

A BANK WRECKER FROM THE SOUTH.

J. E. Crandall, of Johnson City, Tenn., Arrives at the Kings County Penitentiary.

To Be Known Only by a Number and with Eight Years to Serve at Hard Labor.

DOES NOT LOOK LIKE A CRIMINAL.

The Prisoner's Trial and Conviction Created a Sensation in the Southern States, Where He Was Well Known and Respected.

A prisoner in whom more than ordinary interest has been centered since his arrest and conviction was received at the Kings County Penitentiary, in Brooklyn, yesterday. He was J. E. Crandall, who had been a highly respected citizen of Johnson City, Tenn., and the president of the First National Bank of that place. He is now a convict, without a name, known only to his keepers by a number, and with an eight years' sentence at hard labor to serve before he regains his freedom.

The prisoner who stood before the Warden was not a man who looked like a criminal. He was of medium height, with well-trimmed side whiskers, and carefully waxed mustache. His dark hair had not yet been touched by the frost of age. He stood there, his silk hat in hand, and answered all the questions put to him.

After he had been registered he was turned over to the prison barber, who removed his beard and cropped his hair. Then came a bath and a change of clothes. The former banker laid aside his Prince Albert coat and donned the striped apparel of the convict. He made no complaint, and did what he was told without comment. When all the preliminaries were completed the prisoner was assigned to a cell in the new part of the prison.

When the daily routine of work at the penitentiary is taken up to-morrow morning the convict, who was once Bank President Crandall, will be taken to the clothing department and set at work making trousers. If he performs this work cheerfully and well, and does not violate any of the prison rules, he will receive a considerable allowance of time off his sentence, and may be released in about six and a half years.

The trial and conviction of Crandall created a sensation in the South. He was a man well known in many parts of the country, and was especially prominent in the State of Tennessee, where he had many business interests.

HOW HE BROKE THE BANK.

Johnson City was a boom town, and when the collapse came real estate depreciated in value, merchants failed, and the bank of which Crandall was the head was unable to meet its obligations. Desperate efforts were made to stem the tide of disaster which swept over the city, and it was in doing this, it was alleged, that Crandall committed criminal acts and defrauded the stockholders and depositors. The bank failed and Crandall was arrested, charged with wrecking it.

There was great excitement at the time. Then followed his trial, when, after the first day, the prisoner changed his plea to guilty and threw himself upon the mercy of the Court. The sentence was looked upon as an exceptionally severe one.

Before Crandall left Knoxville for the North he was taken to the marshal's office in the Custom House, where he met his wife for the last time. The scene was an affecting one. The wife reproached her husband for the disgrace he had brought upon her and for leaving her to earn her own living, without a friend in the world. It was finally planned that she should go back to Johnson City and start a boarding house and get along as best she could until his release came.

FUTURE HOLDS FORTH HOPE.

The prisoners last words to the marshal who left him at the penitentiary were: "I am down now, but I'll not always be. When I have finished my sentence I will go to work again and do the best I can." "I'm guilty, I am. I expect if I had less grit and more sense I would have succeeded better and not been in this fix. But, let it go. I'll get out some day and can then go to work again."

"My downfall has become known the country over. Every one will remember me in Johnson City, where I was working to tide my depositors over the hard financial troubles then existing. In taking on my shoulders the load I crushed myself to the ground."

Death of Banker Gray.

Sylvester Gray, one of the pioneer business men of Long Island City, died at midnight Friday after a brief illness resulting from a stroke of paralysis on Tuesday last. Mr. Gray retired from active business three years ago, but retained the presidency of the Long Island Savings Bank, which he held for many years, and a seat in the Board of Directors of the Seventeenth Ward National Bank of Brooklyn. He was in his sixty-eighth year and leaves four grown children and an estate amounting to \$250,000.

An Aeolian Concert. An Aeolian Concert will be given at St. John's Methodist Episcopal Church, in Williamsburg, to-morrow evening, by the Epworth League. The artists who will appear are Miss Jessamine Macdonald, soprano; Miss Winifred Williams, alto; Miss Reniah Harris, organist (pipe organ); Mr. Clarence Horning, basso, and Mr. Nast, organist.

First Woman Notary in Suffolk. Catalogue. At 11, March 21, Miss Ella Conklin, of this village, has been appointed a notary. Miss Conklin, who is a bookkeeper in a local newspaper office, has the distinction of being the first woman appointed a notary in Suffolk County.

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SAVED FROM THE RIVER.

An Apparently Demented Woman Prevented from Committing Suicide from a Ferryboat.

As the ferryboat which left East Thirty-fourth street, New York, at 12:30 Friday night was nearing the Hunter's Point ferry, one of the deckhands noticed a well-dressed, middle-aged woman leave the rear door of the ladies' cabin, and upon following her discovered her climbing over the guard rail and evidently about to jump overboard. With the aid of another deckhand, he succeeded in getting her ashore without her hat, which was knocked off in the struggle and blown into the river. It was thought the woman was intoxicated, and she was turned over to a policeman, who took her to the Second Precinct Station House, Long Island City.

On the way to the station she had a fit of hysterics, and begged piteously to be allowed to go back to the river and drown herself. She said she was Mary Williams, forty-two years old, of Cambridge, Mass. She was locked up on a charge of intoxication. Half an hour later Policeman Bonjour visited the cell, and was horrified to find the woman hanging from the door by a handkerchief, which she had tied around her neck. She was black in the face, and would have been dead in a few minutes but for the timely arrival of Bonjour, who quickly cut her down. Police Justice Ingram, before whom the woman was arraigned yesterday, committed her to the Queens County jail to await an examination as to her sanity. At the jail she talked incoherently, and said she was from Connecticut.

It is believed the woman is married, and that she strayed from her home, while suffering from temporary aberration of mind.

A NEW FORM OF DISEASE.

Communicated from the Wrecked Schooner, Elia Woodbury to Shore.

Far Rockaway, L. I., March 21.—The captain and crew of the Long Branch Life Saving Station are suffering from some contagious disease, which it is believed was communicated to them from the wrecked schooner Elia Woodbury. The schooner is a total loss. Wreckage from the vessel is strewn along the beach for miles. The captain of the station has been removed to a hospital. One after another, the men have been stricken down. Dr. Hutchinson, who has attended the life savers, is unable to determine the nature of the disease. The physician nearly lost his life in visiting the station during Friday's storm. The small boat in which he was crossing the bay was capsized. Dr. Hutchinson and his two oarsmen were rescued with difficulty.

The Storm at Far Rockaway.

Far Rockaway, L. I., March 21.—The storm has done great damage along the coast. Hog Island was almost washed away. Houses near the shore have been damaged, boats sunk and bathing pavilions and docks destroyed.

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THE BROOKLYN THEATRES.

"The Two Escutcheons" at the Park, "Wang" at the Columbia and "A Trip to Chinatown" at the Amphion.

There have been a great many things said of "The Two Escutcheons; or, Chicago in Berlin," which comes to the Park Theatre, Brooklyn, to-morrow night, fresh from its run at the Garden Theatre in New York. Mr. Sydney Rosenfeld has made a clever adaptation from the original, and there is a laugh in every line; not such a laugh as is given to mere horse play, but one that comes from the honest enjoyment of honest fun. The play deals for the most part with the contrast between a smart, bustling millionaire Chicago pork packer and a German nobleman with great pride in his ancestors. The possibilities of contrasting two such widely different characters are patent. The same company which made the New York success of the play will present it at the Park.

COLUMBIA THEATRE.

De Wolf Hopper will open the week at the Columbia Theatre to-morrow evening with the merry comic opera "Wang." The supporting company comprises Edna Wallace-Hopper, Bertha Wallisinger, Alton Hosmer and Ma Lester, as well as Edmund Stanley, tenor; John Parr, T. S. Gulse, Baritone; Alfred Klein, comedian, acrobat and dancer; Harry P. Stone, and many others. Mr. Hopper's management announces a gorgeous revival of "Wang." New scenery and costumes and other accessories have been added, and with the splendid cast the final performances of this pretty, tuneful opera bid fair to be notable ones. The theatre will be closed Holy Week, and on Easter Monday Mr. Joseph Jefferson will commence his first engagement at the Columbia, appearing during the week as Rip Van Winkle, Caleb Plummage, in "The Cricket on the Hearth," and Mr. Golligity in "Lend Me Five Shillings."

AMPHION THEATRE.
Coming to the Amphion to-morrow night, under the management of Messrs. Hoyt & McKee, is Hoyt's "A Trip to Chinatown."



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COLORED BURGLARS CAPTURED

Believed to be the Perpetrators of Several Robberies in Jersey City. Charles, alias "Honey" Roberts, thirty-three years old, and William Chambers, twenty-one years old, of No. 146 Beacon avenue, Jersey City, both colored men, were yesterday arraigned before Justice Donaglass, and held for trial on charges of burglary. They are charged with having entered stores in the Third Precinct during the past few weeks. In all the burglaries entrance was effected by forcing a rear window with a jimmy.

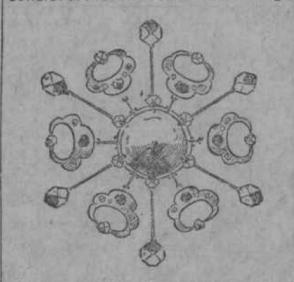
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ed by forcing a rear window with a jimmy. Early Friday morning, it is said, the men committed a burglary, and by attempting another were finally run down. It is said they were frightened away from Charles Bottler's grocery store, No. 47 Central avenue, by the screams of Miss Annie Bottler, who heard them at work on a rear window. Two bags left behind them furnished the clue which led to their arrest. A visit was made to Robert's home, and all the goods stolen were found accreted there.

DRIVEN OUT BY THE FLAMES.

Many Families in Bayonne Made Homeless by a Disastrous Fire. Bayonne, N. J., March 21.—Fire gutted three two-story brick houses in Railroad avenue early this morning. How the fire started is not known. The ten families living in the buildings had no time to dress, but were driven out half clad. There was some delay in turning in an alarm, and when the firemen arrived all three houses were ablaze from cellar to roof. After three hours' hard work the fire was got under control. The loss is estimated at \$5,000, partly covered by insurance. Druggist C. D. Ayers is the owner.

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