LOEB VINDICATED L. STRAUS & SONS

Collector Says Firm Is Not Guilty of Fraud in China Imports.

QUESTION ONE OF VALUE

The Last Administration Sifted Charges Now Renewed.

It is understood that the test suit brought by the Government against the Limoges china importing firm of L. Straus & Sons will be followed by twenty suits against other china importing firms if the present suit is successful. This suit was filed in the Federal District Court on Tuesday last and is for $69,973, the amount alleged to be due the Government for discrepancies in dutiable values.

The amount sued for covers differences in duties on importations made by the firm from January 1, 1910, to January 1, 1913. There is basis for belief that this is the outcome of a long-standing controversy between the China importers and the American Potters Association.

Collector Loeb said yesterday:

"Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh, Assistant Secretary Curtis, Attorney-General Wickersham, United States District Attorney Wise and myself have all held that the firm of L. Straus & Sons has not been guilty of any fraudulent practices. The only question at issue is one of value, which the Board of United States General Appraisers has sustained again and again, and the law says that the board is the final authority. This being so, it is difficult to see how an action against the firm, based on the ground of fraud, can be maintained."

It is pointed out on behalf of the china importers that the situation is the same as if an American firm sent a buyer abroad, added his expenses to purchase cost of a line of goods and was forced to pay duty on his expenses. L. Straus & Sons buy their goods from a large number of manufacturers in the Limoges district, where 95 per cent. of all French china is made. The firm maintains at Limoges a purchasing office which invoices their goods, adding to the prices paid to the French manufacturers 6 per cent. This 6 per cent. is supposed to go as a contribution toward the expense of the purchasing office.

When the goods arrive here this 6 per cent has been deducted without any attempt at concealment. The customs officials have heretofore recognized that the expense of the foreign office should not be charged duty, and for many years this system has been unquestioned. The actual amount on which duty is paid is exactly the same as L. Straus & Sons pay to the various factories from which they buy.

William M. Ivins, attorney for the importing firm, said:

"The suit grows out of a long standing controversy between the china importers as a body and the American Potters' Association. The association has tried to make the tariff prohibitive and has neglected no means of reaching that end, although it has been defeated in every judicial controversy. The present suit was instituted by Mr. Burgess, the paid agent of the association, in order to give another opportunity for a new construction of the statute. This could only be done by alleging fraud, which is not sworn to by the Government. That allegation is wholly impossible of proof. I have absolutely no doubt that my client will succeed. The Government hasn't a leg to stand on, seeing that my clients have its correspondence to the effect that the difference of opinion is a perfectly honest one."

Representative Webb of North Carolina introduced a resolution in the last Congress shortly before it adjourned asking the Attorney-General why the Government had not proceeded against the china importers. In reply Mr. Wickersham wrote:

"The matter is in the hands of Assistant Attorney-General Wemple, Roger G. Wood and Attorney Wise and I am without advice as to exactly what proceedings were brought by them. The only thing that I know is that a suggestion to proceed criminally against L. Straus & Sons was determined adversely by the unanimous judgment of the Collector of the Port, Assistant Secretary Curtis, the Secretary of the Treasury, Assistant Attorney-General Wemple, United States Attorney Wise and myself."

There were some attempts in the last campaign to use the charges against the firm as campaign material against Oscar Straus, who is related to members of the firm, but who severed his connection with the firm several years ago. None of the Government officials would stand sponsor for the accusation.

CITY MAY BALK ON ROADS.

Prendergast Says Catskill Farmers Want Too Much.

When the project to spend $1,300,000 of city money as a starter in road construction in the Catskill aqueduct district came before the Board of Estimate yesterday Comptroller Prendergast proposed that the city go to court in the hope that it may escape the burden.

Charles Strauss, president of the Board of Water Supply, told the Board of Estimate that the city was obligated under the "scandalous law of 1905" to build roads in place of country highways submerged by the reservoirs.

The Board of Water Supply has asked for money to build forty miles of vitrified brick road on the principle that a road of this sort will last longer without repair than a cheaper macadam highway.

"There is a Court of Appeals in this State," remarked Comptroller Prendergast, "and the city has not exhausted every effort to escape from the oppression of these countrymen."

Nelson P. Lewis, chief engineer to the Board of Estimate, Consulting Engineer Withington of the Finance Department and the engineers of the five boroughs were named as a committee to advise the Board of Estimate as to going to court.

25,000 GIRLS MAY STRIKE.

Feather Workers Organizing to Make Demands.

According to the labor organizers on the East Side the millinery and feather workers of the city are to make demands and strike if they are refused. Meetings were held last night to form a union.

Herman Klawansky, the organizer who has charge of this movement, said that there are between 25,000 and 30,000 in the trade in this city, all of whom are girls. New York is the largest centre of the trade in the United States. Some years ago these workers had a union, but it was not kept up.

THE BOSTON MARKET.

BOSTON, March 27.—The increased volume of trading was of short duration, the market to-day again relapsing into dulness. The tone at the close was easier. East Butte and Granby were weak and fairly active. The former sold down to 11½, off 1, and the latter sold down to 58¾, off 1¼. Butte and Superior on more than the usual volume of sales declined fractionally. The drop of 1¾ in New Haven to 117¼ contributed the only feature among the New England railroad stocks. United Fruit was irregular, weakening to 164, but closed at 165½, a final net loss of ½. The summary:

BONDS.

Sales.		Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
$7000	Am T & T 4s	86⅝	86⅝	86½	86⅝
5000	Am T & T 4½s	103⅛	103⅛	103⅛	103⅛
2000	Bos & Corbin 6s	80	80	80	80
20000	C B & Q jt 4s	94⅛	94⅛	94⅛	94⅛
2000	Chi jt 5s	99	99	99	99
1000	Ill Steel 4½s	88⅝	88⅝	88⅝	88⅝
6000	K C Ft S & M 6s	109½	110	109½	110
1000	U Fruit 4½s 1923	95⅝	95⅝	95⅝	95⅝
5000	West T & T 4½s	97⅞	98⅛	97⅞	98⅛

MINING STOCKS.

Sales.		Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
350	Algomah	1	1 1-16	1	1
2243	Amalgamated	70⅝	71⅝	70½	70½
25	Am Zinc	29⅛	29⅛	29	29
210	Arizona Cons	3½	3½	3½	3½
895	Boston & Corbin	6⅛	6⅜	6⅛	6⅜
290	Butte Balak	2	2	2	2
1325	Butte & Sup	33¼	33¾	32¾	32¾
100	Cal & Ariz	65	65	64½	64½
2	Cal & Hecla	450	450	450	450
70	Chino Copper	35½	35⅝	35½	35¾
35	Copper Range	44½	44½	44	44
1165	East Butte	12⅛	12⅛	11½	12
210	Franklin	6½	6½	6½	6½
10	Giroux Cons	2⅞	2⅞	2⅞	2⅞
1110	Granby Cons	60¼	60½	58⅞	59¼
1	Hancock Cons	20	20	20	20
10	Hedley G M ex div	32	32	32	32
10	Indiana	12⅝	12⅝	12⅝	12⅝
125	Lake Copper	15⅝	15⅝	15⅛	15⅛
50	Mass Cons	4⅛	4⅛	4⅛	4⅛
40	Mayflower	9	9	9	9
25	Mohawk	50	51	50	50
70	Nevada Cons	17⅛	17⅛	17⅛	17⅛
160	Nipissing	9⅛	9 7-16	9⅛	9⅛
210	North Butte	28	28	28	28
35	North Lake	1½	1½	1½	1½
200	Ojibway	2	2	2	2
60	Old Colony M	5	5	4⅞	4⅞
115	Old Dominion	47½	48	47½	48
5	Osceola	92½	92½	92½	92½
90	Pond Creek	23½	23½	23⅛	23⅛
5	Quincy Min	68½	68½	68½	68½
90	Ray Con	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝
40	St Marys Ld	39	39	39	39
130	Shannon	10⅝	10½	10⅛	10⅛
100	South Utah	25	30	20	20
250	Superior	30	30⅛	30	30⅝
50	Sup & Boston	3 11-16	3 11-16	3 11-16	3 11-16
50	Trinity	4 1-16	4 1-16	4 1-16	4 1-16
20	Tuolumne	2⅝	2⅝	2⅝	2⅝
5	Uni Copper Ld	1½	1½	1½	1½
175	U S Smelt	41	41⅛	41	41⅛
326	U S Smelt pf	48½	48½	48½	48½
535	Utah Cons	9½	9½	9⅛	9⅛
220	Winona Copper	2⅝	2⅝	2½	2½
20	Wolverine	62	62	62	62

RAILROAD STOCKS.

Sales.		Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
10	Atchison pf	100⅛	100⅛	100⅛	100⅛
107	Boston & Albany	209	209	209	209
52	Boston El	106	106	106	106
35	Boston & Lowell	194	194	194	194
237	Boston & Maine	70	70	69½	69⅝
6	Chi Jct pf	102	102	102	102
61	Fitchburg pf	109	109	109	109
62	Ga Ry & Elec pf	84½	85	84½	85
389	Mass Elec pf sta	74½	74⅝	74½	74½
478	New Haven	118⅛	118⅛	117⅛	117⅛
58	Old Colony R R	167½	167½	167	167
90	Pullman	157½	157½	157⅛	157⅛
41	West End	76½	76½	76⅛	76½
202	West End pf	96	96	96	96

MISCELLANEOUS

Sales.		Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
18	Am Ag Chem	52	52	52	52
49	Am Ag Chem pf	95⅝	96	95⅝	95⅝
25	Am Pneu 2d pf	21	21	21	21
150	Am Sugar	113½	114	113½	113
219	Am Sugar pf	114½	115	114½	115
225	Am T & T	132	133⅛	132⅛	133
25	Am Wool pf	78⅝	78⅝	78⅝	78⅝
2	A G & W I	5½	5½	5½	5½
5	A G & W I pf	11	11	11	11
67	Edison Elec	278	278	277⅝	278
20	E Boston Ld	12⅛	12⅛	12⅛	12⅛
108	Gen Elec	153	153½	152½	153
98	Mass Gas	90	90⅝	90	90⅝
7	Mass Gas pf	95	95	94½	94½
45	Mergenthaler	213	213	212½	212½
15	N E Cot Yarn pf	80⅝	80⅝	80⅝	80⅝
171	N E T & T	149	149⅝	148½	149⅝
193	Nor Texas rts	48	50	48	48
120	Reece Button	16	16	16	16
100	Reece Fold	4	4	4	4
265	Swift & Co	103⅝	103⅝	103⅝	103⅝
457	United Fruit	166	166½	164	165½
320	United Shoe	48½	48⅝	48½	48½
1767	U S Steel	61⅝	61½	60⅝	60⅝
22	Western Union	67	67	67	67

CURB STOCKS. CLOSING PRICES

	Bid.	Asked.
Alaska Gold	13½	13⅝
Bay State Gas	17	18
Bohemia	1⅝	2
Boston Ely	6½	6⅝
Butte Central	2⅝	3
Calaveras	2 15-16	3
Chief Cons	1 5-16	1⅜
Davis-Daly	1 13-16	1 15-16
First National	1 13-16	1 15-16
Goldfield Cons	2 13-16	2 15-16
La Rose Cons	2 13-16	2⅞
Majestic	40	41
Mexican Metals	95	98
Nevada Douglas	2⅝	2⅞
New Baltic	1	1⅛
Ohio	70	72
Oneco	1⅛	1½
Raven	15	17
Rhode Island Coal	08	11
South Lake	6	6½
Un Verde Extension	60	65

THE PHILADELPHIA MARKET.

PHILADELPHIA, March 27.—The market was dull and irregular during the day. There was good buying of Lehigh Valley Transit, which rose to new high figures. There was some profit taking on the advance and the prices ran off a fraction. Toward close renewed buying again brought prices up and both common and preferred closed strong. Otherwise trading ruled heavy and dull. There was some United States Steel offered down to 60½. A small block of Pennsylvania Steel sold in last few minutes at a decline of over 2 points. The summary:

Sales.		Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
15	Am Rys	39	39	39	39
100	Amalgamated	70⅝	71⅛	70⅝	71⅛
10	Am Can	31½	31½	31½	31½
60	Cambria Steel	50½	50½	50⅛	50⅛
10	Erie	27⅛	27⅛	27⅛	27⅛
20	Elec Stor Bat	50	50	50	50
2	Harwood Elec	31	31	31	31
67	Ins Co of N A	20⅞	21	20⅞	21
100	Keystone Tel pf	44	44	44	44
1582	L V Trans pf	36⅛	36½	35⅝	36
4088	L V Trans	22⅛	23⅛	22⅛	22⅛
8	Lehigh Valley	77⅝	77⅝	77⅝	77⅝
88	Lehigh Nav t c	87⅛	88	87⅛	88
1054	Pennsylvania	59⅛	59⅝	59 1-16	59⅛
100	Penn Steel pf	89⅛	89⅛	89⅛	89⅛
101	Phila Co	44⅝	44½	44⅝	44½
84	Phila Co pf	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝
150	Phila Elec	22½	22½	22½	22½
210	P R T t c	25⅛	25⅛	25	25⅛
1985	Reading	79 1-16	79 1-16	78 11-16	78⅝
345	Tonopah	5 9-16	5 9-16	5½	5½
4998	Tonopah Bel	6 3-16	6¼	6⅛	6¼
220	Union Trac	49⅝	49⅝	49⅝	49⅝
291	U G I	87⅛	87⅛	87⅛	87½
8520	U S Steel	61⅛	61⅝	60⅛	60½
440	W J & S S	59	59½	58	58½
10	W N Y & Pa	12⅞	12⅞	12⅞	12⅞

BONDS

Sales.		Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
$4000	Am G & E 5s	86	86	86	86
1000	Beth Steel 6s	117⅛	117⅛	117⅛	117⅛
4000	E Schuylkill 4s	99⅛	99⅛	99⅛	99⅛
1000	Harrison 5s	83	83	83	83
1000	Inter State 4s	58½	58½	58½	58½
1000	Keystone Tel 5s	90	90	90	90
1000	Lehigh Val 4s	85	85	85	85
14000	L V Trans 5s	102⅞	102⅞	102⅞	102⅞
7000	Phila Co con 5s	90½	90½	90½	90½
200	Phila Elec 5s	104	104	104	104
6000	P B & W 4s	100	100	100	100
1000	Public Serv 5s	92	92	92	92
1000	P W & B 4s	100	100	100	100
10000	R & J C 4s	96	96	96	96
500	Stand Gas 6s	100	100	100	100
1000	Un Ry Inv col 5s	73½	73½	73½	73½

THE CHICAGO MARKET.

CHICAGO, March 27.—Local securities were dull to-day, with prices showing losses where activity was noted. Sears-Roebuck and American Can were the weaker stocks. United States Steel was traded in to the extent of 1,200 shares ranging from 31¾ to 30½.

Bonds dull and steady.

Sales.		Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
350	Am Can	32½	32½	32½	32½
100	Am Can pf	120½	120½	120½	120½
50	Am Tel	132⅝	132⅝	132⅝	132⅝
40	Am Smelter	68½	68½	68½	68½
10	Am Beet Sugar	32	32	32	32
25	Com Edison	140	140	140	140
50	Corn Prod Ref	10⅝	10⅝	10⅝	10⅝
85	Diamond Match	102⅝	103	102⅝	103
200	Illinois Brick	67½	68	67½	68
295	Sears-Roebuck	182⅝	182⅝	180½	181⅛
185	Swift & Co	106	106⅛	106	106
1235	U S Steel	61⅝	61⅝	60½	60½
25	Union Carbide	177	177	175	177
100	Goodrich	31	31	31	31
30	Public Serv pf	98	98	98	98

BONDS

Sales.		Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
$4000	Chi Ry 5s	98⅝	98⅝	98⅝	98⅝
1000	Com Edison 5s	100⅝	100⅝	100⅝	100⅝
2000	City Ry 5s	100⅛	100⅛	100⅛	100⅛
6000	Met gold 4s	79	79⅝	79	79⅝

Judge Sets $97,000 Verdict Aside.

A jury before Supreme Court Justice Ford awarded $97,000 yesterday to the Thomas J. Brady Company, contractors, for estimated profits on the Bronx court house, as a result of Borough President Haffen abrogating the contract, but Justice Ford set it aside on the ground that it was against the weight of the evidence.

SHARP TILTS OVER FIREMEN'S WAGES

Brotherhood's President Doubts Railroad Man's Figures.

WITNESS AS QUESTIONER

No Decision Yet as to When the Arbitrators Will Make Their Award.

J. G. Walber, assistant to the third vice-president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, who testified at the arbitration hearings on the firemen's demands on Wednesday, was again a witness yesterday at the morning and afternoon hearings in the Waldorf-Astoria. His testimony occupied the entire forenoon and afternoon sessions, and he was still on the stand when the hearing adjourned until this forenoon.

President Carter of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen in the course of one of many arguments which took place regarding the testimony said the wage rates should be proportioned to the difference between local and through freight service and gave his idea as to how they should be averaged. Elisha Lee, chairman of the conference committee of the railroads, said that Mr. Carter might hold that his ideas as expressed were scientific, but they were not practical.

Mr. Walber testified that the use of the new large locomotives did not decrease the number of promotions of firemen to be engineers. He admitted that when the large engines were first put in use on the Baltimore and Ohio some of the firemen not long accustomed to the work left the service of the company.

Several times in the course of arguments Judge Chambers, chairman of the board, took part in the questioning in order to straighten out matters. The witness told the chairman once that Mr. Carter was talking about different matters from the matters testified to.

"I don't know what to do about that," said Mr. Carter.

"You'll know before you are through," the witness said with a smile.

Later Mr. Carter doubted the figures when the witness testified to a list showing the men on slow freight to be getting 32 cents an hour, or $3.20 a day.

"That looks almost more than we are asking," said Mr. Carter. "I don't mean exactly more than we are asking, but more than the men are getting."

"Your men may be getting more than you think," said the witness.

An argument took place over some statistics as to the average wages paid in the month of October which the witness selected because, he said, October was regarded as a normal month in traffic. Mr. Carter objected, saying October was a busy month, busier than the average. Judge Chambers took part in the discussion in neutral say and the witness held to his contention.

Mr. Carter also took exception to figures given in one of the tables submitted by the witness as to the average earnings of firemen on one of the roads as being much higher than they were getting. He said they were higher than the averages given on the records of the Interstate Commerce Commission, which Mr. Carter said were too high, as they were based only on the earnings of the best paid men working on full time.

Mr. Lee, who was the direct examiner, put comparatively few questions. He seemed to be amused at the tilts between Mr. Carter and the witness, the latter sometimes acting in the role of questioner and closely examining Mr. Carter as to statements made on the floor by the latter.

Contrary to expectations, the time to which the hearing is to be extended beyond the thirty days provided in the Erdman act for the arbitrators to go through the evidence and render their award was not fixed yesterday. It was said that in all probability a stipulation will be signed by both sides to-day fixing the number of extra days considered necessary.

STRIKERS FACE MONTH IN JAIL.

44 Italians Must Furnish $2,000 Each for "Unlawful Assembly."

PATERSON, March 27.—Forty-four silk strikers who were arrested on picket duty last night and this morning were sent to the county jail, where they will remain a whole month until April 27 unless each can get $2,000 bail. The charge is "unlawful assemblage." The Grand Jury will not reach the cases before April 27. It does not meet until April 22.

Eighteen men were arrested at the Geering Dye Works, where about 2,000 workers assembled and endeavored to get the small force still at work to join the strike. When the pickets refused to disperse the police gathered in as many as they could.

Seventeen men captured at the Doherty & Wadsworth mill did not go away when ordered to by the police.

Nine others taken at River street and Fifth avenue, in the heart of the mill district, complete the total.

Not one of the forty-four men, most of whom were Italians, was able to furnish bail. Counsel for the strikers will probably appeal.

Albert J. Bohl, a dyer boss, living at Mercer and Putnam streets, telephoned Police Headquarters before daylight that half a dozen men were hurling stones at his home and breaking the windows. The automobile patrol filled with officers was rushed to the house. Three men ran across the fields and escaped.

Five windows in the Bohl home had been smashed. A stone weighing more than a pound was found under the cradle in which Mrs. Bohl's young baby was sleeping.

Big Bill Haywood told the strikers to-day to "keep cool, boys," when referring to the jailing of the forty-four men.

SUES WIFE'S FATHER FOR $10,000

Brooklyn Man Acts When Court Refuses to Annul Marriage.

Following a decision yesterday by Supreme Court Justice Kelly in Brooklyn, refusing to annul the marriage of Mrs. Florence Reiben to Adolph Reiben, the latter served his father-in-law, Henry Schragger of Trenton, N. J., with papers in an action to recover $10,000 damages for alleged alienation of Mrs. Reiben's affections.

The Reibens were married in Jersey City, on October 6 last, after an elopement from Flatbush, where the girl's parents then lived. Mrs. Reiben returned to them after an absence of two weeks. Through her mother, Anna, she asked that her marriage be set aside on the ground that she was under age at the time.

As Schragger was leaving the Court House, counsel for Reiben served him with the papers in the suit. He went before Justice Kelby and asked that the service be declared improper. Decision was reserved.

COURT HOUSE SITE WRANGLE

Prendergast Tells Brooklyn Committee Bridge Plaza Won't Do.

Comptroller William A. Prendergast appeared unexpectedly in the Assembly Hall of 174 Montague street, Brooklyn, yesterday afternoon at a meeting of a citizens committee and thrust his knife into the proposed plan for a Bridge Plaza court house site in Brooklyn.

C. M. Ingersoll, a consulting engineer connected with the Bridge Department, was explaining with the aid of a large drawing the advantages of the proposed court house site when the Comptroller entered. He had told how the plaza was to run from Concord street to the angle formed by Washington and Fulton; how the court house was to sit in the midst of this, a building four stories high, 425 feet long and 160 feet wide, while the elevated lines on a noiseless structure of concrete would swing around through a widened Adams street and thence to the Borough Hall. At no point was the structure to approach nearer than 170 feet to a station, thus giving a fine vista and eliminating noise.

Mr. Prendergast took him up on the vista part of it. He carried blue prints made by the Bridge Department. He began with an apology to the chairman, Dr. Charles T. Brush.

"I didn't come over to break up your meeting," he said, "but unless your calculations are wrong you can't put a court house of that size on that site."

Mr. Prendergast declared that the eastern end of the building would be jammed between Fulton and Washington streets, clearing the building line of the latter by only five feet.

"What becomes of your vista then?" he demanded. He called the drawing a piece of "architectural license."

Mr. Prendergast went into the comparative advantages of the Court street and Bridge plaza sites. He said he would consider no particular site except that already selected by the Judges.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Prendergast, but with the intimation that the committee would still favor the Bridge plaza site.

COURT CALENDARS THIS DAY.

NEW YORK COUNTY.

Supreme Court—Appellate Division—Recess.

Supreme Court—Appellate Term—Recess.

Supreme Court—Special Term—Part I.—Before Platzek J. Litigated motions called at 10:30 A. M.

Part II.—Before Davis, J. Court opens at 10:30 A. M. Ex parte matters.

Part III.—Before Bijur, J. Motions. Preferred causes—Nos. 2146, 2452, 2359, 2460. General calendar—Nos. 1929, 2120, 1929, 1855, 1017, 1923, 927, 138, 1937, 2138, 629.

Part IV.—Recess.

Part V.—Before Whitaker, J.

Part VI.—Before Donnelly, J.

Part VII.—Recess.

Part VIII.—Before Cohalan, J. Causes to be sent from Part III. to Parts V., VI. and VIII. for trial.

Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part II.—Recess.

Part III.—Before Amend, J. Nos. 2082, 2574.

Part IV.—Before Page, J. Day calendar—Nos. 2448, 1797, 5137, 2455, 2440, 1683, 5397, 5553, 5479, 2531, 486, 299, 2307, 2107, 2481, 2450, 1146, 5657, 1500, 1501, 5513, 2186, 2167, 2168, 2169, 2506, 2272, 2273, 1997, 2566, 2373, 1896, 2014, 2564, 2437.

Part V.—Recess.

Part VI.—Before Guy, J. Case on. No day calendar.

Part VII.—Before Hendrick, J. Day calendar—Nos. 2746, 1955, 1956, 2009, 2910, 2911, 2913, 2918.

Part VIII.—Before Pendleton, J. Inquest No. 2687. Day calendar—Nos. 2698, 2618.

Part IX.—Before Marcus, J. Day calendar—Nos. 2818, 3010.

Part X.—Before Gavegan, J. Case on. No day calendar.

Part XI.—Before Dugro, J. Case on. No day calendar.

Part XII.—Before Giegerich, J. Case on. No day calendar.

Part XIII.—Before Erlanger, J.—Day calendar—Nos. 2186, 1867, 1427, 1430, 1431, 3046, 2198, 596, 2054, 1767, 2078, 1942.

Part XIV.—Before Ford, J.—Day calendar—Nos. 119, 538, 1682, 2836, 2130, 1960, 2140.

Part XV.—Before Newburger, J. Case on. No day calendar.

Parts XVI. and XVII.—Recess.

Part XVIII.—Before Brady, J. Case on. No day calendar.

Surrogate's Court—Chambers.—Before Fowler, S. Motion calendar called at 10:30 A. M. Wills for probate—Annshasia Purcell, Leopold N. Hayman, George F. Johnson, Susan M. Moore, Henry Baumgarten, Louisa Hoetzel, Josephine Sedney, Abraham Waldman, Albert Wagner, Gustave Messerschmitt, William H. Briard, Charles Everard, Lavinia Cardozo, Laura A. Hall, at 10:30 A. M.

Surrogate's Court—Trial Term.—Before Cohalan, S. Contested wills—No. 2968, of Irving W. Childs; 2985, of Countess Gaston Arechot, at 10:30 A. M.

City Court—Special Term—Part I.—Before Lynch, J. Court opens at 10 A. M. Motions at 10:30 A. M.

Part II.—Before Pinelite, J. Court opens at 10 A. M. Ex parte matters.

City Court—Trial Term—Part I.—Before La Fetra, J.—Nos. 5534½, 1490, 2427, 2450, 2451, 2452, 6361½, 2393, 2462, 2464, 2416½, 5469½, 7348½, 667, 4784½, 518, 609, 2336, 389, 398, 611, 918, 1170, 1388, 1466, 1467, 1468, 988, 616, 376, 883, 372, 4574½, 1961, 986, 6177½, 1586, 6282½, 5574½, 5575½, 6307½, 1209, 6362½, 941.

Part II.—Before Smith, J.—Short causes—Nos. 3781, 5508, 5556, 5505, 5238, 5555, 5525, 5582, 5588, 5593, 5567, 5589, 5360, 5213, 5450, 5564, 5427, 5569, 5586, 5131, 5597, 5590, 5591, 5594, 5595, 5554, 5592, 5600, 5604, 5606, 5612, 5620.

Part III.—Before Schmuck, J.

Part IV.—Before Dwyer, C. J.

Part V.—Before Lucas, J.

Part VI.—Before Delehanty, J.

Part VII.—Before McAvoy, J.

Part VIII.—Before Greene, J. Causes to be sent from Part I. to Parts III., IV., V., VI., VII. and VIII. for trial.

Supreme Court—Special Term Trials—Before Erlanger, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M. Case on trial. No day calendar.

KINGS COUNTY.

Supreme Court—Special Term—Before Kelby, J. Court opens at 10 A. M. Litigated motions.—Before Kelby, J. Ex parte matters.

Supreme Court—Trial Term—Day calendar—Part I.—Maddox, J.; Part III.—Clark, J.; Part IV.—Benedict, J.; Part V.—Aspinall, J.; Part VI.—Putnam, J. Court opens at 10 A. M.—3945, 7325, 7351, 7390, 7391, 7392, 7401, 7406, 7407, 7410, 6998, 7048, 7168-7169, 4322, 6467, 1861, 7899, 3846, 3803, 4462, 6605, 6836, 6918, 6967, 6096, 10088, 7421, 7422, 7425, 7437, 7459, 7441, 7447, 7449, 7450, 7457, 7458. The balance of the day calendar stands over until April 7. Highest number reached on regular call, 7337.

County Court—Criminal Calendar for Trial—Part I.—Before Fawcett, J. Court opens at 10 A. M.—Christopher Sinnott, William Blanch, robbery, assault; Frank Bingham, assault; Raffaelle Gascone, receiving stolen goods, Walter Giroud, burglary; Joseph Biffendale, rape, assault.

Part II.—Dike, J.—Theodore Price, grand larceny; Maria Merck, assault; John Maculuco, carrying dangerous weapon; Tony Maneto, assault; Nathan Forman, assault.

Part III.—Addington, J.—John Yander, common gambler; Albert Lotts, Joseph Yander, Henry Jackson, common gamblers; Frank Chapman, common gambler; David Lachman, common gambler; Lawrence Doi, assault.

Surrogate's Court Calendar — Before Ketcham, S. Court opens at 10 A. M. in the Hall of Records on second floor. No day calendar.

QUEENS COUNTY.

Supreme Court—Trial Term—Before Jaycox, J. Case on trial. No day calendar. Remainder of calendar will go over to April term, commencing April 7, 1913.

County Court—Criminal Term—Before Humphrey, J.—3671, 3688, 3807, 3864, 2808, 2780, 3781.

Court of Appeals Calendar.

ALBANY, March 27.—The Court of Appeals calendar for to-morrow is: Nos. 57, 59, 62 and 63.

Referees Appointed.

Supreme Court—By Justice Platzek—American Sav. Bk. vs. Behr—Peter J. Everett; Lederman vs. Cully & Co.—A. Mitchell Leslie; Matter of Pope—Max J. Kohler; Hicks vs. Early—Robert Gibson, Jr.

By Justice Davis—Weinberg vs. Davis—Phoenix Ingraham; Whiting vs. Daly—John H. Rogan.

By Justice Erlanger—Milgram vs. Jacobson—William Jay.

Receivers Appointed.

Supreme Court—By Justice Davis—Marie Walter vs. Olga Kiefthaber—Henry Brady; Joseph L. R. Wood vs. Henry C. Fredericks—Henry Brady; Edgerton Park Co. vs. John Coffey—Clarence J. Carroll.

By Justice Platzek—Germania Life Ins. Co. vs. Picken & Lilly Const. Co.—Herbert Goodwin; Josephine E. Carpenter vs. Joseph Neil Campbell—Richard F. Murphy.

REAL ESTATE MARKET NEWS AND COMMENT

Operator Buys 43d Street Lot and Builder Takes 84th Street Apartment Site.

TRADING VERY LIGHT

Sales in City Boroughs and Suburban Sections—Leases and Building News.

Real estate trading yesterday involved but a few properties of either importance or interest. The volume of business reported was exceedingly light for this time of year, and was below even that of other days of the last few months. There was no investment buying, the best of the day's deals having been made by operators and builders. Of these the principal ones were the purchase of a single lot on West Forty-third street by Felix Isman, which he will add to a theatre site running through to Forty-second street, which he already owns, and the purchase of a thirty-three foot plot on West Eighty-fourth street, on which an apartment house will be erected at some future time.

In other branches of the market similar dulness prevailed. The building branch and the leasing market were without important features. In the auction room a list of properties in Manhattan and other boroughs and in outlying sections met with indifferent success.

LATEST MANHATTAN SALES.

WEST 43D STREET.—The McVickar, Gaillard Realty Company has sold for Frank Curtis, executor for the estate of Sarah M. Moore, the four story and basement dwelling, on lot 21.5x100.5, at 124 West Forty-third street, to Felix Isman, who recently acquired the adjoining property at 126 to 130, and the abutting parcel at 129 West Forty-second street. With the above purchase Mr. Isman now controls a plot fronting 85.8 feet on Forty-third street and 20 feet on Forty-second street, on which a theatre will be built.

WEST 84TH STREET.—Julius Tishman & Sons have bought the two three story and basement dwellings at 324 and 326 West Eighty-fourth street, on plot 33x102.2, from Abner B. and Willis B. Inglee. At the expiration of the present leases the dwellings will be demolished and a twelve story apartment house erected on the site, which is located 250 feet east of West End avenue. Frederick Zittel & Sons were the brokers in the transaction.

WEST 124TH STREET.—David Israel has sold 534 West 124th street, a six story apartment house, on plot 50x100.11, to the Brown-Weiss Realties, which gave in part payment a plot of six lots on Seventy-ninth street between Nineteenth and Twentieth avenues, Brooklyn.

EAST 120TH STREET.—Luicci Conrose has sold 239 East 120th street, a five story tenement with stores, on lot 25x100.11, located 160 feet west of Second avenue. This property was sold in foreclosure on March 3 to the House of Mercy for $14,950.

TRADING IN BROOLKYN.

Henry Miller has sold for E. E. Lewis the four story business building at 2085 Fulton street to Mary Howett, also sold the two story and