NEW YORK CITY.

THE COURTS.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT.

The West Side Elevated Patent Railway Company Case.

Before Judge Blatchford.

An action has been commenced by John A. Currier against the West Side Elevated Patent Railway Company of New York in the United States Circuit Court of this district. A bill was filed in the case a few days ago, and yesterday an order to show cause was issued, returnable on the 15th inst., why an injunction should not issue restraining the company from proceeding further with the work.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—CRIMINAL BRANCH.

The Blaisdell-Belknap Perjury Case.

Before Judge Benedict.

This case, in which Alvah Blaisdell, Alfred Belknap and Henry Jenness are charged with subornation of perjury, in swearing false affidavits to be made against Collector Bailey, was called on for trial yesterday, but owing to the non-appearance of Belknap, on account, as claimed, of sickness, the case was postponed for further proof of Belknap's alleged illness.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—IN EQUITY.

Erie Suits Discontinued.

Before Judge Blatchford.

An order was entered in the Clerk's Office of this court, yesterday, discontinuing the suits of Whelpley and Belmont against the Erie Railroad Company.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—IN BANKRUPTCY.

Discharge Granted.

Before Judge Blatchford.

In the Matter of Robert W. Beatty, John C. Beatty and George R. Beatty, Bankrupts.—The bankrupts' discharge was opposed by the creditors on the ground that they had not made a full and correct exhibition of all their dealings. Judge Blatchford, after a careful examination of the voluminous testimony taken in the case before the Register, said:—I cannot see any evidence of an intention to mislead or deceive any one by the manner in which the books are kept. Their transactions with their uncle, Thomas H. Armstrong, whereby all the capital of $120,000, which they put into their firm, and all the profits they made and realized from their legitimate business of dealing in teas, and all the money they borrowed from other parties was wasted and lost in the short space of twenty-one months, leaving them insolvent, with an indebtedness due by them of over $200,000 and with scarcely any property except a claim against Armstrong of over $640,000, sufficiently explain why they were ruined. I see in these transactions the haste to be rich by illegitimate means and the greed of gain on the side of the bankrupts, which, favored by the relationship of Armstrong to them, led them to trust him with all the money and obligations he asked for on such representation as he chose to make without any investigation by them or any attempt to verify the truth of his statements, and on the part of Armstrong, one of the most formidable and successful swindles of the time. But I see no complicity in fraud between Armstrong and the bankrupts. Armstrong was engaged all the time knowingly in cheating the bankrupts, and they were engaged all the time negligently, but unknowingly, in aiding him to cheat themselves. The disposition made by the bankrupts of their tangible property when they failed on the 1st of April, 1866, was not illegal at the time, nor invalid, nor tainted by fraud. There is nothing to impeach the *bona fide* of the debts in payment of which such property was appropriated. The charge of wilful false swearing by the bankrupts in these proceedings is not sustained, nor are any of the specifications supported. Discharges must be granted to all three of the bankrupts.

Petitions Filed in Bankruptcy.

Henry Liszynsky, First & Frost Sewing Machine Company, J. C. Shafer and William C. Hamilton.

Discharges.

Charles Bentil, Thomas M. Cozzens, Christopher O'Donnell, William Ruger, Theodore Ruger, Emil Ruger, Christopher L. White, Thomas J. Sloane, Joseph Salamon, Isaac Rosenstock, William Felsner, Edward Cozzens, Grafton D. Rogers, Joseph Goulden, Oliver B. Tweedy, Sigismund Drucker, Ignatius L. Lersner, Robert W. Beatty and George R. Beatty.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S OFFICE.

Interview Between the Spanish Consul and General Barlow.

The Spanish Consul visited the United States Marshal's office yesterday and had an interview with the Marshal. The former gentleman having announced himself, he was immediately invited into the Marshal's sanctum, where he remained half an hour. General Barlow is properly very reticent as to the details of the conversation, but admits that the points forming the Cuban sensation of the day were the basis thereof. General Barlow added, when courteously pressed upon the subject by the HERALD reporter, that no human being but himself and the Spanish Consul are in the slightest degree conversant with what transpired at the interview, and every sensational rumor that may appear in connection therewith, of special despatches from Washington on Cuban affairs, and secret action on his part for the preservation of the neutrality laws, will be but the coinage of the brains of the writers indulging, therein. All that occurred at the interview referred to is known only to the two gentlemen themselves.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

Before Judge Barnard.

The Sioux City and Pacific Railroad—Decision Against John I. Blair and Others.

Charles A. Lambard vs. John I. Blair and Others.—Judge Barnard has rendered his decision in the suit brought by Charles A. Lambard to be declared entitled to a one-ninth interest of the Sioux City and Pacific Railroad, or its value, in favor of the plaintiff.

He finds as facts that previous to the incorporation of the company the persons who signed the articles of association had an understanding and agreement that each should be entitled to one-ninth of the benefits of the corporation; that they then subscribed for ten shares of the stock, and subsequently, in November, each subscribed for eleven hundred shares, the Iowa Contracting Company taking ten thousand at the same time, and that the plaintiff, being interested to about one-ninth in the latter company, consented to the subscription, upon condition that his proportion of the ten thousand shares should be allotted to him, and in all future transactions respecting the stock of the railroad his one-ninth right; that no further subscriptions were authorized by the board, but under a resolution of May, 1867, referring the matter of increase of capital stock subscription to the Executive Committee, John I. Blair and Oakes Ames, without having a meeting of the Executive Committee, received subscriptions to the extent of twenty-two thousand seven hundred shares, which subscriptions were afterwards adopted by the Board of Directors, all this being done during Lambard's absence; that on hearing of it Lambard caused a demand to be made on Blair and Ames and the company of his right to subscribe one-ninth of the new stock, offering to pay the assessments, but that the demand was refused; that previous to plaintiff's departure for Europe John I. Blair promised to protect his interests during his absence, and that if the stock should be increased his should be increased in the same proportion; that no certificates of stock have ever been issued, but on the company's books Blair is credited with 5,100 shares, Ames with 6,400 and the plaintiff with only 1,900 made up of his subscription of 1,100 shares in November, 1866, and 800 shares on account of the Iowa company; that Blair and Ames have the books of the company under their control; that each share of the stock of the company is worth eighty dollars over and above the assessment of forty dollars per share levied on it.

On these facts the Court finds that the plaintiff is entitled to 2,777 shares of the stock of the company, subscribed after the 11th of November, 1866, with all dividends, &c., besides his present 1,900 shares; but as his right has been denied by the company, and his shares diverted by it and Blair and Ames, he is entitled against those three to a judgment of $222,160, being eighty dollars for each share. But they may relieve themselves from the money judgment by transferring within sixty days from the entry of judgment the 2,777 shares, in which case he must pay the forty dollars per share assessed on it. The Court gives the plaintiff costs, with $10,000 extra allowance.

Field and Shearman for plaintiff; Mr. Crane and Mr. Marsh for defendants.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

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

1868.	1869.		1868.	1869.
3 A. M. 49	54	3 P. M. 53		68
6 A. M. 52	53	6 P. M. 52		61
9 A. M. 52	57	9 P. M. 60		58
12 M. 54	62	12 P. M. 59		57

Average temperature yesterday 58¾
Average temperature for corresponding day last year 52¾
Average temperature Friday 56¾
Average temperature for corresponding date last year 55½
Average temperature for the week 53½
Average temperature for corresponding week last year 54 5-7

MAD DOG KILLED.—At half-past six o'clock last evening, officer Agnew of the Eighth precinct killed a mad dog on Macdougal near West Houston street.

THE TAMMANY HALL YOUNG MEN'S GENERAL COMMITTEE.—This organization will assemble in council on Monday evening next for consultation and interchange of sentiment. Addresses will be made by several popular speakers. Major Joel A. Fithian is chairman of the new organization.

CROTON AQUEDUCT BOARD.—Proposals were to have been opened and contracts awarded by the Croton Board yesterday for the construction of stone block pavements in a large number of streets, but owing to the absence of the Comptroller the whole matter was postponed until he arrives in the city.

ACCIDENT ON THE EAST RIVER.—Barge No. 4, belonging to Captain Canning, and loaded with 120,000 bricks consigned to A. C. Huble & Co., of this city, was run on a sunken pier at the foot of East Twenty-fourth street early yesterday morning while in tow of the steamer Deer. The barge has not yet been got afloat.

SERIOUS RUN-OVER ACCIDENT.—At the corner of Thirty-seventh street and Third avenue, last night, a furniture wagon driven by John Cikenfelder of Melrose, ran over Daniel Reed, a boy living at No. 752 Second Avenue, one of the wheels passing over his stomach. The child was badly but not seriously wounded. The driver was arrested by one of Captain Allaire's officers, and subsequently released.

THE CANAL STREET RAILROAD CASUALTY.—It was stated in the Coroners' office yesterday morning by a man who came to report the death of Mrs. Catharine McArdle, late of No. 2 Orchard street, by being run over in Canal street on Friday night by car No. 29 of the Cortlandt street line, that she was a woman of intemperate habits. The informant further said that deceased had been out drinking with another woman by whom she was taken to the door of her (deceased's) residence and requested to go to bed. This advice, it seems, was not heeded, and the next seen of Mr. McArdle, who is said to have been nearly blind, was lying on the track just after the car had passed over her. The body has been conveyed to the Morgue. Coroner Keenan will hold an inquest at the Eldridge street police station to-day. Deceased was sixty-two years of age, and a native of Scotland. Charles Moss, the driver of the car, who was arrested, is still in custody awaiting the result of the investigation.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

STABBING AFFRAY.—About twelve o'clock (midnight) the Sixth precinct reported that a Polander named Nachinan Stord, of 105 Bayard street, was stabbed in the back while passing through the hallway of the above number. The wounded man was attended by a physician, and is not dangerously injured. The party who inflicted the injuries is not known.

STABBING AFFRAY IN THE NINTH WARD.—Last night, the Ninth ward police report, Francis Trainor, of No. 300 West Houston street, and John Rowland, of No. 85 Greenwich avenue, got into an altercation at the corner of Charles and Fourth streets, when Rowland stabbed Trainor in the side, inflicting a slight wound. Captain Washburn, finding the culprit had escaped, placed his officers on the alert, and he was subsequently arrested.

ALLEGED LARCENY OF DIES.—Three boys, each about sixteen, and named respectively Edward Beach, John Reagan and Andrew Brown, were yesterday brought before Judge Hogan, at the Tombs, on a charge of stealing $600 worth of dies used in the manufacture of dolls heads, the property of Mr. G. H. Hawkins, No. 383 Canal street. The boys confessed to detective officers Vaughan and Nevins, of Police Headquarters, to stealing the dies, and say they sold them to Thomas Lyons, in Broome street, near Wooster, for ten cents a pound. Upon this statement Mr. Lyons was also arrested. All four were temporarily committed for examination.

THE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY SWINDLE.—Several fresh complaints were yesterday entered against Kallmeyer and Cohen, the men who carried on business as employment agents at No. 189 Grand street. Justice Mansfield, the presiding magistrate at Essex Market Police Court, to whom the case was referred by the Mayor's Marshal, instructed Mr. Webster, the clerk, who, by the by, was minus any assistance, to take full affidavits in each case. The particulars of the charges made against these men on Friday were published in yesterday's HERALD. The names of the fresh complainants are Adam Hoffman, No. 27 West Twenty-fifth street; Henry Keating, No. 62 Market street; Adolph Drunsheldt, No. 8 Ewen street, Williamsburg; James Murphy, No. 60 Pike street, and Herman Hundt, No. 645 Second avenue.

ALLEGED ARSON.—Officer Meschutt, of the Fifteenth precinct, yesterday at Jefferson Market arraigned Michael Peter and Rosa Peter, occupants of house No. 196 Greene street, on the charge of arson. It appears from the statements of the officer that about five o'clock on Friday evening he discovered smoke issuing from the premises of the accused, who rent furnished rooms to various parties. On entering the second story he discovered that all the lodgers were out and the accused alone in possession. At that time fire was burning in the rear room of the second floor, a middle room on the same floor, which had been securely locked, and in an attic room. It was promptly extinguished, with the assistance of Sergeant Lowery, detective Ledgate and a detail of men from the Fifteenth precinct. Meschutt found that a trunk, containing an insurance policy in the Germania Insurance Company and other valuable papers, had been previously removed. The policy is for $900, and is said to be largely in excess of Peter's interest in the premises. The prisoners, by request of the officer, were remanded to the station house to enable the Fire Marshal to investigate the circumstances.

ALLEGED BURGLARY IN THE BOWERY.—Officers Richard King and Holly Lyons, of the Tenth precinct, yesterday brought into Essex Market Police Court, two men, who gave their names as Joseph Brown and James Smith, and who were charged with burglary. The complainant was Ezekiel K. Finch, one of the managers of the dry goods store of William K. Peyton, Nos. 272 and 274 Bowery, and he deposed that on the night of the 1st of the present month the store was entered by burglars, who made their ingress by taking out a pane of glass in one of windows and removed feloniously black silk and satin trimmings of the value of $415. Officer King, from information received, arrested the prisoner Smith, and found in his possession a portion of the silk stolen. When questioned he (Smith) stated that he had received the goods from the prisoner Brown. Brown was subsequently arrested, and acknowledged to the officer that he had committed the burglary. Both men were locked up by Justice Mansfield for examination. Davis Abrahams, of No. 32 Elizabeth street, was accused of receiving the greater portion of the stolen property, paying for it the sum of $45. From the fact that the price was far below the value of the property, Abrahams was accused of receiving the goods knowing them to be stolen. Abrahams was held by Justice Mansfield in $1,000 bail to answer the charge.

REAL ESTATE MATTERS.

Summary of Auction Sales During the Past Week.

The growing inactivity of the market is reflected in the diminishing total of the receipts from auction sales from week to week. That just closed has been the dullest thus far this year, the sales only representing about $450,000 worth of property. Subjoined we give our usual summary:—

TUESDAY, MAY 4.	
New York improved property	$69,650
New York unimproved property	19,800
Fordham (Westchester county) unimproved property	4,685
Brooklyn improved property	2,450
Greenpoint (L. I.) improved property	4,200
East New York (L. I.) improved property	2,500
	$103,285
WEDNESDAY, MAY 5.	
New York improved property	$25,100
Fordham (Westchester county), unimproved property	63,780
Brooklyn improved property	19,800
Brooklyn unimproved property	16,600
Long Branch, N. J., improved property	12,900
Montclair, N. J., unimproved property	10,800
	146,980
THURSDAY, MAY 6.	
New York unimproved property	$37,450
Nannet (Rockland county), unimproved property	3,800
	41,250
FRIDAY MAY 7.	
New York improved property	$133,550
Paterson, N. J., improved property	5,600
Paterson, N. J., unimproved prop'y	13,945
	152,895
Total for the week	$444,410
Total for the month of January	2,393,731
Total for the month of February	9,175,985
Total for the month of March	14,047,214
Total for the month April	7,285,826
Grand total for the expired portion of the year	$33,347,166

BROOKLYN INTELLIGENCE.

STOLEN PROPERTY RECOVERED.—Two Afghans valued at fifty dollars, which had been stolen from the stable of Mr. Rowan, in Hoyt street, were found by officer Riggs, of the Forty-first precinct, at the pawn shop No. 46 Front street. They were restored to the owner.

RESULT OF A FIREMEN'S FIGHT.—John Higgins, a member of Hose Company No. 1, Eastern District, was yesterday held by Justice Voorhies to answer a charge of attempting to kill Thomas J. Hamilton, of Hose Company No. 4. It appeared in evidence that a difficulty occurred between the companies named at a fire on the 27th of April last, when Higgins struck Hamilton upon the head with an iron wrench.

LAUNCH OF A STEAMER.—The steamer Sylvan Glen, built for the Harlem and New York Navigation Company by Lawrence & Foulke, was launched at half-past seven o'clock yesterday morning from the yard foot of North Fifth street, Williamsburg. The Sylvan Glen was constructed with a view to speed and beauty, is of 300 tons burden and of the following dimensions:—Length, 160 feet; breadth of beam, 26 feet; depth of hold, 9 feet. The boat is built of the best material and copper fastened throughout. Mr. C. H. Longstreet, superintendent of the company, took charge of the boat when she left the stocks. She will receive her machinery at the North River Iron Works, and will soon be put on the route.

THE WATER AND SEWERAGE COMMISSIONERS.—A number of property owners on Fort Green place presented a petition to the Board, yesterday, for the laying of the Scrimshaw pavement on that street over the present cobble stones. The petition was granted. The following committees were appointed for the ensuing year:—On Law, Messrs. Northrop and Bliss; on Constructions, Messrs. Kinsella and Bliss; on Repairs and Supplies, Messrs. Northrop and Kinsella; on Finance, the President and Secretary of the Board; on Repaving and Repairing Streets, Messrs. Bliss and Kinsella. A number of complaints were made by citizens of the filthy condition of the streets.

THE BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

Rudolphe Defeats Snyder and Foster.

The tournament was resumed yesterday at Irving Hall, the contestants in the afternoon being Rudolphe and Snyder. Throughout the play was very indifferent, the highest run made by either not exceeding 100. It was understood, however, that Snyder was indisposed, and his defeat by Rudolphe was not surprising. But few brilliant strokes were made during the game, which was pretty even until toward the close. Rudolphe finally won by 286 points.

In the evening a large assemblage congregated at the Hall to witness the game between Rudolphe and Foster. Perhaps no contest since the commencement of the tournament created more interest, being one most anxiously looked forward to. It was by far the prettiest and most closely contested; for although no extraordinary runs were made, the play was infinitely superior to almost any that has yet been exhibited. The honor of winning the second prize was perhaps the only motive that stimulated such a fine display; for it was well known that the contestants were not by any means the most friendly rivals. At times there was a burst of ill feeling from some of the spectators, but the good taste and manliness of the majority had the effect of quelling any vulgar ebullitions. Truth to say, Rudolphe had a good share of friendly faces on his side, and though an occasional hiss marred the harmony that otherwise prevailed, he played with less demonstrativeness than usually characterizes his exhibitions. The play throughout was marked by remarkable steadiness, the competitors being apparently in excellent form. Foster led off without effect, yet leaving the balls pretty safe. Rudolphe was equally unsuccessful, and Foster, in resuming play, broke the ice with a carefully played 60. His opponent scored 15 in his next innings; but Foster running 90 placed him over 100 in advance of Rudolphe. The runs immediately succeeding were small until Rudolphe, by excellent play, made 156, the score then being Rudolphe 208, Foster 179. After this Rudolphe managed to keep slightly ahead. At the fourteenth inning, however, Foster assumed the lead, his score then being 288, and that of Rudolphe 271. Up to the present the play had been most careful on both sides, the greatest caution and judgment being rigorously observed. It was indeed difficult to state who was playing the better, but "safety" was evidently the order of both. Rudolphe again got to the fore by some steady play, yet there was comparatively little difference until 400 points had been made by both. The game appeared to be considerably dubious, as, so far, it had been well contested. Foster, however, playing with much ease and confidence, in contradistinction to the apparent nervousness of his opponent, crept ahead, the score at the thirty-second innings being Foster 701, Rudolphe 583, the announcement of which was greeted with loud cheers, which were soon subdued when Rudolphe, with a coolness he had not yet exhibited, made 150 in capital style, which materially altered the aspect of affairs. It must be confessed, however, that Rudolphe was encouraged by the very best of good luck. Foster then made 63; but Rudolphe, again resuming play, gathered the balls beautifully, nor did he separate them until he contributed 75 to his score, now being 832, and that of Foster 765, which the latter augmented by 21, his ball unluckily going into the pocket, when there was evidently a good chance on the table. The interest in the game momentarily increased as the players progressed, and while Rudolphe's mercurial eccentricities excited some merriment he nevertheless appeared to have many friends, who did not fail to bestow upon him many hearty tokens of approbation. A splendid run of 93 by Rudolphe turned the scales considerably, making the score—Rudolphe, 935; Foster, 850. Foster then made 42, but through a little carelessness missed an easy carrom, after which Rudolphe made 12, the balls acting most friendly in his regard. Foster obtained 45, and Rudolphe following scored 32. Here, unfortunately, a dissension arose. Foster claimed that Rudolphe had played a push shot, whereat the latter became very much excited. Some confusion ensued, but upon Mr. Phelan appealing to the referee, who gave his decision against Rudolphe, play was quietly resumed. After a few unimportant innings the game was called—Rudolphe, 1,001; Foster, 914. The latter missed, and upon Rudolphe again resuming he nursed the balls nicely for some time, displaying much judgment and activity, and finally scored 102, for which he received a round of approbation. Misses on both sides followed, but Rudolphe contriving to run 102 matters began to look very much in his favor. Towards the latter portion of the game Foster struggled against hard luck, but nevertheless played well. Rudolphe gradually crept up. At the fiftieth inning he made a run of 33, which brought him near the goal, his opponent being over 150 points behind. A run of 36 brought Foster's score to 1,085. The next two runs by Rudolphe were 6 and 15, while Foster's were two threes, which made him 1,091. Rudolphe had then but 16 to win, and having got the balls neatly together he accomplished the task in his own peculiar style, defeating Foster by 109 points, amid tremendous cheers. Rudolphe is consequently entitled to the second prize in the tournament, Deery having won the cue. Snyder and Foster have yet to contend for third prize.

The following is the score:—

Rudolphe—0, 15, 6, 3, 0, 3, 24, 1, 156, 0, 33, 6, 24, 30, 9, 24, 42, 102, 6, 3, 3, 3, 0, 51, 3, 0, 12, 0, 18, 3, 3, 150, 3, 7, 93, 12, 12, 33, 6, 3, 3, 102, 0, 0, 12, 9, 0, 33, 6, 5, 3, 15—1,200.

Foster—0, 60, 30, 24, 3, 1, 0, 12, 49, 21, 1, 3, 0, 84, 6, 9, 15, 78, 48, 15, 4, 19, 18, 60, 9, 12, 18, 0, 6, 9, 51, 39, 63, 21, 0, 15, 42, 0, 45, 0, 27, 0, 3, 3, 16, 106, 3, 3, 3, 1, 0, 0, 36, 3, 3—1,091.

RECAPITULATION.

Players.	Games Won.	Games Lost.	Best Runs.	Best Av'ge.
Foster	4	3	189	23½
Rhines	2	4	171	16
Deery	5	1	358	24
Snyder	4	3	207	25
Goldthwait	1	5	121	21
Daniels	1	5	219	16⅝
Rudolphe	6	2	172	25

SUBURBAN INTELLIGENCE.

NEW JERSEY.

Hudson City.

THE QUARRYMEN'S STRIKE.—The laborers employed in the Hudson City quarries, who struck for an advance of twenty-five cents a day, have returned to their work, the bosses agreeing to pay the sum demanded.

THE WEST END CATTLE YARDS, established by the Erie Railroad Company as a substitute for those closed in Hudson City, are in full operation. The rivalry between this concern and the Communipaw stock yards is so great that people regard it a trial of strength between the Erie and New Jersey Central.

RIOT BETWEEN IRISH AND ENGLISH WORKMEN.—A desperate riot took place yesterday evening between a batch of Irish laborers and some English miners employed in opening the route of the Grand avenue. Shots were interchanged and a number of men wounded, one of them, it is thought, fatally. Eight of the miners were arrested.

SAVAGE ATTACK ON A POLICE OFFICER.—About ten o'clock yesterday forenoon a police officer on patrol at the foot of the hill in Hudson City heard screams for assistance proceeding from a spot in the rear of the cemetery. On arriving at the place he saw a young woman running off pursued by five or six young men. The officer took the girl under his protection, when the roughs attacked him, knocked him down and dealt him several heavy blows. They then carried off the girl. It appears that they followed her from Jersey City, to which place all the men belong. The young woman was somewhat intoxicated. A report of the case having been made at the police station, officer Gallagher was sent to the rescue, but the ruffians had made their escape. The young woman was overtaken about an hour afterwards and brought to the police station.

Newark.

MILITARY ELECTION.—At an election held last evening in the office of Major General Theodore Runyon, Colonel Joseph W. Plume, of the Second regiment N. J. S. N. G., was unanimously chosen to the position of Brigadier General of the First brigade N. J. S. N. G. General Hatfield was also named, but subsequently withdrawn.

VERDICT AGAINST THE NEW JERSEY RAILROAD COMPANY.—In the Essex County Supreme Court yesterday suit was brought by Mr. Alexander T. Compton, a young lawyer of this city, against Henry Van Valkenberg and the New Jersey Railroad Company. The plaintiff sued the first named party, an employé of the railroad company, for assault and battery. It appears he was a gatekeeper at the Jersey City ferry, and, as alleged, used undue force in compelling Mr. Compton to go through the passenger instead of the wagon gate, and claimed damages in $2,000. The jury knocked off one of the noughts and allowed $200.

THE MCGUIRK HOMICIDE—A VERDICT OF MANSLAUGHTER.—An inquest was held yesterday by Coroner Close on the body of Patrick McGuirk, the deceased bakery wagon driver, whose death ensued from the blow of a weight, as alleged, in the hands of a fellow-employe named James Stokes. A large amount of testimony was taken, all of which corroborates in every essential point the statements already published in the HERALD. Two witnesses testified that McGuirk was under the influence, they believed, of liquor, and that he was often in such a state. It was also shown that he struck Stokes twice before the latter struck him with the weight. The following verdict was, however, rendered:—"That deceased came to his death by a blow received from an iron weight thrown by the hand of James Stokes, and that in the opinion of these jurors the said James Stokes committed the crime of manslaughter."

Hoboken.

SMUGGLING CIGARS.—Warrants were issued yesterday by Commissioner Hoffman for the arrest of three men, residing on Union Hill, on the charge of smuggling cigars from one of the Bremen steamships. Quite a large business has been done in this traffic; but since the appointment of a United States Commissioner in Hoboken smuggling is on the wane.

Elizabeth.

SERIOUS AFFRAY BETWEEN FIREMEN.—While returning from a fire a week ago last Wednesday night, an unruly spirit broke out between Engine Companies Nos. 1 and 3 of the Fire Department of this city. After running into each other's machines and damaging the latter considerably, the members next fell upon each other, and then ensued a fight that was at once dangerous and disgraceful. One young man, Jacob Schwartz, a member of No. 3, received a severe blow on the head, which nearly cost him his life. For several days he was so dangerously ill that no hope was entertained of his recovery. Now, however, he is improving, though he is still unable to be about. Several other persons were more or less injured. The matter was placed before the Board of Common Council at its last meeting, when a committee of five, consisting of Messrs. Lyon, Dockery, Green, Brokaw and Rapea, were appointed to investigate the charges preferred by Engine No. 1 against No. 3. The committee meeting took place night before last, when a number of witnesses were examined and a great deal of testimony taken. They decline making their report public until placed in the hands of the Council. Through an accident to a portion of the machinery another young man belonging to No. 3, named Zimmerman, had his arm broken the night of the fire.

SHIPPING NEWS.

Almanac for New York—This Day.

Sun rises	4 49	Moon rises..morn	4 04
Sun sets	7 04	High water...eve	7 06

PORT OF NEW YORK, MAY 8, 1869.

CLEARED.

Steamship City of Baltimore (Br), Roskell, Liverpool—J G Dale.
Steamship City of Boston (Br), Tibbetts, Liverpool—John G Dale.
Steamship Erin (Br), Webster, Liverpool—National Steamship Co.
Steamship Hecla (Br), Gill, Liverpool via Queenstown—E Cunard.
Steamship Celia (Br), Gleadell, London—Howland & Aspinwall.
Steamship Bremen (NG), Leist, Bremen via Southampton—Oelrichs & Co.
Steamship Columbia (Br), Carnaghan, Glasgow—Henderson Bros.
Steamship Rising Star, Maury, Aspinwall—Pacific Mail Steamship Co.
Steamship Crescent City, Holmes, New Orleans—Frederic Baker.
Steamship Mariposa, Kemble, New Orleans—H B Cromwell & Co
Steamship Alabama, Limeburner, Fernandina—Florida Railroad Co.
Steamship San Salvador, Nickerson, Savannah—W R Garrison.
Steamship Manhattan, Woodhull, Charleston—H R Morgan & Co.
Steamship Fairbanks, Hunter, Wilmington, NC—James Hand.
Steamship Isaac Bell, Bourne, Norfolk, City Point and Richmond—N L McCready.
Steamship E C Knight, Denty, Georgetown, DC—Phillips & Brown.
Steamship Glaucus, Walden, Boston—W P Clyde
Ship Constantine, Creevey, London—Grinnell, Minturn & Co.
Ship Confidence, Patterson, Sydney, NSW—R W Cameron.
Ship James Foster, Jr, Hetton, St John, NB—C H Marshall & Co.
Ship Thatcher Magoun, Peterson, San Francisco—Sutton & Co.
Bark Jenny (NG), Henrico, Bremen—Fred Schwoon.
Bark Atka (Rus), Eklund, Cronstadt—Funch, Edye & Co.
Bark Uno (Rus), Wikander, Genoa—Funch, Edye & Co.
Bark Sterling, Pond, Zanzibar, &c—Arnold, Hines & Co.
Bark Columbia, Mayhew, Escoumain—Geo Hews & Co.
Bark A Pendergast (Br), Chichester, Rio Janeiro via Wilmington, NC—Pendergast Bros & Co.
Bark John Boulton (Br), Lindsay, La Guayra and Porto Cabello—Dalfett, Bliss & Co.
Bark Josephine (Br), Day, Liverpool, NS—G A Phillips & Collins.
Bark Archer, Tibbetts, St John, NB—Howe, White & Co.
Bark Union, Nickleson, Key West and Pensacola—Benner, Brown & Co.
Bark Juan F Pearson (Arg), Marsh, St George, Me—Howe, White & Co.
Bark Annie Troop (Br), Troop, St John, NB—J W Elwell & Co.
Brig Dove (Br), Dinsmore, Cienfuegos—P I Nevius & Sons.
Brig Harry & Aubrey (Br), Hammond, Barbados—T T & F A Dwight.
Brig Meteor, Carver, Turks Island—Walsh & Carver.
Brig Sailor Boy, Wentworth, New Orleans—N H Brigham.
Brig P L Smith, Bender, Port Johnson—Simpson & Clapp, 1
Brig Hampden, Perkins, Newburyport—Brett, Son & Co.
Brig S T Maddox, Callaran, Bridgeport—J A Coddingham.
Schr Mary S Lunt (Br), Simmons, Grenada—Reeves & Co.
Schr Paul Seavey, Lowell, St Croix—D Trowbridge & Co.
Schr J H Lockwood, Sharrett, Richmond—Van Brunt & Slaght.
Schr Palma, Pearce, Georgetown, SC—Bentley, Miller & Thomas.
Schr C A Johnson, Willis, Washington, NC.
Schr A Heaton, Phinney, Chester, Pa—Baker & Dayton.
Schr Ring Dove, Wooster, Calais—John Boynton's Son & Co.
Schr Virginia, Crowell, Portland—S W Lewis.
Schr J D Griffin, Gould, Boston—J V Haviland.
Schr E G Sawyer, Keen, Boston—Snow & Richardson.
Schr J Brick, Mullins, New Haven—G K Rackett & Bro.
Sloop Fred Brown, Gardner, Bristol—G N Stranahan.
Sloop Odd Fellow, Dyer, Middletown, Ct—G K Rackett & Bro.

ARRIVALS.

REPORTED BY THE HERALD STEAM YACHTS.

Steamship City of London (Br), Leitch, Liverpool April 28, via Queenstown 29th, with mdse and passengers, to John G Dale. April 30, at 4:50 PM, 247 miles from Fastnet, passed steamship The Queen, bound W; May 3, 2:45 PM, lat 47 28, lon 37 07, Anchor line steamer, bound E; 4th, 12 M, lat 45 29, lon 45 37, exchanged signals with ship Eilza (Br), bound W; 5th, 10 AM, lat 43 36, lon 51 28, steamship City of Paris, bound E; same day, 2:30 PM, lat 43 23, lon 52 41, steamship Bellona, bound E; same day, 2:30 PM, lat 43 23, lon 52 41, with British ship, supposed the Crinoline, bound W.

Steamship Weybosset, Parish, Havana, May 2, with mdse and passengers to C H Mallory & Co. Had heavy northeast gales since the 3d inst; 8th, lat 37 21, lon 94 40, passed steamship Gen Barnes, hence for Savannah.

Steamship Chesapeake, Bragg, Portland, with mdse, to J F Ames. Had some heavy weather.

Ship Isaac Webb, Mortimer, Liverpool, April 1, with mdse and 497 passengers, to C H Marshall & Co. Had some heavy weather.

Ship Glad Tidings, Thomson, Newport, 37 days, with railroad iron, to Wm Nelson, Jr. Experienced heavy westerly winds and high seas the whole passage; April 2, lat 42 56, lon 6 55, signalled ship Roscoe, bound east; 3d, lat 50 41, lon 8 36, ship John O Baker, for Liverpool; 5th, lat 47 58, lon 14 54, passed ship Jane Fish (of Thomaston), for New York; 15th, lat 46 04, lon 36 40, Nova Scotian bark Jessie, bound west (supposed from Newport for New York); 21st, lat 42 04, lon 45 05, ship Prince Albert (NG), for New York; May 7, noon, 40 miles SE of Sandy Hook, passed ships Bridgewater, for San Francisco, and Calhoun, for Acapulco.

Bark Johannes (Rus), Leander, Rotterdam, 55 days, with mdse, to Funch, Edye & Co. Had moderate weather.

Bark Burgomeister Kirsteln (NG), Kirstein, Antwerp, 57 days, with mdse, to Funch, Edye & Co. Came the Southern passage and had fine weather up to Hatteras; since strong westerly gales.

Bark Kosmos (N G), Wierrichs, Bremen, 33 days, with mdse and 270 passengers to S Schwoon & Co, had fine weather.

Bark George S Hunt (of Portland), Woodbury, Calbarien, 10 days, with sugar, to Brett, Son & Co. Had heavy weather since passing Hatteras; lost and split sails, and vessel leaking.

Bark Union (Br), Le Blanc, Cow Bay, 7 days, with coal, to Hatton, Watson & Co; left in port brigs St Peter, A P L, and Wilmington, for NYork.

Brig Moonlight (of Boston), Giles, Demerara, 24 days, with sugar and molasses, to Miller & Houghton. 1st, 2d and 3d inst, off Hatteras, had a heavy northerly gale; received no damage.

Brig Giles Loring (of Yarmouth, Me), Pinkham, Cay Francis, 11 days, with sugar, to Brett, Son & Co.

Brig C H Kennedy (of Portland), Staples, Havana, 14 days, with molasses, to order. Had heavy weather since passing Hatteras, and split sails.

Brig Wild Horse, McComber, Windsor, NS, via Salem, Mass.

Brig Village Belle (Br), Pungert, Windsor, NS, with plaster, to P I Nevius & Son.

Brig Leona (Br), Bishop, Dorchester, NB, with stone, to P I Nevius & Son.

Brig T H Haviland (Br), Le Blanc, Cow Bay, 9 days, with coal, to Hatton, Watson & Co.

Brig James Miller (of Belfast, Me), Mahoney, Darien, Ga, 8 days, with timber, to master. Had heavy weather.

Brig Cyclone (of Boston), Johnson, Savannah, 9 days, with lumber, to S C Lord & Co. Had heavy weather.

Brig Nora, Dow, Machias, with lumber, to Simpson & Clapp.

Brig Edwin, Tuttle, Providence.

Schr Samie S McKown (of Boothbay), Parsons, St. Andrews, 13 days, with cocoanuts to Joseph Eneas. Vessel to H J Weinberg. May 2d and 3d had a heavy N W gale.

Schr Marian Gage (of Philadelphia), Sheppard, Trinidad, 15 days, with sugar, to N L McCready & Co. May 2, lat 33 20, lon 76 50, had a heavy gale from SSW veering around to W, shipped large quantities of water on deck, stove, cabin doors, and partially filled the cabin and forecastle with water; been 4 days north of Hatteras, with light easterly winds; April 27, lat 24 28 long 80 26, spoke brig Manlius, from Minatillan for NYork; sailed in company brig Minnie Abbey, from Philadelphia; schr Jane Emison, for NYork.

Schr Dresden, Smith, Shulee, with spars, to Snow & Richardson.

Schr Caspian, Larrabee, Musquash, with spars, to Snow & Richardson.

Schr Adeline (Br), Pettis, Windsor, NS, 15 days, with plaster, to H J De Wolf & Co.

Schr Clara Jane (Br), McGillen, Windsor, NS, 14 days, with plaster, to Crandall, Umphray & Co.

Schr Valiant (Br), Crane, Windsor, NS, 11 days, with plaster, to Crandall, Umphray & Co.

Schr Southern Cross (Br), George, Windsor, NS, 7 days, with plaster, to Crandall, Umphray & Co.

Schr John Lewis, Burnett, Wentworth, NS.

Schr July Fourth, Cobb, Jacksonville, with pine, to master.

Schr Helen Augusta, Wells, Jacksonville, 5 days, with lumber, to Alsop & Clark.

Schr Sarah, Hall, Eastport, with lath, to J Frye & Co.

Schr Orozimbo, Eaton, Calais, with lumber, to Chase, Talbot &