SPROTT EXONERATED BY STATE OFFICER FOR AUTO ACCIDENT

Grave conflict of opinion today en-ters into the case of Radcliffe E. Sprott, held for hearing before the superior court on a charge of man-siaughter for running down and kill-ing Florance Johnson at Southport, May 17. Three investigations have siready been held by state and town officers with the result that he has been held to be both insposent and

criminally responsible, Coroner John J. Phelan of this city, who conducted a most exhaustive examination, both upon the spot and with all the witnesses who could be got by the police, found Sprott responsible. Justice Bacon Wakeman of Fairfield later released him from cus-tody not finding sufficient cause to bind him over to the higher court. The papers were later reviewed by State's Attorney Galen Carter, who obtained a bench warrant from Judge Gager for his arrest upon the grounds that the lower tribunal could not take jurisdiction when a man was held by a coroner, an officer of the higher

Yesterday, following a hearing be-fore Secretary of State Albert Phillips in Hartford to decide whether his license to operate a motor vehicle should be forfeited because of the ac-cident, it was decided that he had operated the car in a manner both

careful and moderate in speed. Sprott, who is secretary and treasurer of the Gas Appliance Company is socially prominent in Bridgeport. DeVer H. Warner has twice signed bends for his release.

Charles G. Rossling of this city, a motorcyclist, yesterday had his license revoked by the Secretary of State after a hearing in which it was proven he drove at excessive speed.

Attorney General John H. Light yes terday ruled that none but the secre-tary of state is legally qualified to sit in judgment upon complaints against drivers of sutomobiles where licenses may be revoked. This decision will cause Secretary Albert Phillips to sit upon a case in which he was a participant and in which the defendant is Phillip Carlson of the Metropolitan Auto & Carriage company of this city. The cars of Phillips and Carlson collided two weeks ago at Greens Farma. Secretary Phillips has announced that he will ask the attorney general to sit with him and to review the evidence before decision is readered.

BUILDING NOTES

Ten building permits, the aggregate cost of the work to be \$24,250, were granted by the building commissioners at their meeting last night. The per-

G. W. Paul, frame garage, (P), north dide No. 54 Lewis street.

Andrew Hogg, two family frame (welling, west side of Marrion street.

P. W. Shee alternation street. P. F. Shea, alterations to store front, west side of Main street.

Anna Dzurehda, alterations to dwell-

ing, west side of Helen street. Givanni Dei-Regne, two family frame dwelling, south side of Subur-Jacob Morris and Sieney Feldman, three story brick building, two stores and four families, northeast corner of Pairfield avenue and Hasson avenue,

ROTON POINT WILL FIGHT COMPLAIN

Norwalk, July 1-The action of cerain wealthy residents and land owners of Tokeneke who have brought

tion and in a short address pointed to the fact that no city could expect the fact that no city could expect the increase of manufacturing plants without clean and decent places of amusement. He cited instances when he was connected with like enterprises in Pittsburgh, and other large cities, where a public park properly conducted had a direct influence on the location of new industries.

Over one hundred of the county clear today the President's attlinded to the president to the sum again to the first time that the sum age question and not by the federal government. He also reliterated his statement to previous delegations that his party had not embodied the question in its previous delegations that his party had not embodied the question in its previous delegations that his party had not embodied the question to previous delegations that his party had not embodied the question of the previous delegations that his party had not embodied the question in its previous delegations that his party had not embodied the question in its previous delegations that his party had not embodied the question in its previous delegations that his party had not embodied the question in its previous delegations that his party had not embodied the question in its party had not embo

workers for women's suffrage for caused keen disappointment. Fairfield county held their regular bimonthly meeting at Roton Point Park on Monday, and after enjoying the dainties of luncheons in the beautiful Casino restaurant, passed the fol-

ment to make Roton Point a safe and sound playsround for the children and a recreation park for the people. We find here no objectionable features and here no objectionable features private property owned by Mr. Klein-

Bridgeport on Friday, July 10th, there will surely be one of the largest delegations from this city that have ever ing will be held next Wednesday, July 10th, there will be held next Wednesday, July 10th, the board of selectmen when a hear-ing will be held next Wednesday, July 10th, the board of selectmen when a hear-ing will be held next Wednesday, July 10th, there will be held next Wednesday, July 10th, there will be held next Wednesday, July 10th, there will be held next Wednesday, July 10th, the board of selectmen when a hear-ing will be held next Wednesday, July 10th, the board of selectmen when a hear-ing will be held next Wednesday, July 10th, the board of selectmen when a hear-ing will be held next Wednesday, July 10th, the board of selectmen when a hear-ing will be held next Wednesday, July 10th, the board of selectmen when a hear-ing will be held next Wednesday. Hickory Bluff, have signed a paper endowing the present management of the park, the majority of them living much nearer to the alleged "nuisances" than those who are bringing ances" than those who are bringing

The wording of the complaint has caused much resentment, as the highest class of people from this and est class of people from this and neighboring cities are regular visitors to Roton Point Park. It does not suit killed and three persons were seriousthem to hear that they conduct them to hear that they conduct them.

Celebrate the Fourth With Thing & Company's Money Buy Here and Get The Most Change Back 1153 Main St. 1153 Main St. S. B. THING & CO.'S "GOOD LUCK" SALE

A "Luck' showing of Fashionable Colonial Low Cuts in dull Gun Metal and Patent Leathers, also Satins; variety of Buckle designs; Cuban and Kidney heels. "Lucky" Sale price

One lot exceptional fine samples in Women's Pumps and Oxfords. Variety of leathers, including red and gray. Sizes mostly four worth up to \$3.00. \$1.45

Bargain table loaded for the sale with "Lucky" shoes of women's Pumps, Oxfords and \$1.29

Complete the girl's white outfit with a pair of our Canvas Button Shoes in this well known "Old District School" line. Prices according to size.

Misses' Kid Button Shoes, good last, medium weight soles, \$1; and the children's sizes 8 1-2

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For some reason or other the big shoe centers have been flooded this spring with extra big values for the ready cash buyers. THING & CO. have secured some exceptionally attractive trades and, in turn, hand the wonderful bargains right over to their thousands of customers, adding only a reasonable profit—this liberal policy is in keeping with the generous methods always in force at the popular Shoe House.

The items quoted here give an inkling of the excellent values now on the tables. We would suggest that you take advantage of this offering and "get the most change back." A little change, you know, will come in handy along about Saturday.

Yours as ever,

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STORE CLOSED SATURDAY.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL INTEREST

A stone thrown by Tony Curtis, playmate, sent four years old Mary Yextes of 1,663 Main street to the emergency hospital yesterday after-noon to get treatment for a lacerated scalp. One stitch was taken.

The recently elected officers of the UILDING NOTES

Adelphian lodge, No. 80, L. O. O. F., will be installed tonight. The caremonies attending the installation will be in charge of District Deputy Grand Master D. R. Whitney. By special request Judge Henry C. Stevenson and Grand Guardian W. T. Meyers will be

Logan Bros.' store at 217 Railroad avenue, near Warren street, was vis-ited by burglars last night and goods valued at between \$5 and \$6 taken. The stock taken included about 40 packmits were:

C. Amane, one story frame tool hours, south side of Or road.

John Redgate, raiso roof on barn, south side of Lexington avenue.

The Glasaner Purmiture Co., brick enplosing wall, southeast corner of Stratford avenue.

W. W. Boerum, one-family frame dwelling, south side of Marrion all the earmarks of amateurs. various industrial securities of a spec-ulative character attracted little atten-

To Hold Social Meeting

Business Men's association will hold a meeting in the rooms of the Board of Trade in the Newfield building at Main and Golden Hill streets.

Rev. John R. Brown, paster of the First Baptist church, will give an il-ustrated lecture on New Mexico, telling of the customs of the people and my other interesting things about that far away state. Refreshments and cigars will be served. Business men of the city are generally invited.

WOMEN DISAPPOINTED BY WILSON'S STAND, ON SUFFRAGE QUESTION

Washington, July 1-President Wilsult scainst the management of Roton son's declination to acquiesce in de-Point Park to recover \$25,090 dam- mands of women suffragists that he ages for alloged "nuisances" has pro-duced a result that must have 'ur-prised the men who began the agita-tion. Last night, the Norwalk Cham-occasioned considerable comment here Commerce unanimously en- today. His views on the subject were dorsed the park, and its manager, made known to members of the Gener-Neville Bayley, at a well attended at Federation of Women's Clubs who marched to the White House yesterday Mr. Bayley was present on invita- to enlist his aid in behalf of w suffrage. To them he announced for the first time that the suffrage ques

Over one hundred of the county cles today the President's attitude

STRATFORD

Contemplated improvements on the East Main street bridge will be started lowing resolution:

"We the county workers for suffrage in Fairfield county do heartly endorse the present successful move—

The residents living near Peck's Mill

The Stratford School Fife and Drum

STOCK LIST FALLS AFTER EARLY RUSH

New York, July 1.- Opening.-Conditions abroad were probably responsible for the moderate setback registared by the local stock market in today's early dealings. International is-sues ruled lower in London where ap-prehension regarding the situation in prehension regarding the situation in Ulster was felt. The deadlock in the Mexican negotiations also exerted an adverse influence. Losses did not exceed fractions and

in most cases recoveries speedily en-sued. The only gains of note were Atlantic Coast Line, Brooklyn Rapid Transit and Liggitt & Meyers pre-ferred, which advanced a point. The trading was fairly active with indications of some investment demands.

Noon.—Quotations again receded after the first rush of short covering that movement constituting a large part of the first hour's activity. The market then drifted Idly with business at low ebb. Expiration of the bond conversion privilege accounted for the Transit but such changes as were rec orded elsewhere had no especial significance. Gains of 1 to 2 points in

Bonds were irregular, Rock Island collaterals ruling firm in the face of unfavorable May earnings,

EIGHTEEN DROWNED IN MONTH OF JUNE

New Haven, July 1-Elighteen persons were drowned in this state during the month of June. There were 89 deaths by violence during the month, 66 of that number being accidental, 19 sulcidal and four homicides. In the list of accidental deaths, next to drowning. the greatest contributing cause was falls, from which 13 died.

Other accidental deaths and the causes were: Train, seven ;automobile, six; burning, five; crushing, five, trolley, four; polson, three; hit by baseball, electricution, runaway, gas and shooting, one each. Violent deaths in May were 88, divided as follows: Accidental 66; suicides 21; homicides 1.

SHEPPING COMPANY **CUTS CAPITALIZATION**

Tolv I-At the antic Shipannual meeting of ping Company of Tuesday afternoon it was voted to reduce the capitalization 40 percent making up the par value of the stock \$15. The directors are agreed on this the company has met. The recent losses leave but four schooners in the company's fleet.

A dividend of one and one-half percent was voted on the new capi-

OBITUARY PAUL NICKERSON.

The funeral of Paul Nickerson was

held from the undertaking parlors of Cullinan & Mullins this morning at 9 The Rev. Earl A. Kenyon pastor of St. Paul's Episcopal church conducted the services. Mr. Nicker son was for many years a resident of this city, and was widely known. big delegation from the Bartender's union, of which he was a member, attended and acted as pall bearers. Many floral tributes were received Interment was held at Lakeview ceme

JOHN MITCHELL,

The body of John Mitchell of 45 and many fine ones. We should lie.

Attorney Chamberlain represented might throw this lovely spot into the hands of a management less scrulpul
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Kleinlie at present has fenced in four found hanging beneath the railroad station last Thursday morning. Surface of property on the main porary injunction comes up before road and, on Shelton road, about 50 ial is to take place from the residence Judge Tuttle in the superior court in feet.

SILVESTEO PANSODA.

The funeral of Silvestee Pansoda, injured in a cave in while working for the Bridgeport Hydraulic Co., who dled at St. Vincent's hospital tollowing lengthy suffering from his injurles, was held at 9:30 o'clock this mornning from the Bishop mortuary chapel on Fairfield avenue and half an hour later from Holy Rossry church. Rev. Angelo DeToro, paster of the church, officiated. There was a large attendance of fellow workmen. Burial was lives were lost. Much property damin St. Michael's cemetery.

Great gaping holes into the ground. in St. Michael's cemetery.

AGED EMPEROR FRANCIS JOSEPH BOWED

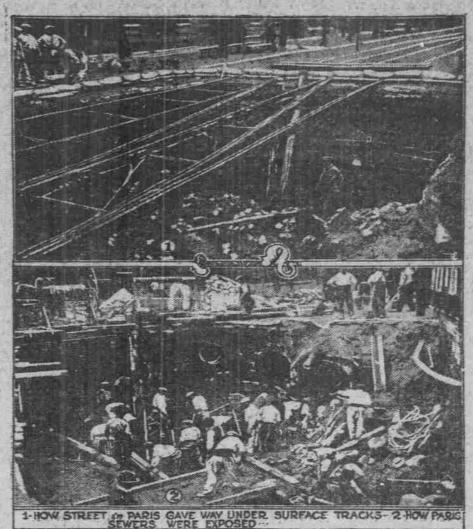
IN SORROW OVER TRAGEDY, MAY NOT LIVE



with bowed head and saddened heart. alone.

Vienna, July i—The assessination of It is not expected that he will sur-Archduke Francis Ferdinand and his wife has been a hard blow to Emperor Francis Joseph. This vigorous old new tragedy, coming in the sunset of ruler faces this new tragedy in his life his career, has left him weakened and

FIRST PICTURES SHOWING GREAT DAMAGE DONE BY BIG STORM IN PARIS



undermined and caved in ,and several time said the citizens feared for awhile

These pictures are the first to reach | were left in the paved streets, expos America from Paris since the recent ing the great sewers of Paris and st. orm there. This storm was so leaving the surface tracks suspended sudden and severe that streets were in the air. Americans in Paris at the

Want Ads Cent a Word.

Strange Wille. Many are the eccentricities to which wills have borne testimony from time to time. The Earl of Portarlington left instructions that he should be buried with all his rings on his fingers. The late Earl of Oracley stipulated that he should be taken to the ceme-tery in an old fashioned hearse, so that the could not be seen and that no flowers should be placed on his grave. He also left word that his coronet would be found by his nephew

and successor "in a cellar" of his

A Vienna millionaire, who died re cently, left a sum of money with which to defray the cost of twelve months' electric lighting, not only of his vault, but even of the very coffin in which he was buried. Less particular was the Frenchman who asked that his body should be thrown into the sea a mile from the English coast. He was, too, so diagneted with his own country that he would neither be buried there nor allow any of his relatives or fellow countrymen to benefit by his death. He left the whole of his money to the poor of London,-

London Globe.

travels from country to country. The cans do not realize that these Monte Bello group of islands, even on the small outlying islets which are never visited, on which it occurs most HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS. salmal is found universally over the a membership of two and a hall to a schooner which was wrecked some A LITTLE LESS THAN THE twelve years ago, for ft is well known TUENOVER OF THE STREET curious to find that this animal, which is now so rare in its native countries as to be looked upon as a great curiosicy, should usually be one of the first apecies to populate new lands where it is comparatively free from competi-tion. Driven from all civilized countries by the brown rat, it has taken to the sea, being better adapted for a life on board ship than its otherwise victorious rival.-P. D. Mantague in Geographical Journal.

Father Hubbard. The nursery knows nothing of Father Hubbard, but in 1604 Thomas Middleton published "Father Mubbard's Tale of the Ant and the Nightingale." In the introduction he ex plains: "Why I call these Father Hubburd's tales is not to have them called in again as the Tale of Mother Hubburd. The world would show lit tie judgment in that, l'faith, and I should say then, 'plena stnitorum omnia,' for I entreat here neither of rugged bears nor apez, no, nor the lamentable downfall of the old wife's platters. I deal with no such metal." Since Spenser's "Mother Hubberd" does not seem to have been called in and says nothing about bears or platters, Middleton is evidently alluding to some other "Mother Hubburd."-London Standard.

Ibsen and Love. Tennyson says that it is better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all. Ibsen maintained-not in a general philosophical way, but with respect to the conditions he saw immediately around him-that it is better, if youthfully, romantically in love, to separate rather than to marry. Ibsen is in agreement with the brilliant Frenchman who asserted that all comedies end with a wedding, because it is then that the tragedy begins!-From Archibald Henderson's "European Dramatists."

The Daughter. Oh, the blessings that a daughter can bring into a household if she only pride of her brothers and sisters, the Washington.

Only the Seventh. eighth birthday.-Censor.

Make Up For It. "So Kate and Alice are not on speaking terms."

"No; but they more than make up for it by what they say about each other. -Boston Transcript.

The Modern Dancer. Madge-Do look at that girl, Billy; doesn't she dance like a chicken? William-Yes, it's the very poultry of Scientific - Co-operation Blow to Socialism By SIMON W. STRAUS, PARKET

THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES TODAY ARE THE MOST WASTEPUL IN THE WORLD, JUST AS THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT IS THE LEADY THRIFTY. THERE IS LACK OF THRIFT ALSO AMONG THE INC CORPORATIONS, THORSEN THEY ARE IMPROVING. THE MICHELE MAN IS GETTING MORE THAN HE EARNS, AND UNTIL THE PILISO PLE OF SCIENTIFIC BAYING BROUGHT HOME TO THE PEOPLE NO REFORM IS POSSIBLE.

During my brief English stay have been overcome with admira tion over the progress of the co-The black rat is the ship's rat, and it | operative selling societies.

> SCIENTIFIC CO-OPERATION IS THE GREATEST BLOW ADMINID TERED TO SOCIEMASM. A MAIN EAVING MONEY OFFICES TO LIN TEN TO WINDY SOCIEMAST PROM-SES. AN ENGLISHKAN WITH IN CAPITAL, WHO HAS JOINED A CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY, SUVE ALL HIS SUPPLIES THERE AND AT THE END OF THE YEAR REA CEIVES A SMALL DIVIDEND, ALL BUMES A DIFFERENT VIEWPOINT BECOMES AMBITIOUS AND A BETTER CITIZEN

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