DISGRACE TO JOURNALISM.

Spectator's Attack Absolutely Indefensible, Says Judge.

Its Article Was Designed to Injure Some One.

Action Against M. M. Robinson Dismissed on Technicality.

"It is a pity that such things are allowed to go on. It is a disgrace to journalism to assail any other man such as has been done in this case." Such was the comment of Justice Latchford, in dismissing on a technicality the charge of criminal libel preferred against M. M. Røbinson, sporting editor of the Spectator, by F. C. Mills, sporting editor of the Times.

The article was absolutely indefenible, but I have to apply the law strictly ible, but I have to apply the law strictly in this case. There is nothing to show that Mr. Mills is the Referee Mills referred to in the article. There should have been some corroborative evidence of publication showing that Mr. Mills' name was used. Whoever wrote the article acted in a way that deserved the severest punishment," said His Lordship. Justice Latchford said that Mr. Mills should have had more evidence that it should have had more evidence that it was to him the article referred. As it stood there was nothing to go to the jury on, beyond the fact that Mr. Mills on, beyond the fact that Mr. Mills eved the defendant was the man who vrote the article.

believed the defendant was the man who wrote the article.

"There is no doubt that the article was designed to injure some one, and perhaps it was Mr. Mills, but there is lack of evidence, and I am therefore forced to ask the jury to find the prisoner not guilty," concluded His Lordship, Mr. George Lynch-Staunton, K. C., who appeared for Robinson, then moved for costs in the case. His Lordship firmly declined to allow costs.

Mr. S. F. Washington was the counsel for Mr. Mills.

The technicality that lost Mr. Mills his case was the fact that a copy of the Spectator of Nov. 3, which was filed at the preliminary trial at the Police Court, was not put in yesterday.

At the opening of the case, Mr. Staunton moved to quash the action on the ground that the indictment was defective. It did not charge an essential gredient that "was designed to insult him." Mr. Staunton quoted as a case in question the "King vs. Cameron," in which it was pointed out there was a distinction between holding the complainant up "to hatred, contempt and ridicule." In setting forth the indictioned. plainant up "to hatred, contempt and ridicule." In setting forth the indictment it should have contained the clause signed to insult him." Mr. Staunton d that the very strictest law must observed in such actions as these. he observed in such actions as these. He claimed that the complainant had not followed the rules of the statute. Going further, Mr. Staunton said there was no such thing in the criminal code as defamatory libel. It was defined there, but did not say that it was an indictable crime.

Washington said that he had folr. Staunton said that "exposing a to hatred, contempt and ridicule" not sufficient.

as not sufficient.

His Lordship replied that "exposing a an to hatred" was a breach o "race. "I must dismiss your motion, ir. Staunton," said His Worship.

Cr. Robinson upon being arraigned aded not guilty. He was allowed to by his counsel during the progress

The jury was next selected as follows: eeerge Ridge, Binbrook; Samuel Hireth, Saltfleet; T. M. Thoraton, Dunas; Adam Inch, Barton; Cyrus Knox, severly; John Russell, Ancaster; Jacob arey, East Flamboro; James L. Salton, Binbrook; Reginald Cooper, eity, eeerge Alderson, Flamboro; George rancis Ancaster; Philip Davidson, East lamboro.

case.

Mr. Washington rose to his feet with the remark that if necessary he would question the status of his learned friend in acting for the defence.

"He has no right to challenge any of the jurors, for the reason that he is not

acting as Crown prosecutor in this ac-tion," said Mr. Staunton. tion," said Mr. Staunton.
"As Crown prosecutor you certainly would have the right, Mr. Washington," said his Lordship, "but as you are appearing as a private prosecutor it is different. Under section 668 of the code cutor has no right to challenge the

it distinctly states that a private prosecutor has no right to challenge the jurors."

The swearing in of the jurors was then proceeded with. When that had been concluded, Mr. Staunton again rose to object to Mr. Washington going on with the prosecution, claiming he had no status, as a private prosecutor.

"Under a letter from the Attorney-General," am empowered to represent him in this case," indignantly replied Mr. Washington.

"There is some doubt on that point, Mr. Washington," replied his Lordship, "I will grant a reserve case in the matter, Mr. Staunton, so that the charge may be proceeded with."

Mr. Washington then addressed the jury. In part he said: "The defendant in this case is charged with the offence of criminal libel. There are two kinds of libel calculated to injure the reputation of the one against whom the libel is directed. The one we are dealing with is defined as any matter that is likely to expose the complainant to contempt harted or ridicule. The facts are very short in this case. The defendant is the sporting editor of the Spectator, and the complainant is the sporting editor of the Times, Mr. Mills has for some time back fathered wrestling and boxing events in this city, and is known as an all-round sporting man. A boxing contest was to take place in Brantford ng events in this city, and is known an all-round sporting man. A boxing ontest was to take place in Brantford in November 2nd of last year, and Mr. on November 2nd of last year, and Mr. Mills was asked to referee. On the day he bout was to take place Mr. Mills did not feel very well, and, having other work to do, decided not to go to Brantford. On the afternoon of that day Mr. Mills met Mr. Robinson, and told him that he was not going up to Brantford to referee the match, and if he wanted it he would get him (Robinson) the job."

the job."

Mr. Staunton entered an objection at this point. "He has no right to say these things. The question of malice is not entering into this case," said he. After His Lordship had heard the objection, and noted it, Mr. Washington continued: "Mr. Mills did not go to Orantford, but that evening went to the Savoy Theatre. Mr. Robinson was sitting about six or seven rows behind Mr.

Mills that evening, and, what is more, saw him there. Another important item is the fact that the article was not published the day following the bout in Brantford, which took place, but the defendant wrote it two days later under the backing of "Sporting Comment".

the heading of "Sporting Comment."

"That is the libel which we complain "That is the libel which we compian of. There is no question as to the libelous nature of the article that appeared in the Spectator on Nov. 4. If Mr. Mills receives an invitation in future to referee a wrestling bout, that article would be calculated to ruin Mr. Mills' reputation so far as being a fair; honest referee."

referee."
Mr. Staunton objected to the statement made by Mr. Washington to the effect that "it was to pick up a little soft stuff." He should have said "take up a little soft stuff," appeared in the indistrement. William J. Southam was the first wit-

ness called.

After some preliminary questions Mr. Washington asked him who was sporting editor of the Spectator.

"Mr. Robinson."

"How long has the sporting editor occupied his present position?"

"Possibly a year."

"Does he write the sporting comment?"

"I am not certain."

"Was your attention called to an article in which Mr. Mills was mentioned?"

"I would not be positive. I am not sure I saw the article."

"Did you inquire who wrote the arti-

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"No, I did not."
"Did you write a letter to Mr. Mills' solicitor giving the name of the man who wrote the article?"
This remark called forth an objection

from Mr. Staunton, who could not see where the evidence had any direct bearing on the case. His Lordship sustained objection Continuing, Mr. Washington said:

"After the complaint had been made by Mr. Mills, did you speak to Robinson?"
"No, I did not."
This concluded the examination, and Mr. Staunton asked no questions.
John Wodell was next called by Mr. Washington

Washington

"Mr. Robinson is held responsible for

"In my office."
"Did you enquire of Mr. Robinson bether he had written the article?"

"No."
"You didn't talk to him about the

"No. sir."
"Not even after Mr. Mills had com-

"You are quite sure that you obinson did not discuss the matter any time?

never did." "I never did."
"May one enquire why not?"
This last remark brought forth another objection by Mr. Staunton, who was again sustained.
Clarence Kirkpatrick was the next to be called.
"What is your position?"

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"I am the news editor."
"How long have you occupied that po-

sition?"
"A little over a year."
"Is Robinson under you?"

"Yes"
"Who writes the sporting comment?"
"I hold Robinson responsible for anything that appears on the sporting

page."
"You remember the item in question?"

"Did you write it "" "No."
"I want to know who writes the sport-

"It might pass through my hands."
"Then I ask you again, was it you that wrote the article?"

I can plainly see that you don't want be held responsible for the article." Well, I guess not."

"Who writes the column headed porting Comment'?" This was objected to by Mr. Staun-ton, and His Lordship ruled that Mr. Washington would have to ask the ques-tion staight. on straight. "Well, is that stuff written by Robin-

"Does the copy from the editorial de-partment go through your hands?"
"Either through mine or my assist-

ants."
"How many assistants have you?"

"Two,"
"Have you any remembrance of the copy of the article complained of lassing through your hands?" William McKenty, assistant proof

reader at the time, was called.
"Do all the proofs go through your hands? Either mine or the head proof sead-

"Do you remember the article com-

"Do you remember the occasion?"
"I have a faint recollection of it."
"Where did you get the proof?"
"From the machine men."
"Was there any means of identifying the cony?"

e copy?"
"No. It was typewritten, as all the copy is."
Mr. F. C. Mills, the complainant, was
the next witness called by Mr. Washing-

the next witness called by Mr. Washing-ton.

"Mr. Mills, what have you had to do with wrestling and boxing bours?"

"I have been connected with the Olympic Club in the capacity of mana-ger, and have handled boxing and wrest-ling bouts at different times."

"Ever act as a referee?"

"No, but I have been requested to do so several times."

o several times."
"Were you in Brantford on the night

"No, I was not."
"Did you referee the boxing bout menioned in the article?"

"No."
"Did you make any arrangement with he contestants in the bout?"
"No. I did not know who was going

"Well, is there any truth in the re-

port?"
"It is absolutely false."
"Did you see the defendant on the day of the bout?"
"Yes, after 4.30 in the afternoon.
Robinson, Mr. McMullen, of the Herald, and myself came out of Bennett's Thea-



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tre on the afternoon of the day the bout was to take place, and I told Robinson then I was not going to Brantford, and he could have the job if he wished it. He said that he would not take it as he had a couple of football meetings and some other work that would prevent him from going. We walked up the street together and later I wired those in charge of the bout that I was not going to be present."

"Did you see Robinson that night?"

"Yes, at the Savoy with three or four

"Yes, at the Savoy with three or four 'After the article had appeared what

"Acting on the advice of the Magistrate, I went to the offices of the Spectator. I passed Robinson at nis desk going through the editorial effice to going through the editorial effice to Mr. Staunton asked no questions. John Wodell was next called by Mr. Zashington.

"What is your position on the paper?" "I am the managing editor." "Who writes the sporting comment?" "Cannot tell you." "Who is the news editor?" "Mr. Kirkpatrick." "Who is responsible for the sporting dumn?" "Mr. Robinson is held responsible for "Three days."

"Three days." "How long have you read Robinson's

sporting page."

"How long ""

Stuff;"

"I have been reading it ever since he

"Has he a style of his own?"
"It is different from anything else I have ever seen.'

have ever seen."
"Would you know from the style of writing whether he wrote the article you complain of?"
"Absolutely certain of it."
This ended the examination by Mr. Washington, and then began the cross-examination by Mr. Staunton.
"Have you told all that took place between you and Wodell?"
"You objected to my stating what was said before."

"Well, what did he say about the ar-"He glanced at it and then said that

"He glaneed at it and then said that t was a little personal."
"What did you say?"
"I wanted a signed statement as to rho wrote the article."
"What else did you say?"
"I told him I would make trouble if did not receive the name of the rriter."

writer."
"You say there are phrases Robinson uses, that nobody else uses?"
"I wouldn't say that."
"What are some of the phrases?"
"Well, 'soft stuff' are not common words to be used."
"What others are there?"

What others are there?" "I suppose he has a patent on those words." a . M's

don't know." "You have said that you were going to put this boy in jail?"

"No."
Walter McMullen, sporting editor of the Herald, and Harry Wakeham, also of the same paper, were called, but could not give any illuminating evidence.
This closed the case for the complainant, and Mr. Stanton submitted that no case had been made out against his client.
Justice Latchford ruled as already

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MR. LINTON IN NASSAU.

The Tribune, of Nassau, Bahamas, of saturday, February 20, has the follow-

"Who wrote the column?"
"I don't know," replied the witness.
"Did you speak to Robinson about the ricicle?"
"No."
George Allan, foreman of the news oom, was called.
"Does the copy from the editorial de"Does the copy from the editorial de"But had the pleasure and honor of a call, a day or two ago, from two exceedingly genial Canadian gentlemen, Mr. C. B. Linton and Mr. Henry Westoby, the first named being from Hamilton, Ont., and the latter from Guelph.
Both gentlemen came to Nassau for the
benefit of their health, are both satisfied with the result and are profused. benefit of their health, are both satisfied with the result, and are profuse in the praises of our island and its climate. Mr. Linton, although he arrived only a week ago, feels that he has derived much benefit already from the change and rest. Mr. Linton is preparing an article for one of the leading journals of his town, and he will without doubt, in this, give expression to his impressions of Nassau.

DAY NURSERY.

The Board of the Day Nursery, 200 Rebecca street, were very much pleased to find that by the will of the late Miss Juliet Wilcox Doolittle, they were to receive \$800. They also acknowledge a cheque from the Grocers' Association for \$25; Youman's social at Mrs. Smith's, provisions and cash, \$2: Mrs. J. C. Taylor, \$1. Children kept and fed at 5c per day while mothers work.

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Samething New.

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Marie Hall, the English violinist, appeared before a large and representative audience at the Grand Opera House last evening, and again demonstrated her right to be recognized as one of the world's great violinists. She has lost some of the pensiveness of feature that was noticeable at her former concerts, while artistically she has rounded out considerably. She possesses even more surety and grasp of her work, her tone is broader and her technique more subtle. Her programme numbers indicated A Mendelssohn concerto can be undertaken only by a fully equipped violinist, and that in E Minor, played by her last evening, revealed her powers in last evening, revealed her powers in the most certain manner. It was grandly played, the glorious Andaute being given with a big and sympathetic singing tone that was delightful. The four shorter numbers, concluding with Rus' "Moto Perpetuo," were played rest brilliantly. The closing number, Wieniawaski's "Souvenir de Moscou," showed Miss Hall's marvelous technique to even greater advantage, the double stopping, harmonies and dashing execution being extraordinarily effective. Entusiastic appliause was repeatedly showered on her, but she escaped with two energes.

pianist and accompanist for Miss Hall.
Miss Basche wisely does not choose
too heavy compositions, save, perhaps,
an occasional Lizzt number, and her exan occasional Lizzt number, and her execution is brilliant and sure. Last evening's numbers and their rendition caught the fancy of the audience. The first group of Mendelssohn and Dvorak works was played with much skill. "The Hungarian Rhapsody" was given with a good deal of power, and the fair pianist, after each appearance, was warmly recalled, and after the "Rhapsody" played as an encore Chopin's Etude No. 5.

Harold Bealey, the vocalist, did well to substitute for the prologue to "I Pagliacci," on the programme, Schumann's grand song, "The Two Grenadiers," and liacci," on the programme, Schumann's grand song, "The Two Grenadiers," and while his voice was not robust enough for it, he sang it with expression, and pleased the audience. He was better fitted with the two light lyries, "Prudence" and "Pretty Little Kate," which he sang quite tastefully and was encored

A GOOD MUSICAL SHOW. A GOOD MUSICAL SHOW.

The reserved seat sale for "Forty-five Minutes From Broadway," which comes to the Grand next Saturday, opens tomorrow morning. The cast will be the same as seen here last season, which is a guarantee of a good performance for the production certainty gave satisfaction. Quite as unique in conception as the story of the play itself is the character of Mary, which differs radically from any role seen on the stage for the past decade, and affords Miss Gordon unlimited range for the display of her versatile powers. Underlying the quiet but effective comedy lines of this don unlimited range for the display of her versatile powers. Underlying the quiet but effective comedy lines of this part which keeps the audience in a constant smile is a deep haid thread of pathos which often brings one to the verge of tears. Miss Gordon's two song numbers, "Mary Is a Grand Old Name," and "So Long, Mary," both of which are written in Mr. Cohan's most characteristic vein, are so capitally rendered as to make them features of the performance. Soft Welsh will again be seen in his famous role of "Kid Burns," the ex-slangy prize fighter retired.

AT BENNETT'S THEATRE.

AT BENNETT'S THEATRE. taken from "Arabian Nights," entitled Handkerchief No. 13." Arthur Pitts, a gay young blade, takes unto himself a wife. Shortly after the honeymoon has in charge her mother-in-law, Mrs. Calk-er, amusingly played by Miss Argyle Gilbert. Pitts has been reading the tra of that city.

'Arabian Nights," and is fascinated by the story of the caliph, who sallies forth into the night. Pitts acts on the suggestion contained in the story, sallies forth, and meets Rosie St. Regis, of the music halls, capitally played by the capitating and beautiful Miss Freemont Benton. Pitts, a little under the influence of the bowl that cheers, unconsciously gives the lady his handkerchief and card. The next day Rosie calls at the house of Pitts, and the complications that ensue from the naughty benedict trying to shield the identity of the unwelcome chorus lady in the bosom of his family provide many hearty laughs. The stage setting is decidedly picturesque and the appointments handsome. Lovers of mirth and music will thoroughly appreciate the clever Charles Cartmell and the captivating Laura Harris, who are again in our midst, in one of the cutest shiering and dancing skits. ris, who are again in our midst, in one of the cutest singing and dancing skits of the season. Cartmell's methods are on the order of George M. Cohan's work and dainty Miss Harris is the quintessence of grace and loveliness. In fact, by many she has been called a pocket edition of the beautiful Maxine Elliott. George B. Snyder and Harry Buckley in their latest offering, "No Smoking Allowed," score a substantial hit. In fact, all are worthy of praise. ris, who are again in our midst, in

AT THE SAVOY.

The best performance yet presented by the Selman Stock Company is "Northern Lights," according to the verdict of the two large audiences tlat were present at both performances yesterday. The play is handsomely staged with magnificent scenic effects and special electrical apparatus, and the cestal electrical apparatus, and the cestal electrical apparatus. cial electrical apparatus, and tuming is complete in every detail, individual members scored big his he frequent curtain calls testified to be appreciation felt by the playgrers The scenes are laid in the west at the time of the uprising of the Indians, and three intensely interesting plots are terwoven that the drama is fuil o stirring dramatic situations. John Swiftwind, assistant surgeon at the urmy post, is forcibly portrayed by Mr. Selman, and by many of this young actor's staunch admirers is considered the best work he has given in Hamilton. He makes him a heroic figure struggling with the ways of civilization, when all his instincts tend toward the rugged truth of the savage. In this role he adds another triumph to his record. The variety of expression, both vocal and facial, is little short of won-1-rful. The method of expression is illuminative to the highest degree. There is great force and power in his interpretation of Swiftwind. Miss Marie Pathes is sweet and sympathetic as Florence Sherwood. Cecil Owen is a revenation as Sidney Sherwood. This production requires the best art of all, and the players take advantage of every open runiers take advantage of every opportunity to give an inspired performance Seats are now selling for Shartock Holmes, in "The Sign of the Four." Seats are now on sale for "The Mer-chant of Venice."

WESTERN DRAMA TO-NIGHT. WESTERN DRAMA TO-NIGHT.

Life on the western plains is well cortrayed in "Montana," which comes to
the Grand to-night and to-morrow evening. While the characters are all people
of that locality, there is not that eversive use of gun powder and red fire gencrally seen in plays of this kinl, for
"Montana" has a sufficiently interesting story to carry it through. It tills
of the troubles the cattle raisers have
to contend with in protecting the reattle from the rustlers and incidentally
has a very pretty love story and some the from the rustiers and incurs any has a very pretty love story and soose good, clean comedy. A very capable company is said to have the play in hand, and as it was well received in Toronto last week, the performances here should attract good crowds

Toronto, March 3.-The Mendelssoh Toronto, matter of their journey to the control of the control of their started on their journey to the control of their started on their journey to the control of their started on their journey to the control of their started on their journey to the control of their started on their journey to the control of their started on their journey to the control of their started on their journey to the control of their started on their journey to the control of their started on their journey to the control of their started on their journey to the control of their started on their journey to the control of their started on their journey to the control of their started on the control of the contr train, consisting of six Pullmans and a baggage car, carried the ladies, and the men gathered on the station platforms and gave them a rousing send-off. The second section also consisted of a half account section also consisted or a mandozen sleeping cars, but a day car to be used as a smoker will be added. The choir will give a cycle of three concerts in Carnegie Hall, Chicago, in conjunctive or carried to the concerts of the carried to t



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A BALANCED VOTE. | FIGURED ON

Local Option Fight in Vermont Ends in Draw.

Montpelier, Vt., March 2 .- For the rst time since the adoption of the local option license law in 1903 the returns from the town and city elections to-day showed that the number of towns forsaking the privileges of license was equalled by those returning to a regime of legalized sale of intoxicating liquors. in 1903 was 96, and at the present time

there are 27.

The loss of one city from each column The loss of one city from each column was recorded in to-day's returns. Rutland becoming "dry" by a reduced and small majority, and St. Alban's returning to license. Nine towns reversed their votes on each side of the questions.

STRATFORD CASE.

Coroner's Jury Unable to Determine Cause of Sutherland's Death.

Stratford, March 2 .- The inquest on the body of Alex, Sutherland, found dead at the back door of A. Guerin, in the east end of the city last Friday morning, was continued this evening, morning, was continued this evening, when the jury were unable to agree on a verdiet. The conclusion of the physicians who made the post-mortem examination was that the cause of death was shock caused by bodily injuries, exposure and alcoholic intoxication. Guerin and his wife were again examined, but little could be elicited from them as to what actually happened at their home on Thursday night last. In view of the medical evidence, which gave a rather serious aspect to the case, a further ad-

Comrade Out of Icy Water. Welland, March 2.-An example of olendid youthful heroism was shown at Port Colborne yesterday afterno

wave, long reported as headed in this direction, has at last reached these

direction, has at last reached these shores.

The best indication of its presence is to be found, the appraiser declares, in the imports of gems and precious stones or February. During the month the value of the diamonds, pearls, rubies and other gems entered through this port aggregated \$2,912,710, a gain over the imports of the same class of merchandise during February, 1908, of \$200,447.

On all other imports the total value aggregated \$66,957,526, or \$18,500,000 more than for the corresponding month last year.

month last year. TO FIGHT AIRSHIPS.

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Berlin, March 2.—The Krupp concern has taken up the subject of air engineering with energy, having organized a section for the construction of guns to be used against air craft. The concern already has two model guns, one for discharging explosive shells and the other for throwing a burning projectile.

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A NEW LOOP.

Street Railway is Said to Have Had One.

New Lighting Plan Provides For 730 Arc Lamps. East End Property Owners Cau-

tion Aldermen. Property owners on Wentworth street and Sanford avenue were out in force at the Board of Works meeting last night to caution the aldermen to be careful what action they took on the Street Railway Company's application for permission to lay tracks on Wentworth street to give connections on that street and Sanford avenue with the new ear shops and sheds. John E. Brown and Walter T. Evans were the chief speakers. They thought that Sherman Wentworth street or Sanford avenue. Wentworth street or Sanford avenue. They expressed a suspicion that the company intended making a switching yard of these two streets. The opinion was also expressed that the Radial was trying to the the street up in such a way that the city would not take the street railway over at the end of the franchise if it desired.

A sub-committee was appointed to report on the matter.

The Street Railway Company is said to be planning the double tracking of

to be planning the double tracking of Herkimer street from Locke street to Herkimer street from Locke street to what actually happened at their home on Thursday night last. In view of the medical evidence, which gave a rather serious aspect to the case, a further adjournment was made until March 10th.

A LITTLE HERO.

Port Colborne Boy of Nine Pulled

Herkimer street from Locke street to the form, and the street was the fing a new loop. H. H. Robertson, who appeared to protest against the tracks on Aberdeen avenue being moved towards the north side of the roadway, and requested that something be done so that the street could be properly drained, said the company had such a scheme in view when Mr. Blanchard was here, but he understood it had been abandoned.

Mr. Robertson was informed that the

Aff. Robertson was informed that the company was not making any application to move the tracks. It was taken for granted, however, that it was only a matter of time, when the company would lay double tracks on Aberdeen avenue and the aldermen doubted if, in view of

at Port Colborne yesterday afternoon, when Lyle Anderson, aged nine years, rescued Frank Neff, aged ten, from drowning.

The two boys were playing on the harbor ice when Neff went through a hole. Though a young lad, he was a good swimmer, and was rescued by Anderson as he was coming up for the last time.

PROSPERITY WAVE

Has Reached the Shores of the States—Imports of Jewels.

New York, March 2.—From figures made public to-day by the appraiser of the port it appears that the prosperity wave, long reported as headed in this direction, has at last reached these made public to-day by the appraisor of the port it appears that the prosperity wave, long reported as headed in this direction, has at last reached these

DRESSED LIKE BOY.

Sixteen-Year-Old Girl Runs Away From Home.

St. Thomas, March 2 .- Susie Bessette, a sixteen-year-old girl, ran away from her adopted home at Sparts on Sunday night coming to the city dressed 114 boy's clothing. She went to the home of a girl friend, who had promised to take her to Detroit, but her identity was discovered, and she was placed in charge of the Children's Aid Society.

No Change of Cars