BRIDGE LOOP PLAN UP AGAIN.

STORMY MEETING OF THE RAPID TRANSIT COMMISSION.

Interborough Declares That If an Elevated Is Built There Is No Hope of a Bidder for a Subway—Hope, It is Said, to Kill the Proposed Third Avenue Subway.

The Rapid Transit Commission was told yesterday by representatives of the Interborough company that should the scheme to connect the bridges by an elevated loop be carried through it would kill the plan for joining the bridges by subway. It was explained that the traffic would not warrant two loops and that the board could not hope for bidders for the subway routes if the elevated was sanctioned.

This assertion was made after the board had listened most of the afternoon to a large delegation of civic and business organizations of Brooklyn who urged building the elevated. It was one of the noisiest gatherings that the commission has had to face in a long time.

In the room were Paul D. Cravath, counsel to August Belmont; Vice-President E. P. Bryant of the Interborough company, President H. H. Vreeland of the Metropolitan system and John E. McDonald, who submitted to the commission last week a new subway loop plan. Mr. Cravath spoke for them all.

"Whatever plan you adopt you will have the hearty cooperation of the Interborough company," said Mr. Cravath. "But at the same time I have been instructed to say that we do not believe that this elevated plan will bring about any adequate relief. An elevated road to run through Delancey street and down Centre street could only be operated by the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, but such a scheme would mean the ruin of Centre street as a main artery of vehicular traffic in this borough. It is doubtful if such a plan would bring much relief because it would bring the passengers using both the Brooklyn and Williamsburg bridges to a common meeting place at City Hall Park and would lead to even more confusion than exists now. Nor would it give travelling facilities to the workers in the lower part of the city, because they would naturally leave the trains at the City Hall station and would continue their journey downtown on foot.

Mr. Cravath went on to say that if the commission determined on an elevated loop his company would be willing to work in conjunction with the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company if the plan to run the Brooklyn trains over a second story to be added to the present Third avenue elevated structure in the Bowery should be carried out. Then Mr. Cravath warned the commission that they would be unable to get bids if the separate elevated loop was built.

One interesting incident of yesterday's meeting was the appearance of John B. McDonald with the representatives of the Interborough and Metropolitan interests. At last week's meeting of the commission he presented a plan for a new subway for the connection of the bridges. After the meeting Mr. McDonald said that he was not connected with either the Metropolitan or Interborough and that he meant his road to be an entirely independent one of his own planning.

It was shown yesterday, however, that should his plan be adopted it would destroy the commission's proposed Third avenue route. The Third avenue line as laid out by the commission runs from the Harlem River, under Third avenue, the Bowery and Park place and thence under Nassau street. Mr. McDonald's plan takes in that part of Nassau street between Park row and Liberty street. When the commission was holding public hearings on proposed routes that on Third avenue was persistently fought by the Interborough company. Further, the company has made several applications to the board for a franchise to add a third track to the elevated structure on Third avenue, to be used for express trains. The adoption of Mr. McDonald's loop would aid the Interborough on both points.

When Mr. McDonald laid his scheme before the commission last week it was handed over to Chief Engineer Rice, and he made his report yesterday. He said that the greater part of Mr. McDonald's route was made up of lines which had already been laid out by the board, and pointed out that it was not so comprehensive as the systems adopted by the board. In his report Mr. Rice said:

If Mr. McDonald should transfer his southern projection to William street there surely could be no objection to the immediate letting of this route as a separate contract; it would be a part of the plan as suggested by the board, and with that modification would be a part of the original scheme of the board as recommendended about two years ago, since which time continuous work has been done in perfecting the necessary steps to let a contract. The plans of this loop could be ready for public letting some time this month if the board so ordered. It would cost, independent of equipment, $12,500,000, and could be so built that future connection could be made in accordance with the original plans, and provision also made for carrying out the scheme of the board in its entirety.

After the meeting one of the Commissioners said it seemed to him that the Interborough company by threatening not to bid for a subway, should the elevated loop be constructed, was trying to prevent the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company from getting an entrance into Manhattan except over the elevated structures of the Manhattan railroad system and was seeking by means of the suggested subway loop to take in part of Nassau street to block the construction of the Third avenue subway.

The elevated loop proposition has been rejected by the commission at least half a dozen times. Some weeks ago it was revived on a motion made by Comptroller Metz and another public hearing was set for yesterday. The hearing was turbulent from start to finish. Speakers representing a dozen or more organizations demanded the building of the elevated loop as the only outlook for providing immediate relief. At previous hearings the men from Brooklyn have made their addresses in the form of appeals, but yesterday several of them went so far as to draw the attention of the commission to the recommendation made by Gov. Hughes in his message for the removal of the commission and threatened that unless their demands were complied with they would go to Albany to work for the adoption of such a bill. Several times President Orr because of the turbulence made threats to adjourn the meeting, but they were without effect.

It had been intended that the hearing should be given yesterday only to those in favor of the elevated loop, but Henry C. Wright of the City Club, Gregory Weinstein of the East Side Civic Club and J. Warren Greene of Brooklyn were allowed to speak in opposition. Mr. Greene said that while it was proper to present arguments to the commission it was decidedly improper to threaten to disgrace the commission by working for their removal, and as that statement started another commotion Mr. Orr moved that the hearing be adjourned and the motion was adopted.

The commission will hold a special meeting next Tuesday to consider the loop plans.

Chinese Customs Statistics Held Back.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 3.—Sir Robert Hart, Director-General of the Imperial Customs, has issued, under orders received from the Chinese Customs Board, an important circular to commissioners of customs to discontinue the usual courtesy of showing foreign Consuls the annual statistics of any port until the statistics shall have been officially printed and issued.

SORRY TO LOSE HENRY WHITE.

Italian Court Regrets the Ambassador's Transfer to Paris.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

ROME, Jan. 3.—Ambassador White and his family returned here Tuesday. They will remain in Rome for two months before going to Paris, where Mr. White will succeed Ambassador McCormick. They will probably spend two weeks in Florence, where Mr. White rented a small villa before he was aware of his transfer.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. White had an hour's audience of the King and Queen, who were most cordial. Their Majesties repeatedly expressed regret at their coming departure from Rome. Subsequently Mr. White visited Signor Tittoni at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, who said that he regretted extremely Mr. White's departure, adding that it would be a great loss.

In the evening the Whites attended the New Year state diplomatic reception at the Quirinal. They received marked attention from the King and Queen, who conversed with them at great length and repeatedly expressed deep regret that they were to leave Rome. The diplomatic body, members of the royal household and many friends join in the regrets. Mr. White will present his letters of recall some time in February.

FATAL SPANISH FOOD RIOTS.

Town Rebels Against Increased Prices—Two Killed by Guards.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

MADRID, Jan. 3.—Serious disturbances occurred yesterday at Alicante, in the province of Valencia, as the result of a proposal by the authorities to make a change in the collection of the octroi (the tax levied on the articles entering the town), by which change food will be made dearer. Crowds gathered, forbade the provision shops from opening and stoned the shopkeepers who disobeyed.

They also surrounded the tax offices and attempted to set fire to them. Finally the civil guard was forced to charge, shots were exchanged and two persons were killed and several wounded.

At Sagunto, in the same province, a crowd, on the arrival of the new chief tax collector, stoned him and attempted to seize him, upon which the civil guard charged. Shots were exchanged and two persons were killed and several others wounded, three of them seriously.

CZAR CUTS DOWN CABINET.

Ministries of War and Finance Abolished to Avoid Questioning by the Duma.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 3.—At a council held at Tsarskoe-Selo to-day, the Czar presiding, it was decided to abolish the offices of Minister of War and Minister of Marine. These departments henceforth will be governed by staff committees and the Czar will be personally the sole chief of each service.

This decision was taken in view of the existing fundamental laws, which require the Ministers of War and Marine to reply to interpellations in the Duma.

The Czar deemed that this was against the interests of the imperial defence. Consequently questions relating to the army and navy will be replied to by a staff officer.

The decision involves the retirement of Gen. Boediger and Vice-Admiral Biriloff. It is understood that Admiral Dubassoff will become chief of the naval staff.

BRITISH ARMY STORES BURNED.

Fire on the Gun Wharf at Portsmouth Does $1,250,000 Damage.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PORTSMOUTH, Jan. 3.—The fire which started last night in the military storehouses on the Gun Wharf and at one time threatened to reach the armory and the ammunition stores was the largest Portsmouth has seen for many years and created a panic in the town for a time.

The whole of the city fire department was called out to fight it and all the warships in the harbor landed fire parties. The army stores building, which contained equipment for an entire corps, was totally destroyed, but the firemen managed to confine the flames to that building and were in control at 2:30 o'clock. The damage is estimated at $1,250,000.

GERMAN SEA CAPTAINS GIVE IN.

Resign From Their Union at the Order of the Companies.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

BREMEN, Jan. 3.—All the officers of the steamships of the North German Lloyd Company have obeyed the orders of the management and have resigned from the Association of German Captains and Officers of the Mercantile Marine. Similar action on the part of all the other shipping companies of Bremen had the same result. Moreover, the captains and other officers of ships serving on the Chinese coast lines have cabled their submission to the companies, with the exception of three, who have been dismissed.

MUTINY IN AUSTRIAN NAVY.

Sailors on Three Ships Refuse to Obey Their Officers.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

VIENNA, Jan. 3.—News has been received here that the crews of the Austrian battleship Arpad, the cruiser St. Georg and the naval hulk Bellona have repeatedly refused to obey their officers and petty officers. The mutinous incidents began on December 3 and were continued on December 17. An investigation has been ordered.

NEW M'KINLEY STATUE.

Cast Successfully in Florence for the Town of Somerville, N. J.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

FLORENCE, Jan. 3.—A ten foot bronze statue of the late President McKinley for Somerville, N. J., by the Sicilian sculptor Trentacosta, was cast successfully to-day at the Callo foundry here in the presence of the American Consul and other Americans.

The work is regarded as a masterpiece.

Swiss Boss for Moroccan Police.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

BERNE, Jan. 3.—The Swiss Government has accepted the invitation forwarded to it by Foreign Minister Caballeros of Spain to nominate under the terms of the Algeciras convention an inspector-general of the Moroccan international police.

Friends of Perry Belmont Win.

At a meeting of the Democratic county committee of Suffolk county, held at Riverhead yesterday to perfect an organization for 1907, E. B. Dusenberry was reelected chairman. A resolution was adopted approving of the action of the executive committee in recognizing Perry Belmont as the duly and legally elected member of the Democratic State committee from the First Senate district.

Kansas Towns Pleading for Fuel.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 3.—Lakin and other towns in western Kansas are out of coal and with freezing weather there seems no hope for relief. The people plead for fuel, but the railroads promise no immediate shipment. A dozen points on the Rock Island are without fuel. The situation is serious.

RUSSIAN POLICE CHIEF SLAIN.

GEN. LAUNITZ, PREFECT OF ST. PETERSBURG, ASSASSINATED.

Murderer Killed With a Sword by General's Aide—Dead Official an Oppressor of Revolutionaries Who Had Had a Free Hand in the Capital Since the Duma Dissolved.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 3.—Gen. von der Launitz, prefect of police of St. Petersburg, was assassinated at noon to-day. He was present in his official capacity at the inauguration of the new hospital for skin diseases on Lopuchinskaia street, which was opened by the Grand Duke and Grand Duchess Oldenburg.

After a service in the chapel of the hospital Gen. Launitz was escorting the Duke and Duchess toward the door when a well dressed young man fired two revolver shots, both piercing the prefect's brain. He died on the spot.

An officer seized the assassin's revolver and the Grand Duke's aide-de-camp drew his sword and ran the murderer through the body, killing him. Two bystanders were arrested.

Gen. Launitz was formerly Governor of Tamboff, where he dealt severely with the revolutionaries. It is believed the assassin came from Tamboff.

Launitz made himself very active last August in clearing St. Petersburg of persons objectionable to the Government, whom he classed as "vagabonds." The St. Petersburg *Gazette* said at the time that in one day alone the expulsions numbered 2,800.

Gen. Dedulin, governor of the imperial palaces, attended the death service over Gen. von der Launitz this evening and placed wreaths from the Czar and Czarina on the coffin.

Gen. Dedulin said the Czar was profoundly depressed by the continued Terrorist assassinations. It is known that a list of twenty-seven names of men marked for death, which was taken in the recent domiciliary searches, included those of Generals Ignatieff, von der Launitz, Dubessoff, Litvinoff and Reinbodt. The latter was recently unsuccessfully attacked in Moscow. It is expected that he will succeed Gen. von der Launitz.

Von der Launitz as prefect of police of St. Petersburg was practically the absolute ruler of the Russian capital. The dissolution of the national Duma left him with this high authority of which he made full use.

In the last days of last year a detached squad of secret police arrested nearly 600 persons charged with undue activity in revolutionary matters and political agitation. Thirty-three of the prisoners were women whose language on certain occasions had brought them to the notice of the police.

Launitz made himself most obnoxious, however, among the various political parties that sprang up during and after the holding of the national Duma. All efforts to have these factions legalized as national parties were met by the prefect of police with summary refusals.

The assassination of Gen. Count Alexis Ignatieff at Tver on December 22 and the attempt to kill Vice-Admiral Doubassoff, former Governor-General of Moscow, did much to increase the severity of Von der Launitz and to excite the vigilance of the police. By right of the authority vested in his office, the prefect could search whatever house he desired, could arrest citizens without process of law, could deport suspected persons on his own say so and suspend the publication of newspapers.

On November 14 Von der Launitz suppressed the St. Petersburg *Russ* for declaring that Mlle. Benedictová had been executed while enceinte. The woman was convicted of trying to blow up the naval court-martial building at Cronstadt. Her execution took place on October 30.

VALPARAISO LOSES INSURANCE.

All Companies Repudiate Liability for Earthquake Damage.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 3.—At a meeting of the Royal Insurance Company held to-day the chairman announced that all the fire insurance companies, British and foreign, which held risks in Valparaiso repudiated liabilities for damages sustained there by the earthquake of August 16, 1906, the conditions in the policies being different from those in the case of San Francisco. Numerous lawsuits on behalf of policyholders have been begun.

SUFFRAGETTES OUT OF JAIL.

The Rev. Dr. Aked Sends One of Them a Gift of Flowers.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The eleven suffragettes who were sent to Holloway jail last month on refusal to pay a fine imposed on them for making a disturbance in the lobby of the House of Commons on December 17 were released to-day. One of them received a magnificent floral trophy from the Rev. Dr. Charles F. Aked of Liverpool, who has just accepted a call to the pastorship of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, New York. It bore the message, "With sympathy, affection and admiration."

CUBANS DON'T WANT MARINES.

Commission to Revise the Laws Suggests They Be Sent Back.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

HAVANA, Jan. 3.—The commission appointed to revise the laws held its first regular session to-day. Sub-committees were appointed to report on the municipal, electoral, civil service and judiciary laws.

The commission subsequently visited Gov. Magoon. The members declared that the American marines were anxious to get away from Cuba, and the commissioners thought they should be sent back to the United States, they having put an end to the rebellion.

PERSIAN ASSEMBLY OPENS.

Tackles Financial Problem First—Speech From a Generous Deputy.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

TEHERAN, Persia, Jan. 3.—The first official meeting of the National Assembly was held to-day. The session was devoted to a consideration of the country's finances. It was decided to carry on an earnest propaganda for the financial relief of the Government.

One of the most striking features of the debate was a speech by the Deputy from Shiraz. He urged that it was the duty of the public to help the Government financially, leaving the repayment of the capital and interest to chance.

Gompers Says He Isn't Dodging Service.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

HAVANA, Jan. 3.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, denies that he came to Havana to avoid a summons to testify as a witness in the conspiracy case against the Chicago labor leaders. He says he will return to the United States as soon as his health permits.

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PLANS FOR HIGHEST BUILDING.

New Metropolitan Life Tower Will Be 657 Feet Above Ground.

The plans for the great tower that is to complete the mammoth marble office building of the Metropolitan Life, covering the block on Madison and Fourth avenues from Twenty-third to Twenty-fourth street, were filed with Building Superintendent Murphy yesterday by Napoleon LeBrun & Son, the architects of the building. The tower will occupy the site of Dr. Parkhurst's old church, at the southeast corner of Madison avenue and Twenty-fourth street, and is to be the loftiest building in the world, rising to a total height of 657 feet 5 inches above the curb level. It will be forty-six stories high—five more than the Singer Building tower under its amended plans.

The tower will be a part of an eleven story annex to the main building with a frontage of 74 feet 1 inch on Madison avenue and extending 150 feet on Twenty-fourth street. The tower will be 74 feet square up to a height of 492 feet 9¾ inches and will be lighted at each story by nine windows on each of three sides. It will be of steel skeleton frame filled out with ornamental brick and marble to match the main structure. Above the main section will be a peaked dome 94 feet high, with an octagonal cupola 70 additional feet high, decorated with Ionic columns and crowned with a glass globe 4 feet in diameter. At the twenty-eighth story will be a porch with an arched colonnade, and there will be an open observatory balcony at the base of the dome, 586 feet above the street. Extending from the twenty-fourth to the twenty-sixth story, inclusive, will be an ornamental clock 25 feet in diameter, with its centre line 335 feet above the curb.

The tower will be fitted with six fast passenger elevators, three on either side of the entrance, and a fireproof staircase with three landings to each story will extend from the ground to the top of the cupola.

Three water storage tanks, each of 7,500 gallons capacity, will be installed on the twenty-sixth, thirty-eighth and forty-fourth stories of the tower, and connected with a continuous line of six inch standpipe to supply water above the level of the eleven story main building and for use in case of emergency.

Architect LeBrun filed sixty-one large drawings showing the wind bracing and other engineering features of the tower, together with two drawings showing its architectural elevations. These are the fourth set of drawings filed for the edifice.

The tower is to cost $2,000,000.

A SECOND ATLANTIC CITY.

Story of Millions That Are to Be Invested on Hempstead Shore.

HEMPSTEAD, L. I., Jan. 3.—People here are interested in a report that a syndicate has purchased all the beach on the south of Hempstead town, which is about eight miles or more long and which they propose to convert into another Atlantic City. It is said that the sale will include the present Long Beach cottages and hotel. This beach for four years has been growing steadily and its possibilities as a money maker have been seen by speculators. It is said that the syndicate is composed of Frank Bailey of the Title Guarantee and Trust Company, Henry Morgenhau, Frank Reynolds, Patrick McCarren and a number of Cincinnati capitalists.

The present Long Beach Company not only owns the western half of the beach but has a lease of the eastern end which still has thirty years to run and which interest could not be bought for a nominal sum. If the new company gets control the Long Island Railroad, it is said, will double track the entire length of the beach and make the run from the new Pennsylvania depot in New York in forty minutes. The sum of $10,000,000 will be spent, according to the story, on the stretch of beach, which will have a board walk, cottages and hotels for its entire length. Steamers will run on the inside route, a small line being in operation now during the summer months. The Farmers Loan and Trust Company holds claims on the property, which will be sold February 8 to clear the title absolutely.

Anarchist's Bail Fixed at $12,000.

PATERSON, N. J., Jan. 3.—Luigi Galleani the Italian anarchist who was brought to this city from Vermont last night, was taken before Judge Scott in the Court of Quarter Sessions this morning and held in $12,000 bail on six indictments, $2,000 on each count. He pleaded not guilty to the indictments and was remanded to jail in default of bail to await trial on January 21.

Drops Dead Reading His Own Funny Poem.

BOSTON, Jan. 3.—Former Mayor John B. Henderson of Everett dropped dead when reading a humorous poem of his own composition at a banquet given in honor of Mayor Boynton at the Quincy House to-night. Heart disease was the cause of death.

ANTI-WENDEL MAN DISCHARGED.

Groth Gets His Dismissal From the Captain Himself.

Capt. Louis Wendel discharged yesterday Franz Groth, one of the employees about the armory in Sixty-sixth street who has made charges of extortion against the Captain. Groth has a battered face which he got at the hands of four strange men while going home from work New Year's eve. He lays both injuries and discharge to his having made the charges against the Captain.

Groth has sworn that he got his job after agreeing to pay $30 for one of the Wendel houses that he never occupied, although he was instructed to say that he lived there.

Groth went back to work Tuesday morning but was told by Armorer Jansen that he was discharged. Groth asked the reason and was told that he was no longer needed.

Yesterday he came down to Assistant District Attorney Hart, who has secured most of the affidavits in the case, and told him that he had been fired. Mr. Hart informed him that his discharge was not legal and that he held his job until Capt. Wendel himself discharged him in regular form. Groth said that he had been beaten up Monday night and that he wasn't sure that it would be altogether wise to go back to the armory. Mr. Hart detailed an officer to accompany Groth to the armory, and he then went back. Jansen met him at the door with a written order of discharge signed by Capt. Wendel.

Lieut. Louis Wendel, Jr., son of the accused officer and an officer of the battery himself, said that Groth's discharge had no connection with the charges against his father. The law provides for one hostler for each ten horses kept in the armory, he said. By reason of the present trouble a dozen of the officers who kept their horses at the armory have removed them. This required the discharge of one of the hostlers and Groth as the last one taken on was the one discharged.

TWO MONTREAL BLOCKS BURNED.

Gorham Company Among Concerns Which Were Wiped Out—One Man Killed.

MONTREAL, Jan. 3.—One man was killed, six firemen injured and half a million dollars worth of property destroyed by a fire that started at 2 o'clock this morning on St. Antoine street. Two blocks were burned.

The death of H. Gagnon and the injury of the six firemen were caused by the collapse of walls. The firms which suffered most are the Gorham Company, silversmiths, Canadian branch; Smith, Patterson & Co., wholesale jewellers; Gillette Safety Razor Company, Canadian branch; Stewart & McDonald, dry goods manufacturers of Glasgow; Woodburn & Sons & Co., manufacturers of novelties; Thomas E. Doyle, manufacturers' agent; Dodge Manufacturing Company and the Standard Clothiers.

These companies are, so far as present stocks and machinery are concerned, wiped out of business. There are also some twenty-five other firms more or less damaged. Gagnon lost his life while attempting to rescue his son.

CONVICT MIDWIFE AS NUISANCE.

New Way Devised to Deal With Such Cases—A Year and $500.

Mrs. Elise Hoffman, a midwife, was convicted in Special Sessions yesterday and sentenced to a year in the penitentiary and fined $500 under the provisions of the code touching common nuisances. She was indicted for performing a criminal operation, but the District Attorney's office has found it hard to get convictions on that charge, and the new method will be followed in dealing with such cases.

A Miss Otenberg, who worked for Mrs. Hoffman at 213 East Seventy-eighth street, testified that in three months over fifty women had been operated on in the house and one died.

After Mrs. Hoffman had been convicted her lawyer wanted her bail continued until Tuesday. There was a protest from Assistant District Attorney Turnbull and Champe S. Andrews, representing the County Medical Society. Justice McKean said that the testimony was such that the woman shouldn't be out on bail and then she was sentenced.

Policy Men Make No Defence.

Four men who were arrested in Mayor Mark M. Fagan's personally engineered raid of policy dives and handbook resorts without the knowledge of the police heads on December 1 pleaded non vult before Judge John A. Blair in the Court of Special Sessions, Jersey City, yesterday to charges of operating policy shops. They were Frank Drumm, George Reed, George A. Westervelt and George O. Priest. They were released in $500 bail each to appear for sentence.

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HARLEM STORE OPEN EVENINGS.

NEW LIFE COMPANY IN JERSEY.

May Increase Its Capital Stock Up to $2,000,000.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 3.—Attorney-General Robert H. McCarter approved to-day the proposed charter of the North American Life Insurance Company of Newark, N. J., and late this afternoon the new company was incorporated in the office of the Banking and Insurance Commissioner. The company begins business with a capital stock of $100,000, the board of directors being authorized to increase this amount from time to time to a sum not exceeding $2,000,000, in accordance with the laws of the State. The incorporators are John T. Boone, Sr.; John T. Boone, Jr.; Lee B. Durstine, J. H. McNamara, Francis E. Stevens, William P. Kent, Jake L. Babler, Croom W. Walker, J. W. Epstein, Albert Schurr and Laurence Priddy.

The North American company is the first life insurance company chartered in this State since the revision of the insurance laws of 1902. The form of the charter as first presented was questioned by the State authorities and several revisions are understood to have been made before it was approved by the Attorney-General. One significant feature is the broad powers specifically conferred by the charter upon the board of directors and the consequent limitations placed upon the stockholders' powers. The company proposes to insure the lives and health of persons and every branch of insurance appertaining thereto. It is authorized to operate in any country and to have all the powers and privileges conferred by the corporation laws of this State. The registered office is at 9 Clinton street, Newark, the agent in charge being Francis E. Stevens.

CARNEGIE PAID ENTIRE COST.

Denial of a Story That Alumni Contributed $300,000 for Princeton Lake.

PRINCETON, N. J., Jan. 3.—Everybody in Princeton is wondering to-night how a New York newspaper got hold of a story printed this morning to the effect that Princeton alumni contributed $300,000 for Lake Carnegie, while Carnegie himself gave only $100,000. The story is scoffed at, because only a few weeks ago Mr. Carnegie himself presented the deeds of the property in whole to the university. President Woodrow Wilson could not be found to-night, but Curator Bunn denied the story emphatically.

Taylor Pyne, president of the Lake Carnegie Association, and Alexander R. Gulick, its secretary, united in a written statement regarding the story yesterday, declaring it had no foundation in fact. "Mr. Carnegie," they added, "has not only paid entirely for the cost of building Lake Carnegie but has, in addition, created an endowment fund for its maintenance."

For a Separate City Railroad Commission.

Representatives of the Citizens' Union, the Transit Reform Committee, the Board of Trade and Transportation and other commercial and civic organizations which have advocated legislation for the creation of a local railroad commission for this city will meet to-morrow afternoon in the offices of the Board of Trade and Transportation, 203 Broadway, to organize a movement in support of a separate railroad commission for New York city. One of the objects of the meeting will be the drafting of a bill which will conform to the suggestion made by the Governor.

PICKLE PARTY SPOILED.

Boy Bought a Girl Taffy and Something Had to Be Done—Policeman Stopped It.

There was to have been a pickle party up Harlem way yesterday, but it fell through. Johnny Monyhan and Joey Fox, both 13 years old, are rivals for the heart of pretty Winnie Driscoll, and when another boy who lives in the neighborhood and who also has a sneaking regard for Winnie came along and bought her 2 cents worth of taffy, Johnny and Joey, both of whom were flat broke, decided that they couldn't possibly let a butter in get anything on them.

When Winnie had devoured the last morsel of taffy Johnny asked her if she liked pickles. It was a foolish question, for was there ever a girl who wasn't fond of pickles? Johnny asked because he spotted a truck standing at the corner of First avenue and 100th street loaded with barrels of pickles. He put Joey hep, and while Benjamin Weschler, the driver, was in a nearby store the lads rolled one of the barrels off the truck. They started to roll it through 100th street when Policeman Gisselbrecht of the East 104th street station saw them. He collared the pair before they had gone very far.

The news that there was to be a pickle party served to attract all the girls in the neighborhood and there were many watering mouths as Johnny and Joey started off with their plunder.

The youngsters, who lived on Second avenue near 101st street, were arraigned in the Children's Court yesterday and remanded until Monday.

HARRY SMOCK MISSING.

Not Seen by Friends Since He Left for His Home in Red Bank on Monday.

RED BANK, N. J., Jan. 3.—Harry Smock of this place hasn't been heard from since Monday afternoon, at which time he told some friends in New York that he was hurrying to catch a train for Red Bank. He worked for the Fidelity and Casualty Company in Cedar street, New York, travelling to the city daily. He was in his usual good spirits when he left his home in Leroy place on Monday morning. He reached the office at the accustomed hour and worked till closing time. After he left the building he met some friends and spoke to them about catching his train. Nothing has been heard from or seen of him since that time by his friends or family.

Smock is a Red Bank boy and has plenty of friends here among the young folks. He is about 27 years old. A few years ago he was married to Miss Mae Russelle, a daughter of the late Edward Russelle. After their marriage the couple lived for a while at Orange, but recently they moved to Red Bank. They have one child, a boy, aged about one year. Smock is an athletic young fellow and is especially fond of baseball. He used to pitch occasionally for the local nine. His wife is unable to account for his strange disappearance. As far as is known here there is no suspicion of wrongdoing in connection with his disappearance.

Strike Closes Black Hills Mines.

DEADWOOD, Jan. 3.—New Year's Day saw the complete closing of all the mines and mills at Bald Mountain, one of the most important districts in the Black Hills, and four mills in Deadwood. The mines will be allowed to fill with water. Neither the operators nor the union has offered any concessions.