CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

NELSON NOT ANNOYED BY FREDDIE WELSH'S CLAIM.

Says He Will Take On Winner of Welsh-McFarland Bout in Due Time and Will Fight Wolgast on Feb. 22—Sam Langford After Sett Marks in California.

Battling Nelson is not a bit ruffled by the fact that Freddie Welsh has laid claim to the world's lightweight title and will defend it in a battle with Packey McFarland in London some time in February. Nelson says that when the proper time arrives he will take on the winner of the Welsh-McFarland bout, but stipulates that he must name the weight conditions—133 pounds ring side. Meanwhile Nelson says he will go to San Francisco the latter part of this month to begin training for the forty-five round fight with Ad Wolgast on February 22. He admits that he has not signed articles, but intimates that there will be no trouble on that score and that the terms offered by Promoter Hester and accepted by Wolgast will be agreeable to him. Nelson has signed articles for an eight round bout before the Memphis A. C. with a second rater named Eddie Lang on January 21 for the purpose of trying himself out. He laughs at the stories that he is "going back" and predicts that he will make short work of Wolgast. But he still refuses to consider the challenge of Owen Moran and declines to say just when he will be ready to meet Welsh or McFarland.

Nelson's friends hint that after the Wolgast fight he may go to Australia to fight Unholz, Britt, Summers or some other lightweight, in which event it will be a long time before the winner of the Welsh-McFarland battle can get a crack at him. McFarland, who is ready to sail for England to-morrow, says that Wolgast has an excellent chance to beat Nelson in forty-five rounds for the reason that the Dane has deteriorated in both skill and stamina.

Sam Langford's proposed mill with a third rater named Montana Jack Sullivan in Pittsburg has been declared off by order of the chief of police, who says Sullivan has no chance to win. Langford meanwhile has arranged to go to the coast, where he will meet Jim Flynn in a bout scheduled for eight rounds at Los Angeles on February 8. In December, 1908, Langford knocked Flynn out in a round at San Francisco, which probably means that Flynn will be an easy mark in the coming encounter. Later Langford will tackle Gunboat Smith and Jack Burns, inferior pugilists, in California, and will then head for London and Paris, where he hopes to meet McVey and Jeannette. Incidentally he will try for a match with Tom Thomas, the new English middleweight champion, who is said to be a good man.

Having recovered from the knockout received at the hands of Bill Lang Robert Fitzsimmons refereed a twenty round bout at Sydney between Boer Unholz and Arthur Cripps, an Australian, last week. Fitz gave his decision in favor of Cripps and 10,000 spectators seemed to be in accord.

Ban Johnson is out with a statement that if the case of William J. Murray, the deposed Philadelphia manager, finally comes before the National Commission he will vote to have the claim of $16,500 paid in full. Murray, however, is a bit weary of red tape and says he will soon bring suit against the Philadelphia Club. He has an iron-clad contract and has been advised by eminent lawyers that he can collect every dollar.

Manager Dahlen of the Brooklyns has decided to assemble his players at Hot Springs on March 4 and will keep them there until March 23. On the way home the Brooklyns will play at Chattanooga on March 24, 25 and 26, at Nashville on March 31, April 1 and 2, at Richmond on April 4 and 5, at Washington on April 6 and 7, at Baltimore on April 8 and 9, and will indulge in team practice games at Washington Park on April 11 and 12.

Manager McGraw will take twelve pitchers to Marlin Springs, Tex., the latter part of next month. Mathewson, Wiltse, Ames, Raymond, Crandall and Marquard will be the regulars, while the new men are Bell and Daily from Springfield, Ohio; Parsons from Marion, Ohio, and Dickson from Birmingham. Drucke and Klawitter, picked up in Texas last summer, will round out the corps.

Following the example of other major league clubs Garry Herrmann is planning to build an enlarged ball park in Cincinnati. Griffith has laid the groundwork for a winning team and Herrmann thinks the Reds will make a strong bid for the pennant this year. In view of past failures it may be said that if Cincinnati ever wins a championship Herrmann cannot build a ball park large enough to accommodate Ohio's wild eyed fans.

Eastern League experts are unanimous in the belief that Pitcher Russell Ford, who did phenomenal work for Jersey City last year, will be one of the Highlanders' regular slabmen this year. As a matter of fact it is the opinion of many good judges that Ford should have been retained all last year by Manager Stallings.

Another big racetrack will be opened in Mexico in September. It is situated in the city of Mexico and is said to compare favorably with Belmont Park in appointments. The $25,000 Derby will be run there on September 16.

SKATING.

L. Rubenstein Says Eastern Amateur S. A. Did Right in Suspending Lamy.

The skating tangle is gradually disappearing, leaving the Eastern Amateur Skating Association master of the situation. The International Skating Union was to have held a meet at the Saratoga rink last Saturday, but it never took place, and even long before the date arrived the International Skating Union and its bluff had retired to the tall timber. Louis Rubenstein, the Canadian representative of the union, in a letter received yesterday by F. H. Coupe, secretary of the Eastern Amateur Skating Association, admits that this latter association did right in suspending Lamy. J. C. Hemmert, president of the E. A. S. A., had this letter photographed and sent around to the papers yesterday. It is as follows:

Mr. F. H. Coupe.

DEAR SIR: Your letter to hand, and in reply would say that I do not feel hard against you about your previous letter in reference to Lamy; think the action of the E. A. S. A. correct, and he should be made known that he must be registered to compete irrespective of who the skater is, or all skating associations should go out of business. Yours truly,

LOUIS RUBENSTEIN.

The cold snap of yesterday has put additional edge on the devotees of the steel blade with the result that three meets were announced for the near future as follows:

January 13—Riverside Rink. Ninety-second street and West End avenue; one mile handicap and half mile novice. Entries close with J. A. Hemment, 108 Fulton street, New York.

January 15—Afternoon—Shrewsbury Ice Boat and Yacht Club, Pleasure Bay, Long Branch; open handicap and scratch races. Entries close with J. W. Wood, Long Branch.

January 24—Evening—St. Nicholas Rink; half mile handicap and one mile handicap and one mile novice.

The Riverside track is fourteen laps to the mile and the Long Branch oval one-quarter mile in circumference.

Hockey.

The hockey match to-night will be between the Crescent Athletic and Hockey Club teams in the St. Nicholas Rink. To-morrow night Princeton and Dartmouth will play their game in the intercollegiate championship series that was originally scheduled for Boston but owing to the non-completion of the new Boston arena had to be transferred to the local rink. On Thursday night the St. Nicholas team will meet the Wanderers Hockey Club. On Saturday night Harvard will play its last game of the season at the local rink with the Princeton seven for opponents.

Lauder to Coach Williams Nine.

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., Jan. 10.—Arrangements have practically been completed by Manager Joseph S. Ely of the Williams College baseball team with Billy Lauder of Norfolk, Conn., to coach the Purple baseball team this coming season. Lauder was coach here in 1907 and 1908, and both seasons were successful. Coach Lauder will probably arrive in February and remain the entire season. He will have practically a veteran team to work with, including Pitcher Templeton, '10.

EBBETS DEFENDS SCHEDULE.

Says It Is Not a Hardship and Urges Club Owners to Investigate.

President Ebbets of the Brooklyn Baseball Club intends to make a hard fight for the adoption of the 168 game schedule by the National League, regardless of the fact that the American League and one or two club owners in the old organization are opposed to the scheme. Ebbets, who is an expert schedule maker of many years experience, has prepared an arrangement of dates for the perusal of his fellow magnates and he declares that no reasonable fault can be found with it.

"The objection filed by Barney Dreyfuss," said Ebbets yesterday, "is due to selfish motives and will not hold water. Dreyfuss, by the way, has shown a surprising lack of professional courtesy in discussing the tentative schedule drawn by me through the newspapers instead of communicating with me by mail. The National League, at its recent meeting here, voted unanimously to adopt a 168 game schedule and instructed me as chairman of the schedule committee to draft a new arrangement for the championship contests. I have prepared a schedule that, in my opinion, is without a flaw and it will stand the limelight. Perhaps some of the opposition in the American League is due to the fact that there's a belief that the scheme originated with Murphy, which is untrue. Dreyfuss's objection may be due to the belief that the schedule will affect the world's series, in which Barney thinks the Pittsburg team will again be a factor. Other objections may be based on the opinion that bad weather will cause too many postponed games, hence too many double headers.

"If we must anticipate weather conditions let me say that a schedule of a trifle more than 100 games is preferable, but who can tell anything now about the weather in April and October? The 168 game schedule simply means that the season will open about the same time as usual and will be about a week longer. Each club will be asked to play fourteen games more than last year and these games can be included in a few extra double headers in addition to the extra week in October. The players' contracts run from April 15 to October 15 and as salaries form a heavy expense item the clubs will have a chance to gather receipts as long as these contracts are in effect. The public wants plenty of baseball and the new schedule will provide it. As a cold business proposition the 168 game plan should appeal to every major league club owner. The American Association played 168 games last year and the scheme was so satisfactory that the same schedule will be used by that progressive minor league again this year.

"The players are better able to stand cold weather in October than in April and if the weather this year is favorable the National League clubs will all prosper by the new schedule. We are not attempting to draft or outline the American League schedule, mind you, but it can be so arranged, on a 154 game basis, so that the windup will come close to ours in October. As far as the world's series is concerned there should be no doubt about the patronage even if the games begin ten days later than last year. It must be remembered that the Pittsburg club had to turn back almost $40,000 worth of tickets sold because Forbes Field could not accommodate the crowds last season. If the club owners in both major leagues win give the 168 game schedule a trial I feel sure that it will be a permanent institution."

CLOSE GOLF AT PINEHURST

FREEMAN AND TUCKER TIE FOR GOLD MEDAL.

Midwinter Tournament Has 148 Starters—Four Men Bunched at 91, One Stroke Behind the Leaders—Six Divisions Left for Match Play—The Scores.

PINEHURST, N. C., Jan. 10.—One hundred and forty-eight players started in the qualification round of the seventh annual midwinter golf tournament to-day, a tie for the gold medal offered for the best score resulting between William C. Freeman of Montclair and W. R. Tuckerman of Chevy Chase at 90 each. George C. Dutton of Oakley, R. M. Purves of Woodland, John J. Hazen and Frank Presbrey, both of Fox Hills, were bunched in a quadruple tie at 91. Ninety-six marked the limit of admission to the first division, a triple tie resulting between Mr. Knapp, J. P. Gardner of Midlothian and Walter Sterns of Montclair, Mr. Knapp winning the playoff.

Six divisions qualified for the match play rounds for the president's, governors', secretary's, treasurer's, captain's and club cups under the Pinehurst system or by classes. The summary:

President's Cup—W. C. Freeman, Montclair, 47, 43—90; W. R. Tuckerman, Chevy Chase, 46, 44—90; George C. Dutton, Oakley, 45, 46—91; R. M. Purves, Woodland, 47, 44—91; J. J. Hazen, Fox Hills, 47, 44—91; Frank Presbrey, Fox Hills, 44, 47—91; J. R. Towle, Jackson Park, Chicago, 47, 46—93; Guy E. Robinson, Nassau, 46, 47—93; E. R. Ridgeway, Montclair, 46, 47—93; J. T. Bishop, Brooklyn, 49, 45—94; Charles Presbrey, Fox Hills, 46, 47—95; W. L. Crocker, Brae Burn, 44, 51—95; Frederick Snare, Englewood, 48, 47—95; A. L. Aldred, Wannamoisett, 50, 45—95; J. P. Knapp, Garden City, 46, 50—96.

Governor's Cup—J. P. Gardner, Midlothian, 44, 52—96; Walter Stern, Montclair, 49, 47—96; E. J. Phillips, Nassau, 49, 47—96; J. B. Plumer, Springfield, Mass., 50, 46—96; S. H. Martel, Jr., Metropolitan, Canada, 48, 48—96; Leland Ingersoll, Euclid, Cleveland, 48, 48—96; W. L. Hurd, Oakmont, 50, 47—97; G. H. Barnes, Garden City, 49, 48—97; W. M. Sandford, New York, 50, 47—97; R. C. Coller, Dunwoodie, 49, 49—98; C. S. Goss, Englewood, 49, 50—99; J. W. Wilcox, Woodland, Boston, 49, 50—99; J. J. Morrow, Chevy Chase, 50, 49—99; William J. Ryan, Fox Hills, 52, 48—100; J. E. Kellogg, Fitchburg, 47, 53—100; J. C. Platt, Montclair, 52, 48—100.

Secretary's Cup—J. H. Hawley, Hackensack, 50, 51—101; T. A. Sparks, Baltusrol, 49, 52—101; H. M. Adams, Nassau, 56, 46—102; E. Chichester, Brae Burn, 53, 49—102; W. R. Roberts, Philadelphia, 50, 52—102; J. A. Moore, Scarsdale, 50, 52—102; J. D. C. Rumsey, New York, 51, 51—102; C. S. Hudson, Ardsley, 49, 54—103; G. H. Williams, Hackensack, 47, 56—103; F. L. Stuart, Montclair, 51, 52—103; T. T. Rushmore, Garden City, 53, 50—103; H. J. Clapp, Glastonbury, 55, 48—103; G. H. Perley, Ottawa, 57, 46—103; H. W. Ormsbee, Alpine, Fitchburg, 51, 53—104; S. Y. Rariage, Oil City, 51, 53—104; T. J. Check, Audubon, Ky., 51, 53—104.

Treasurer's Cup—H. Y. Leads, Atlantic City, 50, 54—104; George Wright, Wollaston, 53, 51—104; O. B. Wickham, Euclid, Cleveland, 53, 51—104; W. S. Bird, Dunwoodie, 53, 51—104; S. K. Evans, Knollwood, N. Y., 52, 52—104; H. H. McCann, Suburban, N. J., 49, 56—105; S. L. Allen, Atlantic City, 50, 55—105; J. B. Moore, New York, 50, 55—105; H. J. Chambers, Siwanoy, 50, 55—105; W. W. Turner, Spring Haven, 57, 49—105; E. A. Johnson, Baltimore, 52, 54—106; J. E. Ladd, Merion Cricket, 53, 53—106; G. P. Tingeman, New York, 54, 52—106; T. C. Fogel, Overbrook, 53, 53—106; C. M. Brisce, Wykagyl, 51, 56—107; V. A. Seggerman, Englewood, 58, 49—107.

Captains Cup—W. R. Bassett, Richmond county, N. Y., 54, 53—107; W. M. Ostrander, Fox Hills, 53, 54—107; James Barber, Englewood, 57, 51—108; S. A. Hennessee, Cooperstown, N. Y., 54, 54—108; C. A. Speakman, Siwanoy, 57, 52—109; C. C. Vernam, Nassau, 54, 55—109; J. J. Monroe, Huntingdon Valley, 53, 56—109; K. V. S. Howland, Hackensack, 55, 54—109; Kurtz Wilson, Apawamis, 56, 53—109; J. H. Dye, Dunwoodie, 59, 51—110; Hartley Davis, Hackensack, 55, 55—110; Don Parker, New York, 59, 52—111; H. J. Allyn, Farmington, Conn., 53, 58—111; P. B. O'Brien, Forest Hill, 50, 61—111; J. H. Ottley, Nassau, 60, 52—112; W. H. Beers, New York, 56, 56—112.

Special Division—J. A. Hart, Essex, N. J., 59, 54—113; E. Rode, Dunwoodie, 54, 59—113; R. W. Hovey, Boston, 55, 58—113; D. S. White, Atlantic City, 58, 55—113; B. D. Butler, New York, 61, 52—113; R. C. Wilson, Baltusrol, 51, 62—113; S. C. Love, Boston, 52, 62—114; D. G. Mackay, Yountakah, N. J., 54, 60—114; F. E. Belden, Farmington, Conn., 54, 61—115; E. F. Clymer, Skokie, Chicago, 60, 55—115; J. L. Given, Baltusrol, 55, 60—115; P. B. O'Brien, New York, 55, 61—116; W. H. Maule, Marion Cricket, 60, 56—116; H. Ruggles, New York, 56, 60—116; G. D. Lant, Siwanoy, 58, 58—116; J. H. Redfield, Fox Hills, 63, 53—116.

JACKSONVILLE RACES.

Dr. Holzberg Easily Wins the One Mile Handicap.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 10.—The racing to-day was held over a heavy and sticky track as a result of the rain of Saturday night. The handicap, at a mile, was won easily by the favorite, Dr. Holzberg, who led all the way and won by five lengths. The two-year-olds ran three furlongs for the first time to-day. Moncrief finished first, but he was afterward disqualified for a foul and placed second, while Darling, who had run second, was placed first. Jockey Obert was suspended to-day for striking Howard in the jockeys' room after a race. The Summary:

First Race—Five furlongs—Hibernica, 109 (Powers), 9 to 5, won; Briarcos, 157 (Page), 8 to 1, second; Amyl, 107 (Palms), 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:03 2-5. Clevina, Sister Effie, Herdsman, Jack Hale, Levengston, Gray Goose and Dan Lehan also ran.

Second Race—Three furlongs—Darling, 115 (Powers), 9 to 5, won; Moncrief, 113 (Troxler), 9 to 2, second; Flora Bryan, 110 (Howard), 8 to 1, third. Time, 0:37 3-5. Definite, White Wool, Startler, Bertha D., Trait, New Star, Step Father and Grand Peggy also ran. Moncrief finished first but was placed second for foul.

Third Race—Six furlongs—Jack Nunnally, 104 (Peak), 7 to 2, won; Parkview, 102 (McCarthy), 11 to 5, second; Anavri, 100 (Obert), 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:14 4-5. Gold Dust and Toll Box also ran.

Fourth Race—One mile—Dr. Holzberg, 96 (Ganz), 9 to 10, won; Sinfran, 102 (Obert), 7 to 1, second; First Premium, 103 (Musgrave), 13 to 5, third. Time, 1:43 3-5. Dr. Barkley also ran.

Fifth Race—Six furlongs—Seymour Beutler, 107 (Howard), 4 to 1, won; Furnace, 113 (Powers), even, second; Lasalle, 106 (Obert), 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:15 2-5. Robin Gray, San Gil, Pocomoke, Firm and Anderson also ran.

Sixth Race—One mile and a sixteenth—Castlewood, 114 (Nicol), 2 to 1, won; Billy Pullman, 108 (Ganz), 6 to 1, second; Ceremonious, 104 (McGee), 13 to 1, third. Time, 1:51 1-5. Killecrankie, Woolstone, Lois Cavanaugh, Ballot Box and The Minks also ran.

FRED LAKE SEES M'GRAW.

They Talk Baseball but No Swaps or Sales Are Put Through.

Fred Lake, the manager of the Boston Baseball Club of the National League, was in town yesterday to see John J. McGraw, the manager of the Giants, presumably with an idea of getting some players the New Yorks were willing to let go, who might strengthen the Boston lot. He was up at the billiard rooms run by McGraw and Fred Knowles talking baseball for a time. McGraw said they did not get down to business, that is, as far as naming any players who might be swapped or sold.

McGraw said he hadn't talked about getting any players from the Bostons. Lake stayed over and will be here to-day. He will see McGraw again and they may have something to announce to-night.

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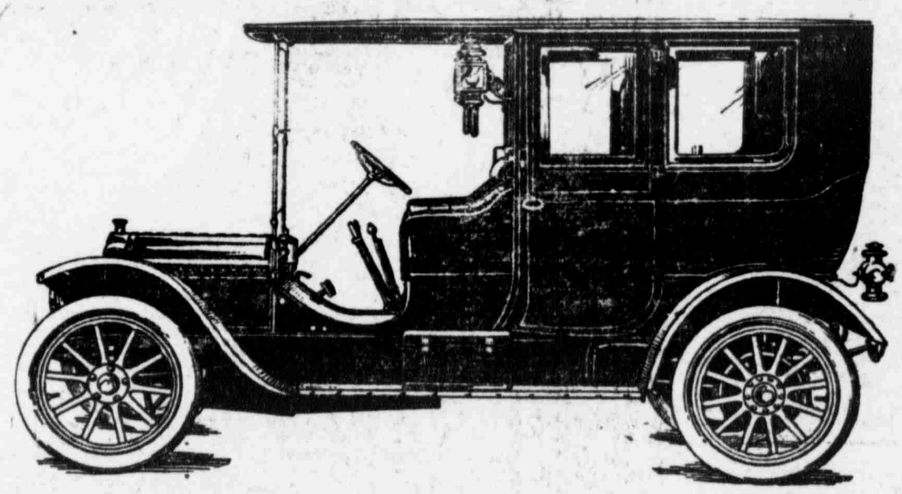

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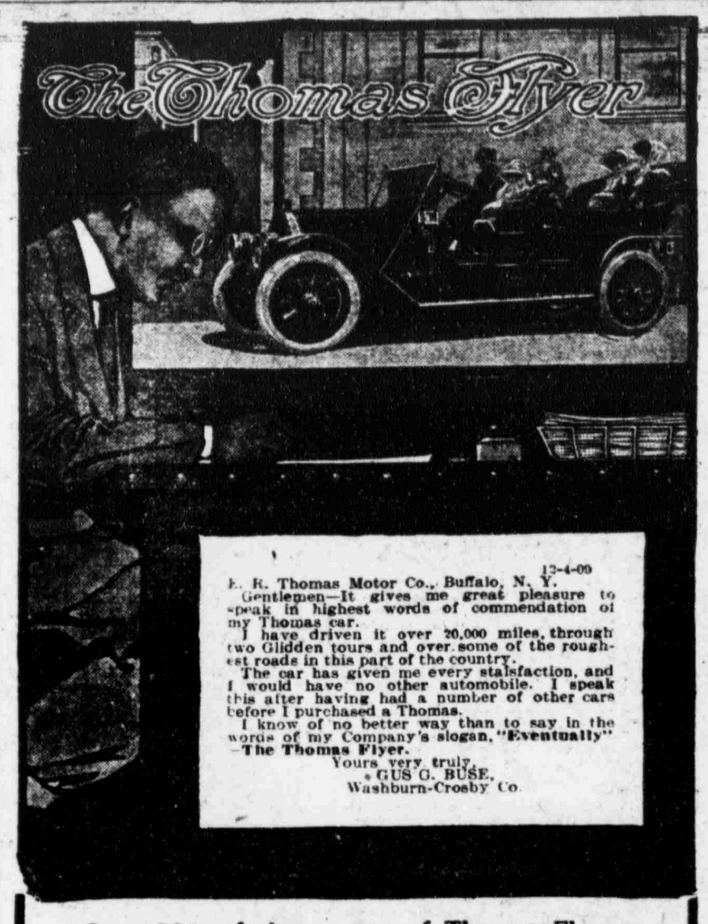

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LEGAL NOTICES.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

TAKE NOTICE that the following is a true copy of an order entered in the Hudson Circuit Court of New Jersey.

HUDSON CIRCUIT COURT.

In the matter of the application of C. L. Beals and Wendell P. Clark, partners trading as C. L. Beals & Co., stockholders of the American Sugar Refining Company, under Section 112 of Chapter 185 of the Laws of 1896, for an order to compel said Company to issue new certificates for one hundred shares of its preferred stock, in place of certain lost certificates. } On Petition. ORDER.

C. L. Beals and Wendell P. Clark, partners trading as C. L. Beals & Co., having filed their duly verified petition in this matter and the Court having made an order requiring the American Sugar Refining Company to show cause before this Court on this day why it should not be required to issue new certificates of stock to the said petitioners in place of certificates which had been lost, and it now appearing to the Court that due service of the said order has been made, and the Court having heard the proof offered by the said petitioners, and being satisfied that the said petitioners are the lawful owners of the number of shares of preferred capital stock of the American Sugar Refining Company described in the said petition, namely, certificate No. J 16386 for ten shares of preferred capital stock; certificate No. J 14343 for fifty shares of preferred capital stock; No. J 16282 for thirty eight shares of preferred capital stock; and certificate No. J 19878 for two shares of preferred capital stock and that the said certificates have been lost or destroyed and cannot after due diligence be found, and no sufficient cause having been shown why new certificates should not be issued in place thereof, and application being now made:

It is thereupon on this thirty-first day of December, Nineteen hundred and nine, on motion of McCarter & English, Attorneys of the said petitioners, ORDERED that the American Sugar Refining Company do within thirty days from the date of service of a true copy of this order upon it, issue and deliver to the said C. L. Beals and Wendell P. Clark, partners trading as C. L. Beals & Co., new certificates in place of certificate No. J 16386 for ten shares of preferred capital stock; certificate No. J 14343 for fifty shares of preferred capital stock; No. J 16282 for thirty-eight shares of preferred capital stock; and certificate No. J 19878 for two shares of preferred capital stock;

And it is further ORDERED that the said C. L. Beals and Wendell P. Clark, partners trading as C. L. Beals & Co., shall upon receipt of the said new certificates file with the said American Sugar Refining Company a bond to the amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars with George C. Beals as principal and Wendell P. Clark and Charles E. Beals as surety, to indemnify any person other than the said petitioners who shall thereafter appear to be the lawful owners of said certificates, said bond to be approved as to form and sufficiency of the surety by the Court.

And it is further ORDERED that notice of the making of this order be published in the New York Sun, a newspaper published in the City of New York, and that said publication be continued in said newspaper twice in each week for two weeks consecutively.

WILLIAM H. SPEER, Circuit Judge.

McCARTER & ENGLISH, Attorneys of C. L. Beals & Co.

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L. L. FIRUSKI, Auct., 70 Bowery, sells 10 A. M. all pledges for unpaid loans from pawnbrokers pledged previous to dates and numbers both inclusive, and all older ones, as follows:

Jan. 11—M. & E. Bruckheimer, M. Hirschberg, jewelry.

Jan. 12—Wm. Simpson & Co., 151 Bowery; all pledges prior Oct. 20, 1908, to No. 37527, also Nos. 44976 of 1905, 9055 of 1906 and 33269, 33510 of 1908.

Jan. 12—M. Spier & Co., 1531 2d av.; all pledges prior Jan. 2, 1909.

Jan. 14—J. F. Lemon & Co., 478 6th av., formerly 476 6th av.; all pledges prior Dec. 1, 1908, to No. 13911.

JOSEPH SHONGOOD'S SONS, Julius Shongood, Auct., 94 Bowery:

Jan. 11—Clothing; T. Schieber, 1620 2d av., Magen Bros., 459 Grand st.

Jan. 12—Jewelry; A. Rhode, 807 Columbus av.; D. Cohn, 229 Washington st., Hoboken, N. J.

Jan. 13—Clothing, &c., pledged to Jan. 6, 1909, to No. 54583, inclusive, Benj. Fox, 12 8th av.; also to Jan. 6, 1909, to No. 15085 inclusive, E. E. Fox, 628 9th av.

Jan. 14—Clothing, &c.; D. Silberstein's Sons, 19 6th av.; Silberstein Bros. 2457 8th av.

Jan. 17—Jewelry, &c.; T. Schieber, 1620 2d av.

CENTRAL AUCTION CO., M. Sheehan, Auctioneer, 152 Canal st., sells 11 A. M.:

Jan. 12—By H. Miller, 747 9th av.; E. Knotz, 172 2d av.; diamonds, jewelry, &c., pledged to Jan. 1, 1909.

Jan. 17—By McAleenans', 460 Fulton st., Brooklyn; diamonds, jewelry, silverware, &c., pledged from No. 17440, Nov. 9, to No. 19850, Dec. 1, 1908, inclusive, and goods held over.

Jan. 18—By R. Simpson Co., 500 Fulton st. and 9 Myrtle av.; diamonds, jewelry, silverware, &c., pledged to No. 24201, Dec. 1, 1908, and goods held over.

CENTRAL AUCTION CO., Wm. McCarty, Auctioneer, 169 Canal st., sells 10 A. M.:

Jan. 17—By J. Freel, 29 New Chambers st.; clothing pledged to Jan. 1, 1909.

FELI SOBEL, Auct., 98 Bowery, sells 10 A. M.:

Jan. 14—Jewelry; Sol. Unger, 171 Amsterdam av.