ALL CLEWS POINT TO THE NEGRO WAYNE.

Powell's Man-of-All-Work Believed to Have Murdered His Employer.

Bloodstained Cuffs and a Deadly Weapon Found Among His Clothing in a Barn.

TWO OF THE SUSPECTS RELEASED.

Wayne and Mahew Taken to the Queens County Jail in Long Island City. Rewards Increased to $3,000.

The Queens County authorities believe that they have in Jack Wayne, one of the three colored men arrested Sunday morning, the murderer of Stephen Powell, the wealthy citizen of Hempstead who was found dying on Saturday night within a few rods of his own home. Wayne and the negroes arrested in his company had practically established a satisfactory alibi when the discovery of incriminating evidence, pointing suspiciously to Wayne, came to light.

Frank Doxey, who lives on Franklin avenue, in the outskirts of Hempstead, says that at 2 o'clock Sunday morning he met Wayne going into a barn on Franklin street near his house. As Wayne had slept in the barn, Doxey was not surprised at seeing the man. Wayne had a bundle under his arm, and cautioned Doxey not to say he had been there. Doxey says he thought nothing more of the matter until he heard that Wayne was under arrest on suspicion of being concerned in the Powell murder.

Deputy Sheriffs Doty and Tydeman and Saloonkeeper Willet Chorlick went to the barn and searched it. Buried under the hay, which forms the chief contents of the building, they discovered a coat, a vest, a shirt, a hat, a pair of cuffs, a wallet, an iron bar and a stocking. On the cuffs were stains which look like blood. The stains had been daubed with fresh mud, as though an effort had been made to wash them off, or at least hide them.

The bloody cuffs and the iron bar were the most important things found. The bar is a heavy piece of metal, the use of which is uncertain. It is about an inch and a half in circumference. It was, when found, inside of a woman's long black stocking, and the top of the stocking was tied so that the bar of iron could not slip out. On the stocking near the foot was a daub of mud, similar to that on the cuffs. This leads to the belief that the stocking was wet with blood, and the mud was placed on it to absorb the blood and carry it off when the mud was brushed off.

A MURDEROUS WEAPON.

The iron bar is such an implement as would crush in the skull of a man as the skull of Mr. Powell was crushed. The searchers also found a small lookingglass, a comb and a hair brush. The barn belongs to Sylvester Willetts. In the wallet were found bills from merchants and tradesmen in the village. They were made out against Wayne.

The stocking found in the swamp near Terrace avenue with Wayne's pipe, and between the spot where Mr. Powell was struck down and where two men were seen running down Terrace avenue by Mr. Treadwell, has been identified by John Pollock as one of a pair stolen from his clothesline. The identification was effected through a letter "C" stamped on the stocking to indicate its owner. The stocking found around the iron bar bears a similar mark, and has been identified by Mr. Pollock as the mate of the one first found.

Wayne admitted the clothing found in the barn was his, and claimed he used the barn as a dressing room. He denied all knowledge of the iron bar and bloody cuffs. When asked to explain the blood spots on the cuffs, Wayne became confused and mumbled and hesitated. Finally, he admitted the cuffs were his, but claimed he left them there one night last week, and had not had them since.

Another thing which may prove bad for Wayne is the denial he has made relative to the shoes he wore on Saturday night. When arrested he had on a pair of well-worn boots. The tracks in the swamp show one of the men had on a pair of new or almost new square-toed shoes. It is known that on Saturday night Wayne had on a new pair of shoes, but the authorities have not been able to locate them. It is thought they will be found in the barn when a full search is made.

THE PIPE CLEW.

Wayne's pipe found in the swamp led yesterday to other complications. Wayne stated that he had not used this pipe for months. He said yesterday that one George Jarvis, a colored man, had stolen the pipe from him, and late yesterday afternoon Jarvis was arrested at East Meadows. He was taken to Long Island and questioned by District-Attorney Noble, who ordered him paroled in the custody of Detective Goldstein, as he quickly established a complete alibi. Jarvis denied ever having had Wayne's pipe.

Wayne and Mayhew, the negro suspects, were removed yesterday afternoon to the Queens County Jail, at Long Island City. Simpson, the other suspect, was released in Hempstead, as no evidence could be found against him. The two men held have had not a little apprehension of lynching and have asked to be held in jail until after the inquest.

In his own behalf Wayne denies all knowledge of the murder. He says that he was in Mr. Powell's store at 7 o'clock on Saturday night and received his pay—$1.50—for some odd jobs done. He says Mr. Powell took the money from his outside coat pocket. After receiving his pay he says he went with Simpson and Mayhey to several saloons and spent the time up to midnight in drinking.

It was learned yesterday afternoon that Wayne has already been mixed up in a highway robbery. Marx Heldt, a Pole, twenty-four years old, an employe of the Long Island Railroad, said this afternoon that Wayne had held him up and robbed him about a month ago. He said he was partly intoxicated at the time, and had $13 in his possession, besides a bunch of keys. He said he recognized Wayne and that the next day he went to see him. He told Wayne he could keep the money if he returned the keys, which he did. He said the keys he used on the road, and that the reason he did not report the assault was because he did not want the railroad people to know he was drunk. Mayhew has also been in trouble before, having stabbed a man during a church row.

Robert Lautier, a restaurant keeper of Long Island City, wrote yesterday to District-Attorney Noble, of Queens County, detailing some facts that may have a bearing upon the murder. He said that between 8 and 9 o'clock Sunday morning, two men, one white and the other colored, ordered breakfast in his restaurant, and that both of them acted strangely. While waiting for their meal to be served the colored man repeatedly jumped from his seat and went to the door, out of which he looked nervously, and on returning to his seat on one occasion, said to his white companion:

"Where is the station we came in at?

After eating the men left and walked in the direction of Brooklyn.

District-Attorney Noble, surmising that the men referred to might have walked from Hempstead to some point on the Long Island Railroad, where they boarded the train arriving in Long Island City at 8:35 a. m. Sunday morning, caused inquiries to be made of Conductor Hauser and the train hands. The conductor said he had several colored passengers on the Sunday morning trip who boarded the train at different stations between Oyster Bay and Jamaica, but could not remember any answering the description of the two spoken of by Lautier.

In speaking of the men later Lautier said that he saw them dividing some money in bills. He described the white man as about five feet eight inches in height, with a light mustache, and said he was about thirty-two years old. The colored man was about five feet four inches, about thirty-five years old, and wore a cap.

BROOKLYN POLICE NOTIFIED.

The description of the men corresponds with that of the two men John Treadwell, of Hempstead, saw running past his house shortly after the murder of Mr. Powell. The Brooklyn police have been notified to look out for the men, who are believed to have crossed Newtown Creek to that city after leaving Lautier's restaurant.

The Coroner's inquest has been set for Wednesday night, as District-Attorney Noble is unable to attend before that time.

The funeral of Mr. Powell will take place at 3 p. m. to-day, and the remains will be interred in Greenfield Cemetery, about a mile from the village. Mr. Powell was a member of the Hempstead Methodist Church, and the pastor, the Rev. J. Y. Maynard, will conduct the funeral service.

The officials of the village of Hempstead have appropriated $1,000 as a reward for the discovery of the murderer, to which the Queens County authirities and the family of the murdered man have each added $1,000. The sum of $3,000 will, it is thought, greatly stimulate outside help to the authorities in solving the mystery. In addition the town has hired two detectives, who are giving their whole time to the available clews.

MAYOR WANTS HARMONY.

Mr. Strong Gives Advice to Members of His Cabinet—Weekly Meetings to Be Held.

Mayor Strong held a cabinet meeting in the private City Hall council chamber yesterday afternoon. It was the first of a series of official sessions to be held every Monday, until the Legislature adjourns.

There were present General Anson G. McCook, City Chamberlain; Colonel Waring, Street Commissioner; General E. C. O'Brien, president of the Dock Board; General C. H. T. Collis, Commissioner of Public Works; Colonel Cruger, president of the Park Board; General La Grange, president of the Fire Department; Tax President Barker, Charles G. Wilson, president of the Health Commission; Silas C. Croft, president of the Charities Commission; President Wright, of the Correction Department; President Murray, of the Excise Board, and Stevenson Constable, of the Building Department.

The Mayor told his appointees that it was a desirable thing for his official family to dwell together in harmony. There had been statements attributed to him that should be taken with "a grain of salt," and he wanted to assure them he was heart and soul with them in all the reforms they inaugurated. He wanted his administration to be a clean one, free from scandal or dissension. He thought if they met once a week during the present legislative session, harmony would be advanced and they could more effectually discuss and deal with bills that concerned the various departments.

The Raines bill was dissected, President Roosevelt taking views on it that were adverse to those of the Mayor.

It is reported, however, that the Mayor intimated that he was greatly interested in the fate of the Greater New York measures, and that he was decidedly opposed to any hasty legislation on that subject.

Mr. Strong decided to give a dinner to his advisers March 24. The suggestion for a dinner came from Colonel Waring, and he was particular in expressing a desire to have the Comptroller eat with them. This the Mayor readily approved.

One member of the cabinet intimated that he thought the Mayor had a great interest in the election of delegates to the National Convention, for which the primaries will be held next Monday night. In other words, that the cabinet would work for Strong against Platt.

THE GROOM HAD NO LICENSE.

His Marriage Ceremony Delayed While He Rushed in Search of One.

New Haven, Conn., March 9.—Miss Ida Helprin, of New York, came here yesterday to be married to Paul Mendel, of this city. It was to be a swell Hebrew wedding, and many guests assembled at Rutner Hall last night to witnesss the ceremony, and Miss Helprin, with her New York bridesmaids, was in readiness. The rabbi who was to perform the ceremony was present, also an orchestra, and the groom and best man were on time.

The bride and bridesmaid approached the place where the rabbi awaited them, but just then the rabbi asked the groom for his license. Until that moment the thought of a license hed never occurred to Mr. Mendel, and for the moment consternation reigned. The ceremony could not proceed. Some one suggested that the groom go to the police station to see if the difficulty could not be overcome in some way. He did so, and was advised to hunt up Registrar Preston. Mr. Preston was not at home when the groom arrived in Fairhaven, but his mother-in-law, who is commissioned to act in emergencies, was found, and she gave the license.

There was joy when the bridegroom returned to the hall armed with the necessary paper, and the marriage was performed.

CITY HALL NOTES.

The Armory Board yesterday agreed to a lease for two years at $2,700 a year for the First Battery in Wendel's Assembly Rooms, in West Forty-fourth street.

Edmund H. Sentenue, through his attorneys, Kellogg, Rose & Smith, yesterday served papers on the Corporation Counsel in a suit which he has begun against the city for $17,633. Sentenue had contracts for cleaning city sewers and he claims that, owing to errors in the city specifications in 236 instances, he was compelled to do extra work represented in the amount of his claim.

The sale of the People's Traction Company franchise was postponed yesterday until March 23. The Comptroller cannot sell while the injunction is pending in the Supreme Court. It is expected that Justice Beekman will render a decision before the 23d.

Martin Keese yesterday received information in the City Hall that Thomas H. Peto, who was a member of the old Marion Hose Company, No. 4, in this city, died suddenly in Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia, on Sunday evening of heart failure.

CUBAN REFUGEES HERE.

Gonzalo Pena y Delgado, with His Family, Arrived at Ellis Island.

He Was Unable to Make a Living in Matanzas as a Harness Maker.

DETAINED BY IMMIGRATION BOARD.

His Sister, Who Lives in Brooklyn, May Have to Give Bonds to Secure Them from Becoming a Public Charge.

One of the first Cuban refugees to be landed at Ellis Island arrived yesterday on the Ward liner Orizaba, from Matanzas.

He is Gonzalo Pena y Delgado, forty-nine years old, a saffron-colored little man, with grizzled hair and whiskers. He was accompanied by his wife, Matilda, an olive complexioned woman, of forty years, and their six children, who in size are like the steps of a flight of stairs.

The eldest is Cecelia, a pretty girl fifteen years old, with black hair and large, black eyes. When she smiled a double row of fine, even white teeth were disclosed. Aurora, a girl of ten years, clung to her sister's skirt. The other children were Edward, a sturdy boy, nine years old; Alfredo, eight years old; Matilda, a laughing little elf of four, and baby Joseph, one and a half years old, who laughed and chuckled in his mother's arms.

Gonzalo, the husband and father of this interesting family, had $7 in cash left and on reaching Ellis Island the Delgados were all placed in the detention room. The Special Board of Inquiry considered the case in the afternoon and decided to postpone it until to-day.

CUBA BECOMIN GA DESERT.

Gonzalo, who speaks broken English, said his sister, Mrs. F. Casanova, of No. 831 Herkimer street, Brooklyn, would help him until he could get permanent employment, and the Board decided to give him a chance to communicate with her.

Senor Delgado said he was a harnessmaker and that he had plied his trade in Matanzas for sixteen years. The war destroyed all business in Matanzas and every other Cuban city, he declared. Cuba is fast becoming a desert. There is little money there and work brings poor returns.

He decided finally to come to the United States, and so applied to Adolfo Parolo, the Governor of Matanzas, who furnished passports for the family on February 27, and on March 5 they embarked on the Orizaba. Delgado said he had taken no part in the revolt and had not been in prison or ill-treated in any way. The presence of troops in Matanzas was the only evidence there of trouble.

The little man then became interested in the subject of war and went on to say that some of his household goods on board a train had been seized by soldiers and carried into a forest. Afterward he said he had heard that this experience befell a man who moved away from Matanzas.

Asked concerning the progress of the revolution, Delgado said that he knew little about it. He had heard there was some fighting, but he wasn't sure.

His sister will probably be required to give bonds to secure the family from becoming a public charge.

Cubans in New York, it is said, may be appealed to in their behalf. Assistant Immigration Commissioner MacSweeney said it was not likely that the family will be returned.

GONZALO PENA Y DELGADO AND FAMILY.

Unable to make a living in Matanzas, Cuba, as a harness maker, he, with his wife and their six children, came to this city, arriving here yesterday on the steamer Orizaba. The family had only $7 in cash, and they were detained at Ellis Island pending an investigation by the Immigration Board. Delgado has a sister living in Brooklyn who may have to give bonds to secure the new arrivals from becoming a public charge.

VOTES OF THE POLICEMEN.

Commissioner Andrews Going to Albany to Oppose a Bill—Officers at Theatres.

At a special meeting of the Police Board yesterday the Commissioners discussed a communication received from the Fire Department, stating that the firemen detailed at theatres giving continuous performances have recently had difficulty in carrying out the provisions of law relating to the crowding of aisles. The Fire Commissioners suggest that the law could more readily be enforced if the firemen had the support of a policeman in each theatre.

The Board instructed Chief Conlin to detail policemen where necessary.

Commissioner Andrews was authorized to go to Albany to oppose Assemblyman Hoffman's bill directing the Commissioners to permit every policeman to vote on election day.

BEAUTIFUL SPRING FLOWERS.

A Special Exhibit To-day at The American Institute.

The Farmers' Club of the American Institute, of which Dr. F. M. Hexamer is president, will hold their regular meeting this afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the rooms of the American Institute, Nos. 111 and 113 West Thirty-eighth street, near Broadway. The subject for discussion will be: "Beautiful Flowers, and How to Raise Them."

A special exhibit of Spring flowers and ornamental plants, which will be free to the public, will also be held to-day at the institute rooms from 1 to 10 p. m. While the exhibition of flowers is announced for the day and evening only, it may be continued to-morrow also.

FOREIGN NOTES OF INTEREST.

An agreement for a loan of £16,000,000 has been signed by the Chinese Government and an Anglo-German syndicate. One-half of the loan will soon be issued in 5 per cent gold bonds at about par.

Queen Victoria started from Windsor this morning for Portsmouth, where she will embark for Cherbourg, en route to Nice.

Much damage was done to the cargo, especially the jute, skins and cocoa, of the British steamer Missouri, from London for Philadelphia, which was run on a mud beach at Falmouth with fire in her hold. She was floated after the fire was extinguished, and proceeded to Swansea, where the flames again broke out. Much of the steamer's cargo will probably be forwarded to London.

It is not thought it will be possible to float the British bark Winnifred, Captain Hire, before reported ashore on Borkum Island, in the North Sea. Her cargo may possibly be saved, but the work will be difficult.

ENGLAND'S DEFENCE HERE

Olney Gets Three Copies, and Sir Julian Pauncefote One, of the Venezuelan Blue Book.

Washington, March 9.—Four copies of the Venezuelan Blue Book reached Washington yesterday, having been sent in advance of their publication in England. One came to Sir Julian Pauncefote, exclusively for his information, and not, as was expected, to be presented by him to the Venezuelan Commission as the British case. The other three copies came to the State Department from Ambassador Bayard, to whom they were given by Lord Salisbury over a week ago, it is supposed, simply as an act of personal courtesy to the Ambassador, as the State Department officials are most mysterious about the matter and deny all knowledge of the arrival of the book.

Some speculation has been set afloat as to what Secretary Olney intends to do with his copies. It is thought that he will keep one for his own information, and that another copy will go to the President. The Venezuelan Commission, which would under ordinary circumstances be thought to be the most appreciative repository for the third copy, claims to be utterly dependent upon the cablegrams to the press for information regarding the contents of the Blue Book. The hope is, however, held by those in authority that the next official mail from London, arriving in Washington next Saturday, will bring additional copies, and that the commission will then be able informally to get the exact terms of the British argument.

In the mean time the Venezuelan side of the case has not been presented, nor is it positively known that it has been completed, although ex-Minister Scruggs has been introduced officially to the commission as counsel for Venezuela.

ST. NICHOLAS RINK TO OPEN.

Society People Will Put on Their Skates To-Night.

The St. Nicholas Skating Rink will be opened this evening. There will be no formalities connected with this long deferred event, for the building is still far from being finished, and the fashionable skaters who will begin patronizing it tonight will have to overlook a number of unpleasant things, including a want of decoration.

They will simply being their skates and skate, leave the rest to time, and in the meanwhile be glad to at last get into the building, which was to have been finished early last January. The pond was flooded yesterday, the freezing begun, and everything done to make the building as presentable as possible.

Society will enjoy it exclusively until Saturday evening, when the public will be admitted. After Saturday the members of the club will reserve Sundays and Mondays for their own use. On other days 50 cents admission will be charged in the morning and 75 cents at night.

When completed the St. Nicholas Rink will be the handsomest in the world. It is situated on West Sixty-sixth street, near Columbus avenue. The building has a frontage of 225 feet on the street, and is 100 feet deep. It is divided into two sections, the rink proper, which is two stories in height, and the clubhouse, which is three stories and situated in the west end of the building. A gallery for the public extends around three sides of it, and a balcony for the members of the club occupies the fourth.

The building is owned by a company composed of members of the club. Its officers are C. P. Anderson, president; Erskine Hewitt, vice-president; Charles M. Pope, treasurer, and E. A. Crowninshield, secretary. The club has nine governors, John Jacob Astor, C. P. Anderson, Erskine Hewitt, E. A. Crowninshield, Hamilton Cary, Stanford White, J. Frederic Tams, Richard Peters and Robert Stevens.

The members include Cornelius Vanderbilt, August Belmont, George J. Gould, William C. Whitney, Dr. W. Seward Webb, Joseph H. Choate, Odgen Mills, Theodore A. Havemeyer, Hamilton McK. Twombly, R. T. Wilson and W. D. Sloane.

A WASHOUT AT BAY SHORE.

The Dam Carried Away and Considerable Damage Done to Property.

Bay Shore, L. I., March 9.—The dam in the eastern part of the village was carried away last night. Much damage was done to property along the creek.

A building owned by L. G. Homan, which stands directly over the creek, had its foundations washed away. The foundation of W. O. Luce's new butcher shop was also carried away. The embankments along the creek were washed out and Canal street was flooded.

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(Glastonbury make.)
$1.50 Neckwear at 75c.
(Crown make.)
.50 Link Buttons at 12½c.
$1.50 Reindeer Gloves at 98c.
$1.50 Chevrette Gloves at 98c.
$1.50 Silk Suspenders at 75c.

Then there's the things you can depend on getting all the time, although they are not advertised. $2.12 Bath Robes, Pajamas, Underwear, Sox, etc., etc., all at fair prices. No royalty for a name.

Men's Hats.

Spring Derbys, $1.90 and $2.90. Buyers of hats often pay $5.00 for a Derby just to avoid risks. No need to do that; you can come here where buyers of everything are protected to the utmost.

DERBYS, $1.90, $2.35, $2.90.
ALPINES, $1.90 to $2.90.
SILK HATS, $3.90, $4.80 and $5.80.

STRUGGLED IN THE DARK.

The Janitor of a Brooklyn Apartment House Attacked in the Cellar.

An Unknown Assailant Sprang Upon Edstone as He Descended the Stairway.

BEAT HIM WITH AN IRON BAR.

The Stranger Overpowered the Janitor and Inflicted Serious Injuries About the Head—The Police Believe the Man to Be a Burglar.

John Edstone, twenty-six years old, is the janitor of a row of handsome apartment houses on St. Mark's avenue, near Flatbush, Brooklyn. The houses are all heated by steam, and every evening the janitor makes an examination of the boilers in the cellars.

He was going down the cellar stairway in the house at No. 80, in which he lives, at 7 o'clock last night. As he reached the foot of the stairs, he thought he heard a noise behind him. He turned to look back on the stairway, and the next intant the candle which he carried was knocked out of his hand.

Before Edstone could realize what was happening a heavily built man sprang out of the shadows and struck him on the head with an iron bar. The janitor dodged and the blow was a glancing one. Still it stunned him. But he clutched at his assailant's arm when he saw it raised again. The stranger tried to free himself, but Edstone clung to him desperately. For several minutes the men struggled silently, and then the janitor's strength gave out.

His opponent wrenched his arm free and dealt him a blow which knocked him down. Then he struck him several times and sprang up the stairs.

Edstone painfully climbed up the stairs and fell exhausted in the hall. Several tenants ran to his assistance and called in Dr. Benjamin Edison, of No. 83 St. Mark's avenue.

Edstone's head was badly battered. One blow in the mouth had cut his lip frightfully and knocked out four of his teeth. Another had laid open the scalp down to the skull for three inches on the back of his head. There was an ugly wound two inches long on the top of the head.

Dr. Edison dressed the wounds and sent a message for an ambulance to St. John's Hospital. The man was removed to that institution. It was impossible to say last night whether or not the janitor's skull had been fractured.

The matter was reported to the police of the Bergen Street Station a few minutes after its occurrence, and the reserves searched the neighborhood for Edstone's assailant.

In the cellar of the house they found the weapon. It was a round bar of iron three feet long. Around one end of it was wrapped a handkerchief. The bar was almost covered with blood.

The police believe Edstone's assailant was a burglar, who had secreted himself in the house intending to rob it. Seeing the janitor descending to the cellar, he assumed, it is thought, that his presence was suspected and resolved to kill. Another theory is that the man had some reason for attacking Edstone, and made a deliberate and premeditated attempt upon the janitor's life. Edstone could give no explanation of the attack.

March 10th & 11th.

Sale of

Ladies' Underwear.

Cambric Gowns,
(square yoke, insertion and ruffle of embroidery),
75 cts.

(empire style, trimmed with embroidery, torchon or Point de Paris lace),
$1.25.

Cambric Skirts,
(umbrella shape, deep ruffle of embroidery)
$1.25.

Outing Flannel Skirts,
(scalloped edges),
25 cts.

Cambric and Muslin Drawers,
(deep Hamburg edge),
35 cts.

Silk Skirts,
(black and changeable—umbrella shape—full size—deep corded and dust ruffles),
$5.85.

Lord & Taylor,
Broadway & 20th St.

VICTORIES FOR CUBANS

Many Engagements in the Eastern Part of the Island Result Disastrously for Spanish Arms.

Santiago de Cuba, Feb. 29, via Tampa, Fla., March 9.—On the 25th inst. the rebel forces under command of General Matias attacked the town of Sagua de Tanamo, seizing, after a three hours' fight, one of the forts which defend the place. The rebels entered the fort and seized arms, ammunition and provisions, afterward burning the fort and several houses.

A rebel force of 100 men under Captain Dominguez appeared yesterday in Moron. They burned the two forts of the place, and took with them all the arms, ammunition and provisions. There was no Spanish garrison in Moron, as the Spanish troops had left the day before in compliance with the general order of the Military Governor of Santiago to abandon all the small villages. This order has been harmful to the Government, as all the men of those small places have joined the insurgents. The foreign planters have presented a joint protest to their Consuls against the order compelling them to abandon their plantations.

On the 23d inst. the rebel forces of Brigadier Periquito Perez had an engagement in Ramon de las Saguas with the Spanish column under Colonel Recas. The Spaniards retreated, losing eight soldiers killed and twenty wounded. The mules laden with ammunition were captured by the rebels. The rebels had one killed and seven wounded, among the latter Captain Vega, who fell into the hands of the troops and subsequently died from the effects of his wounds.

Day before yesterday (the 27th) a party of rebels compelled the garrison of Fort Escondido, near Caimanera, Guantanamo, to surrender. The insurgents blew up the fort with dynamite bombs. The garrison was composed of one officer and forty soldiers.

On the 24th inst. the Spanish General Gonzalez Munez, with 1,200 men—infantry, cavalry and artillery—had an encounter in La Herradura and Sal, near Manzanillo, with the rebel forces of Mendicta, Vera and Estrada, 2,000 in number. After very hard fighting the Spaniards retreated, leaving in the field twenty-five killed and eighty wounded. Among the former was Lieutenant-Colonel Iolo Benites, of the Spanish guerillas, and among the latter Lieutenant-Colonel Tejerizo.

The sugar estates, San Luis and Santa Anna, have stopped grinding, all the employes having joined the rebels.

OF INTEREST TO SPORTSMEN.

A Charter of a Game Protective Association Has Been Taken Away.

Trenton, N. J., March 9.—A bill most important to sportsmen was passed this evening in the Senate in the shape of a repeal of the charter of the West Jersey Protective Association.

This body was incorporated in 1873 for the protection of game in six of the lower counties in New Jersey against the invasion of non-resident gunners. At first it worked well, but as years went by it gradually veered around, until now it is composed of six hundred non-residents and forty Jerseymen.

The repealer was followed by a bill which places the protection of the game in that section of the State in the hands of ten wardens in each county. These men are to be appointed by the court and will issue all licences to non-residents and institute protective measures of greater value than those now in existence and which have been so abused of late years. Of nineteen Senators, but six voted against either measure.

Bids for Bridge Employes' Uniforms

There was no meeting of the Bridge Trustees yesterday owing to a failure to secure a quorum. Bids were opened for uniforms. The lowest price quoted was $4.25 for trousers and $7.75 for blouses. The contract will be awarded next week.

GOTHAM'S GUESTS.

HOLLAND.—C. H. Kenny, Chicago; W. B. Wild, Baltimore; W. C. Brooks, Boston; W. J. Connell, Butte, Mont.; Dr. J. G. Taylor, Boston; Marcus Daly, Mrs. Daly, Mack Daly and A. S. Daly, Anaconda, Mont.; A. Dogoesy, San Francisco; A. F. Carmer, Montreal; J. F. Maguire, Boston.

IMPERIAL.—W. D. Flagg, Cleveland; J. W. Vallant, Baltimore; J. B. Conard, Buffalo; J. B. Walsh, Chicago; Edgar Wheeler, Albany; H. J. Medhenny, Baltimore; J. G. Kohn, Cincinnati; W. C. Taylor, Springfield; J. W. Waltz, Baltimore; A. Bonzano, Philadelphia; L. J. Killian, Boston; James B. Gordon, Boston.

ALBEMARLE.—C. A. Chandler, Baltimore; Dr. F. T. Faxon, Rochester; A. H. Chatfield, Cincinnati; G. H. Norris, Philadelphia; R. C. Heaton, Boston; R. M. Dunn, Philadelphia; W. Messler, Pittsburg.

ST. JAMES.—G. W. Stern, Boston; J. P. Marsh, Montreal; E. L. Grimes, Washington; C. M. Blaisdell, Philadelphia; C. F. Bartlett, Chicago.

HOFFMAN.—J. Reisenstein, Wheeling, W. Va.; F. Lupeyre, New Orleans; J. H. Gilmore, Belfast; H. Simmons, Boston; N. W. Milligan, St. Louis; R. J. Lennon, Philadelphia; H. H. Francis, Hartford; N. E. Devereux, Utica.

BRUNSWICK.—R. R. Reed, Pittsburg; J. Hay, Washington; J. Robinstein, Pittsburg; H. A. Bedford, Richmond, Va.; W. S. Sampson, Boston; H. C. King, Lawrence; C. H. Boss, Newport.

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DIED AT THE AGE OF 103.

Thomas White, of Brooklyn, Was Ready to Go to Work When Death Came.

He Was Strong and Hearty and Able to Earn His Living Up to His Last Day.

HIS WIDOW ALMOST A HUNDRED.

John, His Eldest Son, Is Over Eighty Years Old—The Old Man Was a Volunteer Fireman in His Early Days, and a Good One, Too.

Thomas White, supposed to be the oldest man in Brooklyn, died yesterday at his home, corner Ninety-second street and Third avenue. White, as near as can be ascertained, was one hundred and three years old. He never could remember the date of his birth, but from certain historical facts he remembered, his age was easily figured to be one hundred and three. His death was due to old age.

White had lived where he died for fifty years. When the section was a part of the town of New Utrecht, White was a volunteer fireman. Veteran laddies last night were telling of the old man's deeds of valor while he was a fire fighter.

White came from Ireland away back in the forties. He was born in Sligo. He was witty, good-natured, and a typical frishman. His sunny disposition won for him many friends. He was a small, but wiry man, and was exceedingly strong. He was fond of lifting weights and testing his strength.

White was head gardener for the late ex-Senator and ex-Mayor Henry C. Murphy.

While Mr. Murphy was alive White wanted for nothing. But when his benefactor died the old man had t hard for a living. He continued b until almost the hour of his death a contract to do some carpent neighbor yesterday. He got u to work. He felt ill and D sent for. When the ph White was beyond aid. White had died of old age just gave out," Dr. Corlis not work any more."

Mr. White left a w dren. Mrs. White is a century old. Her r Old age has told u as bright as her hr dren John is the years.

White's funeral There will be a home and the i Cross Cemetery.

Ailsa's Mail

Messrs. Pim, F Atlas Steamship Dayton that the prospect for the for Jamaica, on Ailsa, and that t four days unsuc discontinued.

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The annual l will be held at Broome street, Dr. Henry M deliver a lecture in the hall of th Association, No. 5 Twenty-Fifth, to-n are required.

A special cours ction in "Teaching of Reas as been arrangen to be given on the following dates: March 12, 18, 19, 25, 26 and 28. They are to be delivered by Mr. S. H. Clark, M. A., of the University of Chicago, at the Art Building, No. 170 Montague street, Brooklyn, under the auspices of the Brooklyn Institute of Art and Sciences.

The parishioners of the Church of St. Anselm, One Hundred and Fifty-third street and Tinton avenue, are making arrangements for a reception to be tendered to the Rev. Abbot Alexius Edelbrath, O. S. B., in Ebling's Casino, on Tuesday evening, March 17.

The New York City Society of the Children of the American Revolution, Mrs. William Cummings Story, President, will hold its first meeting at the house of Mrs. Mary W. Woolton, No. 117 Lexington avenue, on March 14, at 11:30 o'clock.

"Early Maritime Life in New England" is to be the subject of Mr. Isaac Townsend Smith's address, to be delivered before the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, No. 23 West Forty-fourth street, on March 13.

The Roscoe Conkling Club of the Twenty-seventh Assembly District, composed of Platt Republicans, will open its doors to the public for the first time this evening at the club rooms, No. 741 Sixth avenue. A reception will follow.

JUDGE BY THE SILKS

judge by the Dress Goods. Such measures of a store's doings is plain to every woman. The great Rotunda and half an acre more are crowded with every Dress Stuff of the season.

MEN'S FURNISHINGS

No well-dressed man can be shabbily necktied or collared. We've made it so that even a miser wouldn't care to be.

Men's silk and satin Tecks, Four-in-Hands, Band Bows, String Ties, **25c.**

Men's Pique Walking Gloves, new shades, **$1**; the $1.35 kind.

Men's extra quality fancy cheviot Pajamas, **$1.45**; the $1.75 kind.

Pure lamb's wool Sweaters, all colors. Men's, **$2.25**; boys', **$1.85.**

IN THE SHOE STORE

Odd lots are crowding on special tables, and may go like these:

Children's $2 button Shoes at **75c.**

Women's Oxfords, tan and black, pointed and broad toes, **$1**, from $2 and $3.

Women's calf, kangaroo and vici kid button Boots, heavy, hand sewed, the $4 kind at **$2.65.**

DRESS TRIMMINGS

New Dress Trimmings for Spring.

Beautiful black beaded Trimming of fine 3-cut Jet, **25, 50, 80c** yd.

Pearl and Crystal Neck and Shoulder Pieces for Easter dresses, **$2.50** to **$15.**

Jet Yokes and Collars, some very effective, **75c, $1, $1.50.**

Spangled and jewelled Trimmings, exquisite shades, **$1** and up.

HOUSEKEEPING LINENS

Pure linen huckaback Towels at **10, 12½, 16, 18, 20c** each.

Pure linen hemstitched huck Towels, 23x42 in., **$3** doz.; good value at $3.75.

Irish Damask Cloths with Napkins to match, 2x2, 2x2½, 2x3 yds., **$3.50, $4, $4.50** set; from $4.25, $5, $5.50.

Fine Irish Damask Cloths, 2x2, 2x2½, 2x3 yds., **$2, $2.50, $3**; from $2.75, $3.50, $4.

Super stout Irish Table Damask, large variety of designs, **75, 85c, $1** yd.

Twilled linen Towelling, 22 in. wide, **12½c** yd.; regularly 18c.

Damask Towelling and Glass Linen, 1[illegible] yd.; regularly 15c.

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An interesting sale of Persian and fl ered Ribbons, new, perfect Goods.

At **29c** yd., striped pure silk Ribbons, never under 50c.

At **39c** yd., exquisite Dresden and Persian Ribbons, warp printed, usually 75c.

At **50c** yd., Persian, Dresden and flowered Ribbons, all silk, imported to bring $1.

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Embroidered and scalloped Handkerchiefs, dainty designs, **19, 25, 38, 50c.**

Men's extra quality, pure linen, real hemstitched, unlaundered, **15c.**

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SILK AND DRESS GOODS SPECIALS.

About 500 yards of the 70c. $1, $1.35 and $1.50 Silks at **30c** to **$1** a yard we told of on Sunday remain for to-day.

1000 yds. 24 in. Taffeta Silks, pink, blue, lilac, white, corn, cardinal, rose, reseda, with cluster of stripes of black, at **58c** yd.; have been sold at $1.10. Just the thing for waists, dresses o lining.

3000 yds. fine Dress Ginghams of this season's designs and colorings, made by one of the foremost makers, the regular 12½c quality at **8c.**

2500 yds. 38 in. all-wool Checks in 10 new and stylish combinations that have never been sold at less than 75c; this lot may go at **58c.**

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