

THE OIL JOKER AN ACCIDENT

RECORD SHOWS HOUSE JEANT TO HAVE OIL PRODUCTS FREE

And Chairman Payne Is Even Now of the Opinion That They Are Free in His Bill—Senate to Be Notified—House Leaders Cut Up About the Slip.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—All the evidence which came to light to-day tended to show in a conclusive way that the so-called "joker" in the Payne tariff bill was not a joker at all, in the sense of trickery, but was left in the bill through error. A reading of the verbatim report of the debate on the oil schedule in committee of the whole last Friday, the day on which the House passed the tariff bill, discloses that no less than three times Chairman Payne of the Ways and Means committee said that his amendment to place oil on the free list applied to all the products of petroleum.

The House so voted in committee of the whole and the failure so to amend the bill when it was passed on by the House proper was due to the fact, it is asserted, that Representative Olmsted, chairman of the committee of the whole, failed to report the amendment in written form, which would have shown exactly what was done in committee of the whole.

Some members of the House still hint that the provision imposing a duty of 20 per cent. on oil products was left in the bill purposely. The leaders deny this and promise to correct the error. It is probable that the correction will be made to-morrow.

Representative Norris of Nebraska, one of the Republican radicals, will present a resolution to recall the tariff bill from the Senate so that the correction may be made. It is doubtful if the leaders will agree to this. The probability is that they will adopt a resolution notifying the Senate of the error and of the intent of the House.

The leaders are angry over the insinuations of trickery on their part and are disposed to refuse to have themselves placed in the position of being forced to make the correction.

Chairman Payne insists that in spite of the fact that oil products appear to be taxed at 20 per cent. after the House has voted to admit them free they are on the free list. He finds warrant for this contention in the fact that the free list includes oil, crude and refined. The free list and paragraph 361, he declares, takes in all products of oil and thus wipes out the 20 per cent. duty apparently applied to such products.

The contention that the failure to eliminate the 20 per cent. duty from the bill was due to error seems to be borne out by remarks made in committee of the whole. On Thursday the committee reduced the duty on "oil, crude and refined," to 1 per cent. On Friday, in committee of the whole, Chairman Payne moved to strike out the 1 per cent. duty and the countervailing duty on oil which he explained would place crude and refined oil on the free list. Mr. Payne said:

"I would like at this time, because of the confusion in which the amendment of the committee of the whole has left the petroleum paragraph in the original section 1, to ask unanimous consent that the committee report on paragraph 361 be discharged so that it be eliminated from the bill and that the proviso under the free paragraph for retaliatory duties be stricken from section 2 so that it will have no effect and its products will be on the free list without any countervailing duty."

Immediately thereafter this colloquy occurred between Chairman Payne and Representative Hitchcock of Nebraska: "Mr. Hitchcock—Reserving the right to object, I would like to understand what effect this has upon the products on the free list."

Mr. Payne—"It puts them (oil and products) on the free list, where they were placed in the original bill, paraffin being mentioned by name."

Mr. Hitchcock—"And this amendment proposed to strike out?"

Mr. Payne—"It strikes out the retaliatory provision, the countervailing duty, and leaves the products of petroleum upon the free list."

In answer to a further question Mr. Payne said that his amendment would strike out the duty of one per cent. on petroleum and all its products. Then Mr. Hitchcock asked:

"Why do you want to get rid of it?"

"Because," answered Mr. Payne, "the sense of the House seems to be that petroleum should be upon the free list."

"This shows that the amendment of Chairman Payne in committee of the whole placed oil and its products on the free list and that the House confirmed that action just before the bill was passed. But the full text of the amendment was not reported to the House and the error was not discovered until yesterday. The error of Chairman Payne is regarded as a clerical error and the correction of the error is regarded as a matter of form. Mr. Payne declined to-night to say what position he would take on the proposition to recall the tariff bill from the Senate to correct the error in the oil schedule. Representative Dwight of New York, the Republican whip, expressed the opinion that a quorum would not be present when the House met to-morrow. It is his opinion is verified the House may not be able to correct the oil matter until its next meeting thereafter."

WORK GIRLS BEST WIVES.

Miss Woolley Says They Know Better Than College Girls Value of Home.

BOSTON, April 11.—"It is the factory and shop and office worker and not the college bred girl who makes the ideal wife," said Miss Mary E. Woolley, president of the Mount Holyoke College for Girls.

Miss Woolley bases her statement on the alleged fact that through their activity and earnestness girl bread winners develop a spirit of sincerity and the proper appreciation of a home, which are largely unknown among the unwed girls who have no occasion to develop a longing for a home of their own.

She declares that the woman who works is much more anxious to be married than her stay at home sisters, and that, while formerly she was convinced, that the opposite was the rule, to-day after conducting a series of investigations among employed women she is certain beyond a shadow of doubt that the independent girl who goes to her shop or office every day is more sincerely in love with a home than the college girl, who lacks the experience of and contact with the real conditions of life.

Not only that, but Miss Woolley is equally certain that the girl bread winner also makes the better wife, and the best interests of the future generation, she asserts, lie not in the number but in the quality of the marriages contracted.

DETECTIVE IN PRIEST'S GARB.

Posed as Blackmail Victim and Landed a Prisoner.

Edward Zalinski, who is only 20 years old, was arrested yesterday afternoon at Fourteenth street and Second avenue charged with writing a threatening letter to Father Valentine Chebanick, pastor of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Park and Munroe streets, Passaic, N. J.

Several days ago Father Chebanick got a letter written in Polish which translated read:

"United Society Black Hand demands \$2,500 deposit on the 11 day of April at 2 P. M. 14 St. & 2 Ave. for your life do not dare to notify the Police, otherwise death will surely follow. Committee waits yourself. If you do not come and speak 'I am,' you are our property."

Father Chebanick turned the letter over to R. A. Haggerty, head of a detective bureau, who put William Bednerick and John Sistani on the job. Bednerick disguised himself as a priest. The detectives came to Police Headquarters, sheehan and Brennan were assigned to help them.

At 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon the party went to Second avenue and Fourteenth street. Bednerick stood on the corner with an envelope in his hand. He was approached by a young man who said "I am." Bednerick handed over the envelope, which contained two marked one dollar bills. Sheehan and Brennan then made the arrest. Zalinski was locked up at Police Headquarters.

The New Jersey detectives said that Mrs. Rousanski, who has an undertaking business near St. Joseph's Church, got a similar letter last week. Zalinski, they say, admits writing both of the letters. Mrs. Rousanski came to New York on Saturday night with detectives and waited at Barclay and West streets for more than an hour, but no one showed up.

KILLED BY W. LEWISOHN'S CAR.

Banker's Valet Dead When Taken From Under Upset Auto—Chauffeur Hurt.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 11.—George Shaffer, valet to Walter Lewisoohn, the New York banker, was crushed under his employer's car and instantly killed this afternoon when the machine upset at a sharp turn near Port Republic, ten miles from this city. Herbert Welch, driver of the car, was also pinned under the machine, but was taken out after the car had been pried up and probably will recover from his injuries.

The accident occurred while Welch was taking the machine back to New York with the baggage of his employer, who has been here several days with Edgar Murphy, also of New York. Just as the car was leaving the Shelbourne, where Lewisoohn has been staying, Shaffer asked permission to make the trip in the car instead of accompanying his employer, who made the trip by train later in the day.

Lewisoohn declared after he heard of the fatal accident that he had warned Welch to drive the 70 horse-power car slowly and the chauffeur, who was brought here to-night, insists that he was going at a moderate pace when a tire blew out on the turn. According to his story the shock of the exploding tire locked the steering gear and the car jumped into the air and turned over. Shaffer was in the tonneau and rescuers told Coroner Sonthemier that he was dead when they pried him out from under the car.

An undertaker from this city went with the party who brought Welch back for treatment and the body of the dead man will be sent to New York to-morrow. The machine is not badly damaged.

CHURCH CUTTING WAGES?

Seamen Complain That the Institute Supplies Cheap Men.

The Atlantic Coast Seamen's Union sent a preamble and resolutions to the Central Federated Union yesterday attacking the Seamen's Church Institute, at 1 State street, and charging that it was being used as an instrument for cutting down seamen's wages. They said that the institute was supported mainly by voluntary contributions collected in the name of seamen, yet in the case of the manning of one vessel where the sailors formerly received \$30 per month a crew was supplied by the institute at \$25.

SIX DIE IN FIRE IN LENOX

TENANTS TRAPPED AND BURNED IN SMOKE FILLED HALLS.

Four Blocks of Business Buildings, Two Dwellings and Several Shops Lost—Aid From Other Towns and Change of Wind Stop Fire—Relief Fund.

LENOX, April 11.—In an hour this morning four of the largest business houses in Main street, two dwellings in Church street and a number of carriage shops were destroyed by fire.

In the Clifford Building, where the fire started, six lives were lost. The dead are Edward C. Ventres, 41 years old, a contracting electrician; Mrs. Edward C. Ventres, 35; Leslie Ventres, 12, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Ventres; Miss Alice French, 41, a bookkeeper; Miss Belle Cook, 40, daughter of Mrs. R. Hiram Cook, bookkeeper in Curtis Hotel, and Miss Mary Sparks, 20, a school teacher.

George Root was severely burned about the arms and neck. Mrs. Catharine Root was burned on the head and arms. Walter Root was injured on the right leg and was burned.

The property destroyed included the Clifford Building, the Edly block, the William T. Bull block and the Mahanna block, all in Main street. The property loss is estimated at \$200,000, and twelve families are homeless.

All the dead were tenants of the Clifford Building, a three story wooden structure, the ground floor of which was used for business and the upper floors for a furniture warehouse and apartments.

At 1:30 o'clock fire, which probably had been smoldering in the basement of the Clifford hardware store for some time, became apparent and smoke caused the tenants of that building. Blinded by the smoke, confused by the explosions of seventy-five pounds of dynamite in cartridges, Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Ventres, with their daughter, Leslie; Miss Isabelle Cook, her guest; Miss Alice French, and Miss Mary Sparks, a teacher in the Lenox public schools, were unable to reach the exit leading to Main street and were burned to death.

At midnight Herbert Klipp, a jeweler, who had a store in the Clifford Building, entered to turn on the electric light over his life. Then there was no smell of smoke. An hour later George Root, a druggist, who occupied an apartment on the second floor, was awakened, choking with smoke. He ran into the rooms of his mother and brother and awakened them. Without waiting to gather more than their outer wraps they ran into the hall and down to the street. The front of the building then seemed to be all on fire. They had hardly reached the shelter of the old Lenox Academy before there was an explosion that was heard in Pittsfield, Richmond and other places six and eight miles away. In Lenox persons were thrown from their beds and windows were smashed.

What followed the explosion was told to-day by George Root. He said: "As I started back to the Clifford Building there appeared on the balcony the figure of a woman. She was in flames. I saw her beating at the sidewalk, a blazing mass. She half arose, fought the fire still with her hands and then fell near one of the large elms."

"Then another figure appeared at one of the windows. Probably that was Mrs. Ventres, but the smoke was so dense that the figure was lost to view."

"It seemed to me that five minutes after we left the building the roof began to sink and a few moments later fell. The first explosion was followed by a series of smaller explosions like the discharge of giant firecrackers. These explosions continued for some time, probably ten minutes."

The explosions and the ringing of the fire alarm roused the Lenox villagers, who manned the fire apparatus. A telephone message to Pittsfield summoned a steamer and a wagon of hose. Lent sent a steamer, a hook and ladder truck and two hose carts.

At 1:40 o'clock the wind, which had been blowing stiffly, veered around to the southwest. This saved the Rogers and Wellington cottages, the public library and the Curtis Hotel. The fire was not under control until 4 o'clock.

When the fire threatened the Tillotson stable the proprietor ordered all his horses turned loose. Fifty animals were sent halterless into the Lenox streets. To-day some were retaken in Lee, others in Richmond and Pittsfield and some in Great Barrington, twenty miles away.

Curtis Hotel was well filled with Easter guests from New York and Boston. At the explosion they hurried into the corridors. Learning of the fire, they ran out of the hotel and later gave assistance.

Mrs. Lindsay Fairfax of New York headed a relief fund for the families who were made homeless by the fire to-day. The subscriptions are: Mrs. Fairfax, \$500; Frank K. Sturgis, New York, \$500; Mrs. William B. Bradford, New York, \$500; Samuel Eliot Guild, Boston, \$500; William D. Curtis, Lenox, \$500; Barclay Hazard, New York, \$100. Total, \$2,500.

RAID BY MASKED BURGLARS.

Young Woman Bound and Gagged in House While Father Slept.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., April 11.—Masked burglars last night entered the home of Alderman A. F. Rogers on Temple street, bound and gagged Miss Dell Rogers, a Vassar graduate, daughter of the Alderman, and dragging her down a flight of stairs to the dining room forced her to point out where silverware was kept and where the pocketbooks of Mrs. Rogers and other members of the family were. They also entered the room of Mrs. Rogers' aunt, directly in the rear of Miss Rogers' room, and so terrorized the old lady, who is feeble, that she was unable to move.

After the men had ransacked the house they left Miss Rogers bound, departed with their booty and boarded an Indian Orchard car. Miss Rogers succeeded in undoing her bonds and gag and cried to her father, who was asleep. He heard her cries and then notified the police. It was found that after entering the house and before going upstairs the burglars had pulled the telephone from the wall, making a telephone alarm impossible.

WIRELESS TALK AT 30 MILES.

New Radio-Telephonic System Invented by French Naval Men Succeeds.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. PARIS, April 11.—A system of wireless telephony invented by Lieuts. Colin and Jeance of the French navy was tested yesterday and to-day between Paris and Melun, a distance of thirty miles. M. Picard, Minister of Marine, was at the transmitting end at the Eiffel Tower yesterday and at the receiving end at Melun to-day.

The details of the apparatus have not been made public beyond the fact that electric oscillations, all possessing the same force, are directed by means of an arc light into a system, consisting of four metal wires hanging down, to which a microphone is attached for the transmission, while antennae are connected with a telephone for receiving.

The firm which manufactures this radio-telephonic apparatus had another set of antennae at its works near the Eiffel Tower, where journalists who had been invited to witness the test could tap the sounds as they passed from the tower to Melun.

M. Picard after listening for a long time to-day sent a message back to the tower by wireless telegraphy thanking Lieut. Colin and saying that he had heard him perfectly.

EVA BOOTH AS A RAGGED GIRL.

Lectures in Brooklyn Academy While Fire Rages Across the Street.

Commander Eva Booth of the Salvation Army told more than 1,200 men and women in the Academy of Music in Brooklyn last night about her work in the slums of London. She appeared as a ragged flower girl with a colored shawl about her shoulders. In this disguise Miss Booth said that she first mingled with London's poor as one of themselves, gaining their confidence and sympathy without exciting their antagonism. A spotlight was played on the ragged preacher as she stepped on the stage, thus bringing into relief the garb that distinguished her from the slum workers in neat uniforms of white and blue, and the other members of the Salvation Army in dark blue.

Miss Booth related incidents in her experience illustrative of such texts as "love," "sympathy" and "hope," which were written in electric lights on a cross in the centre of the stage. This cross represented the Rock of Ages. A chorus that occupied the rostrum with Miss Booth included Brigadier and Mrs. Stanley, Col. McIntyre and Adjutant Maybe.

While Miss Booth talked in the Academy a fire raged across the street in a three story and basement frame house at 128 Ashland place. The great volume of smoke that enveloped the Academy caused the attendants to close the outer doors to prevent its entering and alarming the audience.

BOY STARTS FIRE FOR FUN.

Wanted to See Firemen Work for Him—It Burned More Than He Expected.

There was a smudgy fire with about \$5,000 loss in the refuse plant of the Borough Improvement Company at Junius street and Sutter avenue, East New York, early yesterday afternoon. The fire was confined to some big mounds of paper and rags, all done up in bags, and a shanty or two.

Just as the fire was getting under a good headway a very dirty, very ragged and very badly frightened youngster ran out of the yard and asked a passerby to turn in an alarm. The boy, Theodore Lucet, 11 years old, of 10 Havens place, Brooklyn, was arrested later charged with having started the fire. He confessed.

Lucet said he had been left to look after the yard while the regular watchman went home to have Easter dinner with his family. The boy thought he would like to see the firemen work on a fire of his own starting—he had been to many fires, he said, but none of them ever had been his very own.

So he lighted the paper in one of the bags, which lay off one side by itself, with the idea of having a "little fire." But the wind carried the sparks to other bags and before he knew it he had a bigger fire than he had wanted. Then becoming frightened he got a bucket of water, but it didn't do any good and then he ran out of the yard to give the alarm.

The boy said that two years ago he had struck his head in a fall and sometimes "had headaches." He was sent to the Children's society rooms and will be arraigned in the Children's Court this morning.

SHOOTS BOY ON PARK FENCE.

Special Policeman Says He Meant Only to Scare Him, but Bullet Glanced.

Thomas P. Daly, 11 years old, of 223 East Twenty-sixth street, Manhattan, is in St. John's Hospital, Long Island City, with a bullet in his left thigh and Charles Haase of 35 Freeman street, The Bronx, a special policeman, is locked up in the Fourth street station house, Long Island City, charged with felonious assault.

Haase was employed yesterday to keep the boys from soiling the fence around Celtic Park, on the outskirts of Long Island City, where a series of games was being played.

Lacking money enough to pay his admission to the grounds young Daly started to climb over the obstruction between himself and the subject of his enthusiasm. Haase ordered him to get down. For reply, it is alleged, Daly put his thumb to his nose and wiggled his fingers. Haase says that he meant only to frighten the boy when he drew his pistol and fired into the ground. The deflected bullet hit the boy in the leg. The wound is not considered dangerous.

HORSE DEAD; CHILDREN SAVED.

Larrie of Hook and Ladder Company 21 Is Sacrificed.

TRINITY OPPOSITION TICKET

ST. JOHN'S PUTS UP CANDIDATE AGAINST CANNAMANN

And Three Other Candidates—Talk of Challenging the Intercession and the St. Luke's Electorates as Not Qualified—Lawyers Present at the Polls.

St. John's Chapel has put up an opposition ticket for vestrymen for the Trinity parish election to-morrow. Twenty vestrymen are to be chosen, of whom sixteen are on both tickets. The opposition ticket bears the names of Philip L. Schell, William G. Rose and Herman Guggenbuhl of St. John's and Henry St. John Hyde of Trinity as candidates in opposition to H. H. Cannamann, comptroller of Trinity corporation; Richard Delafield, Francis S. Bangs and Nicholas F. Palmer.

The polls open at 10 A. M. in the vestry room at Trinity and close at 6 P. M. The rector, the Rev. Dr. W. T. Manning, is the inspector of election.

Counsel for both Trinity and the St. John's chapel factions will be on hand to watch the balloting. Every voter will be identified. It is quite within the possibilities that two entire voting bodies, those from the Chapel of the Intercession and St. Luke's Chapel, may be challenged by the St. John's faction. The entire voting force of St. John's Chapel, 136 strong, will go in a body to the polls.

Campaign documents have been issued on both sides. St. John's Chapel, which is at law to prevent the vestry from closing the chapel or interfering with the conduct of its services by its vicar, issued an appeal for votes which has been published, and the Rev. Milo H. Gates, vicar of the Chapel of the Intercession, has sent out a "statement" saying:

"I want all our men to work in his (Dr. Manning's) support and in loyalty to him. By so doing a just rebuke can be given to those who partly from ignorance and partly from malice by most sensational methods have been attacking his policies and the plans which our vestry have for the future work and development. I think we can by our voting also support our Bishop, whose wisdom and broad charity we know well. Dr. Greer was consulted by our rector and his vestry in their plans. He approved of them. And so their underhand attacks, of which you may have read, will not directly on him practically are so."

A large number of Protestant Episcopal rectors of the diocese recently signed an open letter to Bishop Greer deploring the criticism of his stand on the matter that had appeared in the Rev. Silas McBe's paper, the *Churchman*.

The theory on which the St. John's party may challenge the votes from the Chapel of the Intercession is that when the church of that name was authorized by law in 1907 to sell its property to any Episcopal church corporation that would assume its debts the Trinity vestry took it in and called it a chapel, but the action was never voted on by the corporators of Trinity. As to St. Luke's the St. John's people say that when the congregation moved uptown the property was sold to Trinity and that it became a "fee mission chapel" so subordinated to the parent church that its members have no vote in corporate affairs.

Vestry elections are not always marked by a large muster of votes, but it is expected that perhaps 1,000 votes will be cast at Trinity to-morrow. In March last the comptroller of the corporation had registered 1,048 individuals entitled to vote, including the sixty-three from St. Luke's and the 191 from the Chapel of the Intercession. These voters are adult male members of the congregation who have attended church for a year and within that period taken Holy communion. Since March 26 this list has been swelled by 250 names, all presumably certified by the several vicars as being qualified as corporators or voters under the church law. The St. John's people say that the present vestry is made up entirely of members of St. Agnes's, the fashionable uptown chapel of Trinity, and of Trinity itself, and that St. John's, which used to have five vestrymen, now has none.

DENMARK SLAMS CASTRO.

Government Prohibits Venezuelan Disturber From Landing on Its Islands.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCHES TO THE SUN. COPENHAGEN, April 11.—The Government has instructed the Governor of the Danish West Indies not to permit entry of President Castro of Venezuela, who was expelled from Martinique yesterday, to land in the Danish possessions.

FORT DE FRANCE, April 11.—Before the arrival of the steamer Versailles Castro told an interviewer that if he were not arrested on his arrival in France he would go to Spain, and thence to Tenerife.

ACCUSED WOMAN STRICKEN.

Arrested for Shoplifting, She Has Heart Failure When Husband Approaches.

Arrested for shoplifting, Mrs. Gertrude Whitman, 35 years old, of 287 Littleton avenue, Newark, collapsed from an attack of heart failure in a witness room at police headquarters in that city shortly before noon yesterday. About the same time her husband entered the business room of the building to make a report of her disappearance. The woman occupied a room from which she could look out on the street and it is believed she saw her husband coming. She was taken to the City Hospital in an ambulance. Her condition is considered serious.

Whitman, who is a retired baker, became greatly excited when he was told about the charge against his wife. He insisted that she must not have been in her right mind when she took the goods and explained that she had been under the care of a physician for some time on account of heart trouble. He declared that his wife was not a thief and there was no reason why she should steal. He threw a roll of about \$1,000 in bills on the sergeant's desk and said that he had plenty more. Whitman said he would try to have the case settled.

Mrs. Whitman was arrested on Saturday night at a Market street department store by Detectives Ryan and Farrell. At police headquarters she gave her name as Gertrude Zimmer and said she lived on Bloomfield avenue near the Morris canal, but refused to give the number. The authorities thought she was doing this to keep other goods she had stolen from being seized.

ENGLISHMAN'S HOME MOBBED.

Berlin Audience Hisses, Jeers and Stamps Down Play That Aroused England.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH TO THE SUN. BERLIN, April 11.—The management of the Neues Theatre considered the idea some time ago that Du Maurier's "An Englishman's Home" would prove an attraction here. The play was rehearsed, advertised and discussed, and to-night it was produced. It is very improbable that it ever will be seen again in Germany. The audience received the first act complacently, but afterward hissed, laughed, stamped and jeered. The last two acts were given in what was practically dumb show.

The hostility, it seems, arose not against Englishmen or things English, but from contempt at the absurdity of the play, which was, it should be said, made more farcical than the original.

FEAR COAL WAGES MAY BE CUT.

Anthracite Workers Hear That Operators Will Order 10 Per Cent. Reduction.

WILKESBARRE, April 11.—There is a rumor here to-night that the anthracite operators at their meeting in New York to-morrow will order a 10 per cent. reduction in the wages of all classes of mine workers to be effective after a certain not very distant date, provided the agreement which expired March 31 is not by that time signed for three years.

Representatives of the mine workers who were at the conferences in Philadelphia returned to-day. They say that no decision has been reached except that there will be no strike and that the mine workers will remain at work as long as the operators will let them.

STOLE TO REFORM HUSBAND.

Woman Accused of Shoplifting Wanted to Teach Him to Stay Home.

A woman who gave the name of Mary Smith of 114 East 118th street was arrested in a department store on Saturday by Store Detective John F. Larkin, charged with the theft of three silks worth \$12.75. She was arraigned yesterday before Magistrate Stainier in the Jefferson Market court and held in \$500 bail for a further examination. She was bailed by John F. McKenna of 380 Bergen street, Brooklyn.

When the two reached the corridor of the court McKenna began to scold the woman. She was his wife, he said. She returned by accusing McKenna of drinking heavily and coming home at 7 o'clock in the morning for a number of days.

"Do you know what she did this for?" said McKenna to Detective Larkin. "She said she'd teach me to stay at home and that she would spite me by disgracing herself." "What she has done. How do you suppose I can do my work with this on my mind?"

LARGE MURAL PAINTING

At St. Paul's Said to Be Biggest Ever Done on Single Canvas.

What is said to be the largest painting ever made in the United States on a single stretcher was unveiled yesterday morning in the Church of St. Paul the Apostle, Columbus avenue and Sixtieth street. It is a mural painting of the Crucifixion by William Laurel Harris and is placed back of the great gallery just over the front entrance to the church. A large congregation was present at the unveiling. At every mass the attention of the parishioners was directed to the painting by the priests in the pulpit.

The stretcher on which the painting was made measures 55 by 20 feet. The canvas for it was woven in one piece in Holland. In the centre of the picture is the cross, with a sorrowing group at its foot. On one side are the Roman soldiers in glittering armor and on the other side are inhabitants of Jerusalem. In the background is the city as it was in the days of Christ.

PRIZE BABY IN NEW HOSPITAL.

First Boy Born in the Jewish Maternity Wins \$50.

The man child born to Mrs. Rose Epstein of 48 Pike street in the Jewish Maternity Hospital at 270 East Broadway yesterday was the winner in a new kind of East Side baby contest. He got \$50 just for being born.

The hospital is a \$50,000 new one. Adolph Lewisoohn gave \$1,000 toward it and a great many others contributed. On Friday last its doors were open to patients and Miss Rose M. Hyman, the superintendent, sent word out into the East Side that a prize of \$50 would be given to the first boy baby born within the portals.

Fifty hopeful matrons sent in their names. Two of the women were received on Friday. On Saturday two children were born—girls. So it was when Baby Epstein arrived, that the prize could be awarded.

BABY OPENS THE GATES TO HIM.

Italian Laborer Acquired an Admission Ticket While He Was Away.

Antonio Zamparelli, an Italian laborer whose wife is living with her mother at 333 East Thirty-fourth street, was a stow-away aboard the Italian steamship Nord America, in from the Mediterranean. After he was discovered he was put to work. He said that he had been several years in America before he went back to Naples on a visit about a year ago. In his absence his wife had a baby. He had no money to get to New York. He was ashamed to send to his wife for help so he decided to stow himself away.

He was taken to Ellis Island and will be released, as his baby is an American citizen and his mother-in-law also has that distinction.

STAGES CAPTURED ON DRIVE

TEN LOADED BUSES PARADED TO POLICE STATION.

Passengers Let Go, Drivers Arrested for Violating Park Ordinance Limiting Height of Vehicles—Company Claims to Stand on Its Franchise Rights.

Ten bus loads of indignant passengers decked out in their Easter finery were paraded over to the West 100th street police station yesterday afternoon when the police, acting under the orders of Park Commissioner Henry Smith, arrested the drivers of the buses on a charge of violating a city ordinance in operating a vehicle more than ten feet in height on a park driveway.

The Fifth Avenue Coach Company, which operates the motor buses on Fifth avenue, inaugurated yesterday its service on Riverside Drive with ten new buses just received from Paris. The route was from Washington Square, up Fifth avenue to the Plaza, across Fifty-ninth street to Broadway, up to Seventy-second street, over to the Drive and then up to 153rd street.

The first bus made its appearance on the Drive about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Commissioner Smith was sitting in a window of his home at 362 Riverside Drive when he saw one of the buses go by. He ordered out his automobile and went to look for