

## BURSTING OF THE CROTON-WATER MAIN.

Our more cleanly disposed citizens were somewhat shocked on the morning of Friday, October 21, by the necessity of substituting a "dry polish" for their accustomed Croton-water bath. It appears that the Street Department, in excavating the Fifth avenue above the Reservoir, had blasted huge pieces of rock and rolled them upon the naked mains, which gave way under the unequal pressure, and poured their limpid treasures promiscuously over the northern part of the island, among the unwashed Democracy. All the steam-engines and factories were at once stopped, and private drinkers put on short allowance for a day or two, when our energetic Chief-Engineer Craven reported the chasm bridged, and the excuse for resorting to other measures is now removed.