THE LEAGUE'S CASE.

Lawyer Duyster Clearly Explains Its Leading Points.

SOME OF THE INJUNCTIONS.

The Players Have Another Good and Business-Like Day.

PITTSBURG CLUB TO BE IN LINE

Mr. Duyster, of the counsel for the New York Baseball Club, has prepared the League's case against Ward. The former explains some interesting features of the case. The players had another busy and business-like day, and settled some important questions. A Brotherhood club in Pittsburg is an assured fact. Teemer makes a statement about the sculling championship controversy.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, December 17.—Geo. F. Duyster, in conjunction with Messrs. Evarts, Choates and Beaman, of counsel for the New York Baseball Club, who will appear in behalf of the club in its suit against John Ward, was busily engaged in preparing the necessary papers to-day, but the particular day upon which the papers will be served Mr. Duyster was unable to state. There are several points, however, in the approaching suit against Ward which Mr. Duyster had no hesitation in giving to a DISPATCH reporter, and he was very emphatic in his declaration that while the National League, in its suit, could not compel Ward or any of his associates in the Players' League movement to play with the old League, they certainly would be prevented from playing with any other league. Speaking of the contract which the players signed with the National League, and which will be presented in a forcible manner to the court, Mr. Duyster says:

MR. DUYSTER EXPLAINS.

The system has been to have contracts for one year ahead in order that the several clubs might depend on at least 14 players the following year. Our position therefore, is that we have a contract with them for the season of 1890, after which they are free to do as they please. It would also be well to remember that a majority of these Brotherhood players have gained their reputations and acquired their skill while drawing very large salaries in the employ of the clubs which they are now using every effort to damage. With the exercise of their option the club holds a player for two years at the outside, and how many hundreds of thousands of good and reputable men would consider it a hardship to contract to give their services for two years in a business which is neither particularly hard nor disagreeable; which has in it the element of popularity and which would give the men six months of the year to do as they please, at salaries ranging from $2,500 to $5,000 a year? The question of hardship has nothing to do with the case. I never knew of an instance where the courts would entertain such a plea in cases of a similar kind. I'll leave it to your own judgment, two years is not a very long period to have a man who is paid such a handsome salary, is it?

SOME STRONGER INSTANCES.

Why, instances are frequent where a man contracts to work from five to ten years in a single place. Take a skilled mechanic, for instance. He demands an exorbitant salary. There is no question as to the man's ability and the amount of salary is no obstacle to his engagement. But to prove his fidelity to his employer, he is asked to sign a contract for ten years, which he does willingly. Now, would it be right, would it be justice for this man at the expiration of a year or two years to say, "well, I'm tired, and I guess I will leave you." No, I don't think it would, and no court in the land would tolerate such a proceeding. In the case of the players, if they had the slightest respect for honorable dealing, they would have said: "We will fulfill our contracts for 1890, but we now give you notice that after that time we are going elsewhere." In this situation the proprietors, who have expended hundreds of thousands of dollars, would have no just cause of complaint. As it is, the clubs intend universally to enforce to the fullest extent that the law permits the rights which their contracts with the players give them, and they must be justified in so doing by every fair-minded man. It must also be remembered that when a player has been notified that his services will be required under contract for the following season the club is bound to employ him, and in the event of its refusing to do so he would have a right of action against the club for his salary. Furthermore, the present contract is not a form of contract forced upon the player by the League magnates, but one which the players themselves, represented by Ward, demanded on November, 1887, and to which the owners of the clubs agreed after much discussion.

SEEDS OF DECAY.

"In my opinion this Brotherhood holds within itself the seeds of decay, as it wholly lacks the element of discipline which must always exist in every business between employer and employed, and a process of disintegration will be certain to take place within a very short time after the season opens, irrespective of anything that the National League may do. Let us suppose that a player in the Brotherhood does not think himself fairly treated, in no matter how trifling a dispute, he can always leave the organization and find perhaps as good a situation elsewhere. It cannot fail to meet with the same fate, in my opinion, as a ship with several captains, but with no crew.

"The player who joins the Brotherhood now, however, assumes two very serious risks. First, that he may be unable to play at all if the court should decide that an injunction would lie; secondly, that after the season begins, and he should become dissatisfied with the position in the Brotherhood, he may not find the League magnates so anxious to take him back after they have made all their other preparations for the season of 1890."

"It is claimed that in the suit against Ward, the New York club has a stronger hold on him than the regular contract" the reporter asked.

DUYSTER VERY CONFIDENT.

"That's not so," was Mr. Duyster's emphatic answer. "There's no contract that we have forced on Ward to sign outside of the regular contract."

"Have you any fears as to the result of the approaching suit?"

This caused a broad smile to creep over the distinguished attorney's face. "I cannot see where there is the remotest chance of a setback. We have gone over this matter so carefully that I cannot conceive a loophole of escape for the players. But suppose the court did decide that we were wrong and the players were right. You don't think for an instant that this would disrupt the National League, would you? No, indeed. It is too strongly intrenched. It would proceed to fill up its ranks with the best players that can be secured. And I really believe that outside of a battery that there is not a League club but could engage a team almost equal in strength to any they had lost. The secession of the star players might prove to be of a disadvantage financially the first year, but let the teams play good ball, and I venture to assert that the second year will find the new clubs upon a good, sound, financial basis."

THE CLUB ALL RIGHT.

Local Officials of the Brotherhood are Full of Confidence.

The officials and stockholders of the local players' club are much amused at the many rumors current to the effect that Pittsburg will have no Brotherhood club. Last evening W. W. Kerr, treasurer of the club, said that there is plenty of money behind the new club and that most assuredly it is a go. Secretary Potter made a similar statement. Mr. Potter emphatically stated that the club will be put on the field at all hazards. Mr. Kerr added that work will be started on the new grounds shortly.

Undoubtedly, it would seem a foolish step on the part of the new League to discard Pittsburg. If the Brotherhood is to be a go certainly there are several cities more unprofitable than Pittsburg would be; indeed, Pittsburg would seem to be one of the very best.

It is stated that one or more Philadelphia capitalists are backing the new club.

TRYING FOR HOY.

Captain Anson Offers the Center Fielder $3,000 Per Year.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

PENDLAY, O., December 17.—Captain Anson, of the Chicago Baseball Club, has an agent in this city to-night trying to induce William E. Hoy, the deaf mute center fielder of last year's Washington club, who resides here, to sign a Chicago contract, offering, in the event he consents to do so, to pay him a salary of $3 000 per year and secure his release from Washington.

The Brotherhood assigned Hoy to the Buffalo club at $2,500 per year, which is less than Hoy thinks he is worth, and the probabilities are he will sign with Chicago.

TEEMER'S STATEMENT.

He Argues How the Sculling Championship Should be Settled.

John Teemer, the sculler, makes a definite statement regarding the proposed methods of deciding the question of who owns the sculling championship of the world. He says:

Several of the professional oarsmen of this country and of Australia have issued challenges since the death of Searle to row for the world's championship, some of which specify me as preferred to others. I have not come forward, neither have I issued any challenge, and do not expect to do so, simply because there are but two things to be done, and I believe that the sporting men of the country will coincide with me. One is to row a sweep-take race and the other is to row in a race in which an offer is made by a Boston man. It is $5,000 to the winner and the world's championship title. If all oarsmen were to row for the title now, the result would be several winners of projected races, and each one would claim the title. A man who issues a challenge now could row with an oarsman out of our class and defeat him with ease and hold the title. This would not be right. O'Conner, Hanlan and others issue challenges to the world. Suppose a second rate oarsman accepts and is beaten, is the title won? I should say not. I will issue no challenges and will accept none now. I sail for Australia next month to row Kemp and also Stansberry, and will not change my programme unless the Boston offer is accepted by the oarsmen or a sweepstake is arranged. I am eager for either, and will be one of the first to go into the same.

"My reasons for thinking as I do are as follows: Australia owned the championship and its champion died there, therefore I think Stansberry is the man to row against or even Kemp in the event a sweepstake for the world is not arranged. I feel that the championship must be won from an Australian. Each professional oarsman could put up $1,000 and go into the sweepstake and the winner would be the champion, and he would then be compelled to defeat all (in single scull races) afterward who took part in the sweepstake in order to retain the title. The Boston offer I refer to I am told of by a letter I received to-day, and is as follows: 'After O'Conner and Hanlan issued challenges Mr. Charles H. Thayer, of Boston, came out, saying that he is willing to put up a $5,000 purse for a championship sculling race to be rowed on American waters next spring; that he believes the championship is in abeyance, and the only way to decide the matter is by open competition. Every oarsman who thinks he has right to the title should have a chance to row for it; therefore I make the above offer.' "Mr. Thayer is awaiting the action of the scullers."

AT LIVE BIRDS.

Some First-Class Shooting by the Local Champions.

There was a first-class live bird shooting tournament at Brunot's Island yesterday. The tournament was managed by Messrs. E. E Shaner, Davison, Crow and Richardson, and the successful way in which everything was conducted showed that these gentlemen know their business. The principal contest was that of the 50-bird shoot; the entrance fee of which was $8. The unusual number of 35 were the entries for the event. The shooting was excellent and the first prize was divided by Messrs. Davison, Hunter, Richardson and Mack.

There were about 300 people present, and it is some since there were such a fine lot of birds. The gun was in fine form, however, and "straights" were numerous. Following were the results:

First match, 5 live birds, entrance $3, 27 entries—C. A. Brown, F. F. Davison and J. R. Hunter, first with 5; Jim Crow, second with 4; E. E. Shaner, S. Shaner and C. Richardson, third with 3.

Second match, 5 live birds, entrance $4, 35 entries—C. A. Brown, C. Richardson, A. King, W. S. King, T. F. Cummings, Jim Crow, first with 5; F. F. Davison, J. R. Hunter, H. J. Levis, T. Mack and John Dryill, second with 4; E. E. Shaner, G. E. Snyder, C. M. Hostetter, third with 3; S. Shaner, fourth with 2.

Third match, 10 live birds, entrance $6, 35 entries—F. F. Davison, J. R. Hunter, C. Richardson and T. Mack first with 10; E. E. Shaner, C. A. Brown, A. King, W. S. King, second with 9; C. M. Hostetter, H. J. Levis, T. F. Cummings, Jim Crow, third with 8; G. E. Snyder, fourth with 7.

Fourth match, 5 live birds, entrance $4, 22 entries—C. M. Hostetter, C. Richardson, H. J. Levis, G. E. Snyder, W. S. King and A. H. King, first with 5; E. E. Shaner, C. A. Brown, S. Shaner and J. R. Hunter, second with 4; F. F. Davison, third with 3; Jim Crow, fourth with 2.

A Big Surprise.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, December 17.—To-day's races at Elizabeth resulted as follows:

First race, purse $400, for non-winners since November 15, with allowances, six furlongs—Amos first, Little Barefoot second, Battersby third. Time, 1:21. Betting: Amos 50 to 1 and 10 to 1, Little Barefoot 4 to 1 and 7 to 5, Battersby 9 to 5 and 3 to 5.

Second race, purse $325, for non-winners since October 15, selling allowances, five furlongs—Australis first, Squando second, Lorris third. Time, 1:04¾. Betting: Australis 4 to 1 and 8 to 5, Squando 5 to 1 and 6 to 5, Lorris 6 to 1 and 2 to 1.

Third race, purse $325, for all ages, weights ten pounds below the scale, five furlongs—Blue Rock first, Mamie B second, Cupid third. Betting: Blue Rock 2 to 5 and out, Mamie B 40 to 1 and 4 to 1, Cupid 60 to 1 and 8 to 1. Time, 1:05¾.

Fourth race, purse $325, for horses running and not winning three races since November 1, special weights, with maiden and non-winning allowances, seven furlongs—Elkton first, Glendale second, Bill Barnes third. Time, 1:34¾. Betting: Elkton 3 to 1 and even, Glendale 2 to 1 and 4 to 5, Bill Barnes 8 to 1 and 3 to 1.

Fifth race, handicap, $400, for all ages, one and one-sixteenth miles—King Crab first, Bellwood second, Refund third. Betting: King Crab 6 to 5 and 1 to 5, Bellwood 6 to 5 and 2 to 5, Refund 9 to 2 and 4 to 5.

Sixth race—Guy Gray first, Golden Reel second, Theodosius third. Time, 1:50. Betting: Guy Gray 4 to 1 and 8 to 5, Golden Reel 1 to 3 and out.

New Orleans Races.

NEW ORLEANS, December 17.—Winter meeting; eighth day. Partly cloudy and warm. Good attendance and fast track:

First race, selling, six furlongs, five starters—Col. Hunt led from start to finish, winning by a nose; Vattell second, a head in front of Neva C third. Time, 1:05¼.

Second race, selling, for beaten horses, five furlongs, five starters—Sam Jones went out in front when the drum tapped, led at the half with Nicolini, Telegraph, Vivian and McHenry in the order named. Jones held the lead to the finish, winning by a length, Nicolini second, four lengths ahead of Telegraph third. Time, 1:03¼.

Third race, selling, for beaten horses, five furlongs, six starters—Mollie Hardy led from start to finish, winning easily by two lengths, Cora L. second, four lengths ahead of Balance, third. Time, 1:02¾.

Fourth race, selling, for non-winning 3-year-olds, eleven-sixteenths of a mile, six starters—Winnie Davis had the best of the start, School Girl second, Metal, Clark, Specie, Story Teller in the order named. Girl and Davis had swapped places at the half, entering the stretch Davis again showed in front, but before the finish Metal came to the front, winning by a length, Winnie Davis second, half a length ahead of Churchill Clark third. Time, 1:09¾.

Racing again Thursday.

Eastern Entries.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, December 17.—The New Jersey Jockey Club announces these probable starters and weights:

First race, three-quarters of a mile—Manola 114, Amos, Tunis, Adonis, Bela and G W Cook 107 each, Carrie G, Cheney, Ofalece, Autumn Leaf 104 each, Chapman 102, Yannus 99, Lilly K 81.

Second race, half a mile—Sophist, Mayfield gelding, Index, Elmstone, Kilkenny 108 each; Tigress, Helen Lily 105 each.

Third race, selling, five furlongs—Freedom 110, Anomaly 107, Alva 106, Zulu 103, Jim Murray (formerly Janet Murray gelding) 98, Jarvis 88, Edward F 83, Eugene Brodie 80.

Fourth race, five furlongs—Harry Faustus 104, Shotover 102, Blessed 99, Little Barefoot 94, Louise 94, Arab 91, Buckstone 88.

Fifth race, selling, allowances seven furlongs—Oregon 107, Theodosius 102, Gloster 100, Mary T 98, Guy Gray, Sunshine 97, Village Maid, Re-echo 94.

Sixth race, one mile—Young Duke 114, Wilfred 105, Martin Russell 103, Spaulding 97, Lotion 92, Iceberg 90, Letretia 87.

WILL FIGHT JACKSON.

Kilrain Will Serve His Term and Then Tackle the Australian.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, December 17.—Jake Kilrain will no doubt take the advice of his friends up North, and remain in Mississippi and serve the two months' sentence inflicted by the Purvis Court for the assault and battery on one John L. Sullivan, on July 8, at Richburg. Frank Stevenson said to THE DISPATCH man this evening:

"I have written to Jake to stay down in Mississippi for the two months. It won't hurt him a bit; in fact it will do him good and get him in trim to fight Jackson, who I am sure he will meet and defeat. I stand ready to bet, outside of the purse or stakes of $2,500, that Kilrain can whip Jackson."

A Savage Gorilla.

FORT WAYNE, IND., December 17.—One of the most singular combats that ever took place in this part of the country occurred near Van Wert, O., yesterday. It was between a gorilla and a bulldog weighing 40 pounds. In 10 minutes the dog was killed.

Quinn Hesitates.

BRADDOCK, December 17.—Jimmy Quinn, the young catcher of this city, has received a Brotherhood contract from the Brooklyn club. He, however, declines to sign it for a few days.

MONEY TALKS.

Pittsburg Puts Up the Cash and Gets Into the New League—Bright Prospects Ahead—The Players Adjourn Until March.

NEW YORK, December 17.—The Players' National Baseball League continued its session at the Fifth Avenue this morning. The several committees accomplished their work in a businesslike manner. The forenoon session was utilized by the adoption of the by-laws. Von der Ahe was not present at the hotel to-day, but his attorney, Mr. O'Neill, was on hand. It was soon learned that the St. Louis deal had fallen through as the Pittsburgers showed up with their money. The players and their friends were well satisfied with the work done and the good prospects ahead.

At the afternoon session the report of the Committee on Playing Rules was taken up. The most important change made was a provision to have two umpires at each game. One is to stand behind the bat and the other will be stationed in the field. They may change places after each inning. Another change made enlarges the pitcher's box. At present it is 5½ feet by 4, but the new rule makes it 6 feet by 4. Tim Keefe's ball was adopted. Johnson, Shire and Andrews were appointed the Committee on Printing and Supplies, and Ward, Johnson and Addison the Finance Committee. The State Trust Company of New York was selected as the depository for the $40,000 guarantee fund.

The report of the Law Committee was the first matter taken up at the evening session. By its adoption Judge Henry Bacon was engaged as the general counsel of the League, with power to employ the best legal talent in the various cities at his own discretion. Judge Bacon was instructed to carry on not only a defensive but an aggressive campaign, and Secretary Brunnell was ordered to meet all the legal expenses out of the general fund. Chairman Van der Slice, of the committee, reported that two of the ablest lawyers in Philadelphia had already been engaged to care for the cases of Buffinton and Haliman.

The constitution and articles of agreement were adopted and signed for the clubs by their representatives on the Board of Directors. A vote of thanks were given to Messrs. McAlpin, Hanlon, Ward, Pfeffer, Johnson and Bacon for their work in organizing the new League. The convention then adjourned until March, the place of meeting to be selected by the president.

No communication was received from the St. Louis club in relation to an application for membership, and it is likely that there will be none, as Pittsburg, the doubtful city, has come forward with its $5,000 and signed the constitution and articles of agreement with the other clubs.

It was announced that during the day Arthur Irwin, former Captain of the Washingtons, had signed with the Boston club, and that Con Daily, of the Indianapolis club, had contracted with the Brooklyns.

SULLIVAN WILL WAIT.

He Wants to Hear His Sentence Before Fighting Anybody.

NEW YORK, December 17.—The great and only John L. Sullivan and his handsome friend, Joe Lannon, are here at last and are doing the town in company with J. K. Emmet, Jr.

The big fellow started to talk to-day. Said he: "The match between myself and Jackson is not practically settled by any means. I haven't talked fight since I returned from Mississippi because I felt that it would not be policy for me to do so. I admit having said, however, that I was willing to meet Jackson for a suitable purse and stake, but I never named the amount. I don't propose to make any statement until after I return from Mississippi. Everybody knows pretty well that I will meet Jackson, Kilrain or any other man living who can get sufficient backing after I get back from the South. But what's the use of talking about these things now?"

"I don't care to be quoted upon Kilrain's sentence, but I shall submit gracefully to any punishment the courts of that State may impose upon me. The Southern people are square and I do not expect anything unjust from them.

"I cannot tell whether Kilrain will ever meet me again. Next year I shall be ready to talk business with Kilrain, Jackson or Slavin, but until then I shall let them do all the talking. Do I think much of Slavin? To be sure, he has punched out Babbet and Bill Goode, but they are middleweights. What credit would I get for beating Dempsey or LaBlanche? Slavin may be a good man for all I know."

"Who in your opinion ought to win the McAuliffe-Carroll fight?"

"Why, McAuliffe, sure, at 137 pounds. Carroll traveled with me for some time and he's very slow. The other fellow is as quick as lightning, I assume, but I have never seen him put up his hand."

Farrell's Forfeit Down.

Pat Farrell has withdrawn the $250 that he had posted at the *Illustrated News* for a match with Arthur Upham, and will leave for California about January 1, where he will probably be able to get on a match with young Mitchell. Farrell's backer has telegraphed to President Fulda, of the California Athletic Club, that he would fight Mitchell for a purse and an outside bet of $500 a side. There will probably be no match made between Fogarty and Upham, as the latter has delayed so long that the Farrell people think that he doesn't want to fight. Fogarty also has an idea that he can go to California and get on a match with La Blanche, and if he does not succeed in getting on a match with Upham he will go to California with Farrell and meet any man in the middle-weight class.

Leased Their Grounds.

CHICAGO, December 17.—The Chicago Players' League club has leased for a term of years the plot of land 520 by 450 feet in size on the lake front, between Ontario and Indiana streets, on the Northside, and will equip it for a baseball park. It was leased two weeks ago, but the news was held till the city had consented to the closing of the lake shore end of Ohio street, which runs through the grounds. This was done last night. The grounds are within a few minutes' walk of the business center of the city.

Has Meyers Weakened?

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

INDIANAPOLIS, December 17.—Al. Meyers, one of the Philadelphia League club's best players of last year, was in this city to-day in conference with President Brush and the members of the Indianapolis club who are here. Meyers signed a Brotherhood contract, but it is now believed that he has weakened and wants to renew his allegiance with the League.

Ward Adds His Emphatic Denial.

The following telegram was received by THE DISPATCH at an early hour this morning:

"Take no stock in stories that Pittsburg will be dropped from our circuit.

"JOHN M. WARD."

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BIG LIFE INSURANCE.

Policies for About $200,000 Held by the Late Franklin B. Gowen,

MOST OF IT IN THREE COMPANIES.

He Had Lately Tried to Exchange Much of it for Paid-Up Policies,

INDICATING A SUICIDAL INTENTION.

Detectives at Work in Washington Looking Into the Death Mystery.

The family of the late Franklin B. Gowen will receive about $200,000 in life insurance within 30 days. The companies will not contest payment, as Mr. Gowen had been insured for three years. The funeral of Mr. Gowen took place yesterday. A Philadelphia detective is working on the case in Washington to learn, if possible, whether Mr. Gowen was murdered.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

PHILADELPHIA, December 17.—Within 30 days the family of Mr. Gowen will receive in the neighborhood of $200,000 insurance money, and of this amount $171,000 is placed in three big companies, the New York, the Equitable, and the Mutual. None of these companies will contest the policies. Of the three, the Equitable is the heaviest loser, Mr. Gowen's policies in that company amounting to $90,000. The policies are all over three years old, and so, under the rules of the company cannot be disputed on account of suicide.

In the New York Life Insurance Company there is $71,000 to be paid out. Only a few days before his death Mr. Gowen was in the company's office in this city, and received $10,000, the amount of an endowment policy that had expired. He informed the company that he wanted a paid-up policy for the $61,000 worth of life insurance that he was then carrying. Such a paid-up policy would have amounted to $6,000, and so, as affairs have since turned out, if this had been done the company would have been in pocket about $55,000.

THEY REGRET IT NOW.

The company sent a solicitor around to see Mr. Gowen, and after considerable talk he was persuaded to let his insurance in that company stand as it was. The other $10,000, bringing the amount to $71,000, is in the shape of an endowment policy.

The Mutual, of New York, escapes very luckily with only $10,000. Besides these amounts that are positively known, insurance men think Mr. Gowen had smaller policies scattered around which will bring the sum total up to $200,000. Why he should have wanted paid-up policies can of course only be guessed at, but one insurance man said to-day: "My opinion is that Mr. Gowen had the suicide idea in his mind when he asked for the paid-up policies, his idea being to prevent the companies from losing so large an amount of money by taking his own life, or else that he held his reputation so high that he did not want it smirched by even the thought that he had killed himself so that his family might get the insurance money."

The amount of premiums Mr. Gowen paid every year, another insurance man thought, would amount to between $18,000 and $12,000.

The funeral of Mr. Gowen took place to-day, from his late residence at Mt. Airy. In accordance with the wishes of the family the services were strictly private, and were conducted by Rev. Dr. S. E. Hill, pastor of Grace Episcopal Church, of which Mr. Gowen was a prominent member. The interment took place at Ivy Hill cemetery, where two of Mr. Gowen's children are buried.

WORKING ON NO THEORY.

A telegram from Washington says: Detective Lindon, of Philadelphia, Major Moore, Superintendent of Police of this city, and Policeman Cross, the officer who first saw Mr. Gowen's dead body, had a consultation to-night, in regard to the affair. Lindon was sent here with instructions to make a thorough investigation of the case. He says he believes nothing now, and proceeds neither on the theory that it was a suicide nor a murder, but simply to ascertain all the facts. One point which he wishes to establish definitely is the approximate time at which the shooting took place. As the body was sold when dead, at 12 o'clock, it is thought the shooting must have taken place not later than 4 o'clock in the morning, when it was still too dark to see without gaslight. The gas was not turned on when the body was found, and as Mr. Gowen would hardly have turned it off himself, after shooting the bullet into his brain, the question arises did some one else turn it off. This is the main spring of the murder theory.

Released the Women.

The two women arrested in the Boston Novelty Store for shoplifting on Monday were released last evening and allowed to go home, after their husbands had paid the costs. One of the women was Mrs. Peter Kimmet, and the other her daughter, Mrs. Clifford, both of Sharpsburg. Mrs. Clifford had a year-old baby with her, and this caused Chief Brown to interest himself in her behalf.

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Brass umbrella st'ds,	Plated spoons,
Brass trays,	Plated castors,
Brass novelties,	Plated butter dishes,
Brass toddy kettles,	Carvers,
Brass jardinieres,	Rice boilers,
Brass cuspidores,	Gas stoves,
Nickel cuspidores,	Gas logs,
Pearl agate ware,	Wringers,
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Vienna coffee pots,	Urns,
Coal vases,	Salt boxes,
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DIED.

GIVEN—At his residence, 142 Bluff street, on Wednesday, December 18, 1889, at 1:30 A. M., B. F. GIVEN, aged 68 years.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

STAKLEY—December 17, 1889, at his residence, No. 47 Fremont street, Allegheny City, Pa., JOHN STAKLEY, in the 30th year of his age.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

AROUND CITY HALL.

What Chiefs of Departments and Officials Are Doing.

ONE of the features of the next appropriation ordinance will probably be $200,000 set apart for the purpose of finishing the big water main from the Hiland avenue reservoir. Last year Superintendent Browne, of the Water Bureau, asked for $157,000 to construct the big main from Hiland avenue to Smithfield street, through Oakland, Bellefield and Soho, where the water supply was rather scant as compared with certain other portions of the city. The Finance Committee, however, only allowed $75,000 for the purpose, and that amount was only sufficient to bring the main in as far as the junction of Center and Ellsworth avenues, and down Center avenue to Liberty street. About $100,000 more will be required to bring the big main into the old city, and the Finance Committee will, it is expected, allow the full amount.

THE appropriations for the coming year will not be so startingly large as supposed by some irresponsible people. The Chief of the Department of Public Works said yesterday that apart from the necessary park improvement fund there would be no increase necessary in the appropriations for his department. Chief Brown, of the Department of Public Safety, said the same appropriations would do him as he had last year, and unless Councils passed the ordinance to give 25 more men to the Police Bureau, which is sadly needed, no increase would be required. In case the ordinance passed, of course Councils would provide for the payment of the men.

WHAT PEOPLE ARE DOING.

Some Who Travel, Some Who Do Not, and Others Who Talk.

—George Sheppard, City Clerk, is suffering from a severe attack of influenza, but whether of the European type or of home production, he does not know. He is confident, however, that the article is genuine, being supplied with a mansard roof to his head, hot and cold water attachments and all the modern improvements.

—Mrs. James Best, of No. 271 Federal street, Allegheny, is lying very ill with pneumonia, and her life is despaired of. She is a lady of about 70 years, well known and highly esteemed in her neighborhood. She is the mother of John Glenn, the well-known detective of Allegheny.

—Hugh O'Donnell, the popular official of the Amalgamated Association at Homestead, is the contestant for a gold watch to be awarded at the fair at Father Bullion's church. Hugh is the best known ironworker in the borough, and will undoubtedly knock the persimmon.

—Captain Cunningham, of Edgeworth, while crossing the suspension bridge yesterday morning, was struck in the chest with a spent bullet. He was not injured.

Struck by a Locomotive.

David Reed, aged 44 years, living on Monastery avenue, Southside, was struck by a locomotive on the Pittsburg and Lake Erie tracks between South First and Second streets last evening. He was injured about the head and face, but not dangerously so. He was removed to the Southside Hospital.

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THE WEATHER.

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PITTSBURG, December 17, 1889.

The United States Signal Service officer in this city furnishes the following:

Time.	Ther.		Ther.
8:00 A. M.	52	Maximum temp.	62
12:00 M.	55	Minimum temp.	44
1:00 P. M.	—	Range	19
2:00 P. M.	61	Mean temp.	54
5:00 P. M.	—	Precipitation.	.71
8:00 P. M.	62		

River at 8:30 P. M., 11.5 feet, a change of 0.6 in 24 hours.

River Telegrams.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAMS TO THE DISPATCH.]

MORGANTOWN—River 5 feet and stationary. Weather cloudy. Thermometer 60° at 4 P. M.

WARREN—River 4 feet 1-10 inches and rising. Weather mild with light rains.

BROWNSVILLE—River 7 feet 6 inches and falling. Weather cloudy. Thermometer 54° at 5 P. M.

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