TROLLEY DEFIANT, POLICE INDIFFERENT.

Law Against Overcrowding Still Flagrantly Violated in Brooklyn.

Cars Going to Coney Island Jammed with Passengers, and Men Clung to the Steps.

THE CITY WILL NOT PROSECUTE.

There Are 1,800 Policemen, Fifteen Judges and a District Attorney Who Are Paid to Enforce the Law, but They Allow Corporations to Do as They Please.

There is a law, or ordinance, which forbids trolley railroad companies of Brooklyn carrying over 50 per cent more passengers than they can seat. There are 1,800 policemen, fifteen judges and a District-Attorney to enforce the ordinance. The trolley magnates, however, pay no more attention to the ordinance than if it were a resolution adopted by a barroom campaign club. They act as if they were above and beyond law or courts. They run their cars when they please, how they please and where they please.

The public were assured, however, after a trolley car had killed two persons and wounded twenty, that overcrowding would not be permitted any more. The Journal told its readers Monday morning how President Johnson's promise was carried out the day before—cars were crowded worse than ever, and the police looked on listlessly, as if afraid to interfere with a railroad company which openly violated the law in their presence.

The thing was repeated Monday, and the police did not interfere.

There was no improvement yesterday. Cars were run with as many passengers as they could carry or drag. The company's own rule forbidding passengers to ride on the steps was violated a hundred times, especially on the Coney Island lines.

A Journal reporter who passed along Rogers avenue yesterday afternoon saw a dozen cars whose passengers exceeded the legal limit and who rode on steps and bumpers. To be specific the numbers of some of the cars are given: Nos. 362, 747, 365, 167, 344 and 136.

The Brooklyn Heights Company violated the law, especially on the Flatbush avenue line. Car No. 1,251, which passed the City Hall last night, was crowded and men stood on the steps. Police stood by and made no attempt to interfere. The Corporation Counsel says he cannot enforce the ordinance, and it would be unwise to bring any action against the corporations, as the civil courts are crowded with cases of violations of the trolley speed ordinance.

TROLLEY INJURES THREE.

A Nassau Car Smashes into a Coach at the Bergen Street and Carlton Avenue Crossing.

The reckless running of a trolley car caused another serious accident similar to the one which happened at Prospect Park Sunday, when a hearse was wrecked by a Flatbush car.

Miss Minnie Kane, of No. 876 Dean street, and a relative named Charles Brophy, hired a coach from Thomas J. Washburn at No. 1177 Bedford avenue, for a drive through Prospect Park.

The coach rolled up Carlton avenue about 2:30 o'clock. John Scully was driving. Car No. 389, of the Bergen street line, bound for South Ferry, came tearing along. Although Carlton avenue is a favorite street for drivers of pleasure vehicles and bicyclists, Nassau trolleys cross it at the highest rate of speed night and day. Car No. 389 crashed into the coach, causing it to partly upset. Miss Kane was thrown from her seat and injured about the head and body, and one of her ribs was broken.

Driver Scully was thrown to the pavement, receiving a scalp wound and probable concussion of the brain. Mr. Brophy was shaken up considerably. Both horses were injured, one seriously, and the carriage was almost wrecked.

Miss Kane was removed to her home and Scully was taken to his residence, at Classon avenue and Fulton street.

MORE VICTIMS OF THE CARS.

Boy's Foot Crushed, Man Thrown from His Horse and a Woman Hurt.

Gustave Miller, five years old, living at No. 123 Suydam street, Brooklyn, had his right foot crushed by car No. 1,847, of the Myrtle avenue line, at Evergreens avenue. The boy was taken to St. Mary's Hospital, where it is thought likely that his foot will have to be amputated.

Walter Turner, forty years old, of No. 1173 Fulton street, Brooklyn, was riding on horseback along Seventh avenue last night, when a trolley car struck his horse. Turner was thrown from the saddle and received several scalp wounds, which were dressed by an ambulance surgeon from the Seney Hospital.

Mrs. Olivette Beard, who lives at No. 97 Clinton avenue, Brooklyn, was alighting from a Fulton street trolley car at Bedford avenue yesterday afternoon, when the car suddenly started off. The result was that her left arm was fractured and her back injured. An ambulance carried her to the Homoeopathic Hospital.

NEARLY KILLED IN A SALOON.

McCallan Went to the Barkeeper's Assistance and Suffered in Consequence.

Justice Nostrand, in the Grant Street Police Court, Flatbush, yesterday, held William Leavey, of No. 701 Atlantic avenue, and Henry France, of No. 371 Eleventh street, without bail for examination for an alleged felonious assault upon Thomas McCallan, of No. 668 Classon avenue. The assault took place in Simon Wren's liquor saloon, at No. 620 Classon avenue, on Monday.

The two men were under the influence of liquor and tried to clean out the place. They smashed a $500 plate glass mirror, broke the bar fixtures, hurled the bottles at the customers, and, when the bartender asked them to leave, they attacked him. When McCallan tried to rescue the bartender they beat him. He is now in St. Mary's Hospital, and was reported yesterday to be in a critical condition.

Accused of Passing Worthless Checks.

Charles Eldred, of No. 17 Arlington place, Williamsburg, who until a short time ago was a bookkeeper in the employ of his father, a Washington Market merchant, was held for trial in the Lee Avenue Police Court yesterday on a charge of passing a worthless check on Jacob Jud, a saloon keeper, at No. 104 Lynch street, and of grand larceny, preferred by Mrs. Mary Woods, of No. 156 Lynch street. Eldred has been out of work for some time. On Monday evening he passed the check for $20 on the saloon keeper, and yesterday morning was arrested in the store of William Ryan, No. 701 Bedford avenue. He was attempting to pass a check for $10. Some time ago, while a boarder at the house of Mrs. Woods, he is alleged to have stolen a diamond ring from the landlady valued at $40. In default of $1,000 bail on each charge, he was sent to jail.

JUDGES NOT APPOINTED.

It Was Expected That Mayor Wurster and His Cabinet Would Fill the Four Places Yesterday.

Something like one hundred Brooklyn Republicans and one Democrat have applied for appointments as Police Justices. Four are to be appointed to succeed Justices John J. Walsh, James G. Tighe, Adolph H. Goetting and Daniel G. Harriman, whose terms will expire next April. Justice Harriman is a Republican.

The appointments are to be made by the Mayor, Comptroller and City Auditor. They were to have been made yesterday, but the deals were not consummated. The appointing board met yesterday and reappointed Justices Charles Teale and Andrew, as there was some doubt about the formality of their appointments a year ago.

Among the applicants for appointment are Frank H. Vogt, I. A. Stanwood, a nephew of James G. Blaine; Andrew J. Perry, James G. Tighe, Daniel G. Harriman, ex-Justice Richard H. Laimbeer, Seth R. Johnson, Arthur P. Hinman, Colonel William Hemstreet, Jacob Brenner, William Kramer, George C. Brainerd, who is backed by Theodore B. Willis; George W. Hart, John F. Brush, Morris W. Hart, Assessor Edward H. Schlenter, Reuben H. Underhill, James T. Williamson, R. J. Shadbolt and Peter W. Ostrander.

Mayor Wurster has announced his purpose to appoint William Kramer; Comptroller Palmer's choice is Louis R. Worth, son of the Republican boss, Jacob Worth, and if City Auditor Sutton does not change his mind over night he will select Assessor Henry Bristow.

Jacob Brenner, counsel for the Police Department, expects the fourth place. Ex-Justice Richard Laimbeer is said to be Mr. Brenner's rival. Mr. Laimbeer was on the Bench a year and made an deal. Judge Hu is backed by Congressman Hurley and other South Brooklyn men.

GLEASON DIDN'T SETTLE.

The Strikers On the Water Works Decide, However, to Give Him Another Day.

Out of the two hundred-and-odd strikers who on Monday night quit work on the extension of the mains of the Woodside Water Company, which is said to be the property of Mayor Gleason, of Long Island City, only one reported for work yesterday. His name is James Murphy. None of his fellow-workmen, however, interfered with him.

The strikers assembled at the mains early in the morning and inquired if any news had been received from Mayor Gleason in regard to his promised adjustment of the difficulty. Hugh McElarney, the Mayor's former stable boy, who is officiating as timekeeper, had no satisfactory news to impart to the strikers.

A meeting was then held in Paul Geyer's hall, on Jackson avenue, near the boundary line. Charles McLaughlin was chairman. One of the strikers stated that Civil Engineer Patrick Leahy promised to pay the men $2 a day as soon as they reached the city limits with the work. "We have been working over twelve hours a day for several weeks, including Sundays," said the speaker, "and all we received so far for overtime and all is $1.80 per day. Now we want $2 per day."

After several of the strikers had counselled moderation it was resolved to give Mayor Gleason another day in which to settle the difficulty.

CORKEY LEE A PRISONER.

Long Island City's Dog Catcher Fined $10 for Clubbing a Horse.

Richard, otherwise known as "Corkey," Lee, the official dog catcher of Long Island City, was a prisoner in the East Avenue Police Court yesterday, charged with cruelty to animals. The complainant was William Dusing, the local agent of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Lee, it appears, hired a horse and wagon from Daniel Sheehan, of Jackson avenue, whenever he went in search of dogs. The horse was somewhat balky, and Lee tried to remedy this defect a few days ago by clubbing the animal with a blackjack. Several witnesses testified against "Corkey," who protested his innocence of the charge. Justice Duffy imposed a fine of $10 upon him, whereupon the dog catcher remarked: "I'll get hunk with every one who testified against me."

BRYAN INDORSED IN QUEENS.

Democratic Central Committee and the Committee for Newtown Stand by the Ticket.

The Democratic Central Committee of Queens County met in Jamaica, L. I., yesterday afternoon, with County Clerk John H. Sutphin, who is the Queens County member of the Democratic State Committee, in the chair. Resolutions indorsing the nominations made by the National Convention at Chicago were offered, and after some discussion adopted. The sentiment of the individual members of the committee was entirely in favor of Bryan and Sewall, but not all of them favored the absolute indorsement of the platform.

The Democratic Committee of the town of Newtown met on Monday night, an unusually large number of members being present. Resolutions indorsing the Democratic nominees for President and Vice-President were adopted with but two dissenting votes.

SEEKING WILSON'S RELEASE.

The Alleged Burglar's Counsel Claims the Appellate Court Error.

Justice Osborne, of the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, was petitioned yesterday for a certificate of reasonable doubt on behalf of Harry Wilson, who was convicted of burglary in New York last March.

Wilson was, as alleged, one of the men who stole $10,000 worth of diamonds from Mrs. Frances Barnes's residence, No. 239 Central Park West, last December. He was convicted and the conviction was approved by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court.

Sumner B. Stiles, who appeared for Wilson, said the Appellate Court erred when it held that one of the diamonds found in a drawer in Wilson's room was stolen by him. Others had access to the drawer. Decision was reserved.

Motorman Knocked Him Out.

Charles Harrigan, a truck driver, is at his home, No. 284 Humboldt street, suffering from fractured ribs, alleged to have been inflicted by William C. Colderwood, a motorman on the Grand street and Newtown line of trolley cars, on Monday evening on Grand street, Williamsburg. Colderwood was arrested yesterday morning at his home in Newtown, and in the Ewen Street Police Court was held for trial by Justice Lemon on a charge of assault in the second degree. Harrigan, it is alleged, refused to leave the track in front of the trolley, and the men fought in the street. Colderwood used a switch bar and knocked out his opponent, who was afterward taken home by friends. Colderwood insists that he acted in self-defence.

Paraders Will Ride Camels.

An unusual parade will take place to-night from West Brighton, Coney Island, up the Ocean Parkway to Cycle Villa, a new road house which will be opened by Harry McDowell, the actor and baritone singer. Several sporting men and actors, friends of McDowell, have chartered fourteen camels from Victor Rodite, manager of the Streets of Cairo, and will ride them to the proposed scene of festivity.

Bryan Indorsed in Brooklyn.

At the regular semi-monthly meeting of the Horatio Seymour Club, the largest and most influential Democratic Club in the Twenty-eighth Ward of Brooklyn, held on Monday evening, at Cooper Hall, the nominees of the Chicago Convention were indorsed amid much enthusiasm.

Blackened His Wife's Eyes.

Joseph Pfister, of No. 253 South Fourth street, Williamsburg, was sent to jail for three months yesterday by Justice Lemon for giving his wife, Mary, a pair of black eyes. The wife explained that her husband made a practice of beating her.

WILL INVESTIGATE LASSEN'S DEATH.

It Is Claimed the Dying Trooper Was Neglected at the State Camp.

When Stricken He Lay in a Tent Half an Hour Without Medical Treatment.

SENT HOME WHEN HOPE WAS GONE.

His Mother Believes His Life Could Have Been Saved Had He Received Proper Attention—Buried with Military Honors in Greenwood Cemetery.

William H. Lassen, a member of Brooklyn's crack military organization, Troop C, was buried with full military honors yesterday afternoon. Hardly had the last spadeful of sod been thrown upon his grave before it became known that the young man's untimely end would probably furnish the basis for a searching inquiry, which promises to involve, if not to tarnish, the names of certain men of high standing in the National Guard of the Empire State.

Lassen, who was within a few months of his twenty-second year, was an enthusiastic Guardsman. He was a leading spirit in Troop C, and had numerous friends in the Twenty-third Regiment. It was while orderly to Major Tettamore, the post surgeon at Peekskill, that Lassen was taken ill the middle of last week. He was seized with hemorrhages, and after recovering somewhat he was overcome by the heat. He was taken to the restaurant pavilion, where, it is said, he lay for more than a half hour waiting for the ambulance corps to remove him to the hospital tent. Even after the arrival of the Corps, his treatment was anything but satisfactory to his friends.

On Thursday last, Lassen's condition growing decidedly worse, it was deemed best to send him home. When this decision was arrived at the young soldier was so weak as to cause grave fears for his recovery.

Despite Lassen's sorry condition, he was sent home in the care of two ordinary privates, and when one of his friends asked that a doctor be sent with him, he was told that the medical men of the post could not be spared.

Lassen was in a state of coma when taken to his home by his comrades. The family physician and one or two specialists, together with trained nurses, were at his bedside. From the outset it was said that the patient's condition was too far gone to admit of recovery. Every remedy known to medical science was applied, but young Lassen slowly declined, and died Sunday evening.

The dead man lived with his mother at No. 356 Carlton avenue, from which place the funeral was held. The casket, which lay in the front drawing room, was covered with floral offerings, gifts from his comrades in arms and other friends. The members of Troop C were present, and as the coffin was lowered into the grave in Greenwood cemetery a bugle sounded "taps."

Friends of the stricken mother declare that her indignation against the officials at the State camp is without bounds. She believes that her son's life would have been spared but for the apparently culpable negligence of her son's superior officers. She is still too much prostrated to speak of the matter, but friends who are supposed to reflect her views say that young Lassen's death must and shall be thoroughly investigated by the State officials. A movement to this end will be made without dealy.

TO CHECKMATE TROLLEY.

Property Owners Will Try to Save Ashland Place from the Greedy Corporation.

John M. Van Wagner, of No. 42 Ashland place, Brooklyn, and other persons owning property on the street, yesterday began a fight to save it from the inroad of the trolley system.

The Brooklyn City Railroad and its lessee, the Brooklyn Heights Company, secured Rockwell place Sunday by what are considered devious methods. Yesterday they started in to gobble up Ashland place, a quiet, old-fashioned street of comfortable homes. It runs from De Kalb avenue to Hanson place. It is just a block above Rockwell place.

The company intended to run railroad tracks, trolley poles and wires through Ashland place.

The moment the property owners heard of this they retained Lawyer William Hughes to secure a temporary injunction against the companies. The writ was granted by Justice Osborne and served on President Rossiter, of the Brooklyn Heights system, and Secretary Shenn, of the Brooklyn City Railroad Company. The writ is returnable next Tuesday.

The petitioners declared that they never consented to the running of trolley cars past their doors. They consented to horse cars, but their consents lapsed long ago by legal limitation.

FIREMAN DAWSON CONVICTED.

Jury Declared Him Guilty of Abducting Thirteen-Year-Old Lottie Simpson.

Fireman Nicholas Dawson was tried for abduction in the County Court, Brooklyn, yesterday, and convicted. Dawson was until a few days ago connected with engine Company No. 31.

The indictment upon which he was tried accused him of abducting Lottie Simpson, an attractive girl about thirteen years old, who lives on Third avenue.

The principal witness was a hotel clerk, who drove Dawson and the girl out of his house two weeks ago. He said Dawson represented the girl first as Mrs. Dawson and then as his niece.

The jury was out two hours. It declared Dawson guilty, but recommended mercy in his case. He was remanded for sentence. Dawson has a wife and family living in Conover street. He was dismissed from the Fire Department a few days ago.

A Pet Poodle Goes Mad.

The pet white poodle dog owned by Richard F. MacChain, of Newkirk avenue, near Flatbush avenue, Brooklyn, went mad yesterday and had to be shot. It was valued at $250. It chased Mr. and Mrs. Daniel MacChain, Charles Vought and the two-year-old son of Mr. MacChain into the street. The child had his dress torn by the dog's teeth. The dog had the full run of the street for five hours before his master came home and shot him.

Can't Exhibit Living Pictures.

Justice Osborne, of the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, yesterday granted a temporary injunction against an amusement concern doing business on Sheridan Walk, Coney Island. The managers are forbidden to exhibit living pictures on screens by means of an invention, the control of which is vested in the Vitascope Company.

Young Laughlin Runs Away Again.

Victor Laughlin, a wayward boy, has again disappeared from his home, No. 203 Lewis avenue, Brooklyn. He went away last Saturday, and his parents have been searching for him since. He has disappeared about a dozen times in two years.

Col. Adams's Condition Improved.

Colonel Henry H. Adams, who was thrown from his carriage on Fulton street, Brooklyn, Monday, is much improved. He was taken to his cottage on Ruffle Bar. Colonel Adams expects to be well in about a week.

NAVAL MILITIA IN THEIR ISLAND CAMP.

Dress Parade of the Amateur Tars Reviewed by Ex-Governor Bulkeley.

Yacht Oneida Sighted and a Salute Fired in Honor of the President.

CLEVELAND WAS NOT ON BOARD.

New York Boys Break Camp To-day and Start for Home, Stopping at Sands Point to Carry Out Some More Drills.

Gardiner's Island, L. I., July 14.—The dress parade of the naval militia, encamped on this island, in honor of Assistant Secretary of the Navy McAdoo, occurred this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. During the past few days every effort has been made by the militiamen to make this affair a success. The men have been carefully drilled in marching and the manual of arms.

Governor Morton had been invited to be present, but did not arrive. He was represented by Captain H. Y. Satterlee, one of his military aides.

Mr. Benedict's steam yacht Oneida arrived at 11 o'clock this morning, flying what was at first supposed to be the President's flag, and after dropping her anchor the Dolphin belched forth a salute of twenty-one guns. President Cleveland, however, was not on board. The flag was that of ex-Governor Buckley, of Connecticut.

The sailors from the cruisers Montgomery, Cincinnati and Dolphin came ashore in uniform early in the afternoon and joined in the parade. At the head of the column was Commander Reynolds, of the Connecticut battalion. Next came the Rhode Island Naval Militia, in charge of Captain Little, followed by the New York divisions, Lieutenant-Commander George E. Kent in command, and the Connecticut battalion, in command of Lieutenant Eaton.

The reviewing officer was ex-Governor Buckley, in place of Assistant Secretary McAdoo, who resigned in honor of the Governor. A party of ladies witnessed the parade. In the party were Mrs. McAdoo, Miss Eva McAdoo, Mrs. Richard Clover, Mrs. McFerguson and Miss McFerguson.

The different battalions made a very handsome appearance as they marched for about a half hour over the hills near the camp, and it is thought that Governor Bulkeley was highly gratified with the review. To-morrow the New York militia will break camp at 4 o'clock in the morning and leave for Sands Point on the cruiser Montgomery. The second division will sail down the Sound in one of the ships' cutters, leaving at the same time as the cruiser. The Connecticut militia will not leave until Thursday, and the Rhode Island on Friday.

Assistant Secretary McAdoo gave a dinner on the Dolphin last evening, at which all the commanders of the ships and camps were present. Mr. Benedict will give a dinner to-night to Governor Buckeley on the yacht Oneida, at which all the commanders will be present. Ex-Governor Bulkeley paid an official visit to the Montgomery, Cincinnati, Dolphin this afternoon, and as he left each ship fired a salute of seventeen guns.

HOPE TO AVOID ACCIDENTS.

Trolley Cars Will Present Their Closed Sides to the Deadly "L" Road Pillar.

On several occasions the Journal pointed out the danger resulting from the passing of Nassau cars by the deadly "L" road pillar in front of No. 5 Fulton street, Brooklyn. A score of passengers were seriously injured by contact with it. Two men were killed there.

Yesterday President Johnson, of the Nassau Company, announced that hereafter cars would be run so as to prevent accidents. In passing the pillar the cars will present their closed sides instead of their open ones as at present.

CHARGED THE CITY DOUBLE.

Treasurer Knapp Refuses to Pay Bills for Repairs to the Water Works.

Treasurer Lucien Knapp and the Finance Committee of the Long Island City Board of Aldermen are investigating a number of bills which the Treasurer declares he will not pay unless compelled by the courts to do so. The bills were recently presented for audit and are upward of twenty in number. They represent repairs done to the city's water works, and range from $15 to $200. The purchases, Treasurer Knapp says, were divided into small lots, under $500 each, so as to avoid the provisions of the city charter, which provide for competition in amounts larger than $500.

"From the investigation which I have personally conducted," said Treasurer Knapp yesterday, "I find that the prices charged Long Island City for some goods are double what they are quoted on the market. For instance, a ten-inch valve which is sold anywhere for $25 is billed to Long Island City for $65; a twelve-inch valve for which we are charged $60 can be bought in New York for $34, and a sixteen-inch valve for which we are billed $114 is sold on John street for $64. A Bristol recording guage which can be purchased anywhere for $35 is billed at $50, and there are a number of other articles which are equally high as compared with market prices."

SURPRISE FOR CONEY ISLAND.

Residents Found That Surf Avenue Was Actually Cleaned of Its Garbage.

That the protests of Coney Island citizens before the Health Commissioner in Brooklyn on Monday had borne good fruit was demonstrated yesterday when surprised citizens saw garbage men at work and found that Surf avenue had actually been cleaned.

There is talk of a formation of an organization of the citizens of the Island to see to it that their interests are not neglected and that there may be no relapse to the apparent effort to improve the sanitary condition of their part of the city.

Cyclist Suydam's Critical Condition.

Dr. Beldin, the physician who is attending Charles B. Suydam, the bicyclist who, at Far Rockaway, last Sunday, overexerted himself and fell from his wheel, states that his patient is in a critical condition, as a result of heat prostration and concussion of the brain. Suydam, who lives in Queens, was said to have been scorching on the way home.

Elevated Extension Nearly Finished.

The Franklin avenue extension of the Kings County Elevated Railroad will be finished next Wednesday, after which time the company will run through trains from Fulton ferry and the Bridge to Brighton Beach. The extension connects the "L" road and Brighton road tracks at Butler street.

Dropped Dead While at Work.

William Tully, a laborer employed in laying out Highland Park, just over the city line of Brooklyn, dropped dead while at work yesterday. His body was removed to his late residence, Myrtle avenue and Walworth street.

Stricken with Apoplexy and Drowned.

Woodbury, N. J., July 14.—Horace Cramer was stricken with apoplexy while painting the Gloucester ferryboat to-day and fell into the river and was drowned before any assistance could be rendered him.

THEY FOUGHT TO A DRAW.

Captain O'Grady and Colonel Morton Have a Pugilistic Argument in the City Clerk's Office.

A harmless little fly has served to throw the Brooklyn City Clerk's office into a wild state of belligerency. For years past the office has been a quiet retreat and rest for men too powerful and dignified to work. They have moved in and moved out listlessly. Not even pay day disturbed the even tenor of their way.

Last Friday one of the clerks fell asleep in an invalid chair. A little green-tailed fly lit upon his nose, awakening him so suddenly that he almost died from the over-exertion of awakening hurriedly.

The next day he had a resolution drafted providing for electric fans in the office. Captain William Leonidas Demosthenes O'Grady, one of the clerks, who dearly loves a joke, induced Alderman Myers, a practical joker, to introduce the resolution at Monday's meeting of the Board of Aldermen.

When Colonel Charles Benjamin Morton, one of O'Grady's associates, heard of this he decided to take the Captain to task. The Colonel was as mad as a whole army corps when Captain O'Grady reached the office yesterday morning.

Said the Colonel to the Captain: "You are no gentleman, sir."

And the Captain said to the Colonel: "You are talking through your hat."

Shots like these were exchanged until the Captain was as mad as the Colonel, and the two sons of Mars started in to thrash each other. After dancing around the Colonel led with his right and tapped the Captain on the nose. The latter let go his terrible right and struck the Colonel on the shoulder. Then they sparred for wind.

Resuming the aggressive, the Colonel drove his left out in the direction of the Captain, catching him in the eye. The Captain winced for the moment, and let both fists fly, striking the Colonel on the body.

Mr. Benjamin called time, and the combatants retired to their corners to resume their work of editing the minutes of the Common Council. The battle was a draw.

KILLED BY A PILE DRIVER.

A Hammer, Weighing Over 3,000 Pounds, Slipped and Struck Two Workmen, One of Whom Died Instantly.

Archie McDougall, thirty-six years old, of No. 802 Willow avenue, Hoboken, foreman for Evans & Moore, who are building docks in Wallabout Basin, was killed yesterday afternoon by being hit on the head by the hammer of a pile driver. Albert Olsen, twenty-four years old, a laborer, of No. 98 Ninth street, Brooklyn, was at the same time hit and is suffering from a fracture of the skull.

Evans & Moore are Philadelphia contractors, who are building the new docks in Wallabout Basin. The pile driver employed yesterday had already sunk the pile under water, and was driving it further by aid of a short superimposed pile. McDougall and Olsen were holding this pile in place. The big hammer, weighing 3,200 pounds, was elevated ready to descend when the chain holding it slipped from the cog wheel and it descended, hitting McDougall a glancing blow on the back of his head. He was killed instantly. Olsen also received a glancing blow on the side of his head.

Policeman Kiely was on hand, and summoned an ambulance. Olsen was removed to the Homoeopathic Hospital. McDougall's body was sent home.

DRIVEN OUT BY FLAMES.

The Handsome Home of Mrs. Gilbertson White, on Prospect Heights, Damaged to the Extent of $45,000.

Mrs. Gilbertson White's beautiful home at No. 233 Park place, Brooklyn, was partly destroyed by fire at daybreak yesterday. Flames were discovered on the second floor by a domestic who, luckily for all concerned, awoke in time to avert a loss of life.

She aroused Miss Bessie White, who ran to her mother's room and urged her to flee for her life. In a few minutes Mrs. White and her family were on the street. Their neighbor, Dr. Felix, sent in an alarm and then rushed into the house for the purpose of fighting the fire, but he was driven back by flame and smoke.

The flames raged furiously for an hour. The beautiful furniture and costly bric-a-brac, which filled the house, were destroyed, and several costly paintings were ruined. The loss is about $45,000. Mrs. White recently spent $30,000 in decorating and refurnishing her house, which is one of the finest on Prospect Heights.

The family was to have gone to the Adirondacks yesterday.

OLD MEN IN A FOOT RACE.

Mr. Vanderveer, Seventy-eight Years Old, Beats Mr. Walsh, Seventy-seven Years Old.

A novel race took place yesterday between William A. Vanderveer, proprietor of the Concourse Hotel, on Surf avenue, and "Pop" Walsh, well known as a driver of fast horses, on the Ocean Parkway. Mr. Vanderveer is seventy-eight years old and "Pop" Walsh is one year his junior. They have been warm friends for many years.

When the two met yesterday, after a separation of several months, the greeting was punctuated with a bottle of wine. They chatted about old times, when they belonged to the Volunteer Fire Department. Many reminiscences were told. Finally the two friends became boastful. Mr. Vanderveer still thought he could outrun "Pop" Walsh, as he had done in days gone by. Mr. Walsh asserted his ability to outrun Mr. Vanderveer any distance for a bottle or two. The challenge was accepted. The race was made for two laps along the entire length of the veranda. Dr. Albert Chambers was appointed sole referee of the meeting, and started the men, while many guests applauded wildly. Both were game and made a very good showing. Mr. Vanderveer finished first, about three yards in the lead of Mr. Walsh. They were both badly winded. When they had rested the wine wagered was drunk.

DOCTORS SAVED HIS NOSE.

Knocked Out of Shape in an Accident, but Is Straightened Again.

Paterson, N. J., July 14.—While Haina Lowell, a Haledon farmer, was driving across the West street bridge last night, his horse took fright at a trolley car and dashed madly across the bridge and up Hamburg avenue. Lowell was thrown over the dashboard directly under the horse's hoofs, and the wagon passed over his body.

He was carried to the hospital in an unconscious condition. Two deep gashes, one above and the other below the eye, and a compound fracture of the nose, were his worst hurts. The physicians performed a difficult operation on the man's nose and restored to its former shape. Lowell, although in a serious condition, will recover.

Boy Drowned at Washington Park.

Woodbury, N. J., July 14.—Willie Toomey, a boy who was with a large excursion party, was drowned at Washington Park, this afternoon, while bathing in the river at that place. George Martz, a companion, pulled Toomey from the water, but life was extinct. Hundreds witnessed the fatality, but only small boys were in the immediate vicinity, and older persons were too late in arriving on the spot to be of any service.

Queens County Excise Fees.

Joseph Dykes, County Treasurer of Queens County, yesterday turned over to Treasurer Lucien Knapp, of Long Island City, $33,472.65, the receipts for the month of June under the Raines law. The amount previously paid over was $29,841.65, making the total amount coming to Long Island City up to July 1, $63,304.30. The excise money last year amounted to $19,500.

DOG AND ALLIGATOR FIGHT TO THE DEATH.

Pleasure-Seekers Witness a Desperate Battle in the Water at Coney Island.

'Sailor" Finally Reaches the Saurian's Throat and Puts an End to the Combat

THE CROWD CHEERS THE VICTOR.

"Cap Lawson," the Alligator, a Victim of Misfortune from the Time It Leaves Its Former Home in the Swamps of Florida.

When "Sailor" finished a sharp, short and decisive contest without gloves with "Cap Lawson" at Coney Island yesterday the latter was dead as any saurian whose hide ever formed covering for a valise. "Cap Lawson" in its brief stay at the island demonstrated that it was the most unfortunate alligator ever captured. It was in a railroad smashup while en route from its sunny home at the mouth of the San Bastia River, Florida. It received a number of bruises in this wreck.

When it reached Coney Island, Victor Levitt, to whom it had been sent as a present, looked on it as a white elephant, and decided to get rid of it as soon as possible. A happy thought occurred to Mr. Levitt, and he took the unfortunate creature to the police station, where, in a speech that was full of expressions of high regard for Acting Captain Lawson, presented it to the genial head of the Coney Island police. Captain Lawson responded in a speech of thanks, but indicating between the lines that he wished that everything did not come to him who waits.

The 'gator did not look any better than it apparently felt, and was chained on the lawn at the station house. It drew large crowds, and Captain Lawson decided that in doing this it was violating section 675 of the Penal Code. So the officer thought it well to get rid of the ungainly creature.

He convinced Captain Paul Boyton that he needed an alligator, and then cheerfully supplied him with the one he had.

Captain Boyton owns a dog named Sailor. He is a medium-sized dog, and "Cap Lawson," as the alligator had been christened, treated him somewhat contemptuously from the first. Finally, yesterday, it decided to chase the dog. Each animal was equally at home in the water or on land. The dog ran for a few minutes from the aggressive animal. But when the pursuer nipped one of his hind legs, Sailor turned back and a fierce fight followed. The dog stuck his teeth into the thick hide of the saurian and tore at its throat. They rolled over and over in the water, biting and scratching each other, and leaving a trail of blood.

Finally, with one fierce grab, Sailor tore a gash just behind "Cap Lawson's" neck that ended the misfortunes of the animal. The excited crowd cheered wildly, and Sailor is the hero of the hour at the island.

DR. STOLTZ'S RESIGNATION.

The Staff of the Memorial Hospital Hope the Managers Will Not Accept It.

All the mangers of the Brooklyn Memorial Hospital are absent from the city. For this reason nothing has been done with reference to the resignation of Dr. Rosalie Stoltz, one of the staff. Dr. Stoltz resigned as a protest against the treatment of Miss M. E. Black, superintendent of the nurses. It was alleged that she neglected her duty and spent considerable time talking to Dr. Stoltz in her room.

Dr. Jennie V. H. Baker, chief of staff, said Miss Black was not strong enough to stand the exacting duties of her position. As for Dr. Stoltz, Dr. Baker said it was the hope and belief of the staff that her resignation would not be accepted.

Burglar Caught in a House.

William Finke, who claims he lives in Chicago, was held for trial yesterday by Justice Nostrand, in the Grant Street Police Court, Flatbush, on a charge of attempted burglary. Finke had a complete outfit of burglar's tools and was caught in the house of Mrs. Mary T. Pratt, at No. 1224 Fulton street, on Monday. Detective Raleigh claims that Finke is a well-known burglar. He was placed under $1,000 bail.

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HOME SEEKERS TO MEET.

State Convention of the Building and Loan Associations to Be Held in Brooklyn To-day and To-morrow.

The State convention of building and loan associations will be held to-day and to-morrow at the Pierrepont Assembly Rooms, Pierrepont street, Brooklyn. There will be representatives from about three hundred and fifty organizations in the convention.

The convention will be called to order at 10 o'clock, at which hour Mayor Wurster will deliver the address of welcome. President Thomas F. Larkin will respond. In the afternoon the delegates will enjoy the entertainments provided by the local organizations.

The programme for to-morrow will include the following addresses: "The American Home, the Safeguard of American Liberty," Professor Haskins, of Poughkeepsie; "Home Owning and Taxation," Charles O'C. Hennessy, of New York; "The Proper Functions of a State Examiner of Building-Loan Associations," Charles R. Hall, of the State Banking Department; "Should the Premium Be Abolished in Building-Loan Associations?" J. Addison Robb, of Brooklyn; "How We Provided for Paying Maturing Shares," Gilbert S. Barnes, of Tottenville, N. Y., and Edwin F. Howell, of New York. The convention will end to-morrow night.

There are 370 building-loan associations in New York State, with a membership of about one hundred and fifty thousand and assets of over $50,000,000. About thirty-six out of the 370 can hardly be called building-loan associations, as generally understood. These thirty-six are simply corporations organized under the building-loan association law, but controlled by a few individuals, as distinguished from the local associations, which are co-operative in character.

Chinaman Says He Was Abused.

Ling Lee, a Chinese laundryman, of No. 210 Bedford avenue, Williamsburg, in the Lee Avenue Police Court, yesterday accused James O'Brien, a neighbor, of assault. He alleged that on Monday evening the prisoner pulled him about the laundry by his queue. He had no quarrel with him and gave him no provocation whatever. He could not make himself thoroughly understood because of the absence of an interpreter, and the trial was adjourned, the prisoner being paroled.

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