JERSEY IS DELUGED BY A FIERCE STORM.

Towns Visited by Heaviest Downpour of Rain Known for Many Years.

Newark the Worst Sufferer, and Thousands of Dollars' Damage Done.

Three Inches of Water Fall in Less Than Three Hours, and Streets Are Rushing Rivers.

WOMAN, GIRL AND BABY RESCUED.

rchants' Cellars Flooded and Great Quantities of Goods Destroyed or Made Worthless—Damage in Other Cities.

Newark, N. J., July 6.—This city was dited to-day by one of the fiercest rain orms ever seen here. In less than three ours over three inches of rain fell, and any streets in the centre and lower portions of the city were turned into miniature akes, while the streets leading from the hill districts became roaring rivers. Hundreds of cellars were flooded, fences, stoops and outhouses crarled away, and foundations of houses inundated. The sewerage facilities throughout the city were inadequate to carry off the surface water, and, consequence, damage amounting to thousands of dollars was done.

Owing to the depth of the water in the streets in some places trolley cars filled with passengers became stalled by the sand that had rushed down on the tracks, and the occupants had to be taken off in wagons and conveyed to places of shelter.

All along the Pennsylvania Railroad, from Hamilton street to the city line, the tracks were entirely submerged and trains were stalled for some time, and when they did run had to move very slowly so as to keep the water from extinguishing the fires in the locomotives. The flagmen for a distance of nearly three miles were penned in vestibules, which were surrounded by two and three feet of water. The cellars of buildings on either side of the railroad, many of which were used for manufacturing purposes, were flooded almost to the ceilings, and incalculable damage was done to machinery and stock.

Along Ferry and South Market streets the merchants suffered severe losses, the stocks in their cellars being badly damaged. On both of these streets trolley cars ran through water two feet deep. On Washington street the same state of affairs existed. At some points the water was so high that drivers of light wagons found their vehicles floating when they attempted to drive through the water.

GIRL HAS A NARROW ESCAPE.

Notwithstanding the great damage done to property, there was no loss of life, although there were several narrow escapes. Katie, seventeen years old, of No. left her home for the Mar- Works, in Kearny, carrying dinner for her two sisters, who are employed in the mill. When she reached the Erie Railroad bridge, on Passaic avenue, Kearny, the water was running down both sides of the embankment with great force. It was necessary for the girl to descend the embankment to reach the avenue, and she pluckily attempted it. Katie had gone down only a few feet when she felt her position was perilous, but it was too late for her to return. To the bottom of the embankment was a distance of about twelve feet. Before Katie reached it she was carried off her feet and rolled over and over in the rushing torrent. She screamed lustily for help and a young man who heard her plunged through the rushing water, and the girl and with much difficulty succeeded in getting her to the edge of the embankment, where he held on until Bridge Tender John Lamb, of the Erie bridge, near by, came to his assistance, and together they carried the girl to the bridge house. She was unconscious, but was soon revived.

WATER UP TO THE SECOND STORY.

On Elizabeth avenue, near the City Almshouse, there stands in a deep hollow an old two-story stone house, the windows of the second floor being almost on a level with the street. The place is inhabited by an Italian family, and when the storm came up a woman and child were in the house. The water from adjacent streets and hills rushed into the hollow in torrents, and before the woman was aware of it the house was entirely surrounded and all access to the street was cut off. The first intimation she had of danger came when the water began to pour in under the door, on the lower floor. Picking up her child, she went to the second floor, where she felt she would be secure. Soon, however, the water climbed up to that floor, and the woman, becoming terror stricken, raised a window and began to shout for help. The section is sparsely settled, and fearing that aid would not reach her, the woman climbed on to the window sill, and was about to leap, with the child in her arms, into the water which surrounded the house, when a man in a carriage heard her cries, and, driving to the curb, alighted and, wading through water almost up to his neck, lifted the child first and then the woman and carried them to the roadway. They then sought shelter in a neighboring house.

TROLLEY CAR RUNS AWAY.

On Springfield avenue, near Boyd street, a trolley car full of people got a bad shaking up. The car was descending the steep incline, when the motorman lost control of it, the water having so thoroughly covered the tracks with mud that the brakes refused to act. The car attained a frightful speed, and finally jumped the track and bounded over the pavement a distance of seventy-five feet, when it struck the curb and a telegraph pole at the same time. The pole was knocked down and the front of the car wrecked, but nobody was injured.

Many merchants, manufacturers and householders who are heavy losers by the storm claim they will combine and sue the city for damages for not giving them proper sewer facilities. Some of them also claim that owing to the false economy practised by the "reform" Board of Works sewers have not been cleaned in a long time and consequently choked up rapidly.

HALL FLOOD IN ARLINGTON.

Streets Converted into Rivers and Much Damage Done by the Storm.

Arlington, N. J., July 6.—Traffic was delayed two hours on the Arlington and Newark Trolley lines to-day by the heavy rainfall, which flooded Elm street, at the foot of Midland avenue, and covered the tracks with a foot of sand, which was washed down the hill.

Gergen's bakery, in Elm street, and Hangren's bakery, at the corner of Midland avenue, were both flooded. The rush of water tore down the rear fence, and the buns and boxes floated out to the small fronting on the Arlington railroad station. The park was converted into a miniature lake.

In other parts of the town, especially on the streets running down from Arlington Heights, the roadways were washed out and scores of sewers were filled with sand, and overflowed, thus converting the streets into rivers of rushing water. The Standard Paper Works, employing about sixty hands, were forced to suspend operations temporarily, the water which rushed down Columbia avenue having flooded the floors to the depth of several feet.

In Laurel avenue two horses fell into the newly filled sewer trenches, and derricks had to be rigged to liberate them. The damage will amount to several thousand dollars. It was the heaviest downpour of rain ever known in this section.

WOMAN DIES OF FRIGHT.

She Falls Unconscious After a Flash of Lightning and Expires Soon After.

Flemington, N. J., July 6.—A severe thunder storm, accompanied by vivid lightning, passed over this section this afternoon.

Mrs. Sanderson, a resident of this town, was sitting on the porch with a group of friends, when a bolt of lightning struck near the house.

"Oh, my, wasn't that sharp!" exclaimed Mrs. Sanderson. All arose and then went into the house. When Mrs. Sanderson reached the hall she sank to the floor unconscious. Drs. Schwenk and Ewing were quickly summoned, but the woman expired shortly afterward without regaining consciousness. There were no marks upon her body, and the physicians think she died of fright.

SCORED THE ALDERMEN.

Opening of Paterson's New City Hall the Occasion for a Lecture to City Fathers by Governor Griggs.

Paterson, N. J., July 6.—The new city hall, which has cost Paterson to date $519,590, was formally opened with impressive ceremonies this afternoon. The speech-making and other exercises took place as arranged, and proved a surprise party for the Board of Aldermen, which took possession of its new home to-day.

The City Hall Commission, preceded by music, marched to the old building, and escorted the Aldermen to the Council Chamber of the new structure. An immense crowd was there to greet them. On the platform were City Hall Commissioners Watts Cooke, Joseph R. Graham, Edward Riley and E. T. Bell, Governor Griggs, Mayor Christian Braun, President William R. Close, of the Board of Aldermen, ex-Mayor Beveridge, Judge John Hopper, W. J. Lockwood, who furnished the building, and clergymen of different denominations.

President Cooke, of the Commission, formally surrendered the keys of the new building to Mayor Braun, and then addressed the assemblage that packed the great room. He reviewed the municipal history of Paterson, and then pitched into the Aldermen.

"Within the past ten years $600,000 has been thrown away on alleged street improvements in Paterson," said he. "Of this $200,000 was for hauling broken stone and clay on the streets and the other $400,000 for scraping it off. (Great applause.) There is not a square yard of first or second-class street pavement in the city." (Cheers from all but the Aldermen.)

President Cooke went on to assert that there is not within 500 miles a poorer paved city of any size than this, and compared it to many where asphalt has been extensively introduced. The hits at the Aldermen were cheered repeatedly.

Governor Griggs in his speech took up the thread of President Cooke's remarks and sent hot shot into the Aldermanic camp. The Aldermen kept silent, but the speech was regarded by the public as a rebuke for the petty politics and lack of foresight that have been displayed in the management of the city government in recent years. He said that the pride of the city will be not so much in the fine building as in the wisdom displayed within. Paterson had a bonded debt of millions and very shabby streets to show for the outlay. It was a bad plan to keep increasing the debt that future generations will have to pay. Something should be left for them unencumbered.

THE GOOD DEACONS SWORE.

Accident Delays Sunday School Excursion, Greatly Annoying the Pious Men.

Trolley car No. 362, of the Consolidated Traction Company, while descending the Newark avenue hill, Jersey City, yesterday, collided with a heavily laden lumber truck of the Woodstock Company that was ascending the hill. The dashboard of the car was smashed, but the motorman escaped injury. The force of the collision threw several of the passengers from their seats. Others prepared to jump, but were reassured by the conductor.

When the car struck the truck it forced the latter off the track. The horses attached to the truck then ran away, but at a curve further up the hill one of the wheels collapsed, throwing the truck across both tracks. This stopped the runaway, and likewise traffic for half an hour. Then a beer wagon pulled the disabled truck off the tracks.

The cars that were stalled were filled mainly with people bound for the Morris street dock, where they were to embark upon a Sunday school excursion.

The conductor of the car stated that some of the good deacons swore roundly at the delay.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSEMBLY.

Large Gathering at the Ten Days' Meeting at Ocean Grove.

Ocean Grove, N. J., July 6.—The twelfth annual session of the Ocean Grove Sunday School and Chautauqua Assembly opened its ten days' meeting here to-day under the most encouraging conditions and with a larger assemblage than at any previous gathering of the kind.

The first day's programme was inaugurated with the "Boys' and Girl's' Hour," at 8 a. m. The first lesson in the course of studies was "Paul's Early Years." At 10 o'clock Professor W. A. Hutchison, of Pennington Seminary, conducted a study in "Sunday School Science" in the auditorium. At the same hour in Thornley Chapel Rev. Dr. B. B. Loomis, of Cambridge, had charge of the post graduate department. The lesson considered was the "Analysis and Introduction to the Acts of the Apostles."

At 5 o'clock the Sunday School "Round Table" held a session in Thornley Chapel and considered the topic of "Difficulties." To-night Dr. Loomis led a praise service from 7:30 to 8 o'clock. The assembly's session will continue until the 16th inst.

OIL MONOPOLY IS BEATEN.

Pipe Line Wins a Big Victory Over the Standard Oil Compnay.

Trenton, N. J., July 6.—The United States Pipe Line Company, which seeks to cross New Jersey with its lines for the purpose of pumping oil from the Pennsylvania oil fields to tide water, won the biggest kind of a victory in the Court of Errors and Appeals here to-day.

The company is a rival of the big Standard Oil Company. Its line across Pennsylvania is well on toward completion. The railroads aided the Standard Oil Company in its fight and refused to allow the pipe line to cross their tracks. The Court of Errors to-day reversed the action of the lower court and the company may proceed to build its line.

Hand Torn by a Big Firecracker.

Bloomfield, N. J., July 6.—Fritz Schelland, a young lad, of this town, had a large cannon firecracker left over from Saturday's celebration, and last night he decided to explode it. The cracker went off while he held it in his hand, which was terribly lacerated. Four of his fingers had to be amputated at the Mountainside Hospital, while his face was badly burned. The condition of the boy is critical, lockjaw being feared.

Watchman Fell and Broke His Leg.

Elizabeth, N. J., July 6.—Patrick Cullan, a watchman at the Crescent Ship Yards, fell from the dry dock last night and broke his leg. He was taken to the General Hospital.

GARRET A. HOBART WILL TALK FOR GOLD.

Strong Sound Money Speech Probable at the Notification Meeting To-day.

It Will Be a Big Gathering and Mr. Hobart Has Prepared a Royal Reception.

MANY BIG POLITICIANS INVITED.

Committee Will Reach Paterson About Noon, and After the Speeches They Will Be Shown the Sights—Mr. Hobart Joyful.

Paterson, N. J., July 6.—Vice-Presidential Candidate Garret A. Hobart was seated on the porch of his house with his family when a Journal reporter called to-night. Mr. Hobart has the most pleasant anticipations of the visit of the Notification Committee to-morrow, and thinks that about twenty members will be here. They are expected to reach Paterson just before noon, and will be under the escort of A. A. Wilcox and John R. Beam.

Mr. Hobart has invited all the members of Congress and Senators from New Jersey and the New Jersey delegates to the St. Louis convention to be present, and will entertain them and the members of the committee at luncheon. Carriages will be in waiting at the railroad station and the committee will be driven directly to Carroll Hall.

Whether the ceremony of notification will take place on the lawn or in the house will depend largely upon the weather. Chairman Fairbanks will make the formal notification, and Mr. Hobart will respond in a speech of about a column in length. It is hinted that the speech will be principally a strong plea for the gold standard.

After luncheon the visitors will be driven to the Passaic Falls and other points of interest, and will inspect several of the larger silk mills. Mr. Hobart looks forward to the meeting as an occasion of keen pleasure.

Twenty-nine members of the committee appointed by the Republican National Convention to notify Hon. Garrett A. Hobart that he had been nominated for Vice-President, held a meeting last night at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York City, which was presided over by Hon. C. W. Fairbanks, of Indianapolis, who was the temporary chairman of the St. Louis Convention. The full committee represents every State and Territory. Only thirty members of a similar committee visited Major McKinley. Telegrams were received from six members of the committee stating that they would arrive early to-morrow, so that at least thirty-five members will be on hand to tell Mr. Hobart of his nomination. Those who attended the meeting last night were:

M. R. Pettiford, Alabama; Edward A. Keeler, Connecticut; J. F. Doyle, Georgia; Isaac L. Elwood, Illinois; Jesse Wirk, Indiana; H. L. Swords, Iowa; J. K. White, Kentucky; Stanley Plummer, Maine; Willard J. Hale, Massachusetts; Harry H. Smith, Michigan; A. D. Davidson, Minnesota; J. L. Manley, Mississippi; B. F. Leonard, Missouri; H. M. Dovey, Michigan; James A. Wood, New Hampshire; Colonel William Barbour, New Jersey; Leispenard Stewart, New York; George H. Ketcham, Ohio; Charles W. Parrish, Oregon; H. S. Denny, Pennsylvania; H. C. Jarvis, Tennessee; Robert T. Hubbard, Virginia; James M. Gilbert, Washington; W. J. Crawford, West Virginia; M. T. Herrick, Wisconsin; Andrew B. Humphrey, District of Columbia, and C. S. Johnson, Alaska.

It was decided at the meeting last night to go to Paterson by the Erie road at 11 o'clock this morning.

CAPS AND POWDER EXPLODED.

Boy Seriously Injured While Loading a Toy Cannon—Another Badly Burned.

Montclair, N. J., July 6.—Elston Courter, a boy, is confined to his home, suffering from injuries which may result in his being crippled for life.

The lad, with several friends, started to load a cannon with paper caps as wadding and was engaged in pounding them in the cannon, when the caps exploded, throwing him to the ground. This was followed by another explosion of a can of powder alongside of the cannon, resulting in Courter being frightfully burned on the legs, from the hips down.

John Bowlsby, one of the other boys, had his hands badly burned.

WEDDED IN TWO LANGUAGES.

Bride Didn't Consider Herself a Wife Until the German Language Was Employed.

Justice of the Peace Lewis McCullough, of Hoboken, yesterday married Anthony Anone, Jr., and Freda Heuser, both of No. 301 Bloomfield street, Hoboken. The ceremony was performed both in the English and German languages, the former for the groom and the latter at the bride's request. She said she would not consider herself married unless the Justice used the German language during the ceremony.

So the service was read, first in English and then in German, and at its conclusion the Justice kissed the bride, received a substantial fee from the groom, and sent the couple away with his congratulations.

SWORE AND FELL SENSELESS.

Train Struck His Wagon and He Was Berating the Crew When He Dropped.

Newark, N. J., July 6.—Henry Robinson, a pedler, of No. 179 Prince street, was driving across the Ninth street crossing of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad to-day, when a train running at a slow rate of speed struck the wagon.

Robinson jumped before the collision occurred, but landed on his back. He got up and began to swear at the train crew, but suddenly sank to the ground again and became unconscious. He was taken to the City Hospital, and it is feared he is injured internally. The wagon was only slightly damaged and the horse escaped injury.

LEAPED FROM A BRIDGE.

Jumped as a Train Approached, but Wasn't Killed.

John Koar, forty-five years old, so several trainmen on the West Shore Railroad stated to the Jersey City police yesterday, leaped from the Newark avenue bridge as a train approached it yesterday morning, and landed between the tracks instead of in front of the train.

The man was taken to the City Hospital, where it was found that he was injured internally. When he recovered consciousness he denied that he intended to commit suicide, but said he fell from the bridge. He will probably recover.

Youthful Elopers Traced.

New Brunswick, N. J., July 6.—Mrs. Joseph Strein, mother of the fourteen-year-old girl who eloped with Frank Witt last week, was informed to-day by Baggage Master Welsh that Witt had checked his trunk to Bridgeport, Conn. She hopes to hear from the missing young people soon, and meanwhile will not make further search for them. She will now consent to the marriage if she can secure the consent of the Church.

Boy Bitten by a Bulldog.

New Brunswick, N. J., July 6.—Daniel McMahon, a small boy living in the Sixth Ward, came across a bulldog at the corner of Easton avenue and Mine street to-day. The dog was gnawing a bone, and Danny thought it would be quite a joke to take it away from him. He tried to do so, but the dog promptly seized the boy by the arm, biting it in several places.

MYSTERIOUS CRIME NOW TO BE PROBED.

Trial of Samuel Carpenter for the Murder of Mrs. Blackwell Will Begin To-day.

She Was Found Shot to Death in Her Home After a Visit from Him.

TRIED SUICIDE AFTER HIS ARREST.

Neighbor Makes Affidavit That She Saw Carpenter at the Window Just After the Fatal Shot Was Fired.

Flemington, N. J., July 6.—Samuel C. Carpenter, of Easton, Pa., will be placed on trial to-morrow at Belvidere, Warren County, N. J., for the murder of Mrs. Rachel Blackwell, in Phillipsburg, on the evening of April 25, 1895. Mrs. Blackwell was the widow of Dr. Andrew Blackwell, at one time a leading physician of Madison, N. J., and the daughter of David Williamson, a wealthy storekeeper of Ringoes, this county.

Carpenter is well known in both Hunterdon and Warren counties, where he has lived during the last few years. At one time he was a prominent politician in Warren County, and during President Cleveland's former administration was postmaster at Asbury. He is a man of excellent education, and is reputed to be wealthy. The trial, upon which depends Carpenter's life or death, promises to be one of the most sensational since the celebrated Castner case a few years ago.

Shortly after Mrs. Blackwell's husband's demise, she moved to Easton, and later moved to Phillipsburg, where she formed the acquaintance of Carpenter. Carpenter, it is said, became very much attached to Mrs. Blackwell, despite the fact that he was married and had a wife living in Easton, where they lived in a pretentious home. Mrs. Carpenter was not aware of her husband's attentions to Mrs. Blackwell, and the couple lived in apparent happiness.

On Friday morning, April 26, 1895, before the sun had yet risen, the police went to the Carpenter mansion and placed Carpenter under arrest upon suspicion of having murdered the Blackwell woman. He denied any knowledge of the crime.

DISCOVERY OF THE MURDER.

Mrs. Blackwell's body was discovered about 10:20 o'clock in the evening. Henry Engle, a well-known Phillipsburg barber, had an engagement with Mrs. Blackwell that evening. He called at the house about 10 o'clock. Engle could get no response to his knocks, and feeling strangely at this occurrence, hastened to Police Headquarters, where he made known the facts.

A policeman was detailed to accompany Engle, and the two went to the Blackwell house, and entrance was forced. The dead body of Mrs. Blackwell was found in her apartments, lying upon the bed. She was in an almost nude condition, and had evidently been dead for some hours. There was a bullet hole in her right temple. Close by her hand lay a revolver with one chamber empty. On the stand, close by Mrs. Blackwell's bed, was a note which was supposed to have been written by Mrs. Blackwell. The epistle requested that all her belongings be given to Mrs. Liscombe Schenck, her sister, at Ringoes, this county.

The following Sunday morning, while Carpenter was still confined in the Easton Jail, he borrowed a razor from a cell-mate and made a desperate attempt to commit suicide by cutting his throat. Physicians saved him, although he lay betyeen life and death for many days. Before committing the act Carpenter wrote a note, in which he directed what course to follow in disposing of his property. In his letter he protested his innocence of the crime charged against him. After partly recovering Carpenter said he was sorry for his actions. Carpenter was indicted by the Grand Jury, but was discharged after a preliminary hearing before Judge Morrow, who held that Mrs. Blackwell undoubtedly committed suicide.

NEW EVIDENCE DISCOVERED.

Early in February more new evidence came out, and upon this Carpenter was indicted again. Why these witnesses did not appear sooner is not stated. It is alleged that a Mrs. Petterson, of Phillipsburg, has made an affidavit to the effect that at 5:45 o'clock in the afternoon preceding the finding of Mrs. Blackwell's body she heard a pistol shot in the Blackwell house, and that a few minutes later she saw Carpenter peering from a window. It is also alleged that Mrs. Carrie Beers, of Phillipsburg, a daughter of Mrs. Petterson, has made affadavits substantiating the statements of her mother. It is also said that Carpenter knew that young Engle was going to call later and that he was jealous. On the same evening the murder was committed, it is alleged, Carpenter called on Mrs. Blackwell and took supper with her. It is also claimed that two women friends of Mrs. Blackwell, who called, saw Carpenter there at 5 o'clock.

Carpenter is about forty-two years old. Mrs. Blackwell was probably his senior by a few years. Carpenter has secured the services of ex-Congressman Harris and ex-Judge Schultz as his attorneys. Prosecutor Angle will have charge of the prosecution, assisted by ex-Prosecutor Stryker, of Washington. The case will be heard before Judge Gummere and a jury. The defence will probably endeavor to show that Mrs. Blackwell was of unsound mind, and that she committed suicide.

It is said that Carpenter's counsel will move to have the case taken to another county for trial on the grounds that the people of Warren County are prejudiced. In this event the trial will probably be heard here. The trial promises to be a lengthy one, and of a sensational nature.

TRAMPS MEET THEIR MATCH.

One Citizen Beats Off Two and Another Overawes a Third.

Boonton, N. J., July 6.—George Estle, of this place, was stopped on the road by two tramps while he was on his way home last night. They grabbed hold of him and tried to rob him, but he fought them hard and succeeded in escaping.

Many tramps were seen in the residence district early in the evening, acting in a suspicious manner, and, although ordered away, they refused to go until the police were summoned. While crossing the iron bridge James Brown, a bookkeeper employed by Peterson & Co., in Montville, was halted by a tramp, who stepped out in the roadway before him. Brown is a big man and the tramp was his inferior in size. After Brown had sternly demanded what the fellow wanted, the latter's courage oozed and he said that he wished merely to inquire the way to the station. He then allowed Brown to proceed unmolested.

Robbed by a Negro Thief.

Passaic, N. J., July 6.—A colored man called at the house of J. V. Lemon at Garfield, this morning, and asked for some food and offered to do some work about the house for it. Mrs. Lemon gave him his breakfast and left him at work in the yard. An hour later she had occasion to go to one of the upper rooms and discovered that several trunks had been broken open, and that considerable clothing and other articles had been taken.

Wheelman's Day To-morrow.

Newark, N. J., July 6.—Owing to the rain yesterday, the managers of the Cuban fair now in progress at Waverly, N. J., decided to postpone wheelman's day until Wednesday.

BABY STANDS BETWEEN THEM AND A FORTUNE.

Sensational Contest Expected Over the Estate of John Brown, of Staten Island.

His Former Housekeeper Claims to Have Been Married to Him Two Days Before His Death.

BROTHER DISPUTES CHILD'S PARENTAGE

Declares There Is No Record of the Alleged Marriage, and Will Fight the Claim to the Bitter End.

Elm Park, S. I., July 6.—John S. Brown, a prominent resident of Staten Island, and for nearly twenty years proprietor of Brown's Elm Park, died on April 22 last and there will probably be a long and bitter fight for the possession of his large estate.

Thomas Brown, of Flushing, L. I., a brother of the deceased, has made application, through his counsel, William Allaire Shortt, to Surrogate Stephens for letters of administration. Miss Jennie Foley, who was John Brown's housekeeper, and who claims to have been married to him, has also made application for letters of administration through her counsel, ex-Judge W. J. Powers.

Brown, who was well known in club circles in New York City, never made a will, but every one supposed that his family would get the property, but in the papers filed with the Surrogate by his former housekeeper some allegations are made, and a young baby a month old is put in evidence to substantiate the claim of the former Miss Jennie Foley, which may result in turning the large estate over to her.

Brown and Miss Foley were regular attendants at St. Mary's, Port Richmond, and in the papers served upon the Surrogate she alleges that Rev. Father Brown, a curate in St. Mary's Church, called at Brown's home two days before his death and at his request the two were married. She also alleges that a little girl baby was born on June 10.

It is said that Thomas Brown, the brother, will endeavor to prove that the child is not Miss Foley's and that it was not born on the date stated, but is several months older than is claimed. Another point the brother will attempt to prove is that there is no record of the marriage of John Brown to Jennie Foley recorded in the Town or Village Clerk's office, as the law requires, and also that there is no record of the birth of the infant called "Jennie Brown."

The brother of the late Mr. Brown is very bitter and promises some sensational developments when the argument is made before the Surrogate to-morrow. The woman claimant kept herself out of sight today and her counsel would not reveal her whereabouts. Inquiry at Elm Park failed to locate the alleged wife as well as the child.

Rev. Father Brown was absent from his home when a reporter called and no information could be obtained to substantiate the woman's claims regarding the marriage.

CHILD RAN AWAY FROM HOME.

She Was Poorly Clad and Was Afraid of Her Aunt, Who Doesn't Like Children.

Six-year-old Alice Rawson, yesterday ran away from her aunt, Mrs. James Robinson, with whom she lived, at No. 474 Monmouth street, Jersey City, so she informed Matron Wyatt, of the Third Precinct Station, because she was afraid of Mrs. Robinson. The child was barefooted and attired only in a little undershirt and ragged skirt.

Matron Wyatt washed and fed the child and also gave her some new clothes. Miss Adele Manon called for the girl later and only prevailed upon her to accompany her when she promised to see that her father placed her in some institution. Alice said her aunt did not ill-treat her, but that she feared her because she did not like children.

THAT BIG ROW IN MIDDLESEX.

Republican State Committee Decides That It Must Be Fought Out.

Newark, N. J., July 6.—A large delegation of Middlesex County Republicans attended the meeting of the Republican State Executive Committee to-day to endeavor to induce the committee to settle the contest for State committeeman from that county.

John H. Conger was returned as elected, but Theodore Strong is contesting his election. John F. Babcock, who was chairman of the caucus which elected Conger, was present with the ballots that were cast to show that Conger was entitled to the credentials. All propositions for a compromise were rejected by the contestants, and the committee decided to let the matter be fought out in Middlesex County.

It was expected that a colored member of the committee would be chosen to-day, but action was deferred.

CAME TO RESCUE A SISTER.

Rehrmer Met the Alleged Cruel Husband, and Both Were Arrested.

Michael Rehrmer is a carpenter and lives in Philadelphia. A sister, Mrs. May Kopolisky, resides at No. 24 Moore street, Williamsburg. Mrs. Kopolisky's married life has not been a happy one, on account of the alleged beatings she has been subjected to at the hands of her husband. A week ago the woman wrote to Rehrmer, telling of her husband's alleged cruelty.

Rehrmer determined to go to Williamsburg and take his sister back with him. He arived Sunday and Mrs. Kopolisky at once began preparations to leave her husband. While she was packing her trunk Rehrmer took a walk about the streets. He met his brother-in-law and they fought. Kopolinsky drew a pair of tailor's shears and Rehrmer a knife. Before they could use the weapons Policeman Beck disarmed them. The two men were then locked up.

When arraigned yesterday in the Ewen Street Police Court, Justice Lemon fined them each $5. Rehrmer paid his fine, but Kopolinsky was compelled to go to jail for five days.

Child Falls from a Window.

While seven-year-old Lucy Duchloe was leaning from an open window of her home on the third floor of No. 16 Tompkins avenue, Williamsburg, yesterday afternoon, she lost her balance and fell to the yard. Her skull was fractured, and an ambulance removed her to St. Catherine's Hospital. Her condition is critical.

Horse Resented a Beating.

Patrick Hoffman, twenty-two years old, of Laurel Hill, L. I., was removed to St. Catherine's Hospital, Williamsburg, yesterday afternoon, suffering from a fractured leg. Hoffman is the owner of a frisky horse, and while driving the animal along Grand street it balked in front of the bridge crossing Newtown Creek. Hoffman then began to beat the horse with a club, and the animal kicked him in the left leg.

A Dozen Rescues to His Credit.

Passaic, N. J., July 6.—While bathing in Vreeland's Lake to-day John Denbleyker, fifteen years old, of Bloomfield avenue, was seized with cramps and sank. Edward Coman, seventeen years old, plunged in and managed to bring the helpless youth to shore, where he was revived. This is the twelfth person Coman has rescued.

SUICIDE AT EIGHTY-TWO.

Man with a Mysterious Past Cuts His Throat with a Jack Knife—Dreaded the Police.

Elizabeth, N. J., July 6.—Luke Hopkins, eighty-two years old, an Englishman, living at No. 141 Sayre street, committed suicide early this morning.

A woman who rented part of the upper floor of his house went to the kitchen at 7 o'clock this morning to prepare a cup of tea. She noticed Mr. Hopkins lying under the kitchen table on his face, evidently asleep. She called his son Charles, believing the old man had become intoxicated and fallen under the table. Charles tried to arouse his father, and turned him over only to find that the old man was dead. There was a long and deep gash across his throat. A big jack-knife lying by his side was the instrument used.

Mr. Hopkins was a gardener, and had lived in this city for fourteen years. Of late he had developed a mortal dread of the police, and hinted at some dark chapter in his life's history. Whenever he saw a policeman he became greatly agitated and nearly had a spasm. It is thought by his wife that he saw one of the dread policemen last night, and, hastening home in mortal fear, cut his throat.

Hopkins leaves a widow and three sons, two of whom reside here. He had said repeatedly that he expected to die suddenly, and had deposited a sum of money in a local bank sufficient to pay his funeral expenses. What bank this is in is not known even by his wife.

The aged suicide was of a quarrelsome disposition, but last evening his sons and some friends were at his home and he seemed more cheerful than for many months. He was in comfortable circumstances, and money matters did not bother him.

Mr. Hopkins was a man of much native ability and education. His peculiar fear of any police officer was known to but few of his acquaintances. He made few friends, and, although his wife and sons refuse to discuss this feature, it is hinted that the cause was connected with a knowledge of some serious crime in England, though it is not thought he had any active participation in it. Whenever he read any account of some great capture of noted criminals he was affected by it for days and became more morose and quarrelsome than ever. What the mystery in his life was which terminated in his suicide will probably never be revealed, as it is not thought that he ever made his secret known, even to his wife.

FIGHT WITH A BLACK SNAKE.

Man Fails to Cut It with a Mower, but Shoots It and the Pet Cat, Too.

Nutley, N. J., July 6.—Abram Tack, of this place, had an exciting experience with a large black snake on his lawn early this morning.

Tack was engaged in cutting the grass, and disturbed the reptile, which had a nest in the deep grass. When the reptile popped up out of its nest Tack tried to kill it by running over it with the mower.

In this he was unsuccessful, and the snake ran up the handle of the mower, causing Tack to drop it, with a yell to his wife to bring a gun. She brought the weapon, and the snake was killed, as was also the pet kitten, which got in range just as the trigger was pulled.

CITIZENS WANT MORE LIGHT

Petition the Council for Lamps Every Night in the Year.

New Brunswick, N. J., July 6.—The Common Council received this evening a big petition, signed by several hundred residents of this city, to sustain Mayor Williamson in his endeavor to get more light for the city. The Common Council is requested to reconsider the contract for using gasoline lamps at $17.25 for 204 nights a year, and award the contract for lighting the lamps every night at $18.50 per lamp, believing that the additional cost will give about one-third extra lighting. The petition claims that it will be a safeguard for the citizens and an effective aid to the police. The petition was signed by nearly all to whom it was presented. The petition was referred to a committee.

POWDER IN THE KEG BLEW UP.

Fireman Was Looking in the Bunghole and May Lose His Eyesight.

Elizabeth, N. J., July 6.—The injuries to John Thompson, a member of No. 6 Fire Engine Company, are more serious than at first supposed. He was celebrating the Fourth in the engine house and had put a fuse in a powder keg in which was a pound of powder. The fuse seemingly went out and Thompson stooped over to examine it, when the powder exploded.

Thompson was burned badly and taken to the General Hospital. It is feared he will lose his eyesight.

FUNERAL IN ONE FLAT, BANQUET IN ANOTHER.

Merry Makers and Mourners Mingle, and the Eulogy of the Dead Is Disturbed.

Grief-Stricken Widow, Driven Nearly Frantic by the Music and Hilarity, Summons the Police.

STRONGEST PROTESTS ARE UNHEEDED.

Policeman Finally Has to Threaten to Arrest Every Member of the Jolly Party, and Then the Noise Is Stopped.

New Brunswick, N. J., July 6.—There was a funeral and banquet at No. 12 Schureman street last night, with mourners and merrymakers sadly mixed.

Two families live in the house, the Wolfes and the Bergens. The families have not been on very good terms. The Wolfes are Hebrews and the eBrgens are Christians. Henry Bergen, a very old man, died a few days ago, and the funeral took place yesterday afternoon. Since the death of her husband Mrs. Bergen has been almost prostrated, but has not had much sympathy from those who lived downstairs. In fact, while the funeral was in progress the Wolfes were preparing to celebrate, on Sunday evening, the engagement of Miss Rose Wolfe and Julius Miles, a Perth Amboy furniture dealer.

While the funeral was going on upstairs and the mourners were hearing the words of eulogy over the dead, kegs of beer were being rolled into the Wolfe apartments downstairs. It was to be a very merry occasion for the Wolfe family, and, as Mr. Bergen's death meant very little to them, they were not going to be deprived of any the amusement of the occasion.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. P. Theodore Pockman, pastor of the First Reformed Church, but the noise was so great that Dr. Pockman was annoyed greatly, and the mourners were on the alert lest some of the merrymakers might rush pell-mell into the room where the corpse lay, by mistake. The entrance to the house is small and narrow. The conglomeration of mourners and merrymakers made such an unusual spectacle that a crowd began to gather. Those who could not understand what was going on speculated as to what such remarkable activity meant, with a hearse in front of the place and crepe fluttering from the door.

When finally the service was over and the body had been removed to the hearse, the guests of the Wolfe family proceeded to get things in shape for the reception. The crepe was hardly taken from the door before supplies for the banquet were hustled into the house. Musicians with instruments under their arms began to tune up, and the house rapidly filled up with people who came to wish Miss Wolfe much joy. Soon there was lively music, and then came dancing. There was plenty to eat and drink, and as the hours went on the party grew merrier and noisier.

Almost alone in her apartments, Mrs. Bergen, the widow, was driven nearly frantic by the sounds of the revelry beneath her. Neighbors came to sympathize with her. One or two summoned enough confidence to protest to the Wolfe family, but the protests went unheeded.

Then Mrs. Bergen decided to appeal to the police. Policeman Bates was sent from headquarters to ask the people to make less noise. The neighbors tried to persuade the policeman to arrest the merrymakers, and when he asked the party to make less noise they sent him off with the information that Mayor Williamson had given them permission to have the banquet and that the police had no right to interfere.

Bates sought the Mayor, who told him that he knew nothing whatever about it. Then the policeman went back to the Schureman street house. There was more noise than ever, and he went in the place and, standing in the middle of the floor, threatened to arrest every one of them if the noise did not stop. Then he remained in the house to see that his order was carried out. The presence of the bluecoat acted as a dampener, and soon after the party dispersed.

School Superintendent to Be Tried.

New Brunswick, N. J., July 6.—The trustees of the State Reform School at Jamesburg will hold their monthly meeting to-morrow. The principal subject to be considered is the charges made by Miss Lillian W. Parant, of New York, against Superintendent Ira Otterson that Miss Parant's brother Robert died at the Reform School without sufficient notice being sent to his family of his illness.

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