

FOR SHIPPING CARTRIDGES IN TALLOW.

De la Cova Held on Strong Evidence Given by Two Detectives.

United States Commissioner Shields began yesterday an investigation into the charge that Victor A. de la Cova, a packer, of 139 Franklin Street, had violated Section 4,476 of the Revised Statutes in shipping cartridges concealed in nine barrels of tallow to Havana on the Ward Line steamship Yumuri Aug. 23.

Edgar Beard, a detective, testified that he went to De la Cova's place Oct. 8 with another detective, Leighton. They showed to him a manifest of the lot of cartridges that had been shipped to a certain Higuera, in Cuba, representing themselves as Higuera's friends. De la Cova, Beard said, acknowledge that he had shipped the cartridges in tallow, and showed a duplicate of the manifest in his letter copy book. He objected to shipping any more cartridges in tallow, as tallow made too much "muss" in the place. He had made the last shipment in tallow the Higuera shipment.

On previous occasions, De la Cova said, according to the witness, he had sent firearms concealed, and suggested that the 12,000 cartridges Beard wanted to send on a Ward Line steamship should be shipped in kegs of nails. It was understood that the cartridges were to be smuggled. The word "smuggled" was not used in the conversation. They used the expression "shipped without danger of seizure."

Detective Leighton testified in corroboration of Beard, and said that De la Cova had declared that he had shipped concealed packages of revolvers and cartridges to Venezuela. For what purpose De la Cova did not say.

De la Cova was held to await the action of the United States Grand Jury.

Helped to Defeat Cantor.

A novel explanation is advanced for the defeat of Jacob A. Cantor, who was running for Congress in the Fifteenth Congressional District. Some time ago it was announced that he was engaged to marry Loie Fuller, the dancer. The Hebrew maidens of his district waited in vain for his denial of the rumor. As it was not forthcoming, they set in with a will to defeat him in his race for Congress.

They made an active canvass and many a father or brother was pledged to vote against the Tammany candidate.

Philip G. Low, the Republican candidate, was elected by one of the biggest Congressional majorities in the city.

Stole Jewelry to Buy Medicine.

Henry Rudolph, a painter, living at 352 Central Avenue, Brooklyn, was before Judge Fitzgerald, in Part I. of General Sessions, yesterday, for sentence on the charge of grand larceny. Rudolph stole \$1,000 worth of jewelry from the house of Hoffman Miller, 122 East Fortieth Street. Mr. Miller, who is a member of the law firm of Miller, Peckham & Dixon, told Judge Fitzgerald he had investigated the case and found that Rudolph stole the jewelry so that he could get money to buy medicine and food for his sick wife. Mr. Miller asked that the sentence be made as light as possible. Judge Fitzgerald made the punishment six months in the penitentiary.

St. Andrew's Society Election.

At the annual meeting of the St. Andrew's Society held last evening, at Delmonico's, George A. Morrison was re-elected President. The other officers elected were: First Vice President—J. Kennedy Tod; Second Vice President—William Lyall; Managers—John Reid, Alexander King, John Jardine, Andrew Carnegie, Robert Maclay, and Alexander Maitland; Treasurer—Alexander Laird; Secretary—George A. Morrison, Jr.; Assistant Secretary—D. Macgregor Crerar; Chaplains—The Rev. W. M. Taylor, D. D., the Rev. David G. Wiley, Ph. D.; Physicians—R. A. Murray, Andrew McCosh, and A. W. Sterling.