

THE LONG ISLAND OUTRAGES.

Charles H. Ruggs, the negro who is charged with having assaulted and robbed Mr. and Mrs. Sealey Sprague on their premises at East Meadow, town of Hempstead, spent yesterday in the Queens County Jail at Long Island City. The keeper of the jail said that Ruggs had fully recovered from the fright he received in the excitement Friday night, when he narrowly escaped being lynched while being brought to the jail. He said he would not talk to any one but his lawyer. He expected that Counselor Depew, of Sea Cliff, would defend him. Mr. Depew is also counsel for John Tappen, who is charged with complicity in the strangling of the Maybee women and the assault on old Mr. and Mrs. Townsend. In the afternoon Constable James Smith visited the jail and had an interview with Tappen. Smith arrested him. Smith questioned him closely as to whether he knew anything about Ruggs and if he had been connected with him in any crime. John Tappen reiterated his innocence, and said that his brother Edmund must be insane to charge him with the murders of the Maybees. He was guilty of no crime and did not know anything of Ruggs's operations as a criminal. Constable Smith, after leaving John Tappen, said that as far as he knew no direct evidence had been discovered to connect Ruggs with either the Maybee murders or the assault on the Townsends. He said that the pawn-tickets found on Ruggs were for a watch and clothing pawned in New-York City. No clothing was stolen from either the Maybees or the Townsends. Ruggs is suspected of having attempted to commit an outrageous assault on a 14-year-old girl at Glen Cove, while she was returning home from work. The girl is positive that the man who attempted to assault her was a negro. Mr. Sprague, who was nearly beaten to death by Ruggs, is still in a critical condition.