

## MURPHY-SULZER PEACE UNBROKEN

But the Choice of Wilcox's  
Successor May Lead  
to a Break.

## MURPHY'S ONE WISH

Wants Public Service Board  
—He Is Content With  
Wilcox.

## ALBANY EXPOSURES DUE?

Likelihood That Some Sudden  
Fortunes May Need  
Explanation.

There is no break of a political or social character as yet between Gov. Sulzer and Charles P. Murphy, Tammany's chief and leader of the Democratic State organization. There may not be a break between the two men, and then again a dozen Democratic politicians in their confidence remarked yesterday that there was a good chance of one.

The future relations between Gov. Sulzer and Mr. Murphy, these intimates added, depend entirely and solely on Gov. Sulzer's selection for Public Service Commissioner to succeed William H. Wilcox, whose term expires on February 1. The public will not know of any change in the relations of these two Democrats until the name of Mr. Wilcox's successor is sent by the Governor to the Senate. If that name is satisfactory to Mr. Murphy and his friends in the Democratic State organization, the Governor's nomination will be confirmed. If it is not, the nomination will be rejected, for the Democratic State organization will be able at all times within the next year and possibly within the next two years to control the necessary twenty-six votes to confirm or reject the Governor's nominations. There was a question among lawyers yesterday as to whether Mr. Wilcox could hold over in the event of no successor being confirmed by February 1. The majority opinion was in the affirmative.

Gov. Sulzer left New York for Albany with many policies and projects under consideration. He had had several conversations with Mr. Murphy within the last few days. In these conversations the paramount subject discussed was a successor to Mr. Wilcox. It had become known that followers of William H. Hearst greatly desired the appointment of John Purroy Mitchell, President of the Board of Aldermen. Mr. Mitchell has said that he was unwary of these efforts to bring about his appointment. Before election and since there have been statements made in the inner circles of the Democratic party to the effect that the State organization headed by Mr. Sulzer had no and would not attempt to interfere in any way with the Governor's selections for office with the exception of the appointments to succeed Mr. Wilcox and a Superintendent of Highways to succeed G. Gordon Reed of Kingston. In fact it was stated by reliable authorities yesterday that Gov. Sulzer has been aware all along of this understanding. It has been perfectly plain to all Democrats that while Mr. Murphy did not oppose Mr. Sulzer's nomination at Syracuse he could easily have frustrated the plans of Mr. Sulzer's friends to nominate him and given the nomination to William H. McAdoo, then acting chairman of the Democratic National Committee. The Republican party in the State was hopelessly divided, and it is Democratic testimony that almost any Democrat could have been elected Governor.

It appears now after Gov. Sulzer and Mr. Murphy have had their talks that Mr. Murphy and his friends in New York City do not care so much about a Superintendent of Highways to succeed Mr. Reed, but that all their efforts will be put forth to get their man for Public Service Commissioner to succeed Mr. Wilcox. At best, it was pointed out yesterday, the Highways Commission will only have \$20,000,000 to spend on the roads of the State, and that of this amount only \$2,000,000, or \$6,000,000, possibly \$10,000,000, can be spent in a single year. The contracts for this work are often hazardous in a financial way. With the Public Service Commission the matter is far different and of vaster importance. Immediately after the final agreement on subway construction contracts involving the expenditure of \$300,000,000 must be drawn. The vast power, political and financial, of those contracts must be retained in the hands of Mr. Murphy and his financial friends or there will be trouble. That was the last word heard in the inner sanctums of the Democrats hereabout yesterday.

Gov. Sulzer, in naming a successor to Mr. Wilcox, designating that successor as chairman of the commission. It was learned yesterday that in view of future events Public Service Commissioner G. V. S. Williams has directed a bill to be drawn which is shortly to be introduced in the Legislature at Albany, taking all of the railroads on Long Island from the domination of the Public Service Commission of the second department and putting them in charge of the Public Service Commission of the first department. With a Democrat named to succeed Mr. Wilcox the down-State Public Service Commission would be in the hands of the Democrats and the \$300,000,000 in contracts would be controlled by them.

## ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL SINKING.

Sir Francis Fox Says Cracks Endanger Building.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun. LONDON, Dec. 31.—International alarms in recent years in regard to the rumored instability of St. Paul's Cathedral have been reawakened by an official report which Sir Francis Fox, consulting engineer in Westminster and the city of London, has just presented after an examination of the fabric of the great church. His report is that St. Paul's Cathedral is overladen, it is actually moving and cracking.

The cathedral authorities invited the opinion of Sir Francis, who has a great reputation in consequence of his scheme of the London County Council to make a tramway subway near the East End, which the authorities have supported and which numerous engineers believe will endanger the cathedral.

Sir Francis supports this latter view and says that already there are most decided signs of disturbance of the masonry. Some of the buttresses in the dome are actually moving and not only should any further cause of weakness be absolutely forbidden, but immediate remedial measures are imperative to secure its safety.

The eight great piers supporting the dome have sunk from four to six inches, which has caused a severe cross strain and serious cracks.

Sir Francis believes that the weight on the piers and foundations greatly exceeds what present day experts would propose, standing as it does upon wood, sand, gravel and peat. He remarks that the actual condition of the foundations is unknown. He ascribes the recent cracking to shifting, partly due to vibration from motor buses.

## OCHS SELLS PHILADELPHIA "PUBLIC LEDGER" TO CURTIS

New Owner Long Prominent as  
a Publisher of Popular  
Magazine.

Philadelphia, Dec. 31.—Curtis H. K. Curtis, of this city, publishing company has bought the controlling interest in the Philadelphia Public Ledger, which has been looked upon as the Philadelphia adjunct of the New York Times. Today Mr. Curtis acquired the stock interest owned by Adolph S. Ochs, of this city.

In an announcement which will appear tomorrow morning in the Public Ledger it is stated under the signature of Adolph Ochs that he sold out in the interests of his brother, George W. and Milton Ochs, who will remain as editor and publisher and business manager respectively. It is believed, however, that the Ochs brothers will soon retire from the paper. Associated with Mr. Curtis in the purchase is John Gribbel, a local business man, who becomes vice-president of the company. Mr. Curtis is a well-known publisher.

Following the announcement of the sale by Mr. Ochs Mr. Curtis makes an announcement in which he says: "The Public Ledger appears this morning under new ownership. The entire capital stock of the Public Ledger Publishing Company has been purchased by Curtis H. K. Curtis and John Gribbel of Philadelphia. No radical changes in the character of the Public Ledger will be made. Its independence, its impartiality and non-partisanship, but never suspended. The generations of the Public Ledger has enjoyed the confidence and respect of this city and it is our own people's privilege to present to the public a journal that shall be a credit to journalism. The Public Ledger and to the nation. George W. Ochs continues as editor and publisher and Milton Ochs as business manager. The Public Ledger is a combination of the Philadelphia Times and the Philadelphia Times and the Public Ledger. It was established on March 25, 1836, under the name of Public Ledger by Swain, Abell & Simmons. A few weeks later it took over the Daily Transcript. In December, 1861, the paper was purchased by George W. Ochs. It remained in the possession until the death of George W. Ochs in 1884. It was then run by the Ochs estate under George W. Ochs, Jr. The paper was purchased July 21, 1902, by Adolph Ochs and his associates. The Ochs interest owned the Philadelphia Times and upon the Philadelphia Times and the Public Ledger, they combined the two and stopped publication of the Times. The paper has not been especially successful under their management."

## MISS STEAL GETS SPIRIT WORD.

Says Father Announces He Is Working for World Peace.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun. LONDON, Dec. 31.—Miss Estelle W. Stead, daughter of William T. Stead, who died in the Titanic disaster, declares she has received many spirit messages from her father within a few weeks. "My father tells me," Miss Stead said today, "that he is working here and now, just as he always worked here for world peace. Being untrammelled by a physical body, and at liberty to go here, there and the other place at will, he is working and influencing for peace by impression. "There is heavy work in front. Do not imagine that the Turk has left Europe yet," was the last message he said.

## OFFICIAL CALENDARS FOR COPS.

Advertising Date Puts Barred From Police Stations.

By order of Commissioner Waldo the walls of every police station in the city were stripped of calendars bearing advertising matter and official calendars were issued last night for the first time in the history of the department. The new calendars are fourteen by ten inches in size, with a solid green back and a pad of dates from which the station lieutenant tears off a sheet at midnight of each day. This will throw into the discard many types of variegated beauty which have heretofore broken the chill severity of the station house walls.

## SAVES TWO IN ICY POND; GOES DOWN WITH THIRD

Berger Had Won Medals for Bravery  
While One of Uncle  
Sam's Troopers.

## TEDDY PATTON A HERO TOO

Boys at Play in Crotona Park  
Run, Heedless, Beyond  
Danger Line.

Maurice Berger, who a little while ago was one of Uncle Sam's troopers in Honolulu, crashed his way through the broken ice of Indian Lake in Crotona Park yesterday afternoon to save two boys and then, tired out, went down in the clasp of another.

Their bodies were recovered from the bottom of the lake, but although Dr. Kirschbaum of Fordham Hospital worked over Berger for half an hour on the icy shore it was too late to save him. The boy, Hyman Abel, was beyond all hope of saving.

Indian Lake is a little pond at the southern end of Crotona Park. The bottom shelves toward the center, so that there have been several drownings there in past summers.

The park is always filled with children and their parents and nurses. Yesterday 500 of them perhaps were enjoying the sunshine of the old year, and four of the liveliest of the youngsters were Irving Zweigbaum, 10 years old, of 941 Union avenue, The Bronx; his cousin, Herman Zweigbaum, 13, of 340 Union avenue, Hyman Abel, who is the son of Senor Abel, a wine dealer of 918 Union avenue, and another boy with whom they scraped acquaintance.

They were scuffling around the sides of the pond and some one thought it would be a bully idea to toss Irving's cap out on the ice. The ice is about four inches thick on the west side, but on the east side there is a drainage tube and the flux of a water prevents freezing except when the weather is very cold.

Irving's cap went skittering across the ice and he trotted after it, heedless of the danger signals posted around the pond. Herman, who realized that the ice was not safe, went after him, and then followed Abel and the other boy.

Irving picked up his cap about half way across the pond and as he did the other caught up with him. Under the weight of the four the thin ice split and dumped them into the water.

Herman can swim and grabbing Irving he broke the ice before him and, half swimming, half clinging, to cakes of ice, worked his way safely to the shore. But Hyman Abel and the other lad were not so fortunate.

They managed to cling to broken slabs of ice till Teddy Patton, who has sense with his eleven years, ran to the beach and got a stick. With this he worked out till he could be on his stomach and shove one end to Abel and the other boy. The ice was too thin to support the strain, however, and it gave way under Patton and he lay in with his comrades.

By this time the cries of the boys and those nearest the pond had brought scores of mothers and nurses to the shore, where, fearing some of those struggling in the water might be their children, they ran up and down wringing their hands and weeping.

Berger, 22 years old and with 200 pounds of sheer brawn, loomed up just then. He stripped off his coat. Herman was near the shore with Irving, so Berger splashed past them, ripping through the jagged ice, on to where were the three other boys. He had to swim the last few feet.

He grabbed Patton and, swimming back to the firmer ice, slid the boy on his face toward shore till he saw he was safe. Then he turned back. The boy whose name was not known was clinging to a cake of ice when Berger reached him, and the ex-trooper slid him shoreward in the same way.

The water was mighty cold, and when he turned back the third time it was telling on Berger's strength. Hyman was in desperate fear by then. When the big man reached him the boy wrapped his arms around his neck and clung with the hysterical desperation of the drowning. He shut off Berger's breath too, though he didn't know it, and he dug his fingers into his eyes in a frenzy of fright. The big fellow had to give up the struggle. Locked together he and the boy went down.

A park employee named George Barretta and another man got a leaky skiff, which they launched through the open lane in the ice, and with a boat hook shoved their way out to where the two had disappeared. With their hook they brought the bodies to the surface after a time and poled their way back to shore. Coroner Healey gave permission to have the bodies taken home. At Berger's house at 124 Crotona Park East his mother and sisters told of the medals he won in Honolulu. One was awarded by Congress and the other was the gift of somebody whom he had saved from drowning. Berger was honorably discharged on August 21, 1911, and was about to go back to the army.

Teddy Patton, the boy who ran out with the stick, is the son of I. W. Patton, of the Patton Commercial Schools in The Bronx.

## MRS. McENTYRE NABS BURGLAR.

Warned by Maid, Mistress Overpowers Thief in Bathroom.

A maid in the house of George R. McEntyre, a builder who lives at 156 West Ninety-third street, discovered the door of a bathroom closing slowly late yesterday afternoon. It latched noiselessly. The maid tiptoed down stairs and told Mrs. McEntyre about it.

Mrs. McEntyre, who is athletic, hustled right up stairs. She found the bathroom door locked, but peaved against it and it sprang from its hinges.

As it gave way a short, heavily built man tried to come out. Mrs. McEntyre grappled with him and after a short, hard struggle, toppled him over into the bathtub. Then she told the maid to call the police.

Detectives L'Hercule and Dannelly took the prisoner out of the tub. He said he was Julius Friedland, a nurse, 42 years old, and he lived at 68 West Ninety-seventh street. In the rooms' gallery was found a photograph of a Julius Friedland which looked like the prisoner. A finger print test proved him to be the same man.

His record showed that he was convicted as a sneak thief in the Court of Special Sessions early in 1909 and sentenced to thirty days by Justice Jewell.

## U. S. STEEL IS TO BUILD \$20,000,000 CANADA PLANT

Has Mile and a Half Along Detroit River on Which to Erect Great Ore Mills.

The United States Steel Corporation is to establish a plant at Sandwich, Ont., just across the river from Detroit, to cost approximately \$20,000,000. The corporation has decided to establish a manufacturing plant at the site which was secured some years ago in Canada just opposite Detroit, said Judge Gary yesterday when asked concerning the new plant.

In the comparatively near future we shall commence the construction of a new blast furnace and mill. We shall probably build a wire mill, rail mill, structural mill, bar mill and perhaps some other mills. I suppose the first cost will be in the neighborhood of \$20,000,000.

The site in question is located at Sandwich, Ont. Some five or six years ago we purchased about 1,500 acres on the Detroit River, giving us a splendid site. We have approximately a mile and a half on the river front, where the water is 25 to 30 feet deep.

Judge Gary said he could not tell exactly when the construction of the plant would be begun. He said that part of the cost would probably be financed by the issue of bonds.

## JAMES R. KEENE IS MOVED.

Financier, Long Ill., Taken From the Waldorf by His Son.

James R. Keene, who has been ill in his apartments at the Waldorf for some time, was moved from there yesterday by his son, Foxhall Keene, but it could not be learned whether he had been taken to a sanatorium or to his home at "Cedarhurst," where he is reported to have gone to Miss Astor's sanatorium but it was said there last night that his name was not on the books of the institution.

Mr. Keene has been ill for nearly two years. He is in his seventy-fourth year and has been under the care of a trained nurse since his return from abroad a little over a year ago. It is said that his condition has recently become more alarming.

## TWO NEW PEERS CREATED.

List of New Year's Honors Includes Eighteen Knights.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun. LONDON, Jan. 1.—The New Year's honours announced this morning are not sensational. There are only two new peers, Sir George Stuyvesant Clarke, who has been Governor of Bombay since 1907, and Sir George Kemp, Liberal M. P. for Northwest Manchester.

Among the baronets created are Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Scott and Thomas Graham Jackson, the noted architect.

There are eighteen new knights. These include Francis Darwin, one-time president of the British Association and better known, perhaps, because of his father, and E. W. Taylor, manager of the Bank of Montreal.

Members Morris of Newfoundland and Whittier of Ontario are K. C. M. G. honorees, while Mr. Angus, a Canadian Privy Councillor, and Dr. Williamson of Toronto are made Knights Bachelor.

OTTAWA, Dec. 31.—Major Zachary Taylor Wood, Assistant Commissioner Royal Northwest Mounted Police, who gets a K. C. M. G., is a grandson of Louisiana and is a son of Col. Wood of the Confederate army.

J. S. Willson, who also gets a K. C. M. G. is editor of the Toronto News. Canadian paper to-night have a London cable saying Canada is to be given another seat in the House of Lords and that it will be given to Sir Thomas Stuyvesant Clarke, the Canadian Pacific Railroad, in recognition of his naval policy and that it has been urged by T. P. O'Connor and John Redmond.

## MRS. G. W. H. ALLEN HURT.

Knocked Down by Slow Moving Car in Fifth Avenue.

Mrs. George W. H. Allen of 116 East Park street, was struck by an automobile yesterday afternoon at Fifth avenue and Fifty-fifth street. The machine, owned by John J. Johnson of 9 West Eighty-first street, was driven by Robert Thurston of 201 West Thirtieth street. There were no passengers.

The automobile was going east and was moving slowly. Mrs. Allen was knocked to the pavement. The chauffeur picked her up and sent a call to Flower Hospital, but before the ambulance came Dr. Ewald Brown of 111 West Fifty-fifth street, Mrs. Allen's physician, came by in his motor car and took Mrs. Allen home.

## ISMAY RETIRES AS HEAD OF MERCANTILE MARINE

Company's Manager, Who Was  
on Titanic, to Quit  
on June 30.

## LOST HEALTH IN CRASH

Also Quits White Star Line—  
Harold A. Sanderson  
Succeeds Him.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun. LONDON, Dec. 31.—The White Star Company announced to-night that J. Bruce Ismay will retire as president of the International Mercantile Marine on June 30 next and will be succeeded by Harold A. Sanderson, one of the directors.

The statement adds that recent rumors in reference to Mr. Ismay's resignation were doubtless due to incorrect reports as to the arrangement made last February, but it was then determined that no announcement should be published until the end of 1912.

"It was not thought necessary to depart from this understanding," says the official statement.

"The change necessarily includes Mr. Ismay's resignation from his subsidiary positions, such as the chairmanship of the White Star Line Steamship Company, but in order to meet the wishes of his colleagues he has consented to continue his directorship of the International Mercantile Marine Company. He will also continue his activities in the other companies with which he is associated."

J. Bruce Ismay was elected president of the International Mercantile Marine Company at a special meeting of the board of directors held in this city on February 24, 1907. It had been reported for several months that he proposed to retire. His health was impaired, it is said, by his experience at the sinking of the Titanic, on which he was a passenger, and about a month ago he practically gave up his duties as the executive head of the company, his work as managing director being taken over by Harold A. Sanderson, who will succeed him.

Mr. Ismay started for this country on the ill-fated Titanic on her first and only trip as the representative of the International Mercantile Marine. He was one of the comparatively few men left to tell the story when the supposedly unsinkable ship struck an iceberg and went down. His part in sinking himself was severely criticized all over the world.

Mr. Ismay testified before the subcommittee of the United States Senate Committee of Commerce, which investigated the sinking of the big ship, that he was a voluntary passenger on the liner and was the last man to leave the deck of the ship in a full boat. He said there was nobody, woman or man, in sight to occupy the only vacant seat in the lifeboat, so he got in.

Mr. Ismay repeated his testimony concerning the disaster at an official investigation in London conducted by a commission. He maintained at all times that he gave no orders or instructions, only with Capt. Smith in his operation of the Titanic.

Mr. Sanderson has been a director of the International Mercantile Marine since its organization. He was formerly a steamship agent in this city, representing the Wilson Line.

Representatives of the White Star Line here said last night that they were not making any change in the policy of the International Mercantile Marine, of which the White Star is the principal subsidiary.

Mr. Ismay succeeded his father as the head of the old firm of Ismay, Imrie & Co., promoters of modern ship business. He joined forces with J. Pierpont Morgan and Clement A. Griscom in the formation of the big shipping combine.

## MR. REID'S BODY HERE FRIDAY.

British Cruiser Natal Bearing to Weather Sends Wireless.

The British cruiser Natal, bearing to this port the body of Whitehall Reid, late Ambassador to England, announced by wireless last evening that she expected to get here on Friday morning. The United States battleships North Dakota and Florida, which left the navy yard yesterday morning and anchored off Tompkinsville, may sail to-day to meet the Natal off Nantucket and escort her to anchor in the Hudson River. Heavy weather has delayed the Natal.

The following committee was appointed yesterday by the president of the Union League Club to attend the funeral services of Ambassador Reid at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine next Saturday morning: Joseph H. Choate, Chauncey M. Depew, Horace Porter, Edith Roosevelt, George R. Sheldon, A. Barton Hepburn, J. Pierpont Morgan, Henry C. Lewis, Joseph E. Gay, Charles D. Gregory, Charles E. Rutherford and Samuel W. Fairchild.

## WARD PAID GOW \$1,100,000.

Counsel's Suit for \$25,000 Fee Disallows Value of Half Interest.

A suit filed in the Supreme Court yesterday in behalf of the members of the former law firm of Parker, Hatch & Sheehan discloses that the amount paid by Artemus Ward in settling the suit against him by his former partner, William Gow, for a half interest in Ward & Gow, was \$1,100,000. For this sum Gow withdrew all his claims against Ward.

The suit filed yesterday is against the law firm of Gifford, Hobbs & Beard, counsel for Gow, for services rendered by the plaintiffs as special counsel in settling the litigation and for which it is alleged the plaintiffs agreed to pay \$25,000. The complaint says that before the plaintiffs went into the case Ward only offered \$350,000 to settle the litigation.

## MRS. DIX HURT RIDING IN AUTO.

Wife of Retiring Governor Able to Attend Sulzer Ball, However.

ALBANY, Dec. 31.—Mrs. John A. Dix, wife of the retiring Governor, had a narrow escape from serious injury this afternoon as she was being driven from her State street home to the Executive Mansion to greet Gov.-elect William Sulzer and Mrs. Sulzer. The wheels of the Dix automobile struck a deep rut and Mrs. Dix was thrown from her seat. Her head struck the automobile top, and she was knocked unconscious. This was denied officially, however.

Mrs. Dix did not get to the mansion, and Gov.-elect Sulzer said that he understood Mrs. Dix was kept away because of an accident.

Mrs. Dix was well enough to attend the inaugural ball at the armory to-night, however.

## WOMAN FIRST AT WINDOW.

Sophie Irene Loeb Mails Parcel to Gov. Sulzer.

In the midst of the din that announced the birth of the new year the parcel post service began at 12:01 o'clock this morning. Long before the scheduled hour a dozen or more men and women were grouped about the two special windows in the Post Office squabbling good naturedly among themselves for the premier place in the line.

Sophie Irene Loeb has the distinction of mailing the first package sent by a woman. Her parcel weighed eighteen ounces and was sent to Gov. Sulzer.

## CAR KILLS MAN AT WIFE'S SIDE.

Man at Speed, She Says, Over Street Crossing.

James R. Phillips, 75 years old, a retired lawyer and real estate agent living at 243 West Ninety-eighth street, was struck by a car while crossing Broadway. Ninety-sixth street with his wife yesterday afternoon and died in the Polyclinic Hospital late in the evening. James Driscoll of 536 West 125th street was the motorist of the car.

Mrs. Phillips said last night that the car was running at high speed and did not slow down at the crossing as Mr. Phillips expected it to do. Mrs. Phillips was not close to her husband and had time to get out of danger. Her husband was thrown about twenty feet. Dr. Franklin Burke of 209 West Ninety-sixth street saw the accident and rendered what immediate assistance was possible.

Mr. Phillips was born in England and settled first in this country in Philadelphia. He had lived in New York for forty years. Mrs. Phillips and two sons, Sidney and Stanhope, survive him.

## MRS. SCHIFF GIVES \$18,000.

Completes Gift of \$250,000 for A. W. H. A. Clubhouse.

The Young Women's Hebrew Association has received from Mrs. Jacob H. Schiff a gift of \$18,000. This completes a building fund of \$250,000 which will be used for the erection of a new home on a site bought in 110th street between Fifth and Lenox avenues, facing Central Park.

The announcement of Mrs. Schiff's gift was made yesterday by Mrs. A. M. Cohen, chairman of the building fund committee. It is understood that the gift was actually made some time ago. The balance has been contributed by more than 2,100 members of the association. The new building will be eight stories high, with gymnasium and swimming pool and will have sleeping accommodations for 150 girls.

## WINS WIFE BY MINUTES.

Ship's Doctor in Just Before 10:13, the Bride's Time Limit.

The Volturo of the Uranium Line arrived last night from Rotterdam just in time to allow the ship's surgeon, Dr. William J. Fine of Burlington, Vt., to hold his fiancée, Lillian G. Ellman of 1893 Bergen street, Brooklyn, to her word.

Mrs. Ellman had said that she would marry the doctor if he got to port before the new year. The young woman was waiting on the pier, and the couple hurried to Knights of Pythias Hall at 432 Hopkinson avenue, Brooklyn, where the marriage took place.

Dr. Fine nearly missed becoming a husband, he told his friends at the festivities. The Volturo had rough weather and had to stop to rescue William Rothman, the assistant wireless operator, who was washed overboard by a wave.

Furthermore a certain Chulla Sapienza, who was in the steerage with his wife, had appendicitis and was attended by Dr. Fine.

## MARRIED AT 12-01 JAN. 1, 1913.

Miss Frances Gracie and G. H. McCom Wed in Early New Year.

Miss Frances Gracie, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gracie of Hempstead, and George Henry McCom were married this morning at the Kingsley Methodist Church at one minute past twelve. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. P. Rhoades, pastor of the church. Mr. McCom is connected with a Wall Street brokerage firm and lives in Floral Park, L. I. The wedding party came to Staten Island late in the evening to attend the watch night service in the Kingsley Church and then were married immediately following it. Walter Gracie is a retired broker.

## SUICIDE ON NEW YEAR'S EVE.

"1912 Too Unlucky," Says Chauffeur as He Shoots Himself.

John Gager, a middle aged chauffeur out of a job, went into a saloon at West street and Globe Square last night and bought a few drinks.

"I've had hard enough luck in 1912," he said, "and I won't put in another year like it."

## WAITERS VAINLY DECLARE STRIKE

Members of Union Remain  
at Posts to Garner In  
New Year's Tips.

## RAID ON ASTOR FAILS

Leaders March on Hotel With  
Bricks, but Are Put  
to Flight.

## THREE ARE ARRESTED

Some Employers Sign Terms,  
but Others Are Angered  
by "Holdup."

The International Hotel Workers Union, which boasts a membership of 12,000, declared a general strike of all the waiters and kitchen employees in the hotels and restaurants of this city at 11:30 o'clock at night the declaration had made little effect upon the hotels.

Though the union then declared that twelve hotels had acceded to their demands, it was evident that lack of organization on the part of the union was making the strike more or less of a fizzle. In all the prominent hotels waiters were at their accustomed places garnering New Year's tips hands over fists.

It was the fact that last night was the biggest one for tips of all the year that caused the lack of enthusiasm in the rank and file.

The only serious disorder caused by the strike up to midnight was at the Forty-fourth street entrance of the Astor, where pickets tried to get Mr. Muschenheim's loyal waiters to walk out.

A crowd of yelling pickets poured out of Bryant Hall at Forty-first street, the waiters' assembly place, and marched noisily to the Astor. On Forty-fourth street they picked up bricks from a lot on which excavations for a new building are under way. They led by three of the biggest among them and with bricks held behind their backs and under their coats, they mingled with the crowd and tried to force their way into the hotel with the idea of calling to the waiters in the main dining room.

The Astor lobbies were thick with special policemen and detectives, as trouble had been looked for. A detective threw the leader of the invaders into the street. In a moment the rest of the strikers were kicking and throwing bricks. One of the Astor managers yelled out of a Broadway window to Policeman Bannon, who sprinted through the crowd around the corner and yanked Picket Eugene Costa out of the swinging entrance doors by his collar.

Bannon was at the bottom of the mob in a twinkling. Holding to his prisoner, he got out his revolver and threatened to shoot. As the crowd fell back Policeman Dobson came along and fighting his way to Bannon made three arrests of pickets. The strikers ran.

As soon as the news of this got back to headquarters there were threats of reprisals and