

WOMAN VOTE WAS A FIZZLE

IT HAD NO EFFECT IN THE ELECTION IN BRIDGEPORT.

Wren and Miller Win as Members of the Board of Education Over the American Protective Association...

Bridgeport, April 1.—The annual city election resulted in a victory for the democrats by majorities ranging from 500 to 1,000.

Frank E. Clark, the democratic candidate for mayor, defeated Emory P. Strong, the republican candidate...

The fight of the day centered about the candidates for positions on the board of education. There were three tickets in the field...

The women had plenty of votes to elect E. C. Coggeswell and Frank Kingsley, the independent republicans...

Stamford Elections. Stamford, April 1.—The republicans carried the city to-day with the exception of three councilmen.

For mayor—E. M. Schofield, rep., 1,477; J. A. Brown, dem., 1,187.

For councilman at large—Commodore James D. Smith, rep., 1,381; C. A. Peck, dem., 1,217.

For city clerk—Frank Wade, rep., 1,330; Harry McConkey, dem., 1,195.

For city sheriff—H. Smith, rep., 1,369; J. O. Palmer, dem., 1,225.

For treasurer—H. B. Riker, rep., 1,397; Theodore Lee, dem., 1,203.

QUET AT HARTFORD. Hartford, April 1.—The city election to-day was very quiet, only 6,254 votes being cast out of 13,000.

The city voted in favor of the submission of the proposed new city charter to the people by a majority of 4,205 and to issue \$300,000 bonds by a majority of 4,148.

Mrs. Stevens Very Ill. New York, April 1.—Mrs. Paron Stevens is reported to be dangerously ill with pneumonia at her residence...

Miners Quit Work. Ottumwa, Ia., April 1.—Twenty-five hundred miners in Appomac county quit work this morning.

Defaulted the Interest. Philadelphia, April 1.—The Philadelphia and Reading company to-day defaulted in the payment of \$700,000 interest on the bonds of the Chester Valley railroad...

Rebels Put to Flight. Havana, April 1.—A dispatch from Victoria de las Tunas, in Santiago province, says that a rebel band of sixty men under Capote has been put to flight by the troops a few miles from the city.

Will Have a Torpedo Boat. Washington, April 1.—Officials here have been informed from sources deemed entirely reliable, that a prominent eastern ship-building firm has agreed to furnish the insurgents in Cuba at an early day with a torpedo boat which will be used to destroy the Spanish war vessels now cruising in Cuban waters.

Bid From Winchester's. Washington, April 1.—The war department to-day received the bid of the Winchester Arms company for 200,000 rounds of fifty calibre cartridges.

CONTROLLING ELECTRIC ROADS.

Capitalists Interested in the Consolidated Purchase of the Stamford Line.

Stamford, April 1.—The announcement that the Stamford street railway had been purchased by a syndicate of New York bankers caused considerable surprise in business circles.

Coming so soon after the report that the Consolidated railroad was to buy up several electric roads in the state, it was at first thought that the report was incorrect, and that the line had really been purchased by the Consolidated.

It is now learned that the syndicate reported to have bought the road are J. Pierpont Morgan, E. C. Benedict and H. O. Elwynmeyer.

The deal is reported to be a move on the part of officers of the Consolidated road to control by investments by its large shareholders the systems of trolley lines which may run parallel to its tracks.

General Alarm Sent Out. New York, April 1.—The police are looking for Harry Keene Carlton, forty years old, who disappeared from his boarding house, 116 East Twenty-second street, March 7.

Methodist Conference. Stamford, April 1.—Preparations for the forty-seventh session of the New York East conference of the Methodist church, which meets here to-morrow, are completed.

Today Promises to be a Lively One in Stamford. Stamford, April 1.—The preparations for the forty-seventh session of the New York East conference of the Methodist church, which meets here to-morrow, are completed.

Rev. David G. Downey, of the Stamford M. E. church, is to be host of the conference during this session, and the daily meetings are to be held in his church.

At this conference the pastors of 282 churches will be present, representing 55,310 members, exclusive of parishes.

New Haven district, 72 churches and pastors, 13,905 members; New York district, 65 churches and pastors, 13,483 members.

North Long Island district, 65 churches and pastors, 11,688 members; South Long Island district, 77 churches and pastors, 16,544 members.

To be Removed. New York, April 1.—Mayor Strong announced this afternoon that he would remove Police Commissioners Murray and Kerwin in the course of a day or two unless they handed in their resignations in the meantime.

No More Sparring. Boston, April 1.—There will evidently be no more licensed sparring contests in Boston for the remainder of the present year.

Irish Prisoners Released. London, April 1.—Herbert Asquith, home secretary, announced in the house of commons this evening that the Irish political prisoners, O'Callahan and McCann, had been released.

EX-MAYOR LEWIS' STATUE

ALDERMEN APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO SELECT A SUITABLE SITE.

Health Officer Wright and Clerk Bailey Desire Reimbursement—Proposition Made to Pay Aldermen for Services—Band Concerts and Memorial Day Observance.

The petitioners of Health Officer Wright and Clerk Bailey for reimbursement for expense incurred in defending themselves against charges made by ex-Garbage Contractor Walter S. Swayne and the subsequent investigation, was the first to provoke any discussion at last night's meeting of the board of aldermen.

The petition asks for a total of \$400, each of the petitioners asking for \$200. The opinion of Attorney John W. Alling was read and was to the effect that there were a number of precedents for the payment of the bills, but that it remained within the power of the court of common council to either reject or adopt the petition.

When the question came up Alderman Connor moved that the matter be referred to the committee on retrenchment and reform and gave as his reason for such reference that it was high time something was done to see if these numerous and unproductive investigations could not be stopped.

Alderman Macdonald in advocating the same reference said that he did not know how these investigations started, but he did know that the bills had to be paid and he was of the opinion that something should be done in reference to the matter in order if possible to restrict such investigations.

Alderman Connor—I don't know where these things will end unless some action is taken in the matter and that speedily. I do know that we have had to pay last year \$300 for one investigation, now we will have to pay \$400 for this investigation of the board of health, also \$500 for a police investigation and we have at the present time an investigation on foot which will cost—I don't know how much.

Without any further discussion the petition was referred to the committee on retrenchment and reform, with but few dissenting votes.

A petition from W. L. Folsom to the effect that an ordinance be enacted requiring all electric cars to clear street crossings was taken up at a corner, so that a clear passage can be kept across the street, was referred to the committee on ordinances.

Attached to the petition was a postscript which read as follows: "I have proposed a new style of fender for electric cars which is very simple and cheap. I sent the plans to the committee on ordinances, but have heard nothing from it. My invention is original with me. It is offered gratis and the committee is allowed to take out a patent if desired." Then follows a general description of the fender. On motion of Alderman Keyes the "advertising" portion of the communication was referred to the committee on railroads and bridges.

The most interesting petition of the session was the following, also from W. L. Folsom, and was referred to the committee on ordinances: "I hereby petition your honorable body that all members of your court and all aldermen receive a salary of \$5 each per meeting, provided not over twelve meetings are held in any one year and for all meetings over that number."

The following communication, signed by W. E. Chatfield and a number of others, was referred to the committee on railroads and bridges: "We find upon investigation that the Fair Haven and Westville Railroad company are at present unable to change the speed of their cars so that better time can be made between State and Norton streets, on account of the restrictions which compels them to run cars every six minutes as far as Ellsworth avenue and Derby avenue."

"The order which compels them to do this, we believe, is unjust, as it necessitates an extra car for service over a short distance, where patronage is practically nothing. If this order is changed from Ellsworth avenue and Derby to Chapel and Norton streets, we are assured that service will be quickened, so that cars will run to Chapel and Norton streets every five minutes and to the Yale Field every ten minutes instead of six and twelve minutes as at present, and we therefore request that the order be changed as suggested above."

A petition asking for an appropriation of \$250 for the proper observance of Memorial Day was referred to the board of finance.

Corporation Counsel Ely was instructed to appear at the general assembly and advocate the passage of a bill providing for the biennial election of a collector of taxes.

Alderman Macdonald introduced a resolution to the effect that the mayor and the joint committee on buildings secure a place in the city hall in which to place the statue of the late ex-Mayor Henry G. Lewis. The resolution was emphatically opposed by Alderman Keyes and Blakeley, who claimed that it would be a disgrace to the city to hide it inside the walls of the city hall.

Alderman Macdonald stated that he had introduced the resolution at the request of the citizens' committee, and that this committee had used every endeavor to find a place on the public parks of the city, but without avail, and that they therefore were of the opinion that the city hall would be a proper place for it.

Alderman Keyes—I am opposed to bringing the statue of Henry G. Lewis into this hall. None of us claim that he did not have the frailties of human nature, and it is on this account that the opposition to having the statue placed on the public parks of the city has developed. It has literally been driven out of every park of the city and now an attempt is made to completely bury it in the city hall. I shall therefore move as an amendment that the matter be referred to a committee of five to select a suitable site for the statue.

Alderman Macdonald accepted the amendment, and the resolution was amended was unanimously adopted.

A petition from Health Commissioner Joseph R. Manning asking that the West river marshes be placed in a sanitary condition immediately was referred to the committee on retrenchment and reform.

Alderman Parish and Shanley were appointed a committee to make arrangements for a series of band concerts to be given on the public greens of the city during the months of June, July and August.

IT MAY RESULT IN MURDER.

A PROBABLY FATAL SHOOTING AT PRAY IN STAMFORD.

John O'Mara Shoots the Widow of His Brother—The Trouble Was the Outcome Over a Row Regarding the Insurance on the Life of the Deceased Man—The Woman Cannot Live.

Stamford, April 1.—Late this afternoon John O'Mara, a laborer by occupation and about thirty-five years of age, called at the house of his brother's widow, Mrs. Thomas O'Mara, and when the woman came to the door he drew from his pocket a revolver and fired four shots at her, all of which took effect. O'Mara then jumped upon a truck which was passing the house, and was captured by the police before he had gone very far.

The shooting is the direct result of a quarrel over money obtained from insurance policies on the life of Thomas O'Mara. Although the O'Maras are very poor and not in circumstances such as to afford the necessarily heavy premium, the life of Thomas O'Mara was insured for \$3,200. He died last May, and not long after death stories were afloat that he had been poisoned.

It was then stated that Mrs. O'Mara had fed her husband ground glass and had given him certain poisonous concoctions.

Finally Coroner Doten exhumed the body and after a post mortem and a chemical analysis of certain parts of the stomach a certificate was filed confirming the physician's certificate given at the time O'Mara died, which gave apology as the cause of death.

Ever since the coroner's finding was reported Mrs. Thomas O'Mara has been bothered by her husband's family, who claimed a share of the insurance money, and it is thought that to-day's tragedy was actuated by a desire to punish her for refusing to listen to the O'Maras' demands.

Mrs. O'Mara cannot live.

THEIR THROATS CUT.

A Mother Murders Her Children and Then Disappears.

Columbus, O., April 1.—Mrs. W. H. H. Williams of Grove City, accompanied by her three children, registered at Park hotel on Saturday. To-day two of her children were found dead in her room with their throats cut. One was a boy aged seven, and the other a girl, aged twelve. There were two beds in the room. Annie, aged thirteen, and her mother occupied one bed and her two younger children the other. It is supposed Mrs. Williams murdered the children some time during last night. She has disappeared.

Annie says that her mother left the room about 10:30 this morning, but before going told her to go near the bed in which her brother and sister were sleeping. She obeyed and so it was not until the chambermaid came in that the tragedy was discovered.

W. H. Williams, husband of the woman, does business here as an insurance agent and salesman. He was brought to the hotel soon after the discovery of the bodies, but refused to talk about the matter and would not permit his daughter Annie to tell what she knew. Acquaintances say they never knew of any trouble in the family and Mrs. Williams seemed to be of sound mind.

Williams to-night said his wife left home Saturday last during his absence. She had been "jerked" for some time, but he did not regard her as insane. He supposed that she had gone to visit friends in this city or Cleveland. Mr. Williams thought his wife had committed suicide.

NEW YORK'S MYSTERY.

The Police Still Hard at Work Trying to Clear It Up.

New York, April 1.—The police were hard at work to-day trying to clear up the mystery surrounding the death of the colored woman found strangled and mutilated yesterday morning on Sixth avenue. Mador Robinson, colored, a stewardess in the depot at Hoboken of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad, to-day visited the morgue here and identified the murdered woman as a passenger who came to the Hoboken depot Tuesday on a train from Newark.

During a conversation the woman told the stewardess that she had come from Heathsville, Va., near Fredericksburg, having been sent north with ten or eleven others by a white man, an employment agent. She had gone into service in a small town not far from Hoboken, but not liking the work came to New York to seek employment. Mador also said that the dead woman told her that she was going to visit acquaintances in Thompson street, this city, which is not far from the place where the body was found. Mador would not tell the dead woman's name, but thought it could be learned by telegraphing to the spouse of Heathsville, Va. It is expected that a careful search will now be made by detectives of every house in Thompson street.

In Excellent Condition. Chicago, April 1.—Three thousand people assembled in the Auditorium to-night to participate in the tenth convocation of the University of Chicago. Degrees and certificates were conferred on twenty-five men and women. The convocation orator was Chas. M. Dewey, LL. D. He was received with great enthusiasm, and his address was frequently applauded. The president of the university, Dr. Harper, made a statement that the university was in excellent condition.

An Advance in Wages. Lawrence, Mass., April 1.—Notice was given to-day in the woolen mills at Andover and North Andover, Haverhill and Franklin Falls, N. H., owned by ex-Congressman Moses Stevens & Sons, to the effect that beginning to-day an advance of 15 per cent in wages would be made.

Fight Declared On. Little Rock, Ark., April 1.—The glove contest which was to come off to-night between Dan Needham of Cincinnati and Charles McCoy of Memphis is declared off.

Rogers Coaching Harvard. Boston, April 1.—The Harvard senior crew is rowing a modification of the Cook stroke. The crew has been without a coach for some time. Last week Derby Rogers, Yale '93, now in the law school, took charge of them. Rogers is of the famous family of oarsmen of that name and was substitute on the Yale '92 Varsity. All but twelve men have been dropped from the freshman crew, and this number of men will probably be retained until the crew goes to New London.

THEIR SILVER WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Farnham of Westville Celebrate at Their Home—The House Filled With Friends—Beautiful Gifts.

The silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Farnham of Crescent street, Westville, was delightfully celebrated at their home last evening. As a large company of relations and friends were present, during the evening a bountiful feast was served.

A handsome plush spring rocker was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Farnham from the members of the Westville M. E. church with congratulations. The presentation speech was made by Rev. William McNicholl, pastor of the church. An elegant silver water pitcher and goblet was given by the employees of Mr. Farnham. Other presents were a silver mounted ebony cane, two sets of handsome silver tea spoons, sets of silver knives and forks, table spoons, desert spoons, gold sugar spoon, two silver salt and pepper boxes, two hand embroidered doilies, several pieces of money and linen.

Among the guests were Mrs. Orilla Farnham, Mrs. Harriet Nettleton of New Haven, Mr. and Mrs. William S. Beecher of Westville, Mr. Bennett Farnham, Yale '93, Miss May P. Farnham, Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Crocker of New Haven, Mr. and Mrs. W. Burr Hall and Miss Maud Hall of Wallingford, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Farnham and family of Westville, Rev. W. H. McNicholl, Mrs. Keeler of New Haven, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Nettleton of New Haven, Mr. Edward S. Nettleton, Yale '90, Mr. Mrs. C. E. Brown of Westville, Mr. and Mrs. Tufts, Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Russell, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. John M. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Miller of Woodbridge, Mr. Myron Russell of Westville, Mr. Robert Jeffcott, Yale '97 S., of New Haven, Mr. George Thompson, Yale '95 S., of New Haven, Mrs. George Hinman of Westville, Mrs. Fowler of New Haven, Mrs. C. E. Gorham and the Misses Lena and Myrtle Gorham, Miss Lillian Neal of Westville, Mr. Harvey Brown, Miss Ethel McNicholl, Mr. Smith, Mr. J. Michael of Westville, Miss Millie Hubbard, Mrs. Small and Mrs. E. B. Beardmore of New Haven.

ATKINSON AND WARNER. Two Well Known Citizens to Discuss the Financial Question. Hon. Edward Atkinson, who has been engaged by the New Haven University Extension society to lecture on the "Financial Condition and Outlook of the United States" to-morrow evening, April 3, at Warner hall, is a speaker and writer of national reputation. It is hoped that bankers and business men will avail themselves of the opportunity to hear the financial system discussed by one who is known as an advocate of the gold standard. As a lecturer Mr. Atkinson has few equals, and his article in the April number of the Forum entitled "The Battle of the Standards, and the Fall of Prices," has aroused widespread interest among those who are studying problems which, in the near future, will confront our national legislation.

Mr. Atkinson has lectured during the past winter to crowded audiences of both ladies and gentlemen at Harvard university and before the Nineteenth Century club of New York.

General Warner of Marietta, O., the president of the Bi-Metallic league, has been invited to follow Mr. Atkinson and give his views from the standpoint of the silver man. Over 200 tickets have already been sold. The price is twenty-five cents each.

NEARLY ONE HUNDRED YEARS OLD.

Lived Through the Terms of Twenty-One Presidents.

Wethersfield, April 1.—Osmond Harrison of Wethersfield, who died on Saturday lived to the age of ninety-six years and five months. He was born under the administration of the elder Adams, and while Washington was still living. Mr. Harrison lived through the official lives of twenty-one presidents—to say nothing of the administration of John Adams, which was already underway when he was born, or of Grover Cleveland's second term, which was not finished at the time of this man's death. Some of the presidents had but a brief tenure—as the first Harrison, and General Taylor, and President Garfield, and the succeeding president in each case, as in that of Abraham Lincoln, became president because of their untimely death.

Mr. Harrison was a shoemaker. In party politics he was a republican. He was formerly a whig, and was one of the old "Harmony Veterans" of 1840 memory. He would have voted in 1820 for Monroe but lacked the real estate qualification which was necessary as a condition precedent to becoming a voter, in those days, here in Connecticut—as well as for a long time afterward.

He leaves a widow but no children.

THE MATE DROWNED.

He Was Washed Overboard in a Severe Storm.

Yarmouth, N. S., April 1.—The two-masted schooner Alfred Keen and of from Rockland, Me., bound to New York with a cargo of lime, was lost on Trinity ledge, off Port Maitland, yesterday morning. The vessel encountered a heavy snow storm last Thursday, during which she lost her deckload and had her forestaysail headgear carried away. When the wind changed she ran before it and about 9 o'clock yesterday brought up on Trinity ledge, the buoy of which was gone, having been carried away in the storm.

Mate Charles Davis was washed overboard while the crew were trying to get into the boats and was drowned. The balance of the men saved only what clothing they wore and landed at High Head Cove. Master Reuben L. Falkenbaum and his four men are being cared for by the United States Consul O'Connor and will be sent home Wednesday night.

IT BROKE UP IN DISORDER.

RIOTERS STONE A HALL, SMASH WINDOWS AND FIRE PISTOLS.

It Was All Caused by a Man who Represents Himself as a Roman Catholic Priest—A Man Jumped on the Stage and Attacked Him.

Buffalo, April 1.—A man named Koehler, who poses as a Roman Catholic priest, but who has been unmasked as an impostor, and who it is alleged has been in the penitentiary, tried to lecture at Depew this evening on "Why I Left the Roman Catholic Church." As he began his address a man named O'Malley jumped on the stage and fiercely attacked him, while fifty other men cheered O'Malley.

The meeting broke up in disorder. The rioters then went into the street and stoned the hall, smashing the windows. Several shots were fired. Nobody was hurt. Afterwards the crowd dispersed.

THE GOUNOD SOCIETY.

A Spirited and Enthusiastic Rehearsal.

The regular rehearsal of the Gounod society was held at the usual place last evening. The chorus was unusually enthusiastic and entered into the spirit of the work with much vigor. The oratorio of St. Paul requires, possibly, more personal effort on the part of each member of the chorus than any work they have heretofore studied, and this fact seemed to be more thoroughly understood and more generally appreciated than at any previous rehearsal, for at times the rage and hate of the multitude were plainly marked, and again the voices were blended in a supplication to the immortals, the effect of which was very acceptable.

The supply of tickets of admission, which on account of the size of the hall is limited in number, was exhausted before half-past seven, and numbers of visitors were obliged to go away disappointed. One more rehearsal will be open to the public, on next Monday evening.

YALE Y. M. C. A. ELECTIONS.

Held in Dwight Hall Last Night.

The annual meeting of the Yale Y. M. C. A. for the election of officers was held in Dwight hall last evening. After the reading of the minutes of the last year's meeting nominations for president were asked for. Mr. T. F. Archibald was nominated and elected by acclamation. Nominations for first vice-president from '97 were next in order. Nominations—Fincke, Ware, Coffin, Smyth. Elected, Coffin. Nominations for second vice-president from '96 S. were next ordered. McGee secured the election by acclamation. Nominations for recording secretary from '98 resulted as follows: Bingham, Gallaudet, A. B. Williams, Wickes, Bell, Torrey. Elected, Gallaudet.

The following were the nominations for treasurer from '96: Hunt, J. Hollister, Nettleton, Belo. Elected, Hollister.

Mr. R. C. Morse '65, a member of the advisory committee whose term of office had expired, was re-elected.

Mr. William H. Salliman was reappointed general secretary of the Yale Young Men's Christian association for the coming year.

INITIATED SIX CANDIDATES.

A Meeting of Winthrop Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle, was held in the Courler building last evening.

The first and second degrees were worked on six candidates. There were large deputations present from the other castles. An elegant pin is offered by the grand castle to that member of a degree team which does the best work.

CHARGES AGAINST A MINISTER.

Pastor Cooper Appears Before the Assistant City Attorney.

Rev. Rufus T. Cooper, pastor of the Epworth M. E. church, was summoned before Assistant Attorney Matthew Smith yesterday and questioned concerning charges of a very serious nature which have been made against him by two business men. The pastor, who had asked for an investigation, appeared, together with a brother minister, and after hearing the charges and the affidavits made in their support emphatically denied their truth. Another hearing was had last evening, at which the presiding elder and two of the accusers were present. The charges were reiterated by the accusers and their truth was again denied by Mr. Cooper.

LIGHTING THE ARMORY.

The matter of lighting the Second regiment armory has been settled by the committee and beginning to-night there will be two arc electric lights burning from dusk till 12 o'clock and six arc lights from 12:30 to 9:30. This will make eight lights from 7:00 to 9:30.

FOOTBALL CANDIDATES ON DECK.

The following men presented themselves as candidates for the positions of full and half-backs on the University eleven yesterday: M. D. Eames, '98, 150 pounds; R. M. Lester, '97 S., 150 pounds; J. I. Lineaweaver, '97, 154 pounds; P. B. Lukens, '95; T. J. McCann, LL. S., 178 pounds; J. B. Miller, graduate, 152 pounds; Morrill, T. D. Newmyer, '98; W. K. Shepard, '97 S.; A. C. Sherwood, '97, 162 pounds; A. D. Smith, '98, 163 pounds; I. N. Swift, '98, 161 pounds; J. A. Walsh, '98, 175 pounds; Young.

All the men were practiced in kicking and were coached by Stillman '95 S., Adee '95 and Captain Thorne.

Camp S. P. O. S. of A. Camp No. 8, P. O. S. of A., held a meeting last evening and made some arrangements for their meeting next Monday evening, when all the state officers will be present. Two candidates were initiated last evening.