

DRIVER CHANGES MIND AFTER NINE YEARS

ZEB BOYD GETS DRUNK GETTING SOBER

Wells Withholds Decision Concerning Taxi Overcharge Pending Commissioners' Action.

It took Everett Davis, the driver of a furniture truck, nine years to change his mind as to the wisdom of the law which demands that all vehicles driving across Lexington avenue, at the intersection of Walnut, come to a full stop before proceeding. When he failed to make the stop nine years ago and ran into a machine on Lexington, he doubted seriously the wisdom of the ordinance under whose provisions he was required to pay heavily for his failure to halt. Yesterday, however, he altered his views considerably when Judge Wells told Sam Stevens he was liable for the damages he caused to Davis' truck when he crashed into it from Walnut as Davis was journeying on Lexington. Both men were found guilty of reckless driving in court yesterday. That Davis was running too fast and Stevens failed to stop.

The rendering of final judgments in the two actions was postponed until next week so that Stevens might have time in which to settle with Davis. Judging from the attitude of the two, it is going to take all the time the court has provided. Few cases involving collisions have developed such bitterness of feeling as was shown by the two defendants and it appeared yesterday that they might be up on assault charges before they got out of the court room. Stevens' beginning of negotiations with Davis in the chamber was marked by such boisterous talk that Judge Wells ordered them to continue their dealings outside the room, reprimanding Stevens and requiring him to move from that portion of the chamber in which Davis was seated.

The corner at which the collision occurred during the early part of the present week is regarded as one of the most dangerous in the city, especially because of the intersecting streets being steep and visions being obscured. It is an unusually unlucky corner for Davis who has been in court only twice in the past nine years. His appearance was the result of trouble at this particular corner. He may range his future itineraries in such a way as to avoid it.

Zeb Boyd appears to have got drunk getting sober. His latest prohibition was due to his efforts at abstinence. He was the victim of John Barleycorn while trying to victimize that gentleman. He suffered hazziness while seeking lucidity and found himself down and out while trying to get up and about. He lost his senses while seeking better possession of his faculties and got into trouble trying to get out of it. He precipitated the agonies of a debacle while endeavoring to gain the comforts of abstinence. He became a disciple of Silenus while seeking to embrace the tenets of the prohibitionists.

Boyd has been before Judge Wells three times within the past few weeks on charges of drunkenness. He paid the costs of his appearance and when he was convicted again Wednesday, he was taxed with a fine of \$25 and the costs. He did not have the money to pay it but a bondsman offered to guarantee the cancellation of the debt. Thursday afternoon, with a view to cleansing his system of alcohol by taking another drink of it, he adopted the system of the drunkard who requires many drinks on which to get down and one with which to get up.

Boyd, too poor to pay his fine, was rich enough to raise the price of a bottle of bay rum, containing 48 per cent alcohol, more than three fluid ounces of which he consumed. The drink on which he intended to get entirely sober proved the drink that marked the beginning of his third offense. Judge Wells was inclined to send him to jail but the man's pitiable pleadings won for him a continuance until Monday when he will report whether friends are willing to take

him as an employe and be responsible for his conduct in the future. He is contrite and promises to have no further trouble with alcohol. He boasted of the fact that in the past he has been able to stay sober for as long as two years. The court was sympathetic toward a man who finds that a cause for pride. Anyone who is so victimized by the drink habit that he congratulates himself when he stays away from booze two years impresses the judge more as a diseased man than a criminal.

Many Continuances. Many cases on yesterday's docket were continued, including those growing out of officers' investigation of the rifting of "Fernhurst," the Victoria home of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. McDonald.

Another case of wide interest that went over for trial at a later date was that of Bob Sprouse, a taxi driver who was up for declining to transport a patron who tendered him the legal fare. Judge Wells ordered that the case go over until next Wednesday, by which time he anticipated that the city commissioners will have made known their intentions regarding the proposal to revise present taxi tariffs in effect in Asheville. It is apparent that the court is desirous that a final adjustment be made by the commissioners before he goes into the matter at length.

Many made no denial of the other charged to him. He said that a lady approached him a few days ago on the taxi stand at the Southern station with the declaration that she wanted to go to the office of Dr. H. H. Briggs, two miles, or more, away. Sprouse said he told her he would make the trip for \$1 whereupon she said she was willing to pay no more than the legal fare, 50 cents. A five-passenger car standing nearby, Sprouse said, contained two patrons en route to the Battery Park hotel. He suggested that she patronize the driver of that machine, stating that her destination was near that of the other driver. She declined with the statement that she desired to ride only in a closed car, such a one as Sprouse was in charge of. He reiterated his unwillingness to make the trip for the legal fare, whereupon the woman had him arrested and took a street car. The prosecution relied on the testimony of Patrolman Williams, the woman not being in attendance at the court session.

The judge said his was a big seven-passenger closed car and that he could not have gone to the specialist's office and back to the taxi stand for less than 55 cents. The trip would have involved the loss of 15 cents, he said, as well as his place on the taxi stand, and the time required in making the long drive. The patrolman said he hears complaints every day of refusals to make the trips at legal fares. It is his belief that the drivers generally get more than the legal charge for carrying one passenger.

FAST BASKETBALL AT Y. M. C. A. THIS EVENING

The first basketball game to be played this season in the Y. M. C. A. "gym" will take place tonight between members representing the local association and members of the Spartanburg association. Both teams are in unusually fine shape, having practiced for the past several weeks, and this contest is expected to be an extra good one.

The Asheville team has several old members on it, who were stars on the teams of last year and year before last. All the seats will be reserved and tickets can be bought at the office of the "Y."

The lineup for the game will be as follows:

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Work on Public Station Will Be Started By G. W. Wrenn and Company Without Delay.

A minimum fare of \$1 during the daylight and early evening hours with 50 cents extra for service during the late night and early morning hours is suggested as a fair fare by public service chauffeurs who are seeking a revision of the present tariffs. Their petition asks the privilege also of charging night rates for trips made during weather that renders the streets conducive to accidents. Time charges, in the opinion of the chauffeurs, should range from \$3 to \$5 an hour. Their desires are set forth as follows:

"We, the undersigned public service car owners and chauffeurs of Asheville, ask that you amend the ordinance regulating the taxi rates in Asheville, so as to allow us the following rates for our services, and agree that our charges shall not exceed same.

"For a trip of any distance up to two miles, a fee of \$1 for one passenger, or 50 cents each for more than one passenger. Longer trips to be figured in same proportion, fractions of miles being figured as miles. The distance to be figured from the place from which car is ordered.

"Rates by hour to be \$3 for five passenger and \$4 for seven passen-

gers, open cars, and \$2.50 to \$3 per hour for closed cars, to be figured according to value and weight of car.

"The above rates to be effective only from 8 a. m. to 10 p. m., and when the condition of the streets is such, in the opinion of the chauffeur, that the use of chains is necessary. When the streets are in condition that the use of chains is necessary and between the hours of 10 p. m. and 8 a. m., we shall have the right to charge 50 per cent more than rates above specified."

The presentation of recommendations for changes in the present ordinance to the city board yesterday is in accordance with the suggestion of the commissioners, who Thursday told a delegation appearing before them that they wanted some information as to the taxi drivers' idea of fairness before they went into the matter. Yesterday they ordered the petition filed with the promise that they will take it up again as soon as they have had an opportunity to familiarize themselves with the views of others familiar with transportation charges.

The matter is one that has aroused wide interest here and the commissioners want to study the question thoroughly before they make any change in the ordinance now in effect.

Commissioner Sherrill, returning to the city from Bee Tree a few minutes after the adjournment of his colleagues, said he will have the contract for the construction of the public comfort station on—or under—Pack square drawn immediately so that work may be started without delay. G. W. Wrenn and company will construct the station, the bid of this firm being the lowest of three submitted to the commissioners and opened yesterday. The successful bidder agrees to do the work, furnishing all material, for the sum of \$28,959.45. W. D. Henry and company submitted the next lowest bid, \$29,000. The highest was that of G. E. Garland, whose charges would have been \$31,939.09.

Famous Actress Tells How She Uses Derwillo To Beautify Her Complexion



MISS ETHEL CLAYTON.

New York.—Miss Ethel Clayton, the clever young actress, now successfully starring under the Paramount banner, is famous for her beautiful complexion. When her friends inquired about it she said: "It's all due to a toilet preparation called Derwillo which I use twice daily. The experience I have had prompts me to make my secret public. This wonderful derwillo instantly beautified my skin and its continued use has made it permanent." When Mae Edna Wilder, the well known beauty specialist, was interviewed in reference to Miss Clayton's remarkable complexion stated: "Anyone can have a beautiful complexion when they know how. It's a very simple process. I use the same article in my work, and until you try it you have no idea of the marvelous results. The very first application will astonish you. Go to the toilet counter at any drug or department store and get a bottle of derwillo, then make the following test: Examine your skin critically before your mirror, note carefully its appearance, then apply derwillo as directed. After you have made the first application look in your mirror again and note the surprising change. A peach-like color mounts the cheeks; a baby softness comes to the skin; it makes the skin rosy-white, velvety and radiantly beautiful. It is wonderful for a tan, oily skin, sun spots, coarse pores, pimples, blackheads, chapped rough skin, pruritus, wrinkles, and many other facial blemishes. Derwillo method is absolutely harmless and will not produce or stimulate a growth of hair. It is superior to face powder, as perspiration does not affect it therefore it stays on better. Thousands who have used it have had the same results as Miss Clayton, and I am sure if you will give it a fair trial you will become just as enthusiastic as I am and always use it in preference to any other powder or beautifier."

NOTE—When asked about Derwillo one of our leading druggists said: "It is truly a wonderful beautifier, away ahead of anything we have ever sold before. We are authorized by the manufacturers to refund the money to anyone who is dissatisfied, and we would not permit the use of our name until the product possessed unusual merit." It is sold in this city under an iron-clad money back guarantee by all department stores and up-to-date druggists, including T. C. Smith Drug Co.

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The specifications under which the contractors prepared their bids contained no reference to the time for the beginning of the work but Mr. Sherrill said that he will ask for its starting in ample time to complete it before the beginning of the spring tourist business in 1920. He will confer with T. R. Taylor, of the weather bureau, within the next few days with a view to arranging for the removal of the kiosk under the site of which the station will be built. The kiosk probably will be put in some other portion of the square.

The commissioners expressed themselves as delighted with the amount of the bid, declaring that they consider the proposed charges entirely reasonable and fair. The station will be built of the best material, the principal items going into its construction being marble, tiling and porcelain. Excavation activities will be started first and the depression will be covered over so as to permit work during the winter regardless of the inclemency of the weather.

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