NEW YORK CITY.

THE COURTS.

UNITED STATES COMMISSIONERS' COURT.

Charge of Defrauding the Government.

Before Commissioner Osborn.

The United States vs. Jacob Freud.—The defendant charged with conspiring with Oscar Hoym and C. S. Brown to defraud the United States by manufacturing and putting in the market cigars without having paid manufacturers' license thereon; and also that defendant had conspired with one Knopf & Singer to defraud the government in making false returns of the manufacture of cigars. Examination into the latter case was had and the defendant discharged. On the first charge examination set down for Monday next.

Charge of Extortion.

The United States vs. C. Z. Tucker.—The defendant was a storekeeper in the Internal Revenue Department and is charged with extorting $700 from Thomas F. Ray & Co., distillers, Thirty-third street and Tenth avenue. An examination was held and the case adjourned.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

The Suit Against the City Chamberlain.

Before Judge Ingraham.

The People of the State of New York, on the Relation of James S. Burnton, John W. Burnton and the Board of Education, vs. Peter B. Sweeny, Chamberlain of the City and County of New York.—The arguments in this case were to have been heard yesterday morning, but on the application of counsel for defendant a further adjournment till Tuesday was ordered.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.

Action for Damages for Personal Injuries—Dr. Blaisdell in Court.

Before Judge Barnard.

Fawcett vs. Stewart.—This action was brought by the plaintiff as administer of his deceased wife, Margaret, whose death, it was alleged, was caused by the defendant's driver running over her, while driving an ice cart in Seventeenth street, on the night of the 19th of July, 1865. The evidence showed that the defendant's driver while driving rapidly up the street struck the deceased either with the pole of the wagon or one of the wheels; that she was knocked down and was rendered speechless and senseless; that she was taken home, and her ankle and foot were found to be bruised and the skin abraded. Dr. Blaisdell testified that he was the only physician who attended upon her, and that in his opinion she died from dropsy and Bright's disease of the kidneys, and that the injuries she received could not have produced either. These facts appearing Mr. Ira Shafer, of counsel for the defendant, moved to dismiss the complaint, on the ground that the plaintiff's proof showed that her death was caused by disease and not by injuries, and the motion was granted.

Dr. Blaisdell was brought from prison upon a habeas corpus by the defendant, and the plaintiff was unaware he was there, as he swore, until his attention was called to him by Mr. Shafer on cross-examination. The plaintiff evidently desired to avoid calling the doctor, whose evidence was very damaging to the plaintiff, he swearing that he told the plaintiff that the deceased died of Bright's disease of the kidneys. The doctor looks well, is hopeful of a pardon, and expects to be out in a short time.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART 2.

Alleged Forgery of a Receipt.

Before Judge Fithian.

Mann vs. Beisman.—This was a suit to recover $1,600, being the sum alleged by plaintiff to have been paid the defendant as the agent of his (plaintiff's) landlord. The case had been previously tried on proceedings to dispossess for non-payment of rent, on which occasion plaintiff produced a receipt alleged to have been signed by the defendant in this action. The defendant claimed that the receipt in question was a forgery. Judge Russel, before whom it was tried, decided against the plaintiff, and he was compelled to pay the rent in order to avoid being dispossessed. Plaintiff now brings a second suit to recover from defendant the amount alleged to have been paid him.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Judge Bedford.

The court having adjourned on Tuesday in consequence of the indisposition of the City Judge, resumed its sessions yesterday. Assistant District Attorneys Hutchings and Tweed conducted the prosecution. Soon after the opening of the court the Grand Jury brought in a number of indictments, and the Clerk caused the prisoners to be arraigned for pleading.

BURGLARIES.

James Riley pleaded guilty to an indictment charging him with burglary in the third degree, he having on the 5th inst. burglariously entered the house of Christian Johansen, 22 Bayard street, and stole fifty dollars' worth of clothing. He was sent to the State Prison for four years.

George Wilson pleaded guilty to an attempt at burglary in the third degree, the charge being that on the 2d inst. he, in company with three other youths, broke into the shoe store of William Wegd, 86 Bowery, and stole fifty-five pairs of ladies' shoes. He was remanded for sentence.

James Primrose, who was jointly indicted with Wilson, was sent to the State Prison for two years and six months on a suspended conviction at the January term.

GRAND LARCENIES.

John Brown, charged with stealing a coat valued at fifty dollars, which was in charge of Hannah Dunphy, pleaded guilty to petty larceny and was sent to the Penitentiary for six months.

Edward Johnson pleaded guilty to an attempt at grand larceny, the complaint alleging that on the 5th inst he stole a firkim of butter valued at forty-five dollars, the property of Thomas Hart. The prisoner was remanded for sentence.

ALLEGED ASSAULT.

George Humer and John Rosch, who were indicted for a felonious assault, charged to have been committed upon Lewis Korper, at a saloon in Chatham street, were acquitted, the testimony showing that the pistol in the hands of one of the defendants was pointed towards the street and not at the complainant.

A MEMBER OF THE "VIGILANCE COMMITTEE" AT THE BAR.

The case of Frederick S. Rogue was called on for trial by Mr. Hutchings, when the counsel for the accused desired a postponement. Assistant District Attorney Hutchings stated to the Court that the prisoner was indicted for obtaining fifty dollars upon a check purporting to be signed by Charles B. Osgood, Jr., who kept no bank account in the bank upon which the check was drawn. The prisoner was recognized a few days since by Judge Dowling as the chairman of the Vigilance Committee, the sensational accounts of whose proceedings appeared in one or two obscure newspapers, which committee was, no doubt, created for the purpose of enabling the prisoner and his associates to get money from respectable citizens by means of these false checks. Judge Bedford said he would extend the same justice to a member of the Vigilance Committee as would be awarded to any other member of the community. The case was put off till another day.

COURT CALENDAR—THIS DAY.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.—Before Cunning S. Bedford, Jr.—The People vs. John Skelly, burglary; Henry Moore, burglary; Martin Maloney, felonious assault and battery; Henry Clifford, grand larceny; Michael Gannon, burglary; George Smith, grand larceny.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY.—The following record will show the changes in the temperature for the past twenty-four hours, as indicated by the thermometer at Hudnut's pharmacy, HERALD Building, Broadway, corner of Ann street:—

3 A. M.	23	3 P. M.	42
6 A. M.	25	6 P. M.	40
9 A. M.	31	9 P. M.	38
12 M.	38	12 P. M.	36

Average temperature 34¾
Average temperature for Wednesday 37½

DEATH FROM SCALDS.—Charles Carlon, a child three years of age, whose parents reside at No. 270 Broome street, died from the effects of scalds received by falling into a wash boiler of scalding water on Wednesday morning. An inquest will be held on the body by Coroner Rollins.

FOUND DEAD IN A SHANTY.—Michael Mulloney, forty-six years of age and a native of Ireland, was early yesterday morning found lying dead on the floor of his shanty in East Forty-third street, east of First avenue. Coroner Flynn was notified, and an inquest will be held on the body.

BOOTBLACK STABBED.—Yesterday morning two street Arabs, who follow the profession of bootblacks—Patrick Flannerty and Michael Lyons—had an altercation in New Bowery, when the latter severely cut the former in the leg with a knife and made his escape. The wounded boy was taken to his home, No. 7 Mulberry street.

VERDICT IN A RAILROAD CASE.—Coroner Keenan yesterday concluded an inquisition previously commenced in the case of Lewis Klemann, the lad six years of age whose death resulted from injuries received on the 13th inst. by being run over by car 24 of the Second Avenue Railroad Company. The jury rendered a verdict of accidental death, but "recommend car drivers to proceed slowly and with great caution through the crowded parts of the city." The parents of deceased reside at No. 18 First avenue.

ALUMNI OF THE COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY.—The third annual meeting of the Alumni Association of the New York College of Dentistry was held on Tuesday evening in the lecture room of the college. Dr. J. F. Hodson presided. Addresses were made by Drs. Chas. A. Allen, of New York, and R. Wentworth Browne, of Connecticut. Professor Alexander W. Stein and Dr. Wm. H. Allen were elected honorary members. The following is a list of the officers for the ensuing year:—President, Wm. Carr; Vice President, Theo. A. Wadsworth; Recording Secretary, H. S. Bayha; Corresponding Secretary, Rust Cuylar; Treasurer, Chas. A. Allen.

BADLY BEATEN—ANTE-MORTEM STATEMENT.—Coroner Rollins yesterday received information that Charles Harnong, a German, tailor, was lying in a dangerous condition at his residence, No. 192 Essex street, from the effects of violence received at the hands of a white man assisted by a negro, neither of whose names were learned. A difficulty occurred between Harnong and the other white man respecting a sewing machine, during which, it is alleged, the colored man was prompted to assault Harnong, in which he was assisted by his employer. The injured man has been badly beaten about the head and face, and the attending physician seems to think the brain of his patient is seriously effected. Should Harnong be in a dangerous condition his ante-mortem statement will be taken by Coroner Rollins.

ST. DAVID'S BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.—At the annual meeting of the above society the following gentlemen were elected officers for the ensuing year:—President, Colonel J. H. Puleston; Vice Presidents, John Phillips and John T. Davies; Recording Secretary, D. H. Morris; Corresponding Secretary, William B. Jones, 254 Broadway; Treasurer, William Lewis; Stewards, George Morgan, Evan Davis, J. E. Roberts, John L. Davies and T. R. Jones. Committees—Literature, R. Richards, H. J. Hughes and J. C. Roberts. Finance, William Miles, H. N. Morgan, and Owen Jones. Benevolence, James Jones, T. H. Williams, Stephen Davies, William Ap Rees and Owen Roberts. Chaplain, Rev. Evan Griffith. Council, J. R. Cromwell. The finances of the society have been largely augmented under the presidency of Mr. Puleston, who, with nearly all the retiring officers, were unanimously re-elected. The dinner in honor of the patron saint of Wales, *Dewi Sant*, which was given at the Hoffman House, was a sumptuous and most successful affair, and the speaking was of a high order of merit and of course very patriotic.

SUDDEN DEATH OF A LAWYER.—Coroner Flynn was yesterday notified to hold an inquest at No. 867 Third avenue, over the remains of Mr. Daniel R. Taylor, who died somewhat suddenly. Dr. Wilson, of No. 201 East Fifty-fifth street, gave a certificate setting forth that death resulted from meningitis, caused by a fall, but the Board of Health, refusing to pass it, notified the Coroner. Mr. Taylor was forty-four years of age and a native of New York. The funeral services took place in the Sixty-first street Methodist church yesterday, and the remains were then conveyed by rail to Danbury, Conn., where they will be buried in the cemetery. Mr. Taylor has been long known as a very able lawyer and had made a large number of friends. For some time past he has been in failing health and at the time of his decease was very much reduced in circumstances.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

ROBBING A ROOM.—Charles Croger, a youth of nineteen years, living at No. 25 Laurens street, was arrested by officer Prouty, of the Fifth precinct, on the charge of stealing eighty dollars in United States legal tender notes and a silver watch, worth twelve dollars, from James Goodchild, living at No. 42 Baxter street. The robbery occurred at the house No. 13 York street, where Goodchild had been sleeping during the night of Monday last. On searching the accused a pawn ticket representing the stolen watch was found in his possession. Croger, who is a waiter, was taken before Justice Dowling and committed to the Tombs for trial in default of $1,000 bail.

ALLEGED POCKPOCKETS.—Detective Dunne, of the Sixth precinct, yesterday brought before Justice Dowling Charles Clark and James Wright, whom he had arrested on the charge of picking the pocket of Daniel Sysacht, living at No. 106 Bayard street, while the procession was passing through the park on St. Patrick's day. Detective Dunne saw Wright withdrawing his hand from the pocket of Mr. Sysacht while Clark acted as a "cover." The prisoners were followed into Chatham street and when taken in charge the wallet of Mr. Sysacht, containing $4 45, was found in possession of Wright and fully identified by the owner. The magistrate committed the prisoners in full for trial. They are both young men and claim to be innocent of the cuarge against them.

A SAD CASE—BURGLARY BY A STARVING MAN.—A wretched looking specimen of humanity, one Charles A. Allen, was arraigned yesterday morning at the Jefferson Market Police Court before Justice Dodge on the charge of burglary, preferred by Michael Ryan, of No. 2 Lispenard street. He accused Allen of breaking into his shop on the night of the 13th inst. by smashing the lock from the door, and then stealing therefrom coopers' tools valued at thirty dollars. Circumstances subsequently transpiring of a nature to warrant his arrest Allen was taken into custody, when a portion of the stolen property was found in his possession, and he then admitted that he had committed the offence. In his informal examination Allen assured the Justice that he was "very hard up at the time; that he had no money, and being crippled with rheumatism, and having nothing to eat, he was driven to commit the act." He was held for trial in default of $2,500 bail.

THE SHOPLIFTING CASE.—Yesterday afternoon an examination took place before Justice Dowling, in the case of Minnie Dever, who stands charged, in connection with Captain John Moore, with entering the store of Messrs. J. B. Phillips & Sons, No. 817 Broadway, and stealing two gold rings worth about sixty-five dollars. Two or three witnesses were examined, but no important facts not heretofore developed were shown. After the introduction of all the testimony the magistrate took the papers and reserved his decision. Minnie, who is a sprightly looking woman, twenty-four years of age, was recommitted to await the judgment of the Court. She is a native of Salisbury, Md., is in the dry goods business, lives at 227 Wooster street, and pleads not guilty. Mr. Howe, counsel for Minnie, will probably to-day procure her liberation on bail.

STEALING ENGRAVINGS.—William Denman and Michael Golden, youths seventeen and eighteen years of age, were yesterday arrested by officers Kennally and Thompson, of the Twenty-seventh precinct, on the charge of having on the 4th instant stolen a quantity of engravings valued at $200, the property of Arno Murphy, doing business at No. 15 Dey street. The boys, who are printers, were employed in the place and were seen in the act of taking the pictures by Peter Goodwin, and it is also alleged that they confessed to stealing the property. Justice Dowling committed the accused parties to the Tombs for trial. Mr. William Murphy, who made the complaint, suspects William and Michael of having stolen at intervals within the last few months engravings and other property valued at several thousand dollars. Efforts are being made to recover a portion of the stolen goods.

THE EIGHTH WARD GANG AGAIN.

A Stolen Overcoat Recovered Under Peculiar Circumstances.

On the 15th of January last, some thief of pleasing address and possessing an unparalleled amount of impudence, entered the basement door of Mr. H. B. Wells' residence, No. 31 West Thirty-ninth street, during the afternoon, and, ascending to the hallway, "nipped" all the clothing upon the hat rack, among the articles being several valuable overcoats. The audacity of the villain so exasperated Mr. Wells that, using the little clue he had of the thief's appearance, he made extraordinary efforts to ferret him out, but it was all in vain, and the search was discontinued, being deemed fruitless. He has, however, by an accident, recovered his property, and is inclined to believe succeeded in effecting the sneak thief's arrest. It happened in this wise:—Mr. Wells, accompanied by a colored servant, while on a Broadway car yesterday morning, observed an individual descending the steps of house No. 111 Wooster street, when the servant recognized that the overcoat he had on closely resembled one of those stolen from his employer. He at once apprised him, when an officer was called and the party was arrested. At the Eighth precinct station house Mr. Wells was fully convinced that the overcoat was his, and stolen as referred to. The arrested person gave his name as Jacob Meyerheffe, and assured the officer that the garment was purchased by him of one Frederick Rermith, a barber, also living on Wooster street. In a few minutes the latter individual was also in custody, and upon interrogating him he stated that the coat was bought by him from one Wm. Irving, a barkeeper, at the corner of Prince and Mercer streets, the rendezvous of the "Alien gang." Irving was soon added to the arrested individuals and the trio marched to the Jefferson Market Police Court, before Justice Dodge, when a charge of larceny was preferred against them. Irving admitted that he sold the coat to Rermith, and endeavored to explain how he came into possession of it by telling the Court the very "thin" story that it had been "left at the place where he was working for drinks." The accused were committed to await an examination (a favorate mode of the Eighth ward boys to postpone their trials for felonies) in default of $1,500 each.

STEAMBOAT ACCIDENT.

Yesterday morning, at a quarter to eight o'clock, while the steamboat Nelly White was making a landing at Astoria on her down trip from Harlem she struck amidships against the dock with such force as to crush in the upper work and do considerable damage to the hull, amounting in all to about $1,000. One man was slightly injured. An attempt was made to run the boat down to a dry dock on the East river, but the captain was obliged to run in shore at Seventeenth street, to prevent her sinking.

THE POLICE IMBROGLIO.

The Case of Captain Young—The Board Will Not Accept His Resignation—Charges to be Preferred—The Superintendent's Antics Considered.

The Board of Police Commissioners held a special session yesterday to consider the acts of alleged insubordination on the part of Captain John S. Young, Chief of Detectives, in not complying with its order to account for all moneys received by him in the way of rewards since January 1, and the action of Superintendent Kennedy in adjourning the police trials on Wednesday without consulting the Commissioners.

Captain Young sent in the following letter of resignation:—

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF METROPOLITAN POLICE, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, March 15, 1869.

TO THE HONORABLE THE COMMISSIONERS OF METROPOLITAN POLICE:—

GENTLEMEN—The spirit and letter of a recent order from your honorable body is so unusual and unprecedented as to convince me that the relations and confidence which should exist between the Board and the captain of detective force (and which I am proud to remember has always, so far, been friendly and generous), must be in the future impaired. I therefore, with great respect, beg to be relieved as captain of detective force, and of course, beg to include my withdrawal from the force by here by resigning as a member thereof. Respectfully yours,

JOHN S. YOUNG, Captain of Detective Police.

Some discussion followed, when the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:—

Whereas, This Board by a resolution adopted on the 9th day of March, 1869, requested Captain John S. Young, of the Metropolitan Police, to report without delay to this Board the amounts that he has received for police services, either as a reward or otherwise, other than his salary, since the 1st of January, 1868, the amount of each sum so received and the date of the receipt of the same. Also whether he has communicated to the Board the fact of the receipt of all the said moneys so received by him, and if he has not, then that he specify the particular amounts or sums so received, the fact of receiving which had not been communicated by him to the Board; and that he immediately pay to the Board all the moneys so received by him except such moneys as the Board, by its order, has authorized him to retain, to be disposed of by the Board as law and justice may require; and also that he report the facts of each case in respect to which money has been paid to him for police services during the time covered by this resolution, including the names of each person, party or corporation who has paid to him moneys as aforesaid, and the sum so paid by any such person, party or corporation.

Whereas, The said John S. Young has wholly failed and omitted to make the report required by the said resolution, and instead thereof has sent to this Board his resignation, dated March 15, 1869, and received by the Board this day, now, therefore, it

Resolved, That this Board does not accept the said resignation, and will not permit the said John S. Young to resign so long as he shall persist in refusing to furnish the information and perform the duties which said resolution and the statute in each such made and provided, require him to furnish and perform.

Resolved, That the chief clerk is hereby requested to prefer charges against said John S. Young for neglect of duty and disobedience of orders, in not making a report in obedience to said resolution, and for having received since January 1, 1869, money for police services, without giving notice to this Board of the receipt thereof.

This covers the action in the case of Captain Young, and as it is not customary to try officers of the force after they have tendered their resignations, and it is probable that the late chief of detectives will laugh at the summons to appear before the Board, and allow his case to go by default. There is, however, much speculation indulged in as to what course the Board will pursue in that event. It is claimed that according to the rules and the custom from time immemorial the moment an officer tenders his resignation his connection with the organization ceases, and that he cannot be put on trial after his resignation is in the hands of the chief clerk. At the present time the detective force receive their instructions direct from inspector Dilks or the clerk of the force; but those who profess to know, assert that one of the force will be made a sergeant and temporarily appointed to the command. For permanent chief a number of names have been mentioned; but as it is known that Captain Jourdan, of the Sixth precinct, will not accept if tendered the position, the mantle of Captain Young is likely to fall upon inspector Walling or detective John Coyle. The latter, perhaps, would approach the nearest in filling the vacant chair, looking at it from an avoirdupoise point of view; but for detective ability and general fitness for the place, all concede that Mr. Walling is the most available man, unless some modern Vidocq is imported at great expense for the occasion.

Some conversation was had in the Board regarding the Superintendent's case. Mr. Brennan complained that the Superintendent had unwarrantably interfered and adjourned the trials without authority. One of the Commissioners suggested that before action was taken in the premises a copy of the order should be produced, as well as the past rules and resolutions of the Board examined, to see whether the Superintendent in his action had taken shelter behind some old order or resolution that had never been rescinded. The Board consequently deferred the further consideration of the subject, and as Mr. Brennan has recovered somewhat from his indignation, it is possible that King John may escape further annoyance until he makes another bolder encroachment upon the functions of his superiors.

PUBLIC EDUCATION.

Proposed Change in the Election of School Commissioners—The Bill Before the Assembly.

The following is a copy of the bill at present before the Assembly, the effect of which, if passed, will be to bring the control of educational affairs in this city under the Tammany leaders. It will be opposed strenuously.

SECTION 1. The terms of office of the present commissioners of common schools of the city of New York shall terminate at the expiration of ten days from the passage of this act. At the next general election held in the city of New York twelve commissioners of common schools of the city of New York shall be voted for upon a separate general ticket; but only seven names shall be upon any one ticket, and any ticket having thereon more than seven names for commissioners of common schools shall not be counted. The seven persons having the highest number of votes shall be declared elected by the Board of County Canvassers, who shall canvass the votes; and all the provisions of law relating to the election of county officers in said county are hereby applied to the election of said commissioners.

On or before the fourth Wednesday of December in each and every year the Mayor of said city shall appoint as commissioners of common schools as aforesaid the five persons who received the highest number of votes for commissioners of common schools next to the votes received by such commissioners having the return of the Board of County Canvassers as having been elected at such election.

The commissioners elected and appointed, pursuant to this section, shall enter upon their duties on the 1st day of January next; they shall hold their offices for the term of three years and shall possess all the powers and perform all the duties of commissioners of common schools of the city of New York. At the general election held every three years thereafter, twelve commissioners of common schools of said city shall in like manner be elected and appointed with the like term of office, powers and duties as above provided.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Mayor of the city of New York, within five days from and after the passage of this act, to appoint twelve commissioners of common schools, recognizing the principle of representation to the minority provided for in the preceding section, as he shall decide, who shall enter upon the duties of their office at the expiration of ten days from the passage of this act, and who shall possess all the powers and perform all the duties of commissioners of common schools of the city of New York in place of the present commissioners of common schools of said city, and who shall hold their offices until the 31st of December next.

SEC. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

THE PIG YARDS OF THE CITY.

Examination Before the Board of Health—A Witness Smells Sheep and is Renewed in Body—Horseshoes and Seaweed as Food.

In February last the inspectors of the Board of Health reported that between West Thirty-ninth and Forty-first streets, west of Eleventh avenue, Messrs. Anthon, Dutcher & Moore were in the habit of herding immense numbers of swine that perfumed the entire neighborhood and caused the air to reek with foul smells. On the 1st of March an order was issued for the abatement of the nuisance, and the firm was ordered not to renew the business without a permit from the Board. The defendants asked for a hearing before referee Seth C. Howley, which was granted, and yesterday a session was had for the taking of evidence. The defendants, with their counsel, Mr. R. Emerson, and a number of witnesses were in attendance at nine A. M., and Mr. Hastings conducted the case for the Board.

Frederick D. Trappen, trustee of an estate in the neighborhood, did not consider the yarding of swine a nuisance, and had heard no complaints from his tenants. From the evidence of Mr. W. A. Cush, man, of Franklin, N. J., it appears that about 5,000 hogs are herded there daily, fed on corn, washed daily, and removed before night. He expressed the opinion that the odors arising from swine is conducive to health. John B. Smith, proprietor of the Anthon House, situated seventy feet from the yard, testified that he liked the smell of the pig yards, which were not offensive to him or his family, and by no means a nuisance. Ben Maneierr, being near by, was highly impressed with the necessity of having these yards in the city, as he declared they made people healthy—at least this was his opinion. Samuel McGrow, a butcher living at 553 Forty-first street, had been in the habit of walking among the swine, he declared, twenty times a day, and considered the pens conducive to health. "Indeed," said he, growing enthusiastic, as he progressed in his evidence, "I believe the smell of all kinds of animals is healthy; many a time I have came to my sheep pens tired and weary, and, stepping in among them, I have expanded my chest, drawn in the odors arising from the sheep and retired invigorated and refreshed; I believe that the biggest ladies and gentlemen in the city should daily walk through these pens, inhale the smell coming from the pigs and be refreshed."

P. R. Asberry and William B. Leggate gave strong testimony in favor of the defendants and believed that the presence of hogs in a neighborhood made the people healthy. The latter stated that these pens were not nuisances as conducted, where the hogs were fed on corn and watered, and not as they do on Long Island, where they feed their swine on horseshoes and seaweed.

The presidentess of the Chicago Sorosis went to Washington to see the inauguration, and was denied a room at a hotel because she was unattended. She simply seated herself in the office, with the remark that she would'nt stir until she was provided with a room. The clerk gave it up.

REMOVAL OF STREET OBSTRUCTIONS.

Yesterday's Operations—Havoc Among Posts and Signs—Opposition Slight—Plans for the Future—Contemplated Raid on Piles of Bricks and Rubbish.

A portion of the men employed to remove obstructions from the sidewalks and carriage ways of the city, under the orders of the Mayor and Street Commissioner, yesterday recommenced their operations, which had been temporarily interrupted by the festivities of St. Patrick's Day.

A force of seven men, consisting of three attachés of the Street Commissioner's Department and four carpenters, provided with saws, spades and axes, proceeded up Broadway to Thirty-fourth street, followed by a huge blue lumber wagon, intended to receive such obstructions of a portable nature as refractory proprietors might refuse to remove. Some havoc was made among posts and signs in the vicinity of Wood's Museum, but no opposition was met with. Flagstaffs, barbers' poles, awning posts, banners, hanging signs and other obstructions on the sidewalk of Broadway, below Thirty-fourth street, have rapidly disappeared. People owning these impediments perceive a determination on the part of the Street Commissioner to enforce obedience, and now in most cases quietly remove them on being notified. Since last Tuesday 230 notices have been served.

The owner of an obstruction is always personally served with twenty-four hours' notice to remove it, if he can be found; if not, the notice is put on the objectionable article. Where the obstruction is bulky and not easily moved the time allowed by the notice is frequently extended.

Men have been sent to the foot of Morton street, on the North river, between Washington and West streets, to clear the pavement in front of a large pork packing establishment of a large number of barrels of pork and beef which block up the sidewalk. It is alleged that the firm to whom they belong have been notified to remove them, but refused or neglected to do so. It is the intention of the Street Commissioner to bring suit against all persons who unnecessarily impede the carriage way with bricks, mortar or other rubbish, if after due notice they do not remove them. Permits are granted to place building materials on the carriage way in front of buildings to be repaired or in process of erection, but they will not, it is stated, in future be allowed to remain longer than absolutely necessary. The space to be thus occupied by building materials must not be more than two-thirds of the carriage way in width, ten feet in height and twenty-five feet in length, and the gutter and sidewalk in their vicinity must be kept clean and unencumbered for two weeks, unless sooner directed by the Commissioners to remove the same. Persons accepting these permits become responsible for all damage by reason of carelessness or accident. The proprietor of a formidable pile of bricks and rubbish in West Forty-eighth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, was lately notified to have it taken away, but refused. He was summoned to appear and answer before Judge Kevin, of the Second District Court, before whom the case is still pending. It is announced that every portion of the city will receive attention from the Commissioner and his assistants, and that after the signs, posts, awnings and similar impediments have been removed, a determined onslaught is to be made on the peanut, apple and refreshment stands, which will receive no quarter upon refusal to surrender.

THE FEVER SHIP.

The Investigation—Condition of the Passengers.

The investigation before the Commissioners of Emigration respecting the treatment of the passengers of the fever ship, James Foster, Jr., will be resumed on Wednesday next. Nine of the passengers sent to Ward's Island have left since Monday. The colored cook, George Hubbs, died on Monday, and Henry Bowdell, passenger, expired on Tuesday last.

Another Tale of Cruelty on the James Foster, Jr., During a Previous Voyage.

The following communication, which the writer headed "Justice At Last," has been received at this office, and relates the experience of a passenger of "the fever ship" on a former voyage:—

NEW YORK, March 16, 1869.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:—

SIR—In the summer of 1863 I was a passenger on board the James Foster, Jr., and in common with other passengers experienced great cruelty at the hands of her officers. The ship was said to have a supply of water on board sufficient for 800 passengers. There were in fact only 385 passengers on board, however, but we did not receive half enough water for our necessities during the voyage. Numerous complaints were made, but without avail. One young man in particular I remember, became very much exhausted and craved a drink of water on one occasion. It was not furnished to him, and he, perhaps rashly and unwisely so far as he was personally concerned, threatened that he would report the conduct of the officers of the vessel to the authorities upon his arrival at New York. He was immediately handcuffed and lashed to the mast, in which position he was compelled to remain several hours. Another young man, a passenger, was detected in the act of stealing a drink of water, and he, also, was most cruelly punished therefor by the officers of the ship. The food served out to the passengers was very poor in quality and insufficient, and I lacked water to such an extent that I was obliged to collect rain water from the deck which Providence had kindly sent us.

Shortly after leaving, and while outside the port of Liverpool, I saw two men inhumanly beaten by the first mate, who knocked them down with a belaying pin or very heavy club with such violence as to make indentations on their heads. While they were lying upon the deck the mate stood with his foot on their heads, and because in their agony they moaned, they were gagged and then handcuffed and swung up to the mast.

The above statements are strictly true, and you are at liberty to publish them if you desire so to do.

Very truly, &c. P. GALLAGHER.

A RESTAURANT "BEAT."

Pancakes and Coffee "On Tick"—Lay of the Bohemian.

Yesterday morning Edward de Brauwere, a barkeeper in the restaurant No. 696 Broadway, a noted resort of professional men, appeared before Justice Dodge, at the Jefferson Market Police Court, and charged one Edward Lingham, a youthful and neatly dressed individual, with obtaining his breakfast, and, after it was eaten, refusing to pay for the same, giving as an excuse that he was "broke." Edward's rather obsolete mode of filling an empty stomach, together with an uncomplimentary allusion to a well known class of eccentric fellows that abound in this city, are narrated in the following affidavit:—

That the accused came in the restaurant in question, kept by Charles Pfaff, for a pancake and a cup of coffee, which amounted to the sum of thirty-five cents; that after devouring the pancake he then and there refused to pay for the same, saying that he had no funds. Deponent is the barkeeper at plaintiff's, and as there are a great many persons who come there and obtain food in the manner of said Edward, particularly a number of persons called "Bohemians," the plaintiff desires to stop the same; and deponent charges that said Edward ordered the food and consumed the same with intent to cheat and defraud, in violation of "An act to prevent frauds and fraudulent practices by hotel keepers," &c. In explanation of his illegal action the accused assured the Court that he had often taken his meals there, and Pfaff had more than once given him credit. He was committed to answer the charge at the Court of General Sessions in default of bail.

THE FOURTEENTH WARD ROUGHS RAMPANT.

A Man Beaten—The Police Fired Upon and Repulsed.

Since the disgraceful fight in which the Reynolds family figured so conspicuously, a week or two ago, the police of the Fourteenth ward, who seem to be in bad odor with the roughs of the ward, have had a vacation. About two o'clock yesterday morning, however, a number of them—the rowdies who had been celebrating St. Patrick's Day rather boisterously—got into a fight in the hallway of No. 120 Mulberry street, during which John Foley, of No. 30 Benson street, was assaulted with a bottle and pitcher, and badly but not dangerously wounded about the head. The police came upon the scene in answer to the cries of Foley, when the belligerent and drunken crowd retreated inside the room of John Howard, at the door of which the blue coats vainly clamored for admittance. While endeavoring to affect an entrance the police were fired upon from the inside, the balls passing out through the door, but luckily for them inflicting no injury. The police then drew off and left the field in possession of the roughs. Foley states that his assailant was a man named Peter Gilmortin, who escaped. The wounds of Foley were dressed by Dr. Armstrong, of the Central Office, and he was sent to his home.

ROBBERY OF SMALL ARMS.

On Wednesday night last a carpet bag, containing samples of all the revolving pistols and rifles manufactured by Smith & Wesson, and also models of improvements that have been made in the manufacture of pistols and rifles for more than half a century, was stolen from a small room between the United States Circuit and District Court rooms in the United States Court buildings in Chambers street. The contents of the carpet-bag were exhibits in a reference before Commissioner White, who was taking testimony to report to the United States Circuit Court in a suit brought by Smith & Wesson for an extension of their patents for firearms. The articles stolen are very valuable to the parties losing them, and some of them cannot be replaced. On opening the buildings on Thursday morning, a window on the ground floor, looking from Commissioner White's office, was found open, but it is difficult to tell whether it was forced from the inside or the outside of the building. Captain Jourdan has inspected this window and the doors through which the property must have been taken, and is now working up the case.

SUBURBAN INTELLIGENCE.

NEW JERSEY.

Jersey City.

THE HORSE RAILROAD SQUABBLE.—Chancellor Zabriskie has granted the injunction asked for by the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company restraining the Hoboken Horse Railroad Company from using the tracks of the former to the Jersey City ferry. As soon as the announcement was made the defendants lodged an appeal to the Supreme Court.

THEFT AT THE ERIE RAILWAY.—Yesterday afternoon a young man named John Donovan was arrested and conveyed to the police station on a charge of stealing several "chairs" which were lying on the track of the Erie Railway. The prisoner seemed greatly excited and was seized with an epileptic fit in the station. He is held to await trial.

SUDDEN DEATH.—A man named John McIntyre, employed as a carpenter at Hudson City, made application for admission to the Almshouse on Wednesday morning, complaining that he had fallen from a building in Hudson City, and was severely injured. He was taken in, and the doctor stated that he could perceive no injuries or ailment in the applicant. McIntyre, however, was placed in a bed, where he expired suddenly on Wednesday night. He previously stated that his wife and child were living in Seventeenth street, near Second avenue, New York. The deceased was about thirty years of age, had dark hair and mustache, and was five feet ten inches in height. Coroner Warren will hold an inquest to-day.

Hudson City.

DANGER AHEAD.—For some time past a feud has existed between Charley Kolhund and John Bergen, and whenever they met mutual recrimination was sure to take place. Charley made affidavit before the Recorder yesterday morning that John threatened to take his life, and if the law did not throw its protection around him he should flee from the impending doom. John lies in the county jail, no person being found to give bail for his good behavior.

ALLEGED TILL TAPPING.—Two men, giving their names as Charles Grand and Thomas Zabriskie, were arrested in Washington Village on Wednesday afternoon on suspicion of till tapping. Their faces were familiar to the police, who saw them prowling around the same locality several times, so they were marched off to the police station. In the absence of any complaint by the parties whose store was robbed the accused were discharged by the Recorder yesterday morning.

Trenton.

STROKE OF PARALYSIS.—Mr. Jones, member of Assembly from Middlesex county, was stricken down by paralysis during Wednesday night. Yesterday afternoon he was very low.

Newark.

TO BE BURIED WITH MILITARY HONORS.—Inas much as young Monell, who was fatally injured at the Glendale House, was a member of Captain Behan's company, veteran regiment, the deceased will be buried to-day with military honors.

LOST AGAIN.—The locomotive Paterson is again at the bottom of the Hackensack river, and as far from being recovered as ever. It had been nearly raised to a level with the track, when the chain supports gave way and precipitated the engine again under water. The contractor was to have received $3,000 for placing it on the track. He had been engaged on it about three weeks.

THE METHODIST CONFERENCE.—At half-past eight o'clock yesterday morning the regular session of the Methodist Episcopal Church was resumed in the Central church. After the usual preliminary religious services a number of communications on various subjects were read. One from the Wesleyan University stated that there were in it 148 students, of whom 119 were professing Christians. The endowment fund had been increased by $120,000 during the year. Another from the New England, Central and Western committees in favor of lay delegation was referred to the proper committee.

Jesse S. Gilbert, Merritt C. Reed, William S. Galloway and Samuel P. Rooney were examined by Bishop Scott, according to the disciplinary course preparatory to their ordination as deacons, which takes place next Sunday morning. The venerable Father Boehm, now verging on his ninety-fifth, addressed the class in his usual fatherly style, and exhorted the young men to cultivate their minds and told them not to depend too much on manuscript in the pulpit. He said he was just a year older than the United States. A number of clergymen from other conferences were present and introduced to the conference. Among them were Rev. Mr. Sanford, Rev. Dr. Ferris, and Rev. Mr. Osborn, all of the New York conference. The Rev. Dr. Dashiell, President of Dickinson College, was present and delivered an address, in the course of which he stated that the authorities of Dickinson College were striving to carry on the institution with three purposes in view—to make it a Christian school, to make it thoroughly Methodistic and to secure as high scholarly training as is furnished in the country. A resolution was unanimously passed requesting the reverend doctor to remain a member of the Newark Conference and that the bishops permit him so to do. It was announced that Rev. John McClintock, D. D., LL. D., had been transferred from the New York to the Newark Conference. The Conference soon after adjourned for the day, the hour of noon having arrived.

Elizabeth.

KILLED.—A middle aged man named Holmes, residing at Amboy, was struck by a locomotive on the New Jersey road, below here, on Wednesday night and instantly killed. The body was brought hither for disposition.

The New Jersey Legislature.

Considerable commotion was created in the House on Wednesday evening in consequence of a discovery made by Mr. Whalen of the surreptitious manipulation of a bill to redistrict Summit in Union County. The Governor was