

FEVER SUSPECTS
THE LOWEST DISTRICTS.

Cordon to Be Placed Around the Lowest Downtown District.

EXPERTS SATISFIED NOW.

They Agree That Genuine Yellow Fever Had Made Its Appearance at Ocean Springs.

New Orleans, Sept. 9.—Leading expert physicians of the Louisiana Board of Health have reported to this body that several suspicious cases of fever have been located on St. Claude street, below Elysian Fields street, in the third or lowest downtown district of this city, and advise the board to take immediate charge of the cases and to place a cordon around the block so that it may be completely isolated.

This will be done, and should the cases prove to be yellow fever, as feared, the board will use all the accessories of modern medical and sanitary skill to confine it and stamp it out. In the same locality resides Mr. Alcee Leblanc, deputy United States Marshal for this district. He had been at Ocean Springs and was ill with fever after he got back, but is now well.

Several of the suspicious cases are children, but it is not known that any of them have been at Ocean Springs.

Sheray Seymour died at 1 o'clock this morning at Ocean Springs, of the prevailing fever. As soon as his death was reported arrangements were made to hold an autopsy. Drs. Murray, Carter and Wadlin, of the Marine Hospital Service, and Drs. Lehman, Dunn, Gant and Bailey were present. At the conclusion of the autopsy the following telegram was sent to Surgeon-General Wyman, at Washington, by Dr. Murray:

"Third autopsy held by Wadlin. Diagnosis yellow fever, consented to by Guleras, Carter, Gant and Manimans. Above was one of suspicious cases seen by Guleras yesterday.

This telegram sets at rest all doubt as to the existence of yellow fever at Ocean Springs, and the Marine Hospital Service now fully realizes that it is grappling with the awful plague.

Dr. Tackett, who went to Perkinston to visit Dr. Sheedy, who had been in attendance on patients at Ocean Springs, has returned and reports that Dr. Sheedy has yellow fever. Dr. Sheedy himself says the symptoms are those of yellow fever.

The detention camp outfit is now on its way to Ocean Springs from Wagoners, Ga. It will accommodate from 500 to 1,000 persons.

Morning trains from the coast towns brought few passengers to this city. Many of the passengers no longer are traveling out of the city to the coast towns, and everybody who intended to come to New Orleans has already done so.

The Employing Association of Cornice and Skylight Makers sent no communication to their striking employees yesterday, though it was known that the association had held a secret meeting the evening before.

This ominous silence is construed by the labor leaders as a challenge. The cornice and skylight makers evidently accepted it as such, for they sent pickets early in the day to the buildings, which association contractors are doing all roofing work.

As soon as non-union men are put to work on these buildings general strikes of all the other trades will be declared.

Outside of the association twenty-three employers in New York, six in Brooklyn and three in Jersey City have granted the demands of the strikers. In all, more than one-half of the strikers have gained their demands, and the strikers say that two men at least belonging to the employers' association have broken ranks and granted the advanced demands.

The strikers met at No. 64 East Fourth street yesterday and appointed a Strike Committee of sixteen, to whom all the pickets must report.

The last strike of the cornice and skylight makers took place in 1880. The union won, but it required six weeks to do so. The union has been in preparation for the strike for three months, and the employers were notified three months ago that the demand of the strikers was an advance from \$3 to \$3.50 would be made on September 7, and would be enforced by strikes.

TO CONTROL FRANCHISES.

An Association Will Be Incorporated to Inquire into the Methods of Public Appointments.

The Association for the Control of Public Franchises, of which the Rev. Dr. Ramsford is president, held a meeting yesterday afternoon to consider and ratify the purposes of incorporation, preliminary to having the body incorporated under the laws of the State.

The object of incorporation adopted are as follows: "To promote and advocate such constitutional and legislative enactments, and such economic and political reforms in relation to the grant of public franchises and the control of all public franchises and natural monopolies depending upon exclusive rights in public property, or upon contracts made in violation of the public interest, and to secure the public interest in the use of public franchises under which the private corporations of New York are conducting quasi-public business."

FINANCIAL GHOST
WALKS BACKWARD.

Unsuspecting Drummers Taxed for the Defunct Mutual Accident Company.

A FARCE COMEDY SITUATION

Seven Cents the Minimum Demand, but It Is No Joke with Court Costs Added.

The ghost of a long dead insurance company is stirring in its winding sheet and causing former members to quake in their shoes.

It is not fear that creates the tremor of those to whom the wrath appears; it is anger—sheer, impotent rage. For the apparition speaks with a voice from the tomb, impressing upon them the axiom, as applied to unlimited liability companies, "Once a member, always a member."

It seems like a farce-comedy situation of finance, this being taxed for the liabilities of a concern that is no more than a memory. Within the past week 131,000 men of commerce have been summoned to the various district courts to defend suits for the settlement of policy claims arising out of the winding up of the United States Mutual Accident Company, the very existence of which many of the defendants had forgotten.

To these individuals the farce-comedy aspect of the situation is not so apparent as it is to other thousands who have not waited to be sued, but have prudently settled demands, some of which were as low as seven cents.

Their anger has acumen enough to realize that the joke of being asked with portentous legal solemnity for seven cents would be a joke no longer if costs of court were added to the amount claimed.

The United States Mutual Accident Company was a gilt edged affair in its way. That is, it was gilt edged to those who drew salaries from it. President Peet, of clothing renown, earned \$20,000 a year from it. But his lot was a hard one compared to that of the secretary, J. R. Pitzer, who was entitled to \$1 a year for every member enrolled. As the membership amounted to \$1,000 at one time Mr. Pitzer had no need for ambition—to use an Anglicism—to call the Queen his cousin.

The members were nearly all commercial travelers and their generosity to the officers of the company had much to do with its collapse. In June, 1885, the company was dissolved by an order of the Supreme Court and Henry Winthrop Gray was appointed receiver. It devolved upon him to apportion the liability of \$485,000 among the members, and an arduous task it proved. He was obliged to trace back each separate debt to the time it had been incurred and to apportion the assessment for it among those who were members at that particular period.

As many members had dropped out each year and others had carried three or four certificates each and others were members only three months each year—when they were actually "on the road"—the receiver's intellect was nearly smothered under a weight of figures before he had finished his task and sent out 100,000 notices of assessment to something over 150,000 men.

CLOTHES MAY PROVE IT.

Suit and Hat Similar to That Worn by Mrs. Whitman's Assailant Found in James Allen's House.

Detective Donovan arrested last night a colored man named James W. Allen in a house on New street, Irvington, N. J. The man is believed to be the assailant of Mrs. Whitman. In fact, Captain McMann, of Police Headquarters, says Allen has been positively identified by one of the women who saw him on the morning of the assault.

When arrested Allen wore a suit of dark clothes, which he claimed were the only clothes he had. The police on searching his room found a suit of gray clothes and a light hat similar to those worn by Mrs. Whitman's assailant.



Mme. Gadske, the leading soprano of the Damosch Opera Company, arrived yesterday from Berlin. She comes at this time to fill a number of concert engagements previous to the opening of the opera season, the first one being at the Worcester Festival, where she will take the place last year held by Miss Nordica. Mme. Johanna Gadske Tauscher is but twenty-two years old, and has been a member of the Damosch opera forces for four years. She made her first success in Berlin, and may be said to have been discovered by Mr. Damosch. "Mr. Damosch," she said yesterday, "has again engaged me for three years, and after singing at several concerts I shall appear during his opera season as Elsa, in 'Lohengrin'; Elizabeth, in 'Tannhauser'; and Zesta, in 'The Flying Dutchman.' Since I have been away I have appeared in Berlin as Dona Elvira, in 'Don Juan.'"

MINERS' WIVES
MOBBED EVICTORS.

De Armit's Deputies Kicked, Scratched and Beaten by Women.

BACKED BY WINCHESTERS.

Miners' Families Thrown from Their Homes with the Aid of an Armed Guard.

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 9.—The eviction of the families of two of the New York & Cleveland Gas Coal Company miners this afternoon precipitated another riot in connection with the big coal strike. Sixty deputy sheriffs intrusted to evict the strikers and their families were mobbed by men and women and forced to flee to save their lives.

They returned a short time later with heavy reinforcements and evicted the strikers and their families while protected by thirty more deputies armed with Winchester.

The first eviction was at Centre Hill, close to the Plum Creek Mine. When the deputies arrived there unexpectedly they turned James McCabe and his wife and family out of the house and unceremoniously pitched the furniture out after them. The eviction was speedily accomplished, but before it was over a mob of over a hundred angry women had gathered around McCabe's little home. They allowed the deputies to go away, and then the women forced the house open and carried all the furniture inside again.

Meanwhile the deputies had hurried on to Clarksville, where John Cule and his family were rudely hustled out of doors, closely followed by the furniture. There the women employed similar tactics to those adopted by the women of Centre Hill and soon had the furniture back in the house.

Then the rioting began. The sixteen deputies, forming the evicting party, returned and charged the Clarksville women with the intention of disposing of them and emptying the house once more. The women resisted, and a fierce struggle followed. Inside the house and out deputy sheriffs were attacked by women. A dozen engaging the attention of each man.

Others of the deputies attempted to draw their revolvers, but it was taken from them. They had no time to do so. They were knocked down, kicked and scratched, and those who were fortunate enough to gain their feet lost no time in getting out of reach of the infuriated women.

During the excitement many of the miners arrived. They at once took sides with the women in punishing the deputies, who scattered in all directions. The deputies returned to Clarksville an hour later with their reinforcements, and despite the protestations of the miners and their wives, evicted Pike and his family again.

Thirty deputies stood guard around the house with their Winchesters pointed at the angry men and women while the furniture was being carried out of the house and piled up in the road. Then the house was pulled up and the deputies marched across to Centre Hill, where McCabe and his family were ejected from their home in the same way. The evicted families have been furnished shelter for the night by the neighbors. Further and more serious trouble is expected to-night if any further evictions are attempted.

Street Sprinkler Arrested.

Bycicle Policeman Fogarty yesterday arrested Matthias Holdcamp, of 224 East One Hundred and Tenth street, for sprinkling the roadway of Fifth avenue, above Fifteenth street, after the hour of eight a. m., in disregard of a new order of the Board of City Works. When the policeman ordered the sprinkler to stop Holdcamp gave the bicycle a shower bath by way of retort. The policeman let up on him in kind, however, as the sprinkler's seeming defiance was upon further acquaintance with him set down to mere stupidity. Holdcamp was discharged.

POSTAL CLERK ARRESTED.

David H. Osborne, Jr., Accused of Embezzling About \$100.

David H. Osborne, Jr., inquiry clerk at Station P of the Post Office in the Produce Exchange, was arrested yesterday by Chief of Detectives Ashe, of the Secret Service, on a warrant issued to Superintendent West by the United States Marshal, Federal Commissioner Alexander.

Osborne is charged with embezzling \$23,000. He has been in the postal service since 1872, and is married, has one child and resides in Brooklyn. He was held in \$2,500 bail for examination to-morrow.

SERVANT SHIELDS HIS EMPLOYER.

Walter Wicks Pleads Guilty of Theft to Save Mrs. T. B. Mann.

Mrs. Grace Mann, of No. 354 West Fifty-sixth street, widow of T. B. Mann, who at the time of his death was manager of the Atlantic coast system of hotels, which extended from Long Branch to Florida, was arraigned yesterday morning in the Yorkville Police Court, charged with defrauding the Consolidated Gas Company. Walter Wicks, a servant, who has been in her employ for the past fifteen years, was arraigned on a similar charge.

Mrs. Mann was arrested on complaint of Inspector Henry J. Miller, of the 23d company. He alleged that on the night of August 27 he called at the flat occupied by Mrs. Mann with a collector named Blake. They found Wicks in the act of replacing the gas jets which had been taken out. The two pipes were connected by a piece of gas tubing, which enabled the occupants of the flat to use the gas without there being any record of it.

When Mrs. Mann and her servant appeared in court yesterday morning she readily admitted her guilt, and told Magistrate Brain a plea which she had been trying to support her family since the death of her husband. Wicks informed the court that he even pawned his clothing to do with the matter, and that he alone had been responsible.

This statement seemed to affect the woman, who protested against the young fellow taking the blame upon his shoulders. She said that her husband had given young Wicks a bill of five years ago, and that he had been in the family ever since that time. When her husband died she was left penniless, and had pawned nearly every article of value she possessed to keep her family in order to get food for her and her three small children.

BRITONS MIND ABOUT PANAMA.

But Her Financiers Look Upon the Canal with Great Favor.

NO GOVERNMENT GOLD.

Such a Purchase Would Be Contrary to the American Policy of Lord Salisbury.

By Frank Marshall White. (Copyright, 1897, by W. R. Hearst.) London, Sept. 9.—As I cabled some weeks ago, there has been an undoubted attempt to form a syndicate to take over the Panama Canal work, but it is impossible to say to what extent the scheme has succeeded.

The English Government is certainly not interested, for several reasons. In the first place such action would be adverse to its present general policy with regard to complications in America. In the second place, there is no practical way in which it could become interested, except that of finding the cash, which it could not do without the consent of Parliament, and in the third place it could have easily had it wanted, to have taken over the concern at a ridiculously low figure, when the De Lesseps smash came about.

Great Future Predicted. All English financiers are looking to the development of the canal and the expansion of trade with Japan and China. They confidently anticipate a great future for any canal should it one day be built, and as money is still pretty plentiful here, I would not be surprised if the purchase of all the rights be effected.

Leading financiers, however, deny all knowledge of any such scheme, but then there are only a few who are in it, and these are keeping quiet.

A good deal of attention is now being devoted to the warlike preparations of the United States, about which jingo and imperialist papers are trying to stir up the public. The Daily Mail, for instance, remarks: "British Dock Needed."

"We had an illustration of the capacity that furnishes the background for Yankee bluff a short time ago when repairs needed by the American fleet were performed, to be accomplished in a British dock. The unpleasant truth is that America can only afford to burn powder in ornamental fires, which commensurate Independence Day. She is not in a position to fight even a small number of that confederacy of European nations which have been accustomed to war and preparations for war during many costly centuries.

"Her navy is very decorative but very ineffectual, confronted with the problem of fighting and the more immediate difficulty of getting to sea and remaining there. We are sorry to admit these facts. It is a good thing that a young sister of ours, and we should be sorry to see her whipped by a one-horse country like Spain. But we cannot contest the obvious conclusion that the American fleet had better keep to writing warlike articles in the newspapers and firing off squibs on the Fourth of July, instead of rushing into battle with stupid Europeans who mean business and fire real bullets."

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"He is coming from Europe to-day," replied the owner of the urban hen, meekly. "Well, I shall be happy to postpone the case until Tuesday. Bring your husband with you on that day."



The American Theatre, Forty-second Street and Eighth Avenue.

LOOKING over the announcement of the benefit entertainment to be given Saturday evening at the American Theatre, a distinguished opera singer noticed that the name of no tenor appears on the list. "I wonder if I could be of any help to the Junior Republic?" said he, and somehow this remark reached the hearing of the many managers of this remarkable vaudeville combination. And that is the way that William Pruett's name came to be added to the programme. Mr. Pruett last season sang in "Rob Roy," and this season he is in Frank E. Murray's "Wedding Day" company, with Lillian Russell and Della Fox and Jefferson De Angells.

Now the programme is complete, and it represents the best on the stage, "all stars" to repeat a hackneyed expression that is sometimes used with little consideration for the truth. In this case it is used with adequate regard for the facts.

Cast a glance down the programme—Camille d'Arville, Dorothy Morton, Viola Clarke, Josephine Hall, Marie Lotius, Hilda Pratt, Juliet, De Wolf Hopper, Romeo, Nurse, Miss Dorothea Morton, Miss Josephine Hall, Dave Warfield, Henry Norman, Miss Marie Lotius, William Pruett.

per and Jefferson De Angells, the great comedians of the comic opera stage, are to play the balcony scene from "Romeo and Juliet." Mr. Hopper playing Juliet and Mr. De Angells playing Romeo, while R. H. Burns will be the nurse, to the Hopper Juliet. That announcement is a clincher.

The cast is remarkable, is it not? The vaudeville programme is equally unusual with a combination of the leading managers of New York to direct a "one-night show" with it again the thought that the Journal Junior Republic is the wonder worker, not the poor boys for whom it was instituted, but also in arousing the gener-

PROGRAMME.

Under management of Andrew A. McCollan, Harry Mann, George B. McLaughlin, George W. Lederer, T. F. Shea, A. H. Woodhull, Oscar Hammerstein, Charles E. Evans, W. D. Mann, Peck & Field, Edwin Knowles, E. F. Van Duzen, Ridgely Aronson.

Stage Director... Winfield Blake
Overture.....Orchestra
MISS VIOLA PRATT GILLETT.
(a) O Don Fatall
(b) Down by the River.

ELIASON, the Mormon Wizard.
MISS HILDA CLARKE.
Balcony Scene from "Romeo and Juliet."

Juliet.....De Wolf Hopper
Romeo.....Jefferson De Angells
Nurse.....R. H. Burnside

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MISS JOSEPHINE HALL.
By permission of E. E. Rice.

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By permission of Stanley E. Rorke.

HENRY NORMAN.
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MISS MARIE LOTIUS.
By permission of Weber & Fields.

WILLIAM PRUETT.
By permission of Frank E. Murray.

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The case will probably be fought to the court of last resort.

MRS. O'BRIEN UNCONSCIOUS.

No Explanation of the Mysterious Assault at Westport, Conn.

Saturday Evening, September 11, Beginning at Eight o'Clock.

osity of people whose assistance is most valuable. With this management it was no trouble to gain permission for the appearance of the stars. Mr. Rice, as one of the directors of the Journal Junior Republic benefit, just had to ask himself, as manager of "The Girl from Paris," if Miss Hall and Henry Norman might help the boys by appearing at the American Theatre, and then to notify himself, as one of the managers of the benefit, that he had granted the permission. Weber & Fields went through a similar dialogue, in relation to the appearance of Miss Lotius, Mr. Lederer and Mr. McCollan, of the Casino, told Mr. Lederer and Mr. McCollan, of the Junior Republic benefit, that Dave Warfield's generous impulse to play for the benefit of the poor boys should not be hindered from the managers' office. Mr. Rorke had assent ready when the request for permission for Miss D'Arville to sing was made. Mr. Murray was pleased when he learned that the tenor of his company, Mr. Pruett, had asked if he might help the boys.

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Westport, Conn., Sept. 9.—Mrs. Daniel O'Brien, who was found last night in an unconscious condition in her home, has not revived.

A close examination of the woman's injuries shows a deep cut an inch and a half in length in her head back of the right ear. The wound is a clean one and gives no indications of contact with a piece of furniture such as would be expected had she been struck by the corner of a table. The wound looks as if it had been made with a knife or some sharp instrument. The right side of the head is frightfully bruised and the eye is closed. O'Brien insists that he first knew of his wife's mishap when he found her body on the floor by the bedside. The neighbors declare that the couple have quarrelled and O'Brien at one time accused his wife of trying to poison him.

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