

# BROOKLYN TUNNEL NEARING THE RIVER

### Three Hundred Men Will Be Working Under the Water in a Few Weeks.

### SOLID ROCK IS BORED

### Men Working in Steel Hoods on the Brooklyn Side as a Precaution Against Cave-In of Gravel.

### STEAM DRILL DRIVERS USED

### Dirt and Rock Taken from the Excavations Removed Without Expense to the Contractor.

Work on the rapid transit tunnel to Brooklyn has progressed nearly to the water's edge on the Manhattan side. Within a few weeks three hundred men will be digging under the bed of the East River.

The work on the Brooklyn end is not so far advanced. The men are working further east from the bottom of the 90-foot shaft, through which the men dig Garden street. It was decided to go east a short way before starting toward the East River.

Only Solid Rock So Far. On the Manhattan end the men began working toward the water as soon as a shaft forty feet deep was sunk into Battery Park. So far they have encountered only solid rock, and they have not been compelled to work within steel hoods. On the Brooklyn end a steel hood is used constantly on account of the caving gravel. This hood is provided with several heavy steel doors, through which the men dig. Only one door is opened at a time, so the men are constantly behind a strong steel wall.

As the hood is pushed along a cast iron shield or tube is placed into the excavation. This shield is let down in wide belts, each in eight sections, with a "key" at the top to buckle together. These cast iron belts are concrete lined to protect the iron from rust. On the Manhattan end, the steam drill drivers work under the protection of compressed air.

### Dirt Carried Away in Scows.

From the Battery Park shaft an elevated wooden runway has been built to the water's edge, near the Barge Office. All the dirt and rock taken from the tunnel is run down to the water on hand cars and dumped into scows.

Andrew Onderdonk, the contractor, has arranged with contractors who are filling in Governor's Island and other places along the water front to remove the rock and dirt for the material and without expense to him.

## LANGLEY TO JOIN BELL

### Two Professors May Carry on Tests with the Latter's Kites in the Bras of Old Lands.

BANDON, C. B., Thursday.—Professor S. P. Langley, of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, is expected here soon to join Professor Alexander Bell in experiments with the latter's kites in the hope of establishing the feasibility of aerial flight.

Professor Bell's work has been almost altogether with kites, and his success makes him confident of the solution of the airship problem. He has abandoned the use of silk in the construction of his machines and has taken a lighter and stronger material, which resembles silk in its texture. Thus far he has succeeded in having his kite remain stationary in the air and has himself risen in one of the airships.

### Expect Professor Langley to Take Personal Charge of His Airship.

WIDENATER, Va., Thursday.—Charles M. Manly returned to Quantico at six o'clock this evening, following an all day visit in Washington, where he is believed to have held a conference with Professor Langley, who is expected to join the airship expedition to-morrow, and it is known that preparations for his arrival have been made at the Mount Vernon Club, where he will make his headquarters.

## GIRL IMPALED ON FENCE

### "Don't Scare Mamma" the Plea of Dying Little One to Playmate.

Impaled upon a picket fence while playing see-saw with a playmate, little Mabel Eleanor Smith, eight years old, was fatally injured yesterday. She died within an hour of the accident, which occurred in front of the home of her father, John L. Smith, cashier of the Joy Steamship line, at No. 57 Berwick avenue, Brooklyn. It was witnessed only by little Madeline Lewis, a neighbor.

The girls placed a board across the fence top and each climbed upon an end. When the board slipped Mabel was high in the air, and fell upon the sharp point of a picket, which penetrated her side.

Mabel's first thought was solicitude for her mother, who was in the rear of the house. "Help me, mamma," she faintly said, "but don't scare mamma."

Madeline is but seven years old, but managed to release her playmate from her predicament, and then got her to the kitchen. There Mabel became unconscious and her mother almost collapsed. Physicians were summoned, but the child was then beyond medical aid.

## Church Roof Falls; Two Hurt.

With a crash that could be heard for several blocks a portion of the roof of the new First Baptist Church building at Patterson, N. J., gave way at ten o'clock yesterday morning. Delmar Shepard, of No. 108 Broadway, Patterson, and Emil Lester, of Preakness, carpenters, were crushed beneath the rafters. The former was fatally injured; the latter had both legs broken.

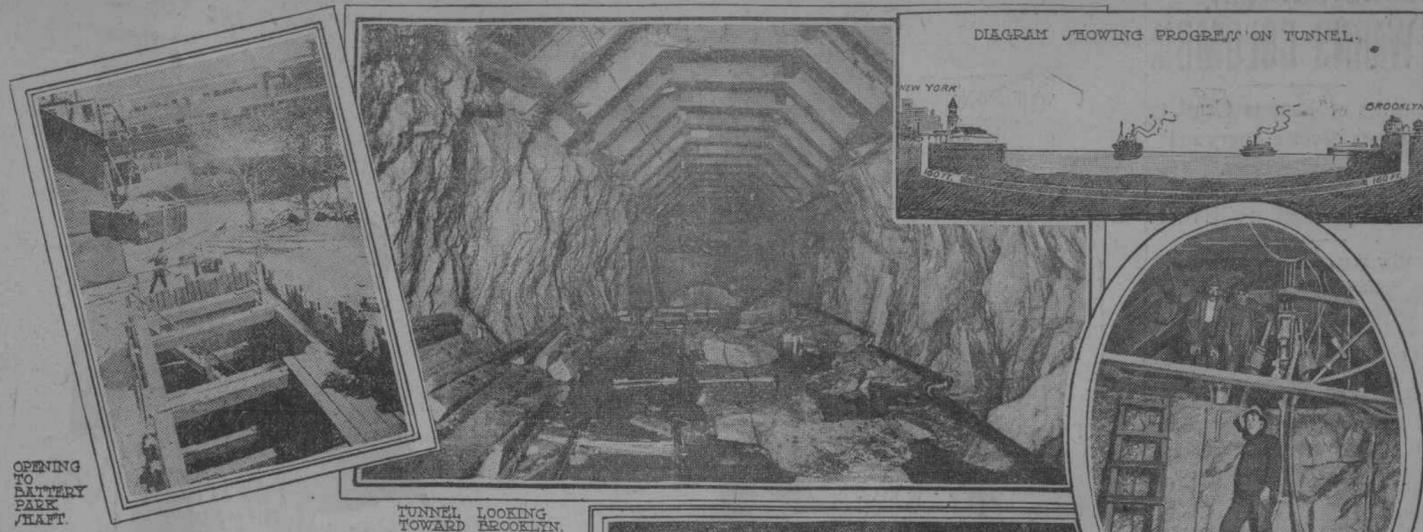
## Rare Fossils Feed the Flames

### J. G. W. Havens Valued One Specimen Alone at More Than \$20,000, and It and Many Others Are Destroyed.

Of \$20,000 from a museum of natural history. There is said to be only one other specimen of the same kind in existence. Other losers are Mrs. B. F. Cowles, Frank Chamberlain, Ida N. Chaffee and the Adams Express Company, who had stores or offices in the building.

There is no hydrant water supply in the town, and the fire protection being a chemical engine. The Manassan department was sent for, and after making the long trip rendered some aid, but a bucket brigade formed of townspeople and summer visitors had already done much in preventing the fire from spreading. The cause of the fire is unknown.

# Scenes Showing Progress of Work on the Tunnel from the Battery to Brooklyn



## LITTAUER SELLS CITY PROPERTY FOR CHILD BRIDE

### Representative Disposes of a Parcel in Harlem for Unnamed Consideration.

### SECRETARY ROOT IS HERE

### Washington Investigations, Into Glove Contracts Result in Further Interpreting Revelations.

Although it was generally believed that Secretary Root, in his conference with the President on Wednesday and yesterday, discussed the charges made against Representative Lucius N. Littauer in regard to glove contracts for the government, the Secretary would not discuss the matter when he passed through this city yesterday on his way to Washington.

Mr. Root would not admit that Mr. Littauer's name had been mentioned, although there is no reason to doubt that it formed the principal subject of discussion.

Coming upon the heels of the charge made against him and the pending official investigation comment was aroused yesterday by the disposal of a parcel of real estate by Representative Littauer.

He conveyed to Isaac Heller the property in the north side of 134th street, 48th feet west of Seventh avenue. The lot is seventeen feet wide and 99.11 feet in depth.

## "DUMMY" BIDDING A GROWING EVIL

### Glove Revelations Lead to Belief That System Has Long Been in Operation.

HERALD BUREAU, No. 734 FIFTEENTH STREET, N. W., WASHINGTON, D. C., Thursday.

Constant revelations made public from day to day concerning army glove contracts, and especially those in which Representative Lucius N. Littauer is now charged with having an undue interest, have led to a suspicion, amounting almost to a belief, that the "dummy" system of bidding has been in force several years.

The Herald's despatch from Oyster Bay this morning, which said the Littauer brothers were directly behind the transaction of Edwin H. Taggart, whose bid was still up June 24 last, and is still in suspense pending investigation, has led to a still further scanning of contracts in the office of the quartermaster general. As a matter of fact, the Taggart contract of last June is no contract at all, as it was never signed by the quartermaster general.

Taggart was the lowest bidder, but the award was not made and still remains to be decided. It was stated today at the department that the further investigation and decision of this bid hinge entirely on the future action of the Secretary of War.

It is not unusual in bidding for government contracts for firms to be represented by their agents. This, however, is generally understood with government officials, and when the name of an agent appears as bidder it is usually and customarily for him to name the concern for which he is acting. This does not constitute the "dummy" system proper. It is only when the real firm fulfilling the contract is not known to the government officials, and remains entirely in the background that the inguities of the "dummy" system appear.

Representative Littauer appears as bondsman for one contract given to Daniel H. Hays & Co., June 3, 1902. The name of William Littauer, brother of the Representative, appears as bondsman for three contracts awarded to E. R. Lyon, whose transactions with the government are now the subject of investigation, and it was said today, though not on the authority of War department officials, that agents and employees of the firm of Littauer Brothers have appeared as bondsman for several other contracts awarded during the last five years.

Whether or not there was a combination among the bidders for the army glove contracts, or whether the firm of Littauer Brothers was a member, remains yet to be developed.

The experience of Timothy Keck, who is said to have been barred from bidding on all future contracts because of the discovery of an agreement among members of the Philadelphia ring, of which he was a member, has called attention to a coterie of other bidders, in which the Littauer Brothers are now suspected of having been silent partners.

While not absolutely illegal, Judge Advocate General Davis has already pointed out the impropriety of a Representative in Congress appearing as bondsman for an army contractor.

### Young Bridegroom, Accused of Abduction, Moves Magistrate Barlow by His Appeal.

### MOTHER ALONE IS UNMOVED

### Sympathetic Woman Official Adds Her Petition in Behalf of the Newly Wedded Couple.

Magistrate Barlow, in the Yorkville Court, was called on yesterday to decide whether a young married couple should be separated, the husband of the girl being accused of abduction, his bride being only fifteen years old.

The young man, Joseph Schmidt, a painter, twenty-two years old, of No. 1357 First avenue, fell upon his knees and pleaded that he be not parted from his wife. Magistrate Barlow was moved and adjourned the case until to-day.

Schmidt married Bertha Beaton, who lives with her parents at No. 333 East Seventy-second street, July 25. The Rev. Henry P. Bell, a Lutheran clergyman officiating. The girl then went back to her parents without telling them of the marriage. She waited a week, while Schmidt arranged to live with his sister, Mrs. Hiegel, at No. 2073 Eighth avenue. Last Saturday she went to live with her husband and wrote to her parents, asking them for their blessing.

The parents obtained a warrant for Schmidt's arrest on a charge of abduction. Every one in the court room, with the exception of the mother of the girl, was visibly affected by the appeal. Miss Smith, a probationary officer, also appealed for their release.

"I sympathize very much with this young couple," she said. "I would like to discharge them. Tomorrow I will render my decision."

### WOMAN IN BANKRUPTCY

### Miss Platt, Dealer in Stocks, First of Her Sex in Connecticut to File Petition.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.] NEW HAVEN, Conn., Thursday.—Miss Sarah S. Platt, a young woman who has dealt in stocks for several years, today filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States Court. She is said to be the first woman in this State to take advantage of that law. Miss Platt's liabilities are about \$100,000, assets nominal.

"She is a daughter of David Platt and resides with her father in the town of Orange. For several years Miss Platt had employment as an expert accountant. Recently she has been engaged in the insurance business. She invested her funds in stocks and for a time appeared to be successful. A sharp fall in mining stocks is said to have caused the trouble.

### HUNTS FOR MR. SCHWAB

### Young Man Says He Has Been Commissioned to Chase a Bust of Mr. Carnegie for Him.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.] ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Thursday.—Charles M. Schwab was first interested and then annoyed this afternoon when he learned that a young man who had asserted he was a sculptor and that he had an order in his pocket from Scotland to chase a bust in marble of Andrew Carnegie, had named of C. Bentheim. The young man had come to New York to find Mr. Schwab. Bentheim exhibited while here a miniature profile, which he said was to be submitted to Mr. Schwab for approval. He said he was a graduate of Elizabeth College, Wilmington, N. C.

Mr. Schwab said he would like to meet the young sculptor, who, he believed, was deceiving those whom he met with his improbable story.

### Arrivals at the Hotels.

Waldorf-Astoria.—Senator J. H. Millard, New York, and E. M. Gray, Salt Lake City, and W. Searle, Cape Town, South Africa. Imperial.—R. H. Mitchell, Boston, and F. H. Murray, Etihad, Col. Grand John D. Starr, Baltimore, and E. A. Bell, Helena, Mont. Waldorf.—P. L. Wright, Chicago, and E. B. Tidd, Cleveland. Victoria.—C. H. Gallacher, Buffalo, and A. C. Enstee, Elmira. Park Avenue.—J. A. Mather, Cleveland, and H. D. Bush, Montreal. Madison.—Marco A. Restrep and Ramon Uribe, Medellin, Colombia. Manhattan.—A. W. Whitney, Morristown, and Charlesman-Tower, United States Ambassador to Germany. Murray Hill.—James Brooks, Hartford, and R. G. Dodge, Louisville. Fifth Avenue.—G. W. Fairchild, Omska, and C. M. Ellison, Toronto. Hotelman.—H. H. Stone, Hartford, and G. Dwight, New York, Baltimore.

### BOYS STRAY FROM NURSE AND DROWN

### While Guardian Engaged in Conversation Two Children Wander Far to Creek.

### CRIES ARE HEARD TOO LATE

Straying from their nurse while the latter was engaged in conversation with a friend, Andrew McCormick, four years old, son of Andrew J. McCormick, a retired contractor, of No. 438 West 162d street, and George Campbell, three and a half years old, son of Samuel C. Campbell, a former battal chief of the Fire Department, of No. 418 West 162d street, wandered far along the streets and finally reached their death by drowning in Cromwell's Creek, near Macomb's Dam Park.

"Not far from this spot Willie McCormick was drowned a year ago, and a search for several weeks was made, before his body was discovered.

With a miniature express wagon both children were in charge of the nurse, and the trio walked to the corner of St. Nicholas avenue. Here the nurse met a friend, and ten minutes later, when she looked for her charges, they had disappeared. Nearly a half hour was spent in search for several weeks was made, before his body was discovered.

### WENT 2,500 MILES TO FIGHT.

### Panic in a Beacon Falls (Conn.) Factory When Visitor Attacks a Workman.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.] WATERBURY, Conn., Thursday.—Michael Kerrin was sentenced to jail to work out a fine of \$7 and costs in Beacon Falls today. He had caused a panic in the factory of the Beacon Falls Rubber Company by an assault on a man named Stauffer, who escaped by running wildly through the mill, frightening women and practically suspending business.

Kerrin admitted that he came 2,500 miles to whip Stauffer, who had challenged him to fight nine years ago in the Far West.

### APPEAL TO PRESIDENT

### Negroes in Mass Meeting Adopt Resolutions Against Lynching and Peonage.

Resolutions deploring the increase of lynchings throughout the country and the existence of peonage in the South, and calling upon President Roosevelt to influence Congress to remedy these evils, were adopted at a mass meeting of negroes held last night. The meeting was under the direction of the Colored Literary League and was held in St. Mark's Methodist Episcopal Church, at Fifty-third street and Eighth avenue.

George A. Allen, president of the league, presided at the meeting and introduced the speakers, who appeared before the adoption of the resolutions. These were James H. Hayes, a Richmond (Va.) lawyer, who has been active in bringing the disfranchisement question in his State before the United States Supreme Court; the Rev. W. H. Brooks, pastor of St. Mark's Church; the Rev. Granville Hunt, of Mount Vernon, N. Y.; the Rev. Dr. Horace G. Miller, pastor of the Mount Tebo Presbyterian Church, of this city; Thomas T. Fortune, J. C. Ayler and James D. Carr.

### HERMIT OF JAMAICA BAY IS DEAD

### For Fifty Years Henry Combs, Mourning of His Fiancee, Lived in a Hovel in the Marshes and Shunned His Fellow Man, Even After Inheriting a Fortune.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.] INWOOD, L. I., Thursday.—Two haymen found the lifeless body of Henry Combs, the hermit, in his shanty on the Jamaica Bay meadows, foot of Wall street, yesterday afternoon. The body was removed to the morgue in Bayview avenue.

Henry Combs was eighty-seven years old, and for half a century had lived the life of a hermit in a miserable hovel on the marshes along the Jamaica Bay shore.

Old residents say Combs was engaged to a country lass about fifty years ago, who was known for her beauty. She died of fever, and after her interment Combs shunned all society. He subsisted on what he could get out of the hay and what charitable persons would take to him.

Several times each year a party was organized to go to Combs' shanty to bathe him and trim his beard. He recently inherited a large tract of land and several houses in Inwood, but resisted all efforts to persuade him to lead a different life.

### MONEY WINS AT PRIMARIES.

### Direct Nominations Made by Democrats of Mississippi Under the New Law.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Thursday.—Returns from Mississippi up to midnight indicate that in the democratic primary election held in that State to-day Senator H. D. Money was nominated for the United States Senate and James K. Vardaman got the nomination for Governor.

This is the first primary ever held in the State which included all State and county offices and that of United States Senator.

### JERSEY MOB HANGS NEGRO TO TREE

### Culprit Confesses Theft, but Will Not Admit Insults to Women.

### HIS LIFE IS THEN SPARED

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.] BEVERLY, N. J., Thursday.—Organized justice to-day took up the case of a negro thief, said to be Frank Jordan, of Media, where it was left off last evening by a mob recruited from the staid old Quaker settlement of Rancoocas.

Armed with pitchforks, scythes, clubs and a few guns, the mob pursued the negro through the country. His members ran him to earth in a thicket, shot off a piece of one ear and strung him up to a tree, with his right arm and followed the hanging there until he confessed that he had stolen a watch, a ring and some money from the house of Samuel Llewellyn and told where he had hidden them.

Although the farmers were ostensibly after the report that he had followed and insulted women and girls in the neighborhood of Llewellyn home, which is about two miles from Beverly, on the Rancoocas road.

The crowd had covered miles of farm land and Jordan in a piece of thick along Rancoocas Creek. He showed light, and it was not until a part of his rifle had been carried away by a mob that he permitted himself to be captured. He stoutly maintained that he was innocent.

A rope was procured and one end tied around Jordan's neck and the other was thrown over the limb of a tree. Two or three farmers pulled until the negro was stretched to his utmost height.

Finally, when John Perkins confronted him with a gun and announced that he was out of temper he indicated by signs that he was ready to confess, which he did.

"I stole the stuff for the sake of my wife and child. They had to have money, and there was no other way for me to get it," Mr. Dumont, who was knocked down and nearly choked to death, managed to reach Police Headquarters, at White Plains, where he reported the robbery to Sergeant Fee, and two hours later Detective John J. Joyce captured the prisoner hiding behind a telegraph pole in Central avenue.

Detective Joyce learned that Bowne had a wife and child living at No. 30 Grove street, in this village, and in company with Chief of Police Carpenter they searched the house. In a trunk the gold watch belonging to Mr. Dumont was found hidden, while the \$400 was discovered stuffed away in a stocking.

When confronted with this evidence the prisoner broke down and confessed. He said that an annual pass on the New York Central railroad and \$300 worth of pawn tickets which he had stolen from Mr. Dumont he burned as soon as he reached home.

Mr. Dumont said he had befriended Bowne, and met him on the Harlem street coming to White Plains, said he, "and asked him to have a drink. Then we took a trolley for Scarsdale and I bought him some more drinks at a road house. Then I started to walk along a dark road to my home at Arthur Manor, when he sprang upon me, knocked me down and choked me almost insensible. After that he stole everything I had."

### WOMEN AT PRIZE FIGHT CANNON IN AUTOMOBILE

### Force Their Way Into Hall in Effort to Break Up a Mill.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.] WILKESBARRE, Pa., Thursday.—Women, angry because their husbands attended a prize fight at Maitly last night, tried to break up the fight, and when other methods failed forced their way into the hall and endeavored to prevent the pugilists coming together.

Meeting with no encouragement from the authorities in their efforts, several of the boldest spirits got into the hall. The fight was stopped and the men tried to induce the women to go away. Only after some force did they leave. The doors were locked and the fighters, Callahan and Tonkin, were hurried into the ring. They fought fifteen rounds to a draw.

### SENATOR TO WED NEXT WEEK.

### Heyburn, of Idaho, Comes East to Marry Sweetheart of Twenty-Five Years Ago.

SPOKANE, Wash., Thursday.—A romance extending over more than a quarter of a century will come to a happy climax next Wednesday, when Welden Brinton Heyburn, United States Senator from Idaho, will marry Miss Gheratine Yeatman, of Chester county, Pa., whom he met many years ago.

Senator Heyburn has left for the East and it is announced that his marriage to Miss Yeatman will take place on Wednesday, probably at the home of the bride's mother. A wedding trip to Spokane and Alaska will follow.

### TWO KILLED BY "FLYER."

### Royal Blue Train Strikes Unidentified Men Whose Appearance Indicate Competence and Refinement.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.] BOUND BROOK, N. J., Thursday.—Two well dressed young men were killed this afternoon by the Royal Blue "flyer" train No. 502, about one mile west of Bound Brook.

The men stepped in the path of the flyer and were hurled into a field.

One victim was about twenty-five years old, with smooth face, black hair, gray eyes and weighed about 140 pounds. The only thing that would lead to his identification was a Catholic prayer book.

The other victim was about twenty-two years of age, with smooth face, light hair and weighed about 130 pounds. In his pockets was found an envelope from the office of the Police Pension Fund, City Hall, Philadelphia, that contained two complimentary tickets for a picnic of the Pfaffler Harmonie, at Goose

### STATE GOV. PLOTS MURDER PLOT

### Bullet Received by Elmira Keeper Intended for Superintendent Robertson.

### OTHERS TO DIE, ALSO

### Prisoners Had Stolen Revolvers, Ammunition, Razors and Knives from Store Room.

### TO SHOOT AT A GIVEN SIGNAL

### Now the Defeated Conspirators Are in the "Rest Cure" Cells Long Ago Established by Brockway.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.] ELMIRA, N. Y., Thursday.—There is every indication that the shooting of James H. Gunderman, keeper of the Elmira Reformatory, by Brooks, a convict from New York, at that institution yesterday, came about through the miscarriage of a convict's plan to assassinate the general superintendent, Frank W. Robertson, and his assistant, P. J. McDonald.

The investigation has unearthed an elaborate plot. Dr. Robertson, the present superintendent, was, before coming to Elmira, a physician in Bellevue Hospital, New York. He was the reformator's resident physician under Superintendent Brockway, whom he succeeded, Assistant Superintendent McDonald was formerly principal keeper of the Erie County Penitentiary, at Buffalo.

Just one month ago the storeroom of the reformatory was mysteriously entered and robbed during the noon lunch hour by inmates. Many weapons were stolen, but it was impossible to get a complete list of the missing articles. It was known that a loaded revolver, a supply of ammunition and several razors and heavy butcher knives were among the plunder. During the last four weeks since his theft officers and officials of the reformatory have lived a life of terror, knowing that these weapons were in the hands of the inmates.

Guards were doubled night and day, and a continuous search for the weapons was unsuccessfully made.

ASSAULT REVEALS PLOT. The strain was beginning to tell on the officers, and Superintendent Robertson was on the verge of breaking down, when, yesterday, Brooks, classified as "vicious," shot and seriously wounded Gunderman, and the plot was unearthed with the capture of the assailant.

Gunderman was in charge of a large force of men at work on the new power house in the rear of the prison enclosure when inmate Brooks was missed. He was detected hiding near a pile of brick. Gunderman started, and when within three feet Brooks leveled a revolver at his breast. Gunderman jumped at Brooks just as he fired. The bullet passed through Gunderman's left breast.

The men in a terrific fight, struggling in a bed of mortar, Brooks kept hold of the revolver, firing in all five holes. Gunderman was the one who was striking his cheeks and blackening his face with the powder. Finally a "trusty" inmate disarmament Brooks, and he was taken to the Brockway "rest cure" cell.

FIND STOLEN WEAPONS. Brooks was searched, several prizes and a butcher knife being found on him. The rest of the remaining of the stolen weapons were found in the brick pile where he had hidden.

treatment, made a confession that the weapons were stolen by the inmates and given to a general superintendent. He said, however, that the bullets were intended for Robertson and McDonald, the two superintendents of New York, left Brockway in charge. It had been planned that Brooks should get the weapons yesterday morning, and quietly distribute them among the inmates.

Superintendent Robertson was expected on the 6 o'clock train in the afternoon, and he was to be shot on the station and the other officials assaulted.

It was not long ago that Gunderman had a severe attack of the influenza, and he attacked him with his wooden drill gun. He beat them off, but received severe bruises.

Brooks and other inmates suspected of complicity in the frustrated uprising are in solitary confinement in the "rest cure" and will be returned to the main prison will go before the Grand Jury. Keeper Gunderman will recover unless blood poisoning sets in.

### Speaker-To-Be of the House, with Other Representatives, Goes to White Mountains.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.] BURLINGTON, Vt., Thursday.—Representative J. C. Sibley, of Pennsylvania, who has a summer home at Valcour, N. Y., and four guests of his, Joseph G. Cannon, Speaker of the House of Representatives; Representative Vreeland, of Salamanca, N. Y.; Representative Emerson, of Glens Falls, N. Y.; and Representative Henryway, of New York, left Burlington today on a week's automobile trip to Mount Washington, White Mountains.

Two large automobiles, one a Winston of twenty horse power and the other a Panhard of twelve horse power, both capable of making forty miles an hour, are in the party.

The party will go by way of Montpelier and Wells River, and thence to the new Mount Washington House, where they will stay a few days.

"Uncle Joe" Cannon insisted on taking the first automobile, but the party decided because the scenery was better there.

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