

BOSTON MESSENGERS STRIKE.

Demand More Pay—Strikers Assault and Injure a Policeman.

BOSTON, July 31.—Messenger boys of the Boston District Company started a strike here to-day to enforce a demand for an increase in the rate per message, under which system they are paid.

While Police Inspector William T. Leggett was escorting one of the messengers who had stuck to their work through Winthrop Square this afternoon he was set upon by a crowd of the strikers and their sympathizers and severely beaten. His head was cut and his face bruised by stones thrown by his assailants, and several of his teeth were knocked out. A squad of police, under Inspector Pinkerton and Deputy Superintendent Pierce, was rushed to the scene and the square was cleared, after several arrests had been made.

Declare Newsboys' Strike a Failure.

A small delegation of members of the West Side Newsdealers' Association met last evening at 342 West Forty-second Street and passed resolutions declaring the present strike against The Evening Journal and The Evening World a failure and withdrawing their allegiance from the striking newsboys. The members later passed a resolution to appoint a committee to confer with a committee to be appointed by the New York Newsdealers and Stationers' Protective Association for the purpose of later inaugurating another boycott against one or more of the evening papers.

BROWNSVILLE TAILORS STRIKE.

Fifteen Hundred Workers Demand Shorter Hours and a Graded Scale.

The strike of the Brownsville tailors, which was ordered at a meeting held on Sunday night, went into effect yesterday. About 1,500 garment workers, including operators, basters, finishers, and pressers went out, and work in many of the shops was entirely suspended. In several of the shops, where non-union tailors are employed, work was being done, but under difficulties, because of the limited number of men remaining at work.

The strikers conducted themselves in an orderly manner during the day, and no violent outbreaks were reported. They made their headquarters in a hall on Pitkins Avenue. Police Captain Velsor, in command of the Brownsville Station, was prepared for trouble, a large force of men being kept in reserve at the station.

The strikers have organized themselves into the Brownsville Branch of the United Brotherhood of Tailors, and Max Alexander, President of the organization has been placed in charge of the strike. The strikers demand that ten hours shall constitute a day's work and that there shall be a graded scale of wages. They claim that under present conditions they can scarcely earn a living even though they work fifteen hours a day.

Curran Held for Trial.

Frank Curran, the ex-motorman who is alleged by the police to be one of the leaders of a plot to blow up some of the property of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company with dynamite, was again arraigned in the Yorkville Police Court yesterday and held for trial. Curran claims that no dynamite was found on him and that the battery with wire found in his rooms was a contrivance constructed by himself to awaken him in the morning.

Settlement Committee at Work.

The Settlement Committee of the striking tailors met yesterday at 177 East Broadway, and was visited by many contractors, who came to sign the agreement with the unions and to ask that their men be sent back to work. The committee reported that twenty settlements were made on Friday, twenty-five on Saturday, and about twenty yesterday. On Sunday the committee said about 1,000 men returned to work.