

WILL PUT \$6,000,000 IN NEW HOTEL HERE

E. M. Statler Says His Company Is to Erect Building of at Least 2,000 Rooms.

NO SITE SELECTED AS YET

Both Pennsylvania Terminal and Grand Central Neighborhoods Under Consideration.

New York is to have a new 2,000-room hotel, to cost from \$6,000,000 to \$8,000,000, to be one of the Statler chain, according to an announcement made last evening by E. M. Statler, an officer of the hotel company.

The site probably will be near the Grand Central Terminal, although the neighborhood of the Pennsylvania Station also is being considered. Negotiations have been under way for several weeks, but have not as yet been completed. Mr. Statler has been staying at the Hotel Belmont, and when seen there last evening confirmed the rumors current about the proposed hotel.

"Our Board of Directors," said he, "voted on Feb. 15 last that they would build a hotel in the City of New York. We are operating large hotels in Buffalo, Cleveland, and Detroit, and are building one in St. Louis. When the decision is reached to build a hotel in a certain city the matter is settled.

"We are in the business of building hotels and are applying modern business methods to such enterprises. I regret that I cannot, at this time, announce what the site will be, for the reason that we do not yet know ourselves. The enterprise is not, in any way connected with any other proposed hotels in the vicinity of the Grand Central Station.

"The structure will have a site of from 40,000 to 50,000 square feet in area. There will be at least 2,000 rooms and perhaps 2,500. As is well known, the rates of our hotels are moderate. We operate only large hotels, because, with houses of smaller size, it would be impossible to give the rates which we offer to the public.

"Our company decided to come to New York because we saw the opportunity for a hotel of the class which we operate, and we hope soon to be able to make a definite announcement as to site."

There have been within the last few

days several reports about hotels to be built in the neighborhood of the Grand Central Station. THE NEW YORK TIMES on Sunday printed the announcement that interests connected with the Hotel Biltmore were preparing to build a hotel at the corner of Lexington Avenue and Forty-second Street, on the site of the Asylum for Crippled Children. Several other rumors have been current concerning great hotels in that neighborhood.

EGYPT TRIP WAITE'S PLAN.

Woman Was to Accompany Poisoner, Prosecutor Says.

In seeking to learn just how much information Dr. Arthur Warren Waite confided to Mrs. Horton, his studio companion, concerning his "plans for the future," Assistant District Attorney Dooling called before him yesterday Mrs. Horton's friend, Mrs. Dorothy von Palmenberg. After his interview with Mrs. von Palmenberg, the Prosecutor said he was convinced that Dr. Waite intended to flee to Egypt with a "woman companion," after he had obtained some of the fortune which would be available through the death of his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Peck.

Mrs. von Palmenberg, who at one time lived with Mrs. Horton in West Eleventh Street and got to know her very intimately, told the Assistant District Attorney of many conversations. Mr. Dooling says she told him that Mrs. Horton manifested much interest in germs and the uses to which they might be put. Not only did she accompany Dr. Waite on many occasions when he purchased drugs and germs, but according to Mrs. von Palmenberg, it was Mrs. Horton who bought the sulphonal which Dr. Waite consumed in such large quantities as a sleeping potion on the night before his arrest.

Dr. Waite's case was assigned for trial before Judge Crain in Part V. of General Sessions. Judge Crain sits during the month of May, but it is understood that Walter R. Deuel, counsel for Dr. Waite, will apply for an extension of time. He does not expect to be ready for trial before June 1.