REHEARSAL STOPS A TRIAL.

COURT STOOD FOR MURDER-R-R! —"HIAWATHA" TOO MUCH.

Justice Bennett Fines a Leading Lady $10—She'd Sent Word That He Could Go to the Devil and Had Chased a Court Attendant With a Dog Whip.

An interesting story was told yesterday of how a theatrical company rehearsing a melodrama broke up the proceedings in the new Twelfth District Municipal Court, scared two lawyers, frightened a jury and resulted in the leading lady of the show being fined $10 for contempt of court.

The trouble occurred in the Boulevard Lyceum Building at 2630 Broadway, near Ninety-ninth street, the Justice who imposed the fine was the Hon. William Bennett, and the actress in the case was Estha Williams, wife of Arthur C. Aiston, the manager of the company.

Mr. Aiston hired a hall in the building on Aug. 13 to rehearse "The Old Cross Roads." The hall is separated from the courtroom by an airshaft four feet wide. Justice Bennett sits in the Broadway court only on Tuesdays and Fridays, so that he knew nothing of the rehearsals until he was on the bench on Tuesday last. At that time all the windows of the courtroom overlooking the airshaft were open. So were those of the rehearsal hall.

Clerk McCarrick called the case of Mead vs. McGibbon, and the court marshal brought in a jury. The lawyer for the plaintiff had just started when he was interrupted by the shrieks of a woman in the hall below.

"Un-h-h-h-hand me, villain!" she exclaimed. Then came the noise of a struggle and the shouts of a mob that a murder had been committed. Court Officer Keimling shot into the hall to capture the murderer, followed by the court spectators, while the jurors peered down the airshaft.

Justice Bennett sent an attendant to learn what it all meant. The attendant came back with the news that a theatrical company was rehearsing and that there had been no blood spilled.

Again the case in court proceeded and again a woman's voice was heard screaming till the lawyer for the plaintiff discovered that the jury was paying no attention to what he was saying.

Justice Bennett then sent Keimling to tell the theatrical folks to stop the rehearsal while the court was in session. Keimling returned with a report that a woman member of the company had replied to his order with a request that Justice Bennett go to the devil.

The noise, however, subsided, and for the third time the case in court was taken up.

"Gentlemen of the jury," continued the lawyer, but he got no further, for there floated in through the windows the strains of "Hiawatha," sung by a male quartet in the hall below. Justice Bennett would not stand for "Hiawatha."

"Go downstairs and bring up that woman who says she won't stop," he commanded, and Keimling hurried down to the rehearsal hall. Again he returned to make a report to the Court.

"She had a dog whip and she chased me out," replied Keimling. "I got a cop and she is tussling with him in the hallway."

The policeman from the West 100th street station who had been summoned by the court attendant had succeeded in getting the woman as far as the hall. She broke away from him and ran into a lawyer's office on the second floor of the building. The lawyer volunteered to accompany the woman upstairs and advised her to apologize. When she got inside, however, she announced that she would die in jail before she would offer an apology.

The Justice finally fined her $10 for contempt of court and she shouted that she would not pay the fine. The Justice then ordered that she be committed to Ludlow Street Jail and the policeman was taking her away when the lawyer succeeded in convincing her that she would be foolish to go to jail. Then another member of the company paid her fine.

MONTREAL MAN DRUG-CRAZED.

Prisoner Says He Is the Son of the Rev. H. Hamilton of Toronto.

A man about 30 years old rushed up to Policeman Thompson in Forty-second street near Lexington avenue last night and said:

"You must come down to the corner right away. There's a man there who has been following me all over the country. He has an electric battery and wants to shock me with it. I am Oliver Hamilton of Montreal. I left there five days ago and went to San Francisco. Then I came straight to New York. This man and his electric battery pursued me all the way."

He was sent a prisoner to Bellevue Hospital, where it was said that he was addicted to the use of drugs. A needle and a box that had contained cocaine paste were found in his pockets. He told the police that his father was the Rev. Howe Hamilton, pastor of the First Episcopal Church of Toronto, Canada.

MORE TROUBLE FOR CODY.

The Alleged Bridge Jumper Must Answer a Charge of Vagrancy.

When Frank C. Cody, the negro who alleged that he jumped from the Williamsburg bridge last Thursday, was arraigned in the Lee avenue police court yesterday, on the charge of attempted suicide, Policeman Turner of the Bedford avenue station informed Magistrate O'Reilly that he had no evidence.

The Magistrate dismissed the complaint, but had another for vagrancy drawn up, it being his intention to commit the negro as a nuisance. Cody declared he had a home and could produce witnesses to prove it, so the Magistrate adjourned the hearing until Friday and held Cody in $300 bail.

WIFE SUES FOR $40,000

And Attaches Bank Funds of the Woman She Accuses.

NEW HAVEN, Aug. 24.—Papers were filed in the Superior Court of this city this afternoon by Mrs. Ann I. Hall of Milford, who wants $40,000 damages from Anna Louise C. Woolson of Beacon Falls, Conn., for alienating the affections of her husband. Money which the defendant has on deposit in the First National Bank in this city was attached this afternoon in behalf of the plaintiff, and also a big piece of property in Milford.

Clarence D. Hall, husband of the plaintiff, was formerly proprietor of the Elemere Hotel at Laurel Beach, a summer resort. He has been absent for about two weeks.

POLICE ARREST A DOG.

Rover, Who Bit a Boy, Is Held in a Cell in Jersey City for Examination.

Rover, a big black Newfoundland dog, owned by Anthony Bender, of 970 Garfield avenue, Jersey City, is locked up in a cell at the Communipaw avenue police station. The dog, on Saturday, bit Joseph Donovan, a boy living at 506 Bramhall avenue.

At the request of the physician who cauterized Donovan's wound, Rover will be held until it can be determined whether he is suffering from rabies. He had shown no signs of madness up to last night.

Prospect Park Lambs Sold.

An auction sale of park property was held in the stable of the Park Department, Ninth avenue and Seventh street, Brooklyn, yesterday. Among the articles disposed of were fifteen sheep and eighty-five lambs. For years the park has had a flock of sheep, but nobody remembered when any of them were sold before at a public auction. Several wholesale butchers bought the animals. The sheep brought $3 each and the lambs $2.75.

GREW A BEARD OF DEER'S HAIR.

Woodsman Whose Wounded Cheek Was Grafted With Skin of a Fawn.

UTICA, Aug. 24.—Perhaps the most curious case of surgery that was ever performed in the Adirondacks has just come to light, although it was performed nearly a year ago. William McCoy, a woodsman, was the person on whom the operation was performed. He has just come out of the Spruce Lake lumber camp and brings the strange story and its proof.

Some time ago McCoy was working with John Duffy getting out some long poles to repair a chute which is used to slide logs down the mountainside. Duffy went to cut a limb by an upward swing, when the axe slipped from his hands and went flying through the air. It struck McCoy and its keen edge shaved off a part of his cheek.

William Henry, a nurse of Utica, took McCoy in hand. After having partially stopped the flow of blood he went out to the stable, took a little fawn that some of the boys had captured two days before, shaved the hair for about nine square inches off the animal's side and then carried it to the camp. While some of the woodsmen held the fawn Henry cut the skin, peeled it off and applied it immediately to the face of McCoy. Having fitted it in place firmly, he rubbed over it a thick coat of balsam gum, and over that he placed tight bandages. The cheek stopped bleeding at once.

A week afterward Henry took off the bandages and the graft was found to be a success. Soon afterward, however, McCoy noticed, when he drew his hand across his cheek, that hair was growing on the grafted skin. In a few days more the hair had grown so thickly that its color and nature were plainly visible. It was the hair of the fawn growing, and, moreover, it was spotted like that of a fawn. He did not dare to shave for fear of breaking the skin and allowed the hair to grow until the fall of the year. Then the spots disappeared and the "blue" coat of a full-grown deer took its place.

When spring came around he saw that the hair of the cheek was falling out and fine red hair was growing. At last the blue, or winter, coat was entirely gone and the red summer coat took its place. In fact, he and the other woodsmen, to their merriment, saw that the hair varied and changed precisely as does the coat of a deer.

A STRENUOUS HOUSEKEEPER.

Drove Off C. Ledyard Blair's Discharged Butler With a Pistol.

SOMERVILLE, N. J., Aug. 24.—Mrs. W. R. Simpson, housekeeper of Blairsden, the summer home of C. Ledyard Blair, was arraigned before Justice William Sutphen here to-day on a charge of threatening the life of James Walters, Blair's former butler.

In his complaint Walters swore that Mrs. Simpson discharged him in the absence of Mr. Blair because he made a paltry mistake and that when he refused to leave until he received the full amount of wages due to him Mrs. Simpson got a loaded revolver and drove him from the house.

Mrs. Simpson admitted that she had a revolver in her hand during her altercation with the butler, but said she did not point it at him and displayed it only because he was so boisterous and profane that she feared him.

Justice Sutphen held Mrs. Simpson under $200 bail to await the action of the Somerset county Grand Jury. Her husband was accepted as her bondsman, and she was immediately released. Mr. Blair supports Mrs. Simpson in her action toward the butler.

WARRANTS FOR BIG BREWERS.

The Betzes of Philadelphia Accused of Adulterating Beer.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 24.—State Dairy and Food Commissioner B. H. Warren to-day lodged information and asked for warrants to be issued against Brewers John F. Betz and John F. Betz, Jr., trading as John F. Betz & Son, on a charge of selling adulterated beer; for Lewis A. and Milton H. Weiner, trading as Jacob Weiner's Sons, on the charge of selling adulterated blackberry brandy, and for Edward B. Showell and F. D. Fryer and George W. Kitchener, trading as Showell & Fryer, Limited, for selling one quart of adulterated blackberry brandy. Hearings have been set for Sept. 1.

Betz is a millionaire many times over and Showell & Fryer are one of the biggest retail grocery and wholesale liquor houses in town. The Food Commissioner asserts that salicylic acid was found in Betz's beer and coal tar for coloring in Weiner's and Showell & Fryer's brandy. All the defendants will make a bitter fight.

HELD UP AN EX-POLICEMAN.

Bronx Resident Sees From His Window the Robbers at Work.

While Charles Sloan was going to bed on Sunday night he heard loud talking in front of his home, at 4545 Bathgate avenue, The Bronx. Looking out of the window, he saw four men who were holding on to an old man and at the same time demanding that he give up his money.

Sloan slipped across the street to a saloon and telephoned to the Tremont station. A mounted policeman was sent to the scene in a hurry, but the thugs had skipped.

The old man was found leaning against a telegraph pole in a dazed condition. One of the four had struck him on the head. He was recognized as Edward F. McGloin, an ex-policeman, living at 2272 Bathgate avenue. He had $100 in one of the pockets of his waistcoat and had been robbed of little or nothing. The detectives of the Tremont station are working on the case.

Justice Blanchard's Son Fined for Speeding at Newport.

NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 24.—William Blanchard, son of Justice James A. Blanchard of New York, was fined $10 in the police court to-day for exceeding the speed limit with his automobile on the Ocean Drive yesterday afternoon. S. E. Huntington, a summer resident, appeared as a witness against Mr. Blanchard.

Police Reserves Stop Rioting Greeks.

The reserves of the East Thirty-fifth street station were called out last night to stop a small-sized riot started by about twenty Greeks in Second avenue, near Thirty-sixth street. Two of the Greeks were cut on the head. Seven of the crowd were arrested.

FITZ IS AFTER CORBETT.

Ready to Meet His Old Foeman—Cornishman Also Willing to Fight Munroe.

Bob Fitzsimmons is hankering after some one to fight. Fitz, though, bars Jim Jeffries, whom he admits he cannot whip. The Cornishman was in Chicago yesterday on his way East. Fitz said: "I am willing to fight anybody. I went to California to get on a mill but could not induce any of the boxers there to give me a chance. George Gardner, who, I thought, was so solicitous for a fight, fell down. He just disappeared when I showed up on the Coast and said I was ready to sign. Then Jim Corbett, before he went into the ring with Jeffries, got mad at me and said he would fight me win or lose. That was the last I heard of that. Jack Munroe, too, has been doing a lot of talking and bluffing. I'll give Corbett a chance if he likes it, just to convince him that I am just as good a man as I was when I knocked him out at Carson City in 1897. If Corbett will give me a chance I'll take him on for any month this year and the biggest purse that is offered. I'll bet him $10,000 I beat him. If he means what he says, I will sign articles at once because I am ready. As to Munroe, why, it would be like pie to fight him. If he wants a chance I will bet him $5,000 that he won't stay ten rounds with me. That looks like a fair proposition, doesn't it?"

The sports are of the opinion that a fight between Fitzsimmons and Corbett would be one of the fistic treats of the year. If they make up their minds to meet, several clubs will bid heavily for the encounter, which is certain to draw a big crowd.

STOLE MY WIFE, HUSBAND CRIES

TRUCK DRIVER ACCUSES H. G. MOORE, RETIRED MERCHANT.

Breaks Into Moore's House and Takes Him by the Throat—Arrested and Released. Goes Back Again—This Time He's Held for Assault—Mistake, Says Moore.

Henry Gibson Moore, a retired merchant living at 209 West Ninety-seventh street, appeared in the West Side police court yesterday afternoon to charge James Deegan, a truck driver, of 144 Eighth avenue, with assault. Moore, who is elderly and gray-haired, drove to court in a carriage. He wore a frock coat and silk hat and carried a cane. Deegan went to court in the patrol wagon.

"He came to my house last night looking for some woman," Moore explained to Magistrate Mayo when the truck driver was arraigned. "I told him that I didn't know anything about her. He shouted a great deal about my having taken his wife from him, and finally broke into the house. He seized me by the throat and pushed me back over a table. I called for help and my man servant got a policeman from the street. They pulled this man away and the policeman took him to the station.

"I know," said the Magistrate. "He was arraigned here this morning and I discharged him because no one appeared to complain against him. What happened to-day?"

"This morning," continued Moore, "I was talking to Detective Seaman when this man came again. He managed to enter the house and got hold of me. Then the detective arrested him and I came down here to appear against him."

While Moore was telling this story Deegan became more and more excited. Finally he broke in:

"Look at him," shouted the prisoner. "He's a millionaire and I'm only a poor truck driver. But he's got my wife. Haven't I a right to look for my wife, Judge? He's got her, and she's not the first woman——"

He got no further, for the Magistrate told him to tell what had happened.

"He's got my wife and I know it," persisted Deegan. "She has come to see me in a carriage, with diamonds all over her hands. She's with him and I went there last night looking for her. She used to be known as Annie Belmont.

"When I got to the house of this man standing there, Henry Gibson Moore, I asked to see Annie Belmont and they said they didn't know her. They wouldn't let me in.

"I went around to the side and got in through a window. I got hold of this here Henry Gibson Moore and told him I wanted to know where he'd put my wife. He says he didn't know her and didn't know no Annie Belmont. Then the policeman pulled me away and locked me up."

"But what about this morning?" asked the Magistrate. "You were arraigned here and discharged. What did you go back for?"

"I want my wife, Judge," replied the prisoner. "He knows about her. Hasn't a man a right to find his wife? Ain't I got a right to go there? I didn't hurt him. I don't mean no harm, but I want my wife. I know that he's got her."

"Do you know the woman he speaks of?" asked the Magistrate of Moore.

"I don't know his wife, nor do I know any Annie Belmont," said Moore. "There's no woman in the house but a colored servant."

The Magistrate held Deegan in $500 bail for trial. He was led away protesting that he had a right to look for his wife. Moore hurried out of court and drove away in his carriage. He would not talk about the case nor could he be seen last night. It was said that he came here from Philadelphia.

DR. BLAISDELL DROWNED.

Brooklyn Dentist Was on a Vacation at Deal Beach.

ASBURY PARK, N. J., Aug. 24.—Dr. James Blaisdell, a dentist of Brooklyn, was drowned this afternoon at Deal Beach. Dr. Blaisdell had just arrived for a week's vacation. He was accompanied in the surf by Miss Magdalene Harris, also of Brooklyn, and Miss Kelly of Deal. When they had been in the water a few minutes one of the three suggested that they carry Miss Kelly, who could not swim, across the deep place between the shore and the sand bar, a little distance off. The doctor held Miss Kelly on one side and Miss Harris held her on the other. In this way they supported her and began to swim. When half way over Miss Kelly became frightened and struggled. The other two tried to keep her up and bring her in to shore.

Life Guard Lamar hurried out alone and threw a life preserver to Miss Harris, at the same time catching Miss Kelly and holding her till the surfboat arrived. Meantime, so Lamar says, the doctor had started for the beach.

The surfboat, with Lamar and Miss Kelly, returned to the beach and it was some time before Blaisdell's absence was noted. When it was discovered Griswell Thompson, a New York broker, put off again in the surfboat with Lamar and made a search. The body was discovered by Mr. Thompson, who dived and brought it to the surface.

Drowned in Four Inches of Water.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Aug. 24.—James Carroll, 40 years old, was found drowned this morning in a ditch four inches deep at South River, near here. It is thought that he stumbled into the ditch while going home in the dark and that he struck upon his head and was stunned. He was face downward when found.

Wouldn't Take a "Dare;" Drowned.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Aug. 24.—Edward Brageley, 10 years old, although a poor swimmer, was "dared" to swim across the canal here this afternoon. He had gone but a short distance when he sank and drowned before help arrived.

Democratic Politician's Suicide.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., Aug. 24.—William Hinchcliff, a member of the Chautauqua County Democratic Committee, former editor of the Sinclairville *Commercial* and postmaster of the village during Cleveland's second administration, committed suicide yesterday by pouring kerosene oil over his clothing, setting it on fire and then running around the house to fan the flames. He had at different times shown signs of insanity.

Killed Wife and Lover, Then Himself.

DALLAS, Tex., Aug. 24.—Charles Stafford, who had been married only a few months, his bride being only 18 years old, returned from Beaumont to Orange about midnight last night and found his wife at Charles Stokes's home. He shot both of them dead. He then committed suicide by shooting a bullet into his head.

Louisianan Drops Dead in a Buffalo Hotel.

BUFFALO, Aug. 24.—David Athemus of Plaquemine, La., dropped dead in the corridor of the Iroquois Hotel this forenoon. He registered at the hotel last night and was identified by papers found in his clothing. It was not thought at first that he was dead and he was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where an attempt was made to revive him. Apoplexy was the cause of death.

Jocelyn Johnstone Ill.

Jocelyn Johnstone, secretary to Borough President Swanstrom of Brooklyn, is critically ill in a private hospital at 148 East Thirty-fifth street, Manhattan. He was operated upon a week ago for appendicitis, and while the operation was successful he has failed to rally.

BURGLAR BROOKS'S THEFTS.

He Robbed Mrs. E. C. Benedict and Got a Prominent Woman's Old Silver.

The police found out more yesterday as to "Gentleman George" Brooks, the Fifth avenue district burglar.

What is bothering the Detective Bureau most now is the question as to whether Brooks's wife can be brought on from Kansas City, where she is under arrest. The police think that she is an accomplice of her husband. She says that she thought Brooks bought all her fine dresses with money made in Wall Street.

While Capt. Langan was asking the District Attorney's office about this yesterday it was learned that a woman whom the police describe as a prominent society woman saw Brooks at the Tombs police court on Saturday about some very old silver which he stole from her house. She values it at $10,000.

Brooks broke down, and said that if he had known it was prized so highly he never would have stolen it. He added it had been melted and sold to the Assay Office in Wall street.

A maid employed by Mrs. E. C. Benedict of 10 West Fifty-first street went to the Detective Bureau yesterday and identified an ermine coat, valued at $700, and several other expensive furs as the property of Mrs. Benedict. A handsome Persian lamb coat in the lot, the maid thinks, belongs to one of Mrs. Benedict's neighbors, who is in Europe.

The Detective Bureau sleuths are now of the opinion that Brooks must have stolen much more than they thought. The estimate of his pilferings at first was set at about $20,000. Now it is known that he stole articles worth more than $50,000.

FATHER SHOWS NO MERCY.

Presses Charge of Theft Against His Son and Has Him Sent to Jail.

Robert E. Forbell, a farmer living in Bay Side, L. I., charged his fifteen-year-old boy, George Forbell, with stealing $271 in money from his home yesterday and refused to listen to the boy's pleas for forgiveness when he was arraigned before Magistrate Connorton in the Flushing police court.

On Sunday evening the boy was left in charge of the house, and when his parents returned they found a trunk broken open and $271 and the boy missing. The boy was traced from North Beach to a hotel near the Harlem Market in 102d street and First avenue, Manhattan, where he was found in bed asleep. When searched $251 was found in his possession and he said he intended taking an early train for Philadelphia.

The prisoner was held in $1,000 bail for the Grand Jury, and as it was not forthcoming he was taken to the county jail.

DEVERY DIDN'T MAKE A SPEECH.

Shook Hands With the Police Band—They Didn't Want Him to Talk.

The police band, seventy-two strong, spent yesterday at Rockaway Beach. The band and its friends, who numbered more than 600, went to Rockaway in a special train and at the beach had a parade and a dinner, followed by a concert on the Iron Pier. Some of Big Bill Devery's friends wanted him to make a speech to the band, but the ex-Chief contented himself with shaking hands with his friends, and the band did not even play "Mr. Devery" in his honor.

It was said that most of the members of the band felt that any other participation on the part of Mr. Devery in their outing might injure their interests, and consequently Big Bill was not allowed to be a feature of the celebration.

RUNAWAY AT THE FLATIRON.

Grocer's Horse Injures Two in His Dash Up Fifth Avenue.

A horse which was drawing a grocer's wagon balked yesterday afternoon at Fifth avenue and Twenty-third street, throwing its driver, George Rudolph, to the street. Frederick Krieger of 1427 Winthrop place, in The Bronx, tried to stop the horse opposite the Flatiron building, was knocked down and seriously hurt.

The horse then ran to Fifth avenue, which was crowded with vehicles, until he ran against a hydrant at Twenty-sixth street and was knocked down.

The driver was not badly hurt. Krieger was taken to the New York Hospital.

MOTHER TOLD HIM TO SHOOT.

Why a Kentucky Youth Killed His Sister's Husband.

MIDDLESBORO, Ky., Aug. 24.—Cyrus Robinson, aged 22, shot and killed Frank Davis, his brother-in-law, at Shawnee yesterday and then fled to the mountains. Davis married Robinson's sister, and the Robinsons were bitterly opposed to the match.

Mrs. Robinson is reported to have paid her son to do the deed, saying that if he did not kill Davis she would.

Davis's little sister, 10 years old, seized his pistol and rushed after Robinson, but was unable to fire the weapon.

Our Players Head Canadian Cricketers.

TORONTO, Ontario, Aug. 24.—Canadians played in hard luck to-day in their international game with the United States cricket team. They lost the toss, to begin with, and the whole day's play went against them. The home team put up a good game, but the American team, although they lacked some of their best men through the absence of Philadelphia men outclassed them. The weather was splendid and the crease perfect. The visitors, who batted splendidly, scored 60 runs in the first 59 minutes of play and at lunch they had 90 runs, for three wickets. The Americans made short work of the home team, who finished their innings in a little over an hour for 47 runs, notwithstanding the fact that most of them proved they are capable batsmen. The score: United States, 167; Canada, 47. The visitors began their second innings with 55 runs for three wickets.

Negro's Tale of Mob Attack Denied.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 24.—D. M. Lemoine, Town Marshal of Mansura, La., denies the story of the negro mail agent, J. Bowman, that he resigned from the postal service in fear of his life, having been attacked by a mob at Mansura while in the performance of his duties. Lemoine says that he, Lemoine, is the mob from which Bowman fled. Bowman, he says, had assaulted a white boy and drawn a pistol on him, when Lemoine appeared and, acting as an officer of the law, attempted to arrest the negro, who fled and reported to the postal authorities that he had been attacked by a mob.

G. A. Kessler Buys the Lauterbach House.

George A. Kessler bought the Edward Lauterbach residence, at 2 East Seventy-eighth street, yesterday for about $200,000. It is a four-story and basement house, containing twenty-eight rooms, and occupies a lot 27x100 feet. The Lauterbachs have lived in it for fifteen years. It was on the market last fall, after the marriages of Misses Edith and Florence Lauterbach. The sale to Mr. Kessler was arranged by E. De Forest Simmons.

The Season's First Porto Rico Oranges.

Sixty boxes of Porto Rico oranges, the first consigned here this season, got in yesterday on the steamship Coamo, five weeks earlier than last year's first lot. The importers of the Porto Rico oranges expect that, because of the late and hurricane-worried crop in Jamaica, the Porto Rico fruit will meet with more favor this season than in the two previous seasons.

Blind Get Annual Dole.

Three hundred and seventy-six blind people in Brooklyn received the annual pittance from the city through the Department of Charities yesterday. Each person got $49.

FINANCE BILL WILL BE PASSED,

SAYS H. H. KOHLSAAT AFTER A TALK WITH THE PRESIDENT.

He Believes the Measure Will Not Be an Attempt to Revise the Entire Currency System, but Will Probably Consist of Two or Three Amendments.

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., Aug. 24.—H. H. Kohlsaat of Chicago, who was here a few days ago talking over matters relating to currency legislation with the President, came to Sagamore Hill again to-day for another conference on the subject. Mr. Kohlsaat, it is said, has been collecting information from many sources for Mr. Roosevelt about the general feeling as to the advisability of enacting financial legislation.

He said to-day, after his return from the President's house, that he believed Mr. Roosevelt would succeed in having a financial measure introduced in the extra session and passed without serious opposition. The measure, Mr. Kohlsaat said, would not represent any attempt to revise the entire currency system, but would probably be in the form of two or three amendments to existing currency laws. The whole bill, Mr. Kohlsaat thought, would not be more than twenty-five or thirty lines long.

There was, he said, general favor shown by those who are most prominently interested in the proposed legislation toward the proposition to open the customs receipts for deposit in national banks, and also toward the repeal of the redemption clause in the National Banking act, which limits the amount of national bank notes which may be withdrawn from circulation in a month to $3,000,000. There is, Mr. Kohlsaat said, too great a divergence in the views of the country at large on financial legislation to permit of anything more than the passage of a brief remedial measure at present.

Mr. Kohlsaat was asked about the reports which have been current recently that he might soon succeed Postmaster-General Payne as a Cabinet officer.

"There is nothing in the report," he said. "There will be no change in the Cabinet as it stands now, if Mr. Roosevelt can help it, until the close of his present Administration. And anyway," he added, "I do not desire public office for myself and Mr. Roosevelt has had no place within his gift that I could accept."

Other visitors to-day were Gov. Murphy of New Jersey, Senators Kean and Dryden of the same State, and George W. Aldridge, formerly Superintendent of Public Works in this State.

The New Jersey delegation visited Sagamore Hill to invite the President to be present at the unveiling, on Sept. 17, of the monument which has been erected by New Jersey on the battlefield of Antietam. The President accepted the invitation. Gov. Murphy will probably deliver the presentation speech and Mr. Roosevelt will accept the monument on behalf of the State.

VAN WORMER BOYS RESPITED.

Their Counsel Expects to Have Death Sentences Changed to Life Imprisonment.

ALBANY, Aug. 24.—A further respite, from Sept. 1 to Oct. 1, has been granted the three Van Wormer boys, who are awaiting execution at Clinton prison for the murder of their uncle, Peter A. Hallenbeck, at Greenport, Columbia county, on Christmas Eve, two years ago.

This respite was granted at the request of the boys' counsel, Judge J. Rider Cady of Hudson, who desires more time in which to prepare the facts upon which he has based his application to Gov. Odell for a change in sentences from death to life imprisonment. Judge Cady thinks that he will be able to present such an array of reasons for a change in the sentences that Gov. Odell cannot hesitate to grant his application in behalf of the boys.

Gov. Odell has appointed Dr. Eugene H. Howard of the Rochester State Hospital and Dr. Arthur W. Hurd of the Buffalo State Hospital a commission to inquire into the sanity of Patrick Conklin of New York city. Conklin is awaiting execution in Sing Sing for the shooting and killing of his wife. No plea of insanity was made at the trial. His counsel is Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler of New York City.

The commission appointed by Gov. Odell to inquire into the sanity of Clarence Egnor will go to Auburn prison for that purpose to-morrow. The commission comprises Dr. Henry E. Allison of the State Asylum for Insane Criminals and Dr. Morris C. Ashley of the Middletown State Hospital. Egnor was a convict in Auburn prison, serving a short sentence for jail breaking, when he killed a guard in one of the prison shops. At Egnor's trial it was contended that he was subject to epileptic fits and was temporarily insane when he committed the murder.

JOHN FOLEY DEAD.

He Helped to Break Up the Tweed Ring and Was a Member of the Committee of 70.

John Foley, whose fight against the Tweed ring had much to do with breaking up that ring and who carried on his work against municipal corruption with such vigor that his opponents called him a common scold, died on Saturday night at his home, 442 Lexington avenue. He was born in Ireland, in 1834, and started a gold pen business which, in the course of time, made him comparatively wealthy.

In 1871, after Tammany had abolished the office of Supervisor, to which he had been elected, he helped to start the Committee of Seventy. He then got out an injunction against the Tweed officeholders, whose corruption Foley alleged had cost the city $50,000,000. President Grant and Cov. Tilden supported him in that fight. Mr. Foley leaves a widow and eight children by his first wife.

Obituary Notes.

Jacob K. Stiefel, a season cottager at Saratoga, who on Friday was prostrated by a third stroke of apoplexy, died suddenly yesterday morning at the McLaughlin cottage, 165 South Broadway. He was a lace importer of 457 Broome street and resided at 23 East Ninety-fourth street, this city. He was born in Germany 49 years ago. Mr. Stiefel, who was married, went to Saratoga early in the summer. His health had become impaired by a protracted attack of cirrhosis of the liver. The remains will be taken to Cypress Hills Cemetery, Brooklyn, for interment to-morrow.

Word was received in New Brunswick, N. J., yesterday, of the death at Cape Town, South Africa, of Bayard Lowber Smith, son of the late D. Lowber Smith, who was Assistant Commissioner of Public Works of New York about ten years ago. No hint of his illness had been received by his mother. He died of enteric fever on July 26. Smith went to Africa in February, 1902, after returning from the Klondike. He enlisted in the English Army there and later in the Cape Mounted Police. He was a sergeant at the time of his death.

Samuel A. House of Baltimore, 72 years old, manager of Bradstreet's agency in that city, and well known in financial circles, died very suddenly of heart failure on Sunday afternoon while viewing the falls from the Glens Falls bridge. With him at the time were his wife, Mrs. House's sister, Mrs. S. B. Mann of New York, and his niece and nephew, Miss Edith Mann and Charles Mann of New York.

Alfred Baxter Canon, who was a newspaper cartoonist and, for several years, a constant contributor to the Sunday papers in this city and Philadelphia, died of apoplexy, yesterday, in St. Barnabas's Hospital, Newark. He was 32 years old and was the youngest son of William S. Canon, a prominent insurance agent of Newark.

George D. Weiss, 65 years of age, a leather dealer of New York city, who had been stopping for seven weeks in the Catskills, died on an Ulster and Delaware Railroad train yesterday morning of Bright's disease. The body was taken in charge by an undertaker in Kingston and will be forwarded to this city to-day.

Joseph F. Sanxay, a retired clothing merchant of 533 Washington avenue, Brooklyn, died at Sugar Hill, N. H., on Sunday. He was born in this city 78 years ago. At one time he was a member of the New Jersey Legislature. Two daughters and one son survive him.

John Carmichael of Amsterdam, N. Y., former Mayor and well-known Democratic politician, died yesterday at the age of 82. He had served as Village President of Amsterdam from 1860 to 1889.

SNELL MAY BE TURNED DOWN.

His Appointment as Keeper of Naponoch Reformatory Held Up by Gov. Odell.

FONDA, N. Y., Aug. 24.—From a prominent Republican of Montgomery county THE SUN correspondent learns to-night that, in his opinion, it is very doubtful if Jacob Snell is appointed keeper of the Reformatory at Napanoch, as Gov. Odell, who a long time ago promised to appoint Mr. Snell to the place, is now evidently "holding it up." The present keeper of the Napanoch Reformatory is said to be a personal friend of Senator Jotham P. Allds of Chenango county, and Mr. Allds, it is understood, is anxious that his friend should remain in charge. It is also said that Speaker Nixon of the Assembly favors the retention of the present warden.

It is generally believed that Congressman Littauer continues bitterly to oppose Snell's appointment. A politician of some prominence says he believes that the Governor would willingly make the appointment if Mr. Snell would let up in his fight in Montgomery county against the followers of Littauer. Those who know Mr. Snell best say that he will never consent to any such agreement, even if his refusal prevents his appointment. In fact, the close political friends of Mr. Snell are opposed to his making any concessions whatever to the Littauer wing of the party in the county.

While it is believed that Senator Platt has only the best wishes for his lieutenant, Mr. Snell, he likewise is very closely associated in a political way with Senator Allds, and consequently will take no sides in the matter.

CONVENTION DATES ARRANGED.

Kings Democratic Committee Agrees On Oct. 3 for County Nominations.

The Kings County Democratic General Committee met in the Jefferson Building, Brooklyn, last night, and arranged dates for the various conventions to be held to nominate candidates for the various offices to be filled this fall. Richard W. Bainbridge presided.

Former Bridge Commissioner John L. Shea, chairman of the Executive Committee, reported that the committee recommended these dates:

Assembly District conventions for the election of delegates to the Judiciary Convention, Sept. 24; County Convention for the nominations of a District Attorney, Sheriff, County Clerk and Register, Oct. 3, and Assembly District conventions for the nominations of Assemblymen and Aldermen, Oct. 5.

Kings county will be represented in the City Convention in Manhattan by 220 delegates. Under the reapportionment based upon the Gubernatorial vote, there will be 318 delegates in the next General Committee, instead of 310. Before the meeting adjourned, resolutions of sympathy on the death of former Congressman John M. Clancy, the leader of the Second Assembly district, were unanimously adopted.

TO DECIDE UPON NOMINATIONS?

Brooklyn Republican Leaders Are to Be the Guests of ex-Lieut.-Gov. Woodruff.

The members of the executive committee of the Republican County Committee of Brooklyn, will start for the Adirondacks on Friday to be the guests for a week of former Lieutenant-Governor Timothy L. Woodruff at his camp. Col. Michael J. Dady is expected to return from Havana to-day and will accompany the party. It is expected that the Republican leaders will decide upon the ticket to be placed in nomination for District Attorney, Sheriff, County Clerk and Register in Brooklyn this fall.

GOV. ODELL ON SPEAKING TOUR.

Will Address County Fairs and Farmers' Picnics Throughout the State.

ALBANY, Aug. 24.—For the first time since he left on his Pacific Coast trip, early in July, Gov. Odell to-day was at the Executive Chamber. To-night he again left Albany, and to-morrow begins a tour of the State to address county fairs and farmers' picnics. To-morrow he speaks in Geneseo, Livingston county; Wednesday, at Hornellsville, Steuben county; Thursday, at Altamont, Albany county; Friday, at Sandy Hill, Washington county, and Saturday, at Margaretville, Delaware county.

Devery Gets a Bronx Recruit.

Thomas J. Mulligan, who was Deputy Commissioner of Water Supply under the Van Wyck administration, and who lives in the annexed district, is a convert to Deveryism. It is said to be his purpose to run for Alderman on the Bug ticket.

The Seagoers.

Voyagers by the North German Lloyd liner Kaiser Wilhelm II., off to-day for Bremen, by way of Plymouth and Cherbourg include:

Major H. K. Bird, Military Secretary to Gov. Odell; Harmar D. Denny, Charles A. Bryan, Donner Elmenhorst, Mrs. Charles I. Hudson, Gen. and Mrs. Edward Kirkpatrick, the Hon. Clifford Lifton of Ontario, Henry Mayer, Warner Van Norden, the Rev. A. M. Powell, Baroness von Reitzenstein, George Reinhart, Edward M. C. Toner and Mrs. Scott Winslow.

Arrivals by the Atlantic transport liner Minneapolis, in from London:

Bernard N. Baker, W. H. Blackford, Joseph Burns, Charles H. Cates, George D. Dana, the Rev. J. H. Eccleston, D.D., Charles R. Kirk, D. T. H. Mackinnon, J. K. McCrew, H. C. Penn, A. F. Sammis, Albert V. W. Tallman, A. Trowbridge, John R. Waldo and George H. Whiteley.

The White Star liner Cymric, from Liverpool and Queenstown, brought in:

W. H. Gilmore, Miss J. M. Pugh, R. Buckstone, Robert M. Eberle and Miss Simpson, all player folk; Paul Auriac, the automobilist, and Mrs. Auriac; Mrs. Mary L. Baker, Emory H. Barton, Dr. and Mrs. O. S. Brigham, the Rev. Dr. Philip B. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Bristol, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Decker, Jr.; H. B. Duckworth, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Field, Mrs. H. M. French, Mr. and Mrs. John Grimshaw, the Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Hodge, Henry H. Johnston, W. R. Kerschner, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Park, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. A. Parsell and Mrs. C. A. Summer.

The Weather.

There was a storm of moderate intensity central over South Dakota yesterday and moving northeastward attended by high winds in the upper Mississippi and Missouri valleys and the upper Lake regions, with cloudy weather and rains and in some places thunder storms. There were also a few scattered showers from the lower Lakes east to the lower New England and New York and New Jersey coasts in the morning. In the Dakotas and Minnesota the rainfall was heavy.

The pressure was high over the Great Lakes and on the South Atlantic Coast. It was generally warmer over the country, and the conditions favor light to fresh winds from a northerly point to-day.

In this city the day was partly cloudy, with light showers in the early morning; winds light to fresh northerly; average humidity 61 per cent.; barometer, corrected to read to sea level, at 8 A. M., 29.93; 8 P. M., 29.90.

The temperature yesterday, as recorded by the official thermometer, is shown in the annexed table:

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