MAY BAR MELLEN FROM TESTIFYING

U. S. Attorneys Fear He Would Automatically Gain Immunity.

WICKERSHAM IS WARY

Not Inclined to Let New Haven Head Escape by Chance.

CHAMBERLIN IS IN TOWN

Grand Trunk President Not Yet Called Before Grand Jury, However.

Charles S. Mellen, president of the New Haven, despite his offer to do so, probably will not be permitted to testify about negotiations between his road and the Grand Trunk. He might, in the opinion of the Federal prosecutors, gain immunity from prosecution thereby, although he has offered to waive immunity.

Certain officials connected with the case yesterday gave it as their opinion that the Grand Jury proceedings have gone too far and that too much has been disclosed to make it desirable to give immunity to the New Haven head. It is their belief that such immunity would automatically be his despite the waiver. Even if Mr. Mellen should appear before the Interstate Commerce Commission and testify, neither under oath nor subpœna, it is asserted that there would still be a basis for an appeal on his part should the case go against him.

Therefore there is little likelihood that Mr. Mellen will be put under subpœna to appear before the Grand Jury or before any inquiry board of the Interstate Commerce Commission or the O'Shaughnessy committee of the House.

As Mr. Mellen is the only official of the New Haven who knows all the facts of any agreement with the Grand Trunk about traffic in New England the Government's attorneys will experience great difficulty in making out a case if his testimony is not available.

Word came from Washington, however, that Attorney-General Wickersham is not inclined to permit the possibility of Mr. Mellen obtaining immunity in the case. He has directed United States Attorney Wise and Assistant Attorney-General Jesse C. Adkins, who has charge of the case, to make a study of the legal bearings of President Mellen's offer. In Washington as here the opinion is that Mr. Mellen would automatically get immunity if permitted to testify.

It was said at the offices of the New Haven that a march had been stolen on the Federal authorities by having President Mellen subpœnaed to appear at a hearing in New Haven. District Attorney Wise was asked if the Interstate Commerce Commission was conducting such a hearing at New Haven and he replied that he did not know.

Mr. Wise was asked what effect a subpœna to appear before the O'Shaughnessy committee of the House would have on Mr. Mellen's status as far as any action by the Government was concerned. About that he was in doubt, but he cited the attitude of the Hardwick committee of the House at the time proceedings were under way against the sugar trust.

That committee was going to issue a subpœna for John E. Parsons, but after a consultation with Mr. Wise, who pointed out that it might frustrate his own efforts, such action was not taken. Mr. Wise thought that the several branches of the Government would act only after consultation with the Department of Justice. He did not think it would be necessary for the Commerce Commission to issue a subpœna, as their powers of investigation enable them to get at the books and records involved, such books and records being the property of the road and not of Mr. Mellen.

The presence of E. J. Chamberlin, president of the Grand Trunk, here yesterday gave rise to the report that he was about to appear before the Grand Jury. He declined to discuss the mater.

"I am here," he said, "You can draw your own conclusions."

District Attorney Wise gave practically the same answer to questions about the Grand Trunk head. He remarked, however, that Mr. Chamberlin had not sent him any letter offering to waive immunity, as Mr. Mellen did.

It is not thought likely that Mr. Chamberlin will be asked to testify before the Grand Jury before a definite decision about Mr. Mellen is reached.

Frederick J. McLeod, chairman of the Public Utilities Commission of Massachusetts, was the first witness called before yesterday's session of the jury, which adjourned at 1 o'clock. He was followed by B. Campbell, vice-president of the New Haven and head of its traffic department. Arthur E. Clark, secretary of the New Haven, is under subpœna to appear to-morrow.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The O'Shaughnessy resolution authorizing a Congressional inquiry into the New Haven case will come up for hearing before the House Committee on Rules to-morrow. A large delegation from New England will appear in support of the measure. Practically every member of Congress from New England will be in attendance. Representatives of Gov. Foss of Massachusetts and Gov. Pothier of Rhode Island will also be heard.

City officials from Boston, Providence, Woonsocket, Pawtucket and other New England towns will appear as witnesses. One witness wil be Norman W. White of Brookline, Mass., to whom President Taft is alleged to have written that a proposed prosecution of the New Haven merger was called off some years ago at the instance of President Roosevelt.

Indications are that the O'Shaughnessy resolution will be reported to the House. Representative Henry of Texas and other members of the committee favor such action. The resolution provides that a committee of seven members of the House shall be appointed to investigate and report on the alleged merger.

PUSHING WRECK PROSECUTION

New Haven Officials to Be Arrested for Westport Accident.

HARTFORD, Dec. 9.—Stiles Judson of Stratford, State Attorney for Fairfield county, to-night announced that he would begin criminal proceedings against New Haven officials and that the Westport wreck prosecution would begin this week, with the actual trial not later than next February.

To-morrow will be the first opportunity he has had to take up the case against President Mellen and other officers of the New Haven. When Senator Judson left Hartford to-night he was emphatic in his determination to expedite action.

His first step will be to apply for bench warrants to Judge William S. Case, who is now holding the December criminal term of the Fairfield County Superior Court at Bridgeport. There will be no preliminary hearings. The officials to be charged with criminal negligence will be taken some time this week before Judge Case. It is understood that Judge Case will agree to the State's Attorney's suggestion that the pleadings be postponed and the prisoners released under bonds to appear in February, by which time the State's case will be ready.

Coroner Phelan's finding was on the death of one of the four women killed. Senator Judson's information charging criminal negligence will be based on the death of Mrs. E. Palmer Gavit, a daughter of Anthony N. Brady.

MRS. SHONTS UNABLE TO PAY.

Says So in Affidavit in Suit of Former Counsel for $3750.

Mrs. Milla Drake Shonts, wife of Theodore P. Shonts, filed an affidavit in the Supreme Court yesterday in which she said she is unable to pay counsel fee of $750 to a former attorney, and got an order from Justice Bijur staying the trial of a suit brought against her until she can arrange to have Yorke Allen substituted as her attorney in place of Herbert P. Queal.

Mrs. Shonts has been sued by the executors of the will of Robert Hoe to enforce a contract she made for the purchase of the Schuyler Arms apartments for $265,000, upon which she has made an advance payment of $10,000. She refuses to carry out the contract on the ground of "gross misrepresentation by the plaintiff's authorized agents."

In her affidavit Mrs. Shonts says Queal asked a fee of $750, but she told him she couldn't pay that amount and offered him $200 on account, which he wouldn't accept. She says that on November 14 last the Hoe executors, with the consent of her attorney, got an order directing her to file a bill of particulars as to the alleged misrepresentation.

"I was ill at the time," Mrs. Shonts says, "and was unable to see Mr. Queal for about two weeks. When I did see him he said that the time to comply with the order had expired but he would open it if I would pay him $750, and not otherwise. I told him I couldn't do that."

UNIONS GAVE $64,000 TO PUSH STRIKE HERE

Bonds Provided for Men Accused of Assault in 1906-7 Lockout.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 9.—On the cross-examination of Patrick Farrell of New York, secretary of the district council of that city, it was brought out to-day in the trial of the dynamite case that during the strike and lockout of 1906-7 union money had been put up for the defence and for bonds of union men accused of assaults upon non-union men. It was stated that $64,000 was spent in New York alone in a single year in furtherance of the strike.

Farrell was questioned concerning a long list of assaults, but in most instances he said he did not know the men and had no recollection as to whether they had been arrested. He said he remembered that Thomas Slattery, business agent of the ironworkers, was arrested about three times and that he (Farrell) provided the money for his defence and his bond. Some other officers of the iron workers district council also were arrested.

Edward E. Phillips, secretary-treasurer of the Syracuse, N. Y., local of iron workers, was on the stand in his own behalf to-day and in his testimony denied any knowledge of dynamiting. He explained letters passing between him and J. J. McNamara from 1908 to 1911 as referring simply to a plan he had formed of getting two or three men on a job of the American Bridge Company at Syracuse for the purpose of proving that the company was violating the New York law by working its men more than eight hours a day.

In cross-examination the District Attorney brought out the fact that the witness was a delegate to the Milwaukee convention in August, 1911; that he voted for John J. McNamara for secretary-treasurer although he knew he was in jail at Los Angeles; that he contributed to a fund for McNamara's defence and that his local responded to the assessment for the same purpose.

The District Attorney read from a number of letters that the witness had written to McNamara and from replies from McNamara that he admitted he had received. One of these letters from Phillips under date of March 28, 1911, read in part:

"I think something ought to be done and there is no better place to do it. A great many of our brothers are anxious for something to happen. Of course, we would have to have help. It wouldn't do to bring the matter up here. I will let you know later on, when the thing is ripe. I offered to look after it if the local would pay expenses, but they don't seem to be interested."

To this letter McNamara replied in part: "I think you speak a little too plainly in your letters. A great many people may read these letters before they come into my hands and for that reason our people should be careful what they write to headquarters."

Girl Born on Liner at Sea.

Madeline Mills Caledonia Lanney was born last Monday aboard the Anchor liner Caledonia, which arrived yesterday. Madeline is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Larney, who live at 885 Columbus avenue.

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$20 will send warm gloves, mittens, caps and stockings to 35 girls and boys.
$15 will put warm winter overcoats on 6 school boys.
$10 will tie up 7 Christmas packages, each containing a warm sweater for some one who goes out to work.
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GIANT GUN BLOWS UP IN SANDY HOOK TEST

Breech Block of 14 Inch Weapon Completely Wrecked by Trial Charge.

AIR FILLED WITH DEBRIS

Enlisted Soldier Standing on Carriage Has Remarkable Escape From Death.

A big fourteen inch gun fresh from the Government gun factory at Watervliet Arsenal receiving its first test blew up at the Sandy Hook proving grounds yesterday morning. Three men, two officers and an enlisted ordnance soldier, were within a few feet of the monster weapon, and although fragments weighing as much as a 1,000 pounds shot on all sides of them not a man was injured.

The gun itself, it was explained yesterday, later did not explode; only the breech block and mechanism blew out. It carried some of the other mechanism with it, according to reports, and that filled the air with grape and canister on a giant scale. It was a companion to the fourteen incher which had its successful tests around November 4 and is now permanently in position for service at Fort Hancock, unless they conclude to take it down to Panama. It is of slightly different construction from the first.

The approved gun is wire woven, as it is called; the gun of yesterday, according to one army officer, is a made-up gun: that is, envelopes of steel were slipped over each other. Each was to cost around $125,000 when completed and installed. The guns themselves weigh about fifty tons, but as they are of the disappearing type the machinery and carriage bring the weight up to something like 250 tons. The projectiles fired weigh 1,900 pounds and the full charge of brown smokeless powder is 340 pounds. The range at which they are asserted to be able to pierce the thickest armor is 12,000 yards. They are of a type not only approved for the modern coast defence forts of the mainland of the United States, but are suggested for guarding the forts of the Panama Canal.

The biggest guns are given their first real trials at Sandy Hook, even the best guns the Government can turn out. There is a special detail of ordnance officers and men for them, in the first place, and then there are special bombproof, steel guarded lookouts and hiding pits into which nearly everybody goes during the testing shots. No chances are taken against those dangerous little defects which sneak into the most carefully made ordnance.

Lieut.-Col. Babbitt, commandant of the post and chief ordnance officer; Major Hofer, his first aide, and Lieuts. Bane, Pillian and Doniat, all experts, were present yesterday morning for the test. The temporary carriage had been completed only the day before and they wanted to waste no time. Full charges are not fired at first in testing and the gun itself stood the initial charge without any expert detecting a single bad symptom. The second charge was a little heavier and nearly everybody took to cover. Three men were left outside, however. They were Private Michael Brennan, who had a position on the carriage just forward of the breech block, and Lieuts. Bane and Doniat, who stood on the ground a little to the side and about midway of the length. The word was passed and somebody pressed the electric button.

The next minute Brennan had made a beautiful back dive into the sand and the two lieutenants were lying flat. With a double roar the two ton breech block had shot backward, cut into chunks of a hundred pounds up, and all these went hurtling back through the air, some of them soaring high above the ground, others tearing down through the sand. The report was heard up at the post and the fragments flying over to the railroad gave the alarm in that direction. Military regulations could not prevent women and men from flying to the scene and when they arrived it was all over. Brennan was a little jarred by his dive but unhurt; the lieutenants did not have a scratch.

"We cannot say why it happened," was the official word at the post last night. "We only know the breech block blew out. It is to find defects of that description that we have a proving ground. It is not yet known whether the gun is entirely destroyed."

DIVORCE VALUED AT $50,000.

Mrs. Zinsser Says Husband Tried to Bribe Her to Go to Reno.

August Zinsser, Jr., a lawyer and president of the Yorkville Bank, who lives at Hastings-on-Hudson and is the son of August Zinsser, a real estate man, is accused by his wife, Mrs. Helene Mohr Zinsser, of offering her $50,000 if she would go to Reno and divorce him, giving him the custody of their children. The children are Helen, 12 years old, and August, 10.

Mrs. Zinsser filed suit in the Supreme Court yesterday against her husband and former Assistant District Attorney Francis P. Garvan as trustee of a separation agreement made by the Zinssers in 1908. Mrs. Zinsser said she was married in 1898. She said that her husband had been receiving $5,000 a year from a trust fund created by his father and also had $2,500 a year from his law practice.

Mrs. Zinsser alleges that several years after their marriage her husband treated her with "cruelty, insolence and indifference," treated her friends insultingly and ridiculed and deprecated the things in which she was interested, and for considerable periods he barely spoke to her. He allowed her only $200 a month to run her household and to clothe herself and her children and then charged her with appropriating part of this money. She also alleges that her husband kept a loaded revolver under his pillow and said he occasionally handled it as if he either contemplated suicide or intended to harm her.

Mrs. Zinsser said that her relations with her husband became so unbearable that he suggested that she get a Reno divorce, but she rejected his offer of $50,000 if she would get the divorce and give him the children. Then he told her that if she would agree to a separation he would give her an allowance of $3,000 a year and if she didn't consent she would get nothing. She accepted this offer without having a chance to consult a lawyer and without realizing the increase in the cost of living, she says.

Mrs. Zinsser says that subsequently her husband became president of the Yorkville Bank at a salary of about $10,000, which with his additional income makes the total he now receives $15,000. Mrs. Zinsser says the $3,000 she is getting is insufficient and she wants to be paid the amount to which she and her children are entitled out of her husband's $15,000 a year.

The separation agreement signed by the couple shows that Zinsser was to have the children every Sunday and during the summer months and if they were ill they were to be treated by his brother, Dr. Hans Zinsser.

Swift & Company's sales of Fresh Lamb in New York City for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 7, averaged 11.15 cents per pound.—Adv.

AMERICAN LOAN FOR AUSTRIA.

Kuhn, Loeb & Co., and National City Bank to Raise $25,000,000.

A special despatch from Vienna to the Central News of London says:

"The Austrian Government has negotiated with Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and the National City Bank of New York for $25,000,000 4½ per cent. treasury bonds, redeemable at par."

A member of the firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co. said yesterday:

"The Austrian Government closed negotiations with Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and the National City Bank for $25,000,000 4½ per cent. one and a half and two year treasury notes. The contracting firms have been given assurances that the political situation is much improved and that there is no reason for apprehending warlike developments between the Powers. Only a smaller part of the proceeds of the loan is to be withdrawn at present."

BACK WITH WILSON'S NEW BOOK.

William Bayard Hale Says President-elect Is Feeling Fine.

William Bayard Hale, editor of the *World's Work* and biographer of Woodrow Wilson, got back from Bermuda on the steamship Cuba yesterday with the manuscript for Mr. Wilson's new book. Mr. Hale was the only guest that Mr. Wilson received in his retreat and together they went over the manuscript, which now is completed. The book, which is called "The New Freedom," will be published in March. Extracts from it will appear in Mr. Hale's magazine, commencing in January.

"A Call for the Emancipation of the Vital Energies of the Nation" is the subtitle of the President-elect's new book, and it is a new statement of Mr. Wilson's political beliefs in which is incorporated much of the material used in his campaign speeches.

Mr. Hale found the President-elect in the best of spirits, full of energy and looking forward now to getting back on next Saturday. Besides going over his book with Mr. Hale Mr. Wilson has gone through an immense amount of correspondence with the aid of a secretary. He has had what he wished, however, said Mr. Hale, a long rest free from things political, and its effect on him is obvious to his friends.

CHICAGO STOCK YARDS AN INTERSTATE CARRIER

Supreme Court Puts Traffic Under the Commerce Law.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The Supreme Court to-day in an opinion by Associate Justice Day reversed the United States Commerce Court again in two cases affecting the Union Stock Yards of Chicago.

The stock yards corporation, known as the Union Stock Yard and Transit Company of Chicago, was held to be an interstate carrier operating in interstate commerce and subject to regulation by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

By the same judgment the court holds that the firm of Louis Pfaelzer & Sons, a packing company, received undue preference over other patrons of the line, in that they got a bonus of $50,000 provided they would erect a new plant in Chicago instead of Kansas City.

The Pfaelzers had a slaughtering plant and did considerable shipping over the Union Stock Yards railway. In consideration of the $50,000 bonus the Pfaelzers agreed that all live stock slaughtered or canned by them within a radius of 200 miles would either be purchased at the Chicago stock yards or pass through them and would pay the customary tolls and charges.

The Supreme Court holds that this contract was a violation of the Elkins law forbidding rebates.

Two points were involved in the case. One was whether or not the stock yards company should be required to publish its tariffs from time to time as a carrier in interstate commerce; second, whether the contract with the Pfaelzers was a violation of the Elkins law. The whole case turned on whether the Union Stock Yard and Transit Company was an interstate carrier.

The record showed that for many years the stock yards company had operated a railroad track extending several hundred miles and including main line and switches. In 1897 the stock yards company leased its railroad lines to another corporation, which ultimately evolved into the Chicago Junction Railway Company. This railway company operated the railway but turned over two-thirds of the profits to the Chicago stock yards company. Both the stock yards company and the Junction Railroad Company was controlled by what is known as the Investment Company, a holding corporation.

The United States Attorney-General began the proceedings which were terminated in the United States Supreme Court to-day. He filed a bill praying for an injunction against the stock yards company and the Junction company to restrain them from engaging in interstate commerce until they had filed tariffs, as required by the interstate commerce act. The bill also asked for an injunction to restrain the performance of the contract with the Pfaelzers, which involved a $50,000 donation for the erection of the plant.

The Commerce Court held that neither the stock yards company nor the investment company was a common carrier. It dismissed the bill so far as these two corporations were concerned, but it held the Junction company to be a common carrier and subject to the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The Government appealed from the Commerce Court decision as to the stock yards company and the Investment company. The Supreme Court sustained this appeal, reversing the Commerce Court.

The case is important as establishing a precedent for the control under the interstate commerce act of the various stock yarde companies in packing centres which operate small belt railroads and provide facilities for the transfer and shipment of live stock.

Ralston to Attend Dinner.

Governor-elect Samuel W. Ralston of Indiana will address the Indiana Society at its annual dinner in the Plaza Hotel next Saturday. James E. Watson and Zach Sweeney, former United States Consul-General to Brazil, will also speak. In addition to this it is expected that Governor-elect Sulzer will be present to say a few words of welcome to the Governor-elect of Indiana.

Princeton Elects Captain.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 9.—Donald M. Morrison, '15, of Big Run, Pa., was elected captain of the Princeton cross-country team here to-night. Morrison finished second in the two mile run in the Princeton-Yale freshman meet last spring and was the second Tiger to cross the line at the recent intercollegiate cross-country run at Ithaca. He prepared at the Mount Herman School.

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HAMILTON, Bermuda, Dec. 7.—President-elect Wilson to-day began the final week of his sojourn in Bermuda with the assertion that the vacation part of it is about at an end and that from now on he will be giving very close attention to the rather difficult task of being Governor of New Jersey and at the same time preparing to become President of the United States.

He will sail for New York next Saturday, completely rested and fully prepared to meet the onslaughts of office seekers, unsolicited advisers and others who are perfectly willing to devote their time and intelligence to the direction of the next administration at Washington. Soon he will be found close to Princeton or Trenton and the important matters there to be transacted.

So far the Governor has three engagements and they were made some time ago. On the evening of December 17 he will be the guest of the Southern Society at a banquet in New York. Ten days later he will leave Princeton for Staunton, Va., where on December 28 the citizens of his birthplace are to celebrate his birthday with all the hurrah they can muster. The third engagement is to dine with the Commercial Club of Chicago on January 11. Beyond these three the Governor declares no drafts upon his time will be honored. He expects to be too busy for that.

The Governor has no social engagements for the last week of his stay here. He will work several hours each day but will not give up entirely his open air exercise. His first task and one which he began yesterday will be the drafting of his message to the Legislature of New Jersey, which meets early in January. He has before this made it known that his suggestions will not go beyond the platform adopted by the Democratic State convention. That document, however, is sufficiently long to occupy him for some time. The Governor was himself chairman of the committee that framed it and it may be taken for granted that its pledges for many reforms will be carried out if he can manage it. Not the least of these is a pledge to call a constitutional convention for the revision of the present rather cumbersome embodiment of the State's fundamental law.

It is very likely that during the coming week there will be a great deal of letter writing in Glen Cove. By this time Mr. Bryan has received the letter which suggested a consultation with him, but there are going to be consultations with others, and the President-elect, having been treated with consideration during his stay here, is now anxious to get into communication with the leaders of his party. Aside from his correspondence and the writing of his message Gov. Wilson also will be engrossed for some of the time in a perusal of many books and papers which he brought here with him for study.

For several days the direct cable from Bermuda to Halifax has been broken and communication over that route will probably be interrupted during the remainder of Gov. Wilson's stay. The only way in which he can now be reached by the insistent is over the Key West to Panama cable, and the cost of using that medium is sufficient to stagger many. He will have only one more opportunity to pay up insufficient postage on letters sent him by persons seeking favors and then he will leave these islands for at least four years. His visit here is going to be the central fact in advertising Bermuda for the next décade.

It is not without some concern that those who accompany the Governor look forward to the laying aside of white ducks, canvas shoes, light felt hats, bathing suits and swagger sticks for habiliments more adequate to the climatic rigors which a benevolent Gulf Stream tempers for the people here. The air is clear and soothing. Activity is as foreign to the place as is repose to Broadway. Yet there is no more of laziness than there is of eagerness. Men do their tasks without listlessness and without enthusiasm. Everywhere prevails the atmosphere of the golden mean, the pleasant middle way. Somehow one has a feeling that even if there was ever any excitement in Bermuda it would be dull.

To the enjoyment of these things Gov. Wilson has given himself up almost entirely. Yesterday he and his family were over at the marine gardens, as they are called, places out near the reefs where you look through glass bottomed boats to see wonderful coral formation and strange inhabitants of the waters. To-day they were off for a sail across the bay. Last night they went again to the Colonial Opera House, where a stock company is performing in a variety of plays for the current week. The play was "The Walls of Jericho"

Red Sox Have No Chance.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—A local sporting writer has elected the Senators 1913 pennant winners of the American League. He wrote letters for the opinions of all the team members. Nine answered, two saying the team would be a contender and seven saying it looked like a certain Washington victory. Score 8 to 1 against the Red Sox.

Packey and Murphy Get Ready.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Packey McFarland of Chicago and Eddie Murphy of Boston to-day began training here for their ten round bout at Kenosha, Wis., next Monday night.

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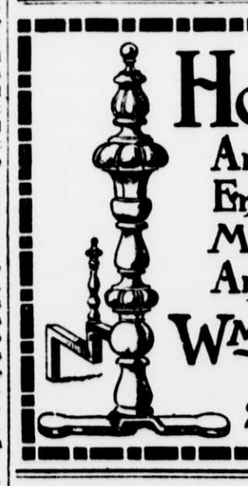

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SCANDINAVIAN ART IS SHOWN IN NEW EXHIBIT

Big Display Formally Opened at the American Art Galleries.

New Yorkers familiar with current art work in this country and with what finds its way hither through the usual channels from France and the central European region will be somewhat astonished when they visit the Scandinavian exhibition at the American Art Galleries, which was opened formally last evening with a reception at which the kings of Sweden, Norway and Denmark were represented by their respective Ministers from Washington.

In last night's gathering were many of the most distinguished members of the Scandinavian colony in America, together with well known artists and amateurs. The advance notices regarding the pictures, which are just beginning an American tour to last until spring, had indicated the unusual character of the show, but the manifestations of raw and sometimes boisterous energy, of an apparent determination to express without reservation what was in the minds of the artists, provoked surprise and admiration.

The Scandinavian exhibition will continue on view here through Christmas Day.

Hugo Reisinger, who two years ago arranged an exhibition of German paintings at the Metropolitan Museum, offered last night to pay the expenses of an exhibition of paintings by leading American artists in the capitals of Denmark, Norway and Sweden.

The offer was made at a dinner given by John A. Gade, president of the American-Scandinavian Art Society, to the Ministers of the three Scandinavian nations and a few other guests in celebration of the opening of the society's exhibition of Scandinavian paintings last night at the American Art Galleries.

The present exhibition of the work of the Scandinavian artists in this city is costing between $6,000 and $7,000. The paintings alone are insured for $150,000.

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Three unidentified men attacked James Howard early yesterday morning at North Fourth street and Bedford avenue, Williamsburg, fracturing his skull. The men were about to go through his pockets when something frightened them off.

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