Mr. H. G. Hobson, actuary and secretary of the Star Life Assurance Society, contradicts the statements made that his society is negotiating with any other society. The directors, he says, have no such intention.

A San Francisco merchant "price cutter" has signs to the effect that he is a barber and an insurance man—the barber being a cutter and the insurance man a shaver. Another merchant advertises: "No earthquake clause in my goods." A playhouse advertises: "come and forget your insurance."

In order to secure a reduction in existing insurance rates, Baltimore property owners are pushing for an increase in the fire department and its facilities. For several weeks pressure has been brought to bear on the municipal board of estimate to secure provision in the tax levy for 1907 for a dozen new fire companies. This pressure is said to have been rewarded in part by the board in the preparation of its budget for next year.

Charles H. Lewis and Isaac Schlesinger, of New York have both had to forfeit to the government \$12,500 cash bail which they put up as sureties for Charles E. Browne, a former customs examiner. Browne fled to Canada but was later extradited and sent to Sing Sing. After a brief incarceration Browne was released on habeas corpus proceedings and held in \$30,000 bail. Judge Ray decided in the United States Circuit Court that the bail of a fugitive from justice may be forfeited even though the principal in the case is later brought back to this country and admitted for the second time to bail.

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The German-American is to erect a new sixteen-story office building in New York, having purchased the lot known as 76 Maiden Lane from the Northern of New York. This lot which has a frontage of over 35 feet on Maiden Lane and of about 44 feet on Liberty street, adjoins another lot recently purchased by the company and gives it the whole of the triangular block between Maiden Lane and Liberty and William streets, with the exception of the Wolfe Building site. The new building to be erected by the German-American is to be ready for occupancy in May 1908.

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