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CANNOT CHANGE DECISION

SO INSISTS ATTORNEY CHASE ABOUT MODERATOR TRACE'S ACTION.

The Second Ward Trouble Still Unsettled—The Democrats Bound to Stick by the Position They Took the Night of the Election—A New Phase in the Trouble Which is Likely to Create a Stir—All the Present Incumbents May Hold Over.

The second act of the political farce which has grown out of the trouble in the Second ward was played in the First ward last night before a small, but interested audience. The act was a short one, but it lasted long enough for the democrats to demonstrate that they intended to stick by the decision they took the night of the election, and not admit the legality of the republican city ballots cast in the Second ward. Moderator John Trace for the democrats, Counter Carr, who is affiliated with the same party; P. W. Chase, the defeated democratic nominee for alderman; Senator Lyman H. Johnson, General Registrar Frederick L. Averill, James E. McGann and a number of others were present at the session. Attorney Chase claims that Moderator John Trace cannot now change his decision that the republican ballots are illegal. However, it is the general opinion that Trace, inasmuch as the returns have not yet been filed, can change his decision just as a judge of the civil, superior or supreme courts, before such decision has been filed. Several democratic lawyers agree with this opinion. A new phase in the difficulty sprung forth last night, and it is said to be a strictly legal one, too. Provided the trouble is not soon settled the present commissioners in the police and fire boards, whose terms expire the first Monday in next February, will be compelled to hold over until their successors have been duly declared elected, according to the returns of the full twelve wards, and also qualify. According to this Police Commissioners Prince and Gilhuly and Fire Commissioner Parsons would remain as holdovers, and Messrs. Clancey, Ullman and Sanborn would be left out in the cold waiting for Moderator Trace to order Counter Carr to sign the Second ward returns. This new phase will be greeted with open arms by the "Gilhulyites," as it will leave the bounded trades in soda waters still a member of the police board. The question now arises, will the "Clanceyites" allow this, or will they bring sufficient pressure to bear on the men who are holding off on a technicality to sign the returns and thus positively settle the matter. Of course all this brings up the Clancey-Gilhuly melee once more. Concerning the board of public works, there would be no holdovers in this body as Messrs. States and Johnson were renominated.

James J. Carr, democratic candidate for registrar of vital statistics, said yesterday that he would ask for a recount of the ballots cast in the Third and Fourth wards, but as yet no formal step has been taken by him.

R. B. Farren has decided not to contest Mr. Baldwin's right to the town agency.

Relief for Armenians.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The action of the prudential committee of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions at Boston to-day requesting the Red Cross society to take charge of and distribute among suffering Armenians in Turkey the money and supplies contributed in the United States for their relief was pursuant to the conference in this city Tuesday between Miss Clara Barton, president of the Red Cross, and Mr. Bogigian, secretary of the American committee. Barton informed Mr. Bogigian that the society would undertake the work if assured that it was the general desire of the people of the United States as represented by the boards of the several missionary organizations and church societies. Mr. Bogigian is now engaged in securing the co-operation among these organizations, which is essential to inducing the Red Cross to do the work desired.

Must be Constantly Watched.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Rev. Frank Hyatt Smith of Cambridge, Mass., was brought to this city last night on the Boston express in charge of his brother, Stanley E. Smith. He was at once taken to S. Elizabeth's Asylum for the Insane on the outskirts of Washington city. Mr. Smith's condition has not improved and it is said he has become liable to periods of violence and has to be constantly watched. His wife has nursed him most faithfully and attended him as far as New York, where she expects to make her home during his confinement at St. Elizabeth's.

Appointed Rector at Rome.

Baltimore, Dec. 5.—Cardinal Gibbons to-day received a dispatch from Cardinal Ledochowski, prefect of the propaganda at Rome, announcing that the pope had confirmed the appointment of Father W. H. O'Connell of Boston as rector of the American college at Rome. Father O'Connell has been assistant vicar general of the Boston arch-diocese for several years.

Won the First Point.

Providence, Dec. 5.—The Rumford Chemical company won its first point to-day in its suit against the treasurer of the town of East Providence for the return of money paid for taxes alleged to have been illegally assessed. The supreme court handed down a decision overruling the demurrer raised by counsel for the town, which effectually disposes of the points raised by the defense, inasmuch as it states that the assessors had no right to fix the shares of the company.

BILLS IN THE SENATE.

Mr. Mills Introduces One on the Coinage of Silver Bullion.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Among the bills introduced in the senate to-day were the following:

By Mr. Call—Compelling all railroad companies engaged in inter-state commerce to pay employes injured in the line of duty the pay they were receiving at the time of their disability and during the continuance of the disability. The bill provides that in case of death the railroad shall pay to the widow of such employe the amount of wages received by her husband per month during her natural life.

By Mr. Mills, dem., of Texas, providing for the coinage of the silver bullion now in the treasury, this coinage to be in the shape of half dollars, quarter dollars and dimes, and in such proportion as the secretary of the treasury may direct; such coins to be paid out in the current expenditures of the government.

Whenever the revenues are insufficient to meet the current expenditures the secretary is directed to issue non-interest bearing legal tender treasury notes in amounts sufficient to cover the deficiency and pay out the same in the current expenditures of the government. When these notes so issued shall be restored to the treasury in payment of government dues they are to be cancelled and destroyed. Whenever the gold reserve shall be in excess of $100,000,000 and legal tender notes are presented for redemption in coin the secretary shall redeem in either gold or silver coins at his discretion. When the reserve is less than $100,000,000 the secretary is directed to redeem the same in standard silver coins, it being the policy to maintain the metals at a parity at such ratio as may be provided by law. All loans which authorized the sale of interest bearing bonds be repealed by the last section of the act.

Mr. Platt, rep., of Connecticut—Constituting Stamford, Conn., a port of delivery.

By Mr. Vilas, dem., of Wisconsin—To punish with a fine not to exceed $5,000 and imprisonment not exceeding five years the withdrawal from the custody of, or the deposit with an express company for transportation of any obscene literature or picture or any article or thing designed for the prevention of conception or for procuring an abortion or of any information where such articles can be procured.

Mr. Platt, rep., of Connecticut—Appropriating $100,000 each for a public building at Waterbury and Meriden, Conn.

Against Mrs. Addicks.

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 5.—Alexander Q. Cooper, the commissioners to take testimony in the case of Rosalie Addicks against her husband, J. Edward Addicks, for divorce, made a report this afternoon adversely to the petition of Mrs. Addicks.

Gold in the Treasury.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The treasury received $145,000 in gold to-day as follows: $100,000 from the People's National bank of Pittsburg, Pa.; $40,000 from Omaha, Neb., and $5,000 from a bank in Washington, N. C. Other deposits, it was learned, were made at sub-treasury cities, but how much they aggregate was not stated.

Electric Lights in Branford.

Branford, Dec. 5.—To-night for the first time the town is lighted with arc lights. About one dozen arc lamps have been placed in position, and more are to follow. Great satisfaction is given by the Branford Electric Light company, which has one of the finest plants in the state. Most of the stock in the company is owned in Waterbury, Branford, and Guilford people owning only a few shares.

An Appeal is Taken.

Providence, Dec. 5.—A decision rendered by Judge Carpenter in the United States district court to-day recalls an accident that happened in Narragansett bay, off Sabin's Point, nearly two and a half years ago. Judge Carpenter's decision gives judgment for the Norfolk and Western for $35,000, but an appeal has been taken by the steamship company to the circuit court of appeals.

Sold Without a License.

Adam Hess, who runs a saloon on Columbus avenue near the bridge was arrested last night for selling liquor without a license. It seems that he bought out the business some time ago, but the license was not transferred. Hess was released under $200 bonds. Officer Pabor made the arrest.

It Was a Good Battle.

New York, Dec. 5.—Frank Erne of Buffalo proved himself one of the cleverest men of his class by boxing a ten-round draw with the colored featherweight, George Dixon, before the new Manhattan Athletic club to-night. It was one of the best battles seen in this vicinity and was a clean and scientific exhibition throughout. Dixon's rushes proved, with a few exceptions, futile, owing to the clever methods of his opponents. When it came to fighting Erne was quite a match for his antagonist.

Sultan is Insane.

Rome, Dec. 5.—A Constantinople dispatch says the sultan has become insane.

WILL NOT ACCEPT

His Call to Grace Episcopal Church, New Haven.

Willimantic, Dec. 5.—Rev. Edgar L. Sanford, rector of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal church in this city, has decided not to accept the call recently extended to him by Grace Episcopal church of New Haven.

IN THE NICK OF TIME

THE POLICE QUELL A SERIOUS WATER STREET DISTURBANCE.

Charles Flannagan and William Winterfield Jugged While Threatening to Kill the Former's Step-Son.

Charles Flannagan and William Winterfield, two extremely unpeaceful characters, run amuck of the police last night and this morning they will have to appear in the city court and answer to the double charge of drunkenness and breach of the peace. And it is likely that a more serious charge than either of these may be preferred against Winterfield, as it is alleged that he threatened to assault a man.

About 7 o'clock last night he and Flannagan repaired to the former's house on Water street, near Custom House Square, and commenced to talk defamatory to Mrs. Flannagan's reputation in that woman's presence. This was not at all tolerable to John McFarland, a son of Mrs. Flannagan by her first husband, and he objected in strong terms. This enraged the two men and, according to a statement made by McFarland to Patrolman Doughan, Winterfield whipped out a revolver and threatened to perforate his economy with lead drops. He further stated that Flannagan had threatened to do him up several times because he objected to his mother living with him.

Winterfield and Flannagan have both served terms at Wethersfield and they are known as bad men. When Mrs. Flannagan took a second leap into the matrimonial world she did not exactly know the kind of a man she was to fetch up against. When her young son, McFarland, who was living in New York at the time, heard of the matter and learned that Flannagan was not all that a good man should be, but was all that such a man should not be, he entered a vigorous objection to his mother living with him. On this account Flannagan has made it very uncomfortable for his stepson whenever an opportunity was afforded.

The row was pretty nearly at its height when the officers reached the house, and Patrolman Doughan believes they were just in time to prevent a murder. Both of the men showed fight when arrested, but the officers knew who they had to handle and gave them no chance to cause any great trouble. The men were handcuffed and brought to the lockup in the patrol wagon. Officers Good, Doughan and Powers arrested the men.

Threw the Mail Away.

Fall River, Dec. 5.—Deputy Marshal Ruhl arrested to-night James A. Rawson, sub-letter carrier, and he will be arraigned in the United States court in Boston to-morrow on the charge of secreting mails. He has confessed to having stored and thrown away the great mass of mail matter of all classes found in the loft of the Armory building.

Great Britain is Firm.

London, Dec. 5.—The papers here published a statement which says it has been learned that the reply of Lord Salisbury to the note of Secretary Olney relative to the Venezuela question, which reply is now en route to Washington, discusses at length the history of the question for forty years and intimates that Great Britain does not depart from the view that the Schomburg boundary marks the minimum of the territory she possesses in that region.

HE FAVORS CLEVELAND.

Maryland Congressman Outspoken Regarding a Third Term.

Baltimore, Dec. 5.—Congressman John K. Cowan of Maryland said to-day:

"The talk about Mr. Cleveland for a third term, notwithstanding that the politicians are against him, is because he represents absolutely sound principles upon finance and all other public questions, and has courageously advocated them. The people know that and they know further, that as long as the government of the country is in his hands there will be no jingo war. In his case the only question with the people would be, will he accept a nomination for a third term? Mr. Cleveland alone can settle the question, and in my judgment the democratic masses would answer by an affirmative vote, if he gave them the chance."

The Track Settles.

Middletown, Dec. 5.—The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad company is experiencing much difficulty with the new track which has been laid over the flat at Cobalt. The track has settled and continues to settle, and it has been found necessary to station a watchman there permanently.

Arrest of Highwaymen.

Concord, N. H., Dec. 5.—Within the past two months two men have been held up by highwaymen in Loudon, but have each managed to escape by whipping up his horse, after being fired at. A Pinkerton detective from Boston was put on the case and as a result George Landon, George Taylor, alias Sargent, George Logue, jr., and John Callahan were arrested and lodged in jail here last night. One of the parties made a full confession this morning, implicating all the others.

Rising Sculptor Rewarded.

Boston, Dec. 5.—H. A. McNeil, the rising young sculptor, who graduated a few years ago from the Normal Art school in this city, has just been awarded the Reinhart prize of Baltimore. This prize is a scholarship with an annual income of $110 with a free studio in Rome and passage there and back.

YALE NOTES OF INTEREST.

Mid Year Exams.—Glee Club Concerts—University Whist Tournament—Inter-Appointment—Baseball Trophies—Football Picture—Letters from Several Professors—Other Items.

Next Monday the semi-annual examinations will begin and continue until December 18, when the fall term closes. The next term opens January 7.

A list of the problems for the mathematical prizes have been distributed to the freshman class. They are all on solid geometry and are eight in number.

The Glee club will give two concerts before the Christmas trip, one at Mt. Vernon December 6 and the other at Bridgeport December 9.

The basket ball team will play a matched game with the Waterbury team at Waterbury to-day.

Dr. Cheney will give a quiz on gnyaeology to the senior class of the medical school before the Christmas vacation.

Dr. Baldwin will give a lecture after the holidays on "How to Conduct Research." All juniors and seniors working for essay prizes will be invited to attend.

In the final match in the university whist tournament Heidrich '96 and Schuyler '96 won from L. H. Rogers '98 and Beecher '98. W. G. Cooke '96 and C. M. Cooke '97 will play Lapham '97 and Sherwood '97, Perkins '96 and Perkins '98 will play S. H. Rogers '96 and Beecher '98. The winners of the matches will play for second place.

In answer to letters sent out some time ago by the chairman of the Yale News board to various professors and alumni asking what they thought undergraduates could do to benefit the college, replies have been received from Professor Bernadotte Perrin, Professor J. C. Schwab, Professor George B. Adams and Rev. C. L. Kitchel, instructor in Greek.

A fencing class will be formed soon in the gymnasium.

The trophy flags for last spring's interappointment Record baseball championship were given out Thursday to members of the winning team, the Second Disputes. The men who received flags were E. S. Suchincloss, W. H. Corbett, J. DeForest, R. C. Haldeman, C. S. Morris, E. G. Stalter, D. S. Vaill and N. Williams, jr., all of the junior class. The initiation of the recently elected editors of the Record took place Thursday evening. The office was decked appropriately and a bountiful collation was served. The invited guests were J. H. Morgan, business manager of the '93 board; E. B. Reed, chairman of the '94 board; J. W. Roe '95 S., of last year's board; J. G. H. deSibour '96, J. K. Berry '96, H. A. Loomis '96, C. W. Wells '96 and A. P. Stokes, jr., '96. A. G. C. Sage '96 acted as toastmaster and presented the banners to the champions. Wells responded to the toast of the Lit., Loomis to that of the Courant and A. P. Stokes, jr., to that of the News.

The varsity football team and substitutes will be photographed to-day. The men will be dressed in football costumes and the following will be in the picture: Polk '96 S., Letton '97 S. Mills '97 S., Fincke '97, Murphy '97, Hammond '96 M. S., Murray '97 S., Benjamin '98 S., Bass '97, DeWitt '96, Beck '99, Ely '96, Hinkey '97, Jerrems '96 S., Chamberlain '97 S., Hazen '98, Whitcomb, P. G., Brown '96, Chadwick '97, W. R. Cross '96, Longacre '96, R. Sheldon '98 S., H. P. Cross '96, Rodgers '98, and S. B. Thorne '96, captain.

The issue of the Alumni Weekly, which appeared yesterday, contains a long article on the Yale-Princeton joint debate, with sketches of the Yale representatives. The chances of both colleges are reviewed and the Princeton correspondent of the Weekly describes the feeling of the undergraduates at Princeton on the subject. A photograph of Walter Haven Clark '96, of Hartford, appears on the front page, and a short sketch describes his efforts in behalf of debating at Yale. The Weekly reprints from the News letters from members of the faculty on the question, "How Undergraduates Can Best Strengthen Yale Life." Extracts are printed from an article in the Cambridge Review, describing from an English standpoint, the differences between English and American universities, and from the December Godey's on Professor Horatio W. Parker, and his work as a composer.

Too Much of a Burden.

New York, Dec. 5.—Horsemen who attended the meeting of the board of review at the Murray Hill hotel to-day were surprised to learn that M. M. Morse for eight years the secretary of the National Trotting association, had resigned and that the board had elected W. H. Goscher to fill the vacancy. Mr. Morse has not been in good health for some time and the duties of the secretary's office were a greater burden than he was willing to bear.

Medals Arrive Late.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The Chicago world's fair medals will be delivered here by the 15th. They will be kept here until the world's fair diplomas are ready and both will be delivered at the same time. The world's fair closed November 30, 1893.

Still in the Mine.

Brewsters, N. Y., Dec. 5.—At the Tilly Foster mine to-day forty-one were kept constantly at work removing the debris at the northeast end of the pit in an endeavor to recover the three bodies yet in the mine, but without result. The same force will resume operations tomorrow.

Will Support the Extension.

Rome, Dec. 5.—Premier Crispi has declined to ask the chamber of deputies to prolong for a year the exceptional laws against socialists. A majority of the chamber will support the extension desired by the premier, but the radical and socialist members will fiercely oppose it.

FIGHT OF THE GAS TRUST

JUDGE SHOWALTER DECIDES IN FAVOR OF THE COMPANIES.

He Said That the Laws of Illinois Gave Recourse Without Being Obliged to Resort to the Courts—Decision is an Important One.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—The attorneys for the Chicago Gas companies this morning concluded their argument before Judge Showalter in answer to the application of W. Pitt Barrows for an injunction to prevent consolidation. Attorney Joline of New York began with an elaboration of ex-Attorney General Hunt's argument yesterday on the statutory right of the four companies to consolidate under the amendatory anti-trust law of 1889, which is interpreted as not repealing acts which permit consolidation. William Allen Butler of New York made a brief argument, mainly on the same line.

S. Gregory closed for plaintiff this afternoon. Mr. Gregory argued that the companies should be restrained from combining. He declared that it was contrary to the principles of democratic government that great corporations should combine to harrass the common people. At the conclusion of the arguments United States Judge Showalter surprised everybody, including counsel on both sides, by deciding the case at once. It was thought he would take the case, which involves some nice points at law, under advisement for at least two months. The decision was in favor of the gas companies and according to it they can now combine when and where they please.

Mr. Barrows had asked for an injunction to restrain the defendant companies from combining, as he understood their purpose to be under the new re-organization plan. This injunction Judge Showalter refused to grant. The main question at issue was the construction to be placed on the Illinois law in regard to corporations, which was passed in 1872 and amended in 1889. The amending clause provided that all companies "now doing business in Illinois"—such were the words of the law—could not consolidate in groups of more than companies. The defendants claimed that as the original law was passed in 1872 all amendments must date back to that time and that as the Chicago Gas companies had been combined and incorporated since 1872, they were legally united. The plaintiffs claimed that the law must be strictly construed and that all companies incorporated between 1872 and 1889 came under its ban. This view of the case Judge Showalter outline to agree with. Moreover, he devoted part of his decision, which was verbal, to a discussion of the rights of Pitt Barrows, as a bondholder, to come in and ask that the companies be restrained from combining.

On this point, also, he declared himself in favor of the gas companies. The court could not see how Mr. Barrows' rights as a bondholder would be jeopardized by a combination of the gas companies. In any case, said Judge Showalter, the laws of Illinois gave recourse without being obliged to resort to the United States court. An action of quo warranto could be brought and in fact an action of a somewhat similar character was now pending in the state courts.

AGAINST THE JEWS.

Ahlwardt Gives the Purpose of His Visit to United States.

New York, Dec. 5.—Herman Ahlwardt, the anti-semitic agitator, arrived here to-day from Germany on the steamer Spree. He said:

"I come here for the purpose of uniting the working classes of this country against the Jews, because the latter form a race who do not produce any result due to their own labor. Their sole desire is to derive the benefits of others' labors by tricks and fraud. I hold that the Jewish spirit is corrupting the gentiles. Labor is oppressed by the Jews and its fruits are being absorbed by them. I hope that I will be able to arouse the anti-Semitic spirit in this country, which I am told is strong, but yet is slumbering. It is in its infancy. I hope that those who do not agree with me will fight me openly in a manly spirit, face to face. I will be glad to enter into controversy with any one or listen to any question or argument that may be made against the principles which I advocate. I am here to defend them and shall be ever ready to give answer to any attacks if they may be called such."

K. O. J.

The grand annual ball of the K. O. J. society was held in Harmonie hall last night. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Morris Brenner, Mr. and Mrs. M. Schwed, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Schoenberger, Miss Schoenberger, Mr. and Mrs. Hahn, Miss Bashold and Miss Taussig of Hartford, Miss Hamberger of New York city, Miss Eva and Freda Kraft, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Bonoff, Miss Henrietta and Miss Emma Weil, Miss Kaiser, the Misses Weiss, Miss Rosenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Sparks, Herman Kraft. Music was furnished by Leichter's orchestra.

To Observe Wesley Day.

Next Sabbath will be observed as "Wesley Day" at Epworth M. E. church. The morning subject will be "John Wesley and His Work." The Sunday school address will be on "The Boyhood of Wesley." The evening subject will be "Some Reasons Why I Am a Methodist." The hymns of John and Charles Wesley will be used.

THE SYMPHONY CONCERT.

A Large Audience at the College Street Church Yesterday Afternoon.

The first concert of the New Haven Symphony orchestra at the old College street church brought out a large and appreciative audience yesterday afternoon. It must have been highly gratifying to the musicians themselves, as well as to the promoters of the scheme, to see what an interest has been shown in the orchestra by the public and to have their efforts receive such generous reward. The purpose of the organization, its character and the numbers of the program have all been discussed in these columns, so that it only remains to commend the performance.

Since it is a symphony orchestra it is pleasant to be able to say that the symphony was the best number on yesterday's program. In this, the heaviest work they have yet attempted, they were most successful. It was even, finished playing and reflected great credit on the conductor, Professor Parker, not only for this spirited leading yesterday, but for the painstaking rehearsing and individual coaching which must have preceded it. What a splendid composition this second symphony is. Seldom heard, its beauty and spontaneity were doubly welcome yesterday. Some one of the critics has said that in it is a sort of titanic gaiety, the joy of immortal youth which is a characteristic quality in Beethoven. The parts were nicely balanced throughout and was quite a brilliant achievement for our youthful band.

Mendelssohn's early overture, "Return from Abroad," was given as an opening number. This was followed by an "Entracte" from Schubert's "Rosamunde." In both of these there were certain discrepancies of pitch in the woodwinds and horns that occurred with distressing frequency. Of course we do not want to be severe with the orchestra at this tender stage in its development, but they are given as painful facts in the spirit of parental castigations. Aside from this the numbers were interesting and decidedly pleasing.

Mr. Troostwyk played with the orchestra the beautiful Romance in F major of Beethoven and was generously applauded. But the Nachez Tzigane Dances that followed were rapturously received. They were given with a dash and verve worthy of their Magyar composer and with a finish that we fear he could not compass. Mr. Troostwyk, with the privilege of a popular soloist, responded to an encore and played the Pierne "Serenade" with the string orchestra, which Marsick played here.

Bach's great G minor Prelude and Fuge for the organ was the other orchestral number. The arrangement was by Abert of Leipzig and was scholarly and effective. Professor Parker has his men well under control now and they have become familiar with his methods, and everything seems to be happy and prospering.

The announcements for the next concert have not been made beyond the fact that it will take place on the 23d of January and the soloists will probably be a local pianist of whom much is expected.

REV. DR. STRONG TO SPEAK

At the Commemoration Services of College Street Church Next Sunday—Last Meeting in the Old Building—Dr. Strong Now Nearly Eighty Years of Age.

Next Sunday the members of the College street church will meet for the last time at the old place of worship on College street, near Chapel. A very interesting feature at the commemoration exercises will be the presence at the farewell occasion of the distinguished Dr. Edward Strong, who was the first pastor of the church and remained its pastor for twenty years. He has always been greatly revered and beloved by the congregation of College street church. He was an able pastor and it is a matter of great congratulation that he will be present. He did much to build up and establish College street church. Dr. Strong will be accompanied by his wife and while here will be the guest of Mr. Edward Bryan, one of his former parishioners here.

At the morning service Rev. Dr. McLane, present pastor of the church, will speak of the history of the church since its organization and will refer to the noted men who were members and prominent in founding the church. Dr. Strong will follow with an address. Dr. Strong is nearly eighty years of age, but is hale and vigorous despite his years. This is his first visit to New Haven since he attended the celebration of the semi-centennial of his class, '38, at Yale in 1888. His last pastorate was at a large church near Boston. He has been retired from the ministry for a number of years and at present resides in Pittsfield, Mass. He may also make an address Sunday afternoon at the church, when a number of Congregational clergymen will be present and speak.

On the following Sunday the church will worship in their new building on West Chapel street.

Columbia Lodge.

The annual ball of Columbia lodge No. 15, D. of R., was held in Harugari hall last night. The grand march was led by Floor Manager Fred Amann.

The floor committee was Jacob Frohlich, Henry Fredericks, Philip Fredericks, Charles Pfuderer, Fred Pfleghar, Joseph Buck, August Schinzel.

Committee of arrangements—Adele Hillman, Auguste Parlow, Marie Haut, Wilhelmine Stahl, Jennie Hennig, Carrie Frohlich, Emma Schaefer, Minnie Schubert, Hedwig Pfleghar, Elizabeth Buck.

Severe Storm Prevails.

Highland Light, Mass., Dec. 5.—An unusually severe storm prevails tonight, wind northeast, increasing in force.

MAHER AND FITZ TO FIGHT

A MATCH HAS AT LAST BEEN MADE BETWEEN THE CHAMPIONS.

It is to be to a Finish and Will Take Place Near El Paso, Texas, in Next February—All of the Details for the Battle Have Been Arranged.

New York, Dec. 5.—Peter Maher, the Irish champion heavyweight, and Robert Fitzsimmons, champion middleweight of the world, were matched this morning to fight to a finish with five-ounce gloves near El Paso, Texas, on February 14, 1896, for the heavyweight championship of the world and the championship belt.

The details were arranged at a meeting between "Dan" Stuart, representative of Fitzsimmons, and John J. Quinn, manager for Maher. The purse to be fought for will be $10,000, all to go to the winner.

The battle ground selected is within five miles of El Paso, on Mexican soil. Stuart is to forfeit $5,000 to each principal if he cannot bring off the fight. The battle will be fought under a tent capable of sheltering fifteen thousand people.

The articles of agreement will be signed by Maher in Philadelphia, and Stuart will take them to St. Louis, where Bob will sign.

$25,000 FIRE IN NORWICH.

850,000 Yards of Cloth Were Burned.

Norwich, Dec. 5.—Fire which broke out at 9:30 to-night in the bleachery of the Norwich Bleaching, Dyeing and Printing company at the foot of Seventh street, did damage amounting to $25,000. This concern, which is one of the largest in the country, is a mammoth plant comprising ten buildings. The fire broke out in the wet room of the bleachery, which is a four story structure about 100 feet in length. For some days the bleachery has been running without oil and to-night the watchman, Jerry Reardon, was about to enter the pit with his "petticoat" lamp. The flow of oil came, and in a second the flame from the lamp ignited it. Within a short time the wet room, which is on the first floor, was in flames and Reardon was taken out unconscious by the firemen. The building was entirely gutted, and quantity of prints, together with the machinery, were destroyed. About 17,000 pieces of goods, containing anywhere from fifty to seventy-five yards of cloth, practically ready for shipment, were burned. Several large pieces of machinery recently set up were ruined.

A SLICK THIEF CAPTURED.

He Stole Money and Clothes From His Employer's Store.

Detective Sergeant Dennehy saw a young man standing on the corner of Grand avenue and Hamilton street about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and under one arm were stored a new pair of trousers and two suits. Intuition told the officer that the lad had not come honestly by the goods, and so he accosted him and demanded to know where they came from. He said he had just come from New York and had brought the clothes with him; also that his name was John Fry. The detective did not believe the story and decided to take the fellow to the Grand avenue precinct. Here he was held, and later it was learned that the boy had worked for H. & P. Daniels, clothiers, 694 Chapel street, under the name of John Fry. Last Tuesday the proprietors left him in charge of the store, and when they returned a few hours later Fry was missing and so was $19.25 from the drawer. For some time Messrs. Daniels had been missing clothes from their store, but they did not know who was doing it until their suspicions were aroused by the disappearance of Fry.

Still further it was learned that "Fry's" real name is William Glanery, and that he has a mother living in this city. He has only been out of the reform school a year. In the cellar under the Chapel street store two other suits were hidden away. It is believed that Glanery put clothes in the cellar during the day and having left the cellar door open would return in the evening after the store was closed and get them. He is about twenty-one years old, and is a slick thief.

Walter R. Dann's Narrow Escape.

Walter R. Dann, son of John R. Dann of Dann Brothers & Co., of this city, was on the New York and Philadelphia express which last Sunday night passed through an open switch and crashed into a freight train, instantly killing the engineer and fireman. The terrible accident occurred on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad, near Preble Station, some twenty-six miles south of Syracuse, and Mr. Dann was on his way home, having spent Thanksgiving with relatives near that city. He sent word to New Haven that he was not injured. He assisted in the work of taking out the dead bodies of the fireman and engineer. His relatives here were alarmed when they heard of the accident, as they had reason to believe that he would take the train in question. Mr. Dann will next month start for Hayti, where he is to supervise the construction of a railroad from the interior to the coast for a New York company, in which he is interested. The road is to assist in the transportation of lockwood.