"BIRDS OF PREY."

Battle With Pirates on the East River—Stripping Vessels—The Police on the Alert—Fired Upon—One Thief Shot.

Rarely a day passes without the police detecting some venturesome river pirate in the act of robbing vessels or removing valuable goods from the docks along the river fronts. Usually the pirates work cautiously and systematically, and they are so thoroughly organized that detection is rarely their lot. They devote the night to their work, drift along noiselessly under the docks, watch their opportunity, when the police are temporarily at a respectable distance, or the sailors and officers of the ship asleep, crawl up stealthily, and noiselessly lower their plunder into their boats. In the event of being seen before a boat can be launched for pursuit they have pulled away, run under some dock, and emptied their craft of all evidences of the robbery. Hundreds of thousands of dollars are thus successfully stolen yearly, and the greater part of it is never heard of again by the owners, occasionally, but only in isolated cases, the police fall upon some novice in the business and secure him.

The last exploit of the thieves is reported by the Twenty-first precinct police as having occurred a few minutes before five o'clock this morning. It appears that at that hour officers Rooney and Fallon, who were on post in First avenue, near Thirty-fourth street dock, observed two boats, one of which contained three men, and the other two men, beating on and off a sloop. They watched their movements and saw them board the craft, when the police prematurely exposed their presence. The robbers immediately drew off and rowed up stream. Suspecting that they would not thus be thwarted, the officers called policeman Kuckell to their aid and followed cautiously to the dock foot of Thirty-ninth street, and secreted themselves. They had not been long under cover when the boats hove in sight, ran alongside the barge William Lemmens, and, boarding her as she lay at the dock, commenced stripping her of ropes, spars and such other property as offered easy removal. The police here sallied from their cover, revolvers in hand, and called upon the thieves to surrender. The answer was a volley of shots from the barge as the pirates hurriedly retreated to their boats and pushed out. The police returned the fire promptly and emptied nine chambers at the vagabonds, one of which took effect in the body of one of the occupants of the boats, who was carried off safely by his fellow robbers. There being no boat at hand by which the officers could pursue them, they made good their escape.

REAL ESTATE MATTERS.

The following are particulars of auction sales of real estate yesterday:—

MADISON, N. J., PROPERTY—BY JOHNSON AND MILLER.

1 plot, No 8 College av, 51x.03	$200
1 plot, No 7 College av, 51x.04.0	180
1 plot, No 8 College av, 51x206	235
1 plot, No 9 College av, 51x207	250
1 plot, 10 College av, 51x208	245
1 plot, 11 College and north Lawn avs, 51x220	285
1 plot, 13 College and North Lawn avs, 52x215	300
1 plot, 15 College av, 52x 17	265
1 plot, 11 College av, 52x229	265
1 plot, 15 College av, 52x229	250
1 plot, 16 College av, 51x235	250
1 plot, 17 College av, 52x236	255
1 plot, 18 Washington av, 70x.44	200
1 plot, 19 Washington av, 76x258	175
1 plot, 20 Washington av, 76x253	185
1 plot, 21 Washington av, 76x228	185
1 plot, 22 Washington av, 76x222	190
1 plot, 23 Washington and North Lawn avs, 76x217	270
1 plot, 24 Washington and North Lawn avs, 65x210	235
1 plot, 25 Washington av, 65x.05	200
1 plot, 26 Washington av, 65x205	165
1 plot, 27 Washington av, 65x205	160
1 plot, 29 Washington av, 65x203	160
1 plot, 18 Washington av, 65x203	140
1 plot, 30 Washington and North Lawn avs, 56x204	175
1 plot, 31 Washington and North Lawn avs, 56x208	145
1 plot, 32 Washington and North Lawn avs, 56x213	135
1 plot, 33 Washington and North Lawn avs, 56x217	115
1 plot, 34 Washington and North Lawn avs, 56x217	105
1 plot, 38 Washington and North Lawn avs, 56x232	100
1 plot, 40 Washington and North Lawn avs, 56x242	95
1 plot, 41 Washington and North Lawn avs, 56x235	85
1 plot, 43 Jefferson and North Lawn avs, 56x227	100
1 plot, 42 Jefferson and North Lawn avs, 56x248	100
1 plot, 35 Washington av, 50x263	75
1 p ot, 35 Washington av, 50x259	80
1 plot, 37 Washington av, 50x255	75
1 plot, 38 Washington av, 50x257	100
1 plot, 44 Jefferson av, 63x250	85
1 plot, 45 Jefferson av, 63x240	85
1 p ot, 46 Jefferson av, 63x233	100
1 plot, 47 Jefferson av, 63x227	100
1 plot, 48 North Lawn avenue, 51x260	110
1 plot, 49 North Lawn avenue, 51x2[illegible]	100
2 plots, 50 and 51 North Lawn av, 57x200 each	190
1 plot, 52 North Lawn and Jefferson avs, 57x300	210
1 plot, 55 Jefferson av, 63x357x359	650
1 plot, 56 Jefferson av, 63x350	240
1 plot, 54 Jefferson av, 63x351	220
1 plot, 55 Jefferson av, 63x342	200
1 p ot, 57 North Lawn and Jefferson avs, 135x269	300
1 plot, 58 North Lawn av, 13 x250	170
1 plot, 59 North Lawn av, 135x74	425
1 plot, 60 North Lawn and Summit avs, 135x278	425
1 plot, 6[illegible] Jefferson av, 129x247	300
1 plot, 61 Jefferson av, 135x247	300
1 plot, 63 Summit av, 135x247	235
1 plot, 64 Jefferson and North Lawn avs, 135x270	225
1 p ot, 65 North Lawn av, 135x249	225
1 plot, 66 North Lawn av, 135x258	225
1 plot, 67 Summit and North Lawn avs, 135x258	180
1 plot, 69 Jefferson av, 150x334	180
1 plot, 68 Jefferson av, 135x318	170
1 p ot, 71 Summit av, 105x322	130
1 plot, 70 Summit av, 105x318	150
1 plot, 72 Summit and North Lawn avs, 2¾ acres, per acre	250
1 plot, 73 Summit av, 2 acres, per acre	310
1 plot, 74 Summit and North Lawn avs, 2¾ acres, per acre	200
1 plot, 75 Summit av, 2¾ acres, per acre	190
2 plots, 76 and 77 North Lawn av, 5 acres, per acre	120
2 plots, 78 and 79 North Lawn av, 5 acres, per acre	125
1 plot, No 1 North Lawn and Washington avs, house, &c	3,500
4 plots, Nos 2 to 5 Washington av, 50x300, each	250

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALES.

Cooks, &c.

163 WEST 34TH ST.—A PROTESTANT WOMAN AS first class cook in a private family. Can be seen at her present employer's.

234 EAST 27TH ST., BETWEEN 2D AND 3D AVS., top floor.—A respectable woman to do first class cooking in French, English and German styles; would take full charge of kitchen in hotel, restaurant, club house or large boarding house; best reference from last place. Call for two days.

Chambermaids, &c.

206 WEST 27TH ST., NEAR 7TH AV.—A GIRL AS chambermaid or to do washing and sewing or general housework in a small family; wages moderate; good references.

A YOUNG AMERICAN ORPHAN GIRL WISHES A situation in a genteel American family to do chamber-work and plain sewing or as children's nurse. Address ORPHAN, Herald office.

Dressmakers and Seamstresses.

53 6TH AV.—A LADY OF MANY YEARS' EXPERience in cutting and making ladies' undergarments, wrappers, children's clothes of every description, gentlemen's shirts, &c., would like the work of a few families; cording and cutting; tucking three cents per yard, on Wheeler & Wilson's machine. Call on or address Mrs. R. M. JONES.

254 MADISON AV.—A YOUNG LADY, A FIRST class milliner and dressmaker by profession, capable of filling any position, wishes to meet with a party who will assist her to secure a position as forewoman in some establishment; the best references and security for any position of trust. Call immediately.

315 2D AV., PRESENT EMPLOYER'S.—AS SEAMstress in a private family; understands dressmaking and all kinds of family sewing; understands operating perfectly.

348 9TH AV., IN THE BAKERY.—A RESPECTABLE dressmaker to work by the day or month; references given.

349 EAST 12TH ST., FIRST FLOOR, FRONT ROOM.—Fashionable dress and cloakmaking. Fall and winter suits, $3, upwards; wrappers, $2 a $2 50; also children's and misses' garments made to order; patterns and fashion plates; cutting and basting. Call or address.

General Housework, &c.

87 2D AV., CORNER 5TH ST., IN THE BAKERY.—A middle a. d Protestant woman to do general housework; is a first rate washer and ironer; best city reference.

439 WEST 26TH ST., BETWEEN 9TH AND 10TH avs.—A respectable Protestant girl to do general housework in a small private family; is not long in the country.

Housekeepers, &c.

48 BLEECKER ST., WORKING WOMEN'S PROTECtive Union.—An American woman, having experience and unusual executive ability, as housekeeper in a first class hotel or in a private family if given entire charge.

113 8TH AV., NEAR 15TH ST., SECOND FLOOR.—AS housekeeper, by a young widow lady of refinement; also to travel with a widower's family as companion; would make herself useful in every capacity; none but first class need answer.

184 LAURENS ST.—A SCOTCH LADY AS HOUSEkeeper in a widower's or gentleman's family; no objection to children; has had many years' experience; good reference. Call for three days, in the basement.

769 BROADWAY, ROOM 26.—A FOREIGN LADY as housekeeper in a widower's family. Call for two days.

A LADY OF LARGE CULTURE, PREPOSSESSING IN appearance and accustomed to the best society desires a situation as housekeeper and to preside in a gentleman's family; widower's preferred; highest references given and required. Address N. M., box 115 Herald office.

AN AMERICAN LADY, OF REFINEMENT AND RESpectability, would like a situation as housekeeper; is competent to cut and fit. Address, for three days, HOUSEKEEPER, box 109 Herald office.

HOUSEKEEPER'S SITUATION WANTED—IN A HOtel or to take exclusive charge in a small family, by an experienced New England widow; fully endorsed as to capacity and character. Address for three days BAY STATE, Herald office.

WANTED—BY AN ENGLISH LADY, A SITUATION as housekeeper in a widower's or gentleman's family; good references. Address C. S., box 176 Herald office.

Nurses, &c.

18 6TH ST., FOURTH DOOR BELOW 8TH AV., SOUTH Brooklyn.—A baby to wet nurse, by a respectable married woman who has lost here, four weeks old; at her own house; good reference. Inquire for Mrs. S.

Intelligence Offices.

A YOUNG LADY REQUIRED TO TRAVEL WITH A lady; also a housekeeper, 1st once. Apply at Ladies' Situation Office, 715 Broadway.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALES

Miscellaneous.

13 UNION COURT, BETWEEN 11TH AND 12TH STS.—A respectable Protestant woman in a gentleman's family; no objection to the country; understands cooking in all its branches and could take entire charge of the kitchen; would do the marketing if required; best references. Can be seen until suited.

48 BLEECKER ST., WORKING WOMEN'S PROTECtive Union.—An educated lady, a good traveller, to travel with a lady or as companion to a person needing cheerful society.

823 BROADWAY.—A YOUNG WIDOW WOULD like to find some remunerative employment immediately; no objection to travel. Address, with particulars, Mrs. STUART.

A YOUNG LADY, EDUCATED AND REFINED, IS desirous of obtaining a position as copyist or any genteel business; is a good penman; best references given. Address Miss HORTON, box 141 Herald office.

A VISITING GOVERNESS, WITH HIGHEST REFERence, is willing to devote two or three of her vacant hours to some family in the instruction of French, English and music in lieu of her room and board. Address REFERENCE REQUIRED, Herald office.

A LADY WISHES WRITING OF ANY KIND TO DO at her own home. Address A. Z., Herald office.

A LADY AS DAILY OR VISITING GOVERNESS, teaching the solid branches, German and French; terms 50 cents an hour; also copying and translating done. Address T. B. H., Herald office.

SITUATION WANTED—BY A YOUNG LADY, EDUcated in Europe, as companion to an invalid or nursery governess; is willing to make herself generally useful. Apply at Working Women's Protective Union, 48 Bleecker st.

HELP WANTED—FEMALES.

A FIRST CLASS LAUNDRESS WANTED—TO TAKE full charge of laundry. Apply at Sinclair House, corner Broadway and 8th st.

LADY AGENTS WANTED—TO CANVASS FOR OUR Mop and Brush Holder; sells at sight; holds a mop, window, whitewash, scrubbing and sweeping brush. Any lady giving this a trial will be pleased with the result. THE O'BRIAN MOP AND BRUSH HOLDER CO., 14 Charlton st.

TO THE WORKING CLASS.—WE ARE NOW PREpared to furnish all classes with constant employment at home, the whole of the time or for the spare moments. Business new, light and profitable. Persons of either sex easily earn from 50c. to $5 per evening, and a proportional sum by devoting their whole time to the business. Boys and girls earn nearly as much as men. That all who see this notice may send their address, and test the business, we make this unparalleled offer:—To such as are not well satisfied we will send $1 to pay for the trouble of writing. Full particulars, a valuable sample, which will do to commence work on, and a copy of The People's Literary Companion, one of the largest and best family newspapers published, all sent free by mail. Reader, if you want permanent, profitable work, address E. C. ALLEN & CO., Augusta, Me;

WET NURSES WANTED—TO TAKE CHILDREN TO their own homes, under the charge of the Sisters of Charity, 17 East 12th st.; references required.

WANTED—CHAMBERMAID AND WAITRESS, TO ASsist with the washing and ironing and make herself generally useful. Apply at 56 West 48th st.

WANTED—A FIRST CLASS FEMALE COOK. ADdress, with references, K., box 4,008 Post office, New York.

WANTED—A FIRST CLASS LADY AS CASHIER AND housekeeper in a hotel. Apply at 303 West 50th st.

WANTED—A FIRST CLASS ORDER COOK. APPLY to JOHN LAMBRECHT, at 48 Hudson st., between 9 and 10 o'clock.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALES.

72 SULLIVAN ST.—AS WAITER IN A PRIVATE family or boarding house; wages no object, but a good home desired; satisfactory reference furnished. Address Wm. A. G.

121 WARREN ST.—A RESPECTABLE MAN DESIRES a situation to drive a truck or as porter in a store; has been in the beer business a considerable time; good reference can be given. Can be seen at his present employer's on or before 1st January.

A YOUNG MAN, SPEAKING ENGLISH, FRENCH AND Spanish, wishes to obtain a situation as waiter in a hotel or private family. References given. Address CHAS. COMBY, 79 Greene street.

A YOUNG MARRIED MAN, WITH TEN YEARS OF business experience, desires a position in a grocery or flour house, wholesale or retail; is thoroughly acquainted with the details of either business; is energetic; can furnish the highest reference; is a good bookkeeper; expectations of salary moderate. Address J. M. E., Herald office.

A SITUATION WANTED—FOR A LAD 17 YEARS OF age; willing and able to work; well recommended; can take care of and drive a horse; would prefer a position where he could learn some business; salary not so much an object; no objection to leave the city. Address M. D. C., box 121 Herald office.

TO TEA DEALERS.—A YOUNG MAN OF TEN YEARS' experience in the wholesale and retail tea trade wants a situation from January 1, 1870; is a good judge of money and thoroughly understands the art of combining and flavoring teas; good reference; salary small. Address TEAS, Herald office.

WANTED—BY A FRENCHMAN, A SITUATION TO keep house for a quiet single gentleman; understands all the work in the house; speaks good English; city or country; best recommendations. Address, for one week, F. M., Herald office.

CLERKS AND SALESMEN.

A YOUNG MAN, RECENTLY THROWN OUT OF his position of trust and responsibility by the dissolution of the firm where employed, desires an engagement as cashier, secretary or correspondent, or a situation with a banker or broker; is competent in the requirements of either position; can procure unexceptionable reference or give bonds to any amount for the faithful performance of his duties. Address S. B. P., box 1,219 Post office.

A YOUNG MAN DESIRES A POSITION AS SHIPPING clerk or assistant; understand his business; two years' experience; can furnish the best testimonials; salary at first no object; one month's trial solicited, and if not satisfactory no compensation considered. Address STAR UNION, Jersey City Post office.

A GOOD PENMAN, RAPID AND CORRECT AT FIGures and accounts, having good city references, desires employment. Address S., box 5,315 Post office.

BOOKKEEPER.—MUST BE THOROUGHLY CONVERsant with bookkeeping by single and double entry and sterling figures; none need apply without stating terms and giving the best references. Address ENGLISH, Importing Merchant, Herald office.

DRUG CLERK WANTED—A YOUNG MAN WELL ACquainted with the prescription and retail business and good references. Address C. H. K., Herald office.

SALESMEN WANTED.—SEVERAL EXPERIENCED men for both carpets and upholstery goods. ARNOLD, CONSTABLE & CO., Canal st., corner Mercer.

WANTED SALESMAN; ONE WHO CAN TRAVEL and control Western trade, selling chandeliers, gas pipe, fittings, &c. Address, with reference, LOCK, box 128 Pittsburg, Pa.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG MARRIED man, whereby he may gain an honest living; was bookkeeper in a bank two years; unexceptionable references. Address J. M. PINCKNEY, 1,936 2d av.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS CLERK OR SALESman in wholesale dry goods; has had four years' experience and can furnish best city reference. Address D. A. GIBSON, 528 West 27th st.

WANTED—A CHIEF CLERK IN A LARGE BUSINESS office needs a special assistant to relieve him of part of the detail, such as examining and making up accounts, and in the correspondence, &c.; would prefer a young man, say 23 to 25, possessing business experience, ready and comprehensive mind, a good and rapid writer, quick and correct at accounts, and a steady hard worker, with good habits; salary $1,000 to $1,250. Address in handwriting of applicant, C. B. A., Herald office.

WANTED—A MIDDLE AGED SINGLE MAN WHO IS quick and correct at figures, able to keep books and willing to work in a factory in East Brooklyn; salary, $10 weekly; permanent if suited. Apply in own handwriting, with references. Address for two days P. M., Herald office.

WANTED—A SMART, ACTIVE YOUNG MAN, AS buyer in a wholesale drug house; one who understands the business thoroughly. Address, stating where employed during last three years, and giving references, DRUG BUYER, box 186 Herald office.

WANTED—A CLERK, ONE ACQUAINTED WITH shipping. An F. and A. M., and having $400, may address for two days ACACIA, Herald office.

WANTED—A FIRST CLASS SALESMAN, OF GOOD address. Apply to Dore Art Union, 587 Broadway.

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A YOUNG MAN (GERMAN) DESIRES A SITUATION as coachman and gardener; thoroughly understands his business; can furnish unexceptionable reference. Call on or address J. W. GOOD, 79 Chambers st.

A COACHMAN'S SITUATION WANTED—BY A MAN of long experience; thoroughly understands his business; is willing to make himself useful; best city reference. Address COACHMAN, box 215 Herald office.

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SITUATION WANTED—COACHMAN, STEADY MAN; and retands plain gardening; good city references; is willing to work for very reasonable wages. Address J. N., box 110 Herald office.

HELP WANTED—MALES.

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WANTED—A MALE NURSE, AT THE JERSEY CITY Hospital, with references. Apply at the foot of Washington st., between 2 and 4 o'clock.

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BOY IN A LAW OFFICE—$3 A WEEK. APPLY BEtween 3 and 4 o'clock, 247 Broadway, room 22.

WANTED—A FIRST CLASS MAN WAITER. NONE need apply but those who can bring first class references as to capacity and honesty. Call at 29 Chambers st., up stairs.

WANTED—A COPYIST IN A LAWYER'S OFFICE; one who writes a plain and rapid hand. Address LAWYER, Herald office.

WANTED—A RESPECTABLE LAD. APPLY TO DORE Art Union, 587 Broadway.

WANTED—A SMART YOUTH, OF GOOD ADDRESS, acquainted with bookkeeping. Apply to Dore Art Union, 587 Broadway.

PIANOFORTES.

A.—STEINWAY & SONS, manufacturers of Grand, Square and Upright PIANOFORTES, beg to announce A GENERAL REDUCTION in their prices, in accordance with the decline in the premium on gold, and consequent decreased cost of imported articles used in the manufacture of pianofortes. In addition to their established styles of pianofortes STEINWAY & SONS, in order to meet a long felt and frequently expressed want, by persons of moderate means, teachers, schools, &c., have perfected arrangements for the manufacture of an entirely new style of instrument, termed THE "SCHOOL" PIANO, A thoroughly complete instrument of seven octaves, precisely the same in size, scale, interior mechanism and workmanship as their highest priced seven octave Pianos, the only difference being that this new style of instrument is constructed in a perfectly plain, yet exceedingly neat exterior case. These new instruments will be supplied to those who desire to possess a thoroughly first class "Steinway Piano," yet are limited in means, AT EXCEEDINGLY MODERATE PRICES. STEINWAY & SONS also desire to call special attention to their new PATENT UPRIGHT PIANOS, with double iron frame, patent resonator, tubular frame action, and new soft pedal, which are matchless in volume and quality of tone, and arpassing facility of action, while standing longer in tune and being more imperrious to atmospheric influences than any other piano at present manufactured. Price lists and illustrated catalogues mailed free on application. EVERY PIANO IS WARRANTED FOR FIVE YEARS. WAREROOMS, FIRST FLOOR OF STEINWAY HALL, Nos. 109 and 111 East Fourteenth street, New York, between Fourth avenue and Irving place.

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A LARGE VARIETY OF THE FINEST PIANOS IN the city, fully warranted; one used a short time at a bargain. J. & C. FISHER, No. 425 West Twenty-eighth street, near Ninth avenue.

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A MAGNIFICENT 7⅓ OCTAVE ROSEWOOD PIANOforte, the property of private family leaving the city, for sale; original cost $[illegible]; for $275; stool and Cover; in use six months. Call at 115 West Twenty-seventh street, near Sixth avenue. A rare chance to one about making a Christmas present. Has box for shipment.

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HOW ANIMALS MOVE will be the subject of Professor MORSE'S lecture THIS EVENING, before the American Institute, in the Great Hall of the Cooper Union. Various forms of SWIMMING ANIMALS, WALKING ANIMALS, CREEPING ANIMALS, FLYING ANIMALS, will be rapidly delineated on a black board, forty feet long. Tickets 50 cents. No reserved seats.

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