have fallen off to such an extent that the writers refuse to work any longer on the 12½ per cent. commission basis and now demand a salary. In fact, if we had the necessary financial resources, we could practically suppress policy within a year."

Capt. Halpin of the Church street police station repeated yesterday that he did not know that Dakins's establishment was used to print the winning numbers for the policy syndicate and insisted that it could have been open only a short time. Capt. Goddard said that Dakins had been running his place for several years and that if Capt. Halpin was unaware of the fact none of the other policemen in the precinct was similarly ignorant.

NORTH CAROLINA FLOODS.

Senator Pritchard's Law Office at Marshall Swept Away.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., March 2.—Recent heavy rains have caused serious damage in all parts of this State, but the Southern Railway has been the greatest sufferer. It is estimated that between Asheville and the Tennessee line, a distance of fifty miles, the loss of the Southern amounts to $200,000.

In several places the French Broad River, risen to a torrent, washed stations away, and in the small town of Marshall alone the damage is said to be $50,000. Here the law office of Senator Pritchard was swept into the river.

George W. Vanderbilt's property at Biltmore was considerably injured and a fine truck farm rendered valueless by the flood. Fourteen engines from the Asheville division of the Southern have been transferred to the Atlanta and Charlotte divisions and were instrumental in removing a great freight block on the two divisions.

The Weather.

The storm centre which moved northward into Canada on Saturday recurved eastward and the southern part of the depression was carried over the Middle Atlantic and New England States yesterday, where the barometer was exceptionally low, with a general rainfall.

The storm was being followed in the upper Mississippi Valley and Lake regions by an area of higher pressure and snow flurries. It was colder with freezing temperatures throughout the greater part of these districts and the cold was spreading over the Ohio Valley into the Middle Atlantic States, where it became colder at night.

Fair weather prevailed generally in the Southern States and west of the Mississippi River. In this city it was rainy with a brief interval of sunshine in the afternoon; wind fresh northeasterly in the morning, shifting to brisk and high south and southwesterly in the afternoon. It became cooler toward night; average humidity 84 per cent.; barometer corrected to read to sea level at 8 A. M. 29.38; 3 P. M. 29.10; total rainfall .65 of an inch.

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

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9 A. M.	46°	42°	45°	6 P. M.	44°	44°	46°
12 M.	51°	41°	51°	9 P. M.	40°	40°	41°
3 P. M.	49°	47°	53°	12 Mid.	39°	33°	40°

WASHINGTON FORECAST FOR TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW

For eastern New York, fair in extreme south, rain or snow and colder in the interior to-day; fair to-morrow; fresh west winds.

For New England, rain in south, rain or snow in north portion to-day, colder at night; fair to-morrow; high south winds shifting to west and northwest.

For New Jersey, fair to-day and to-morrow; fresh west to north winds.

For the District of Columbia, Delaware and Virginia, fair and colder to-day; fair to-morrow; fresh west to north winds.

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NEW SILVER DOLLAR WEDDING.

Daughter of the Late Smith Is to Marry—Very Exclusive Function.

Cards were issued yesterday for the wedding of Isaac Littenberg, a dry goods salesman, and Mary Smith, the second daughter of the late Silver Dollar Smith. The wedding is to take place on March 11.

The last wedding in the Smith family occurred about nine years ago, and it was a notable social event on the East Side. At that time Smith's oldest daughter was married to Issy Dreyfus, who is well known in literary circles in that section. The couple were loaded down with presents sent by politicians, successful police officials and prominent citizens. More than 2,000 quart bottles of champagne were consumed at the wedding, and no other on the East Side ever exceeded it in glittering display.

The coming event will be conducted on more modest lines, but it is the intention of the family to make it in point of exclusiveness what it may lack in other respects. Only a limited number of guests will be invited. If possible, the Hon. Florrie Sullivan and the Hon. Martin Engel, who are both at Hot Springs, although it is not known whether they are on speaking terms, will act as chief ushers at the ceremony, which will take place in the Forsyth street synagogue. Others who will assist are Chrystie Sullivan, Dinny Sullivan, Paddy Sullivan, Con Casey and Col. John McKenna.

Following the ceremony there will be a reception in the Silver Dollar Hotel in Essex street, where there are now no silver dollars in the floor. A green carpet will be spread on the sidewalk in front of the entrance and a bright red canopy will protect the guests. Carriages will turn into Essex street from Grand street and after the guests enter the carriages will proceed north to Broome street, east to Suffolk street, thence to Grand street and follow along in order to receive the guests when they depart. The decorations will be on an elaborate scale.

The presents of the bridegroom to the ushers will be silver dollars fashioned into pins with diamonds in the centre.

The bridegroom has not forgotten the faithful ostracized set of the Martin Engel Association, who for years have lined up opposite the bar in the Silver Dollar saloon by day and slept in the sawdust bins by night. Of course it would not have been possible to invite them to the reception, because none of them has a dress suit or the price to hire one, but Littenberg has promised to provide them with beer and free lunch in the cellar on the wedding night.

Upstairs the regular guests will be served with an elaborate repast. The menu, which was prepared by a real chef from a leading uptown hotel, is as follows:

Œufs Neva
Homard Cardinal
Frankfurters and Sauerkraut
Carré d'Agneau de Printemps
Limburger and Hand Kase
Pointe d'Asperges Nouvelles
Mousle au Fraiser
Gateaux Baked Apples
Bostonia Candidate Beans
Slivowitz '92 Irish Whiskey
Beer Mixed Ale

The entire lower East Side is on the tiptoe of excitement, but owing to the exclusiveness of the event there will be many heartbreakings among those who will not be among the chosen few invited.

HOMESICK FREAKS.

Giant Was Seasick as Well, and a Little Went a Long Way.

Frank C. Bostock, who arrived yesterday by the Cunarder Umbria, from Liverpool and Queenstown, brought with him two American freaks who got homesick while exhibiting before the effete. They are Frank Rannicks, who is 8 feet 4 inches tall and still a-growing, and "Prof." Dumont, who runs largely to hair. His beard is 13 feet 6 inches long, and he sleeps on it.

Besides being homesick, the giant, who belongs to an agricultural district, was seasick. He remarked as he leaned over the rail:

"A little goes a long way."

OBITUARY.

Henry King Sheldon died early yesterday morning at his home at 220 Columbia Heights, Brooklyn. He had been an invalid for several years. He was born in Windsor, Conn., on Feb. 14, 1826. He was educated in the Brooklynn schools and at New York University. After his graduation he clerked for a time for his father, James Sheldon, and Isaac M. Phelps, who had a large wholesale hardware business under the firm name of Sheldon & Phelps. After coming of age he went to Europe, where he studied music for several years. When he returned he became a wholesale grocer and commission merchant at the corner of Bond and Pearl streets in the firm of McBride, Sheldon & Co. After his father's death a few years later he took his father's place in the hardware firm of Sheldon, Hoyt & Co., from which he retired thirty years ago. He was Vice-President of the Brooklyn Savings Bank, President of the Brooklyn Academy of Music, President of the Philharmonic Society, a director of the Fidelity and Casualty Company, of the American Exchange National Bank, Brooklyn, the Long Island Safe Deposit Company, and the American District Telephone Company, and trustee of the Brooklyn Trust Company, the Brooklyn Art Association, the Institute of Art and Sciences and the First Presbyterian Church of Brooklyn. Mr. Sheldon was married on May 12, 1853, to Anna Kissam Embury, daughter of Daniel Embury, President of the Atlantic Bank, and Emma C. Embury, a well known authoress. He leaves a widow, one child, Anna Embury Sheldon, wife of the Rev. James Townsend Russell, rector of St. Thomas's Chapel, Brooklyn, and two brothers, James O. Sheldon of East Fortieth street and Lucius M. Sheldon, of Montague street, Brooklyn.

James Mayhew Swift, a brother-in-law of Senator Thomas C. Platt, died suddenly yesterday at his home in Washington street, Tarrytown, N. Y. Mr. Swift was in his eighty-sixth year. He was suffering with rheumatism and died of heart failure. He was born at Falmouth, Mass., and was the son of Thomas and Susan Swift. In 1848 with his brother he shipped on a vessel and went to California, where he stayed for four years. He returned to New York and worked with his brother, Henry Swift, until 1866, when he came to Tarrytown. He was Postmaster of North Tarrytown for fifteen years, having first been appointed by President Cleveland. Mr. Smith and Senator Platt were intimate friends. They sang together in the church choir at Oswego when Mr. Platt was in business there and they made an agreement that every time Mr. Swift visited Oswego that both would put a five-dollar gold piece on the plate. The pledge was religiously lived up to. The funeral will be held to-morrow.

The Rev. John J. Furlong, rector of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Parish in Norwalk, Conn., died yesterday morning of cancer of the stomach, at the age of 57 years. Father Furlong was born in Hartford and was a student of St. Charles Seminary, near Ellicott, Md. He finished his education at Troy Seminary, and was ordained at Troy thirty-three years ago.

Prof. Frank W. Parker, Dean of the University of Chicago and a member of the Chicago School Board, died last night at Pass Christian, Miss., aged 64 years. He went to Pass Christian a few days ago in a sick condition.

Henry H. Cannon, 60 years old, President of the village of Irvington, died suddenly of heart disease on Saturday night while attending a village caucus. He was a merchant and had been Village President for many years.

Mrs. Euphrasia Harriet Mason, mother of Frank C. Mason, Superintendent of the police telegraph system in Brooklyn, died at her home at New Hartford, Oneida county, on Saturday. She was 72 years old.

THINK DAYTON NIXON'S CHOICE

TO HEAD TAMMANY TICKET NEXT FALL FOR A TEST VOTE.

Maybe Nixon Won't Have the Say in Nominations—He Will Be Back This Week and Will Soothe the Sexton District, Where Hill Is Called Nixon's Man.

Lewis Nixon, the Great Absalom Catcher, is on his way home, and he is expected here some time this week

A good many Tammany men have been wondering who would be the Nixon candidate for Justice of the Supreme Court this fall and show how big a vote Tammany can poll under him. Charles W. Dayton, it was said last evening, was the man most likely to be selected by Mr. Nixon, always supposing that Mr. Nixon has anything to say in the selection of the candidate.

Mr. Dayton ran for Justice of the Supreme Court last fall on the Tammany ticket, having made peace with Mr. Croker after the Fusionists failed to nominate him. He is helping Isaac A. Hopper in the Thirty-first Assembly district in his never-ending fight against Commissioner Welde and Peter F. Meyer, Richard Croker's business partner.

Mr. Nixon has accepted an invitation to eat dinner and make a speech in the Thirty-first district on March 31 at the Harlem Casino. Mr. Dayton also will make a speech there.

The enemies of Mr. Nixon and those who do not take him seriously in politics say that he will not have any chance of nominating Mr. Dayton or any one else. The present County General Committee of Tammany Hall will conduct the next campaign, though their successors will be elected in September, but the nominations will be made by a convention that will be elected in September, and Mr. Nixon may have nothing to do with its deliberations.

Mr. Nixon has an engagement to speak before the County District Committee of the Nineteenth Assembly district on March 7, at 147 Columbus avenue, and the same evening he will address the District Committee of the Fifteenth district, where Senator Plunkitt holds power.

Mr. Nixon's visit to the Nineteenth will be an interesting event, for the reason that one of the young men is now building up an organization to oust the present leader, John B. Sexton, from power. This young man is John Sprunt Hill.

Mr. Hill's backers say that Mr. Nixon is anxious to have him win. Mr. Nixon says that he will recognize the regularly elected leader, whoever he is. He is going to see the men in Mr. Sexton's committee anyhow, just as a guarantee of good faith, but Mr. Hill and his friends say that Mr. Nixon is with them all the time.

FEARED ATTACK ON MULE DEPOT.

Secretary Hay Wrote to Louisiana Authorities to Look Out for Boer Agents.

NEW ORLEANS, March 2.—It became known here to-day that Secretary of State Hay had written to Mayor Capdeville and Gov.