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NARROW ESCAPES

Brooklyn Apartment House Fire Endangers Inmates.

ESCAPE IS ALMOST CUT OFF

Fire Spreads Through Building Shutting Off Four Families from Escape—Firemen Finally Rescue Them With Ladders—Wear Only Night Clothes.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Fire swept through the large apartment house at No. 298 Ryerson street, in the fashionable section of Brooklyn early today.

The flames were seen in the third floor by a policeman, just before two o'clock and after he had sent in an alarm he roused some of ten tenants while others were pouring out of the house.

Cut off by flames which spread rapidly, were C. H. Haford, an instructor in Pratt institute, Mrs. E. D. Hadley, and her son John Hadley, and J. R. Story, and his daughter Mary, on the fourth floor, and E. B. Robinson, his wife and their son Edward on the third floor.

ITCHING PILLS.

If you are acquainted with anyone who is troubled with this distressing ailment you can do him no greater favor than to tell him to try Chamberlain's Salve.

MORE COMFORT THAN EVER.

On Sunday, December 17th, the Denver & Rio Grande railroad will inaugurate a daily line of standard and tourist sleeping cars between Denver and Los Angeles in connection with the new Clark road.

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QUESTION LEGALITY

Effect of Railroad Merging on Bonds Discussed

BY NEW YORK LEGISLATORS

Bill to be Introduced Anticipating Merger of Two Railroads, Relative to the Availability of Companies Bonds as Savings Banks Investments.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 8.—The effect of the merging of the railroad corporations upon the availability, under the banking law, of their bonds, as investments for savings banks and trust funds was discussed before the banks committee of the Senate and Assembly yesterday at the hearing on the identical bills of Senator Stevens and Assemblyman Wainwright, chairman of those committees amending the law relative to the securities in which such funds may be invested.

The amendment provides that the merging company shall assume the obligations of the company to be merged. It was said that the bill anticipates the merger of the Chicago & Alton Railroad Company with the Chicago & Alton (Railway Company) which is the holding company.

ANTICIPATE SHORTAGE.

Chicago Restaurant Men Will Build Own Ice Plant.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—In anticipation of a shortage in the supply of ice next summer, and a sharp rise in prices, the Chicago Restaurant Men's Association, which includes a number of hotels, will begin shortly the erection of an artificial ice plant, to cost \$100,000.

WAS ONCE BOOKKEEPER.

Russell Rhea, Found Shot in Hotel, is Identified.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 8.—Russell Rhea, who is supposed to have been the man found shot to death in a St. Louis hotel, came to Pittsburg from Indiana county this state, about seven years ago.

By an Italian law every circus which does not perform every act promised in the printed program, or which misleads the public by means of pictures, is liable to a heavy fine for each offense.

Common Colds are the Cause of Many Serious Diseases.

Physicians who have gained a national reputation as analysts of the cause of various diseases, claim that if catching cold could be avoided a long list of dangerous ailments would never be heard of.

LIBEL SUIT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.—George S. Beadle filed a libel yesterday in the District Court against the steamer Robert Dollar to recover \$3000 damages caused by the sinking of libelants' bark in a collision on July 13, 1905.

OWNED BY BREWERIES.

Chicago Breweries Own 75 Per Cent of City Saloons.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Forty-two breweries, including the large ones of nearby cities taken out 72 per cent of the saloon licenses issued in Chicago, according to figures produced by men who take the saloon fees in the city collections office.

Through the city clerk's office it was ascertained that 72 per cent of the bonds issued to cover licenses for 1905 bore the signatures of the brewery officials. The amount of each bond was \$300, making a total liability for the forty-two breweries of more than \$21,000,000 on the 6066 saloons for which they signed.

DEFENDANTS LOSE.

Noted Case of Ranchers Against Smelters Decided.

HEARING TAKES 9 MONTHS

Dispute Was Over Alleged Pollution of Streams by Smelting Plants Rendering Waters Useless to Ranchers—Federal Judge Will Pass on Case.

BUTTE, Mont., Feb. 8.—Findings of Master-in-Chancery Oliver T. Crane in the noted case of Hugh Magone against the different smelting and mining companies of Butte and Anaconda have been returned finding practically for the defendant companies on the ground that the damages accruing from the pollution of the streams into which the tailings from the smelting and mining plants had been dumped in turn being deposited on farming land in the Deer Lodge Valley was more than offset by the general good resulting from the operation of the smelters, which the action of Magone sought to close.

Master Crane's finding will be submitted to Federal Judge W. H. Hunt, who in turn will pass upon the Master's decisions, regarding whether or not an injunction order against the smelting companies shall be issued.

Magone represented a large number of ranchers in the Deer Lodge Valley which section of the country is irrigated by the Deer Lodge river which river is fed by polluted creeks from Butte and Anaconda. It is absolutely impossible to dispense with concentrating, says Master Crane, and making the mines of Butte pay, and in turn the streams are vital in the process of concentration, affording the necessary water with which to concentrate the ores, hence to compel the closing of the concentrators and smelters will mean the shut down of the Butte Mines and the consequent practical depopulation of Butte and Anaconda.

The time consumed in hearing the Magone case breaks all records in this State, more than nine months being consumed in the taking of testimony, expert and otherwise. The transcript embraces about 7,000,000 words.

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