

## BLUE LAW SUNDAYS

Lid to be on Tight on the Sabbath.

## VAGARIES OF THE NEW LAW

Living on Nothing a Day—Father Knickerbocker Establishes Food Roundup Record—Metropolis Has the Tjijaks—Is City Proper Place For Boys?

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Sunday will be Sunday in New York in the future, for a time at least, and not the extension of Saturday night which it has been in the past. By the passing of a new Sunday law which Commissioner Bingham says he is going to enforce strictly, Father Knickerbocker will have a Sabbath as is a Sabbath, and one which even the old blue laws could not oust. The strict interpretation of the law does not allow anyone to engage in pleasure on Sunday and not since 1895 when 40,000 people marched the streets to protest against the enforcement even of the then existing laws has the city been so highly wrought up over the loss of its Sunday amusements. Under the new law Sunday will no longer be a day of amusement. Every theatre, nickelodeon and moving picture booth is to be shut up tight. Not even sacred concerts will be permitted. In short no performance involving the use of any kind of a stage will be allowed, and about the only thing left for the 100,000 residents and visitors who have previously patronized such entertainments on Sunday will be to go to church. In the words of "Big Bill" Devery "the burg will be a dead one on Sunday with nothin' doin'." There is considerable worry in many quarters as to just how the law will be enforced. If carried to the extreme it would mean that at least half the city would have to reform or go to jail. The part, for instance, which forbids two or more persons with painted faces to congregate in any place would if strictly applied make liable to arrest thousands of women who assist nature with a touch of rouge. To match to see who shall pay car fares, to purchase soap after ten o'clock Sunday morning and a thousand and one things are barred. But there are many laws which are never enforced and while New Yorkers admit it with humiliation they may have to go to Brooklyn for their amusement on Sunday for a time, there is a general hope that the lid will come off again before long.

In spite of the fact that New York is the most expensive city in the country, recent investigation has proved conclusively that it is possible for a man provided he is of good appearance and possessed of some nerve to live very nicely here on nothing a day. This does not mean begging but securing the necessities of life, together with luxuries, too, without the use of a single penny. A regular system indeed has been worked out by those who simply live free. Commencing in the morning a free shave can be obtained at any of the places where barbers are trained. A shine can be similarly obtained for in some places special instruction is given to would-be bootblacks who of course must have practice. Breakfast with fruit, cereal, coffee, rolls and meats can be obtained in any large department store at the various demonstrating booths. Lunch and dinner are secured in the same manner in a laughably easy manner. After breakfast one may read or write and smoke in a comfortable chair in a hotel lobby, the newspaper being picked up anywhere, and the cigarettes obtained as samples from unsuspecting Greek dealers on the understanding that before ordering a special blend the smoker as a prospective purchaser wishes to test various tobaccos. If the penniless one has an inclination for music he need only go to any piano or talking machine store in a similar role. Transportation about the city is easy for so crowded are the surface cars that it is a simple matter to ride without paying. The municipal lodging house at night offers a clean free bed and in the morning the person living on nothing a day may repeat the whole course, taking care of course not to appear too frequently in the same places.

Father Knickerbocker has established a world's record for a roundup—the food roundup incidental to victualing the fleet of warships going to the Pacific. Practically all of the enormous total of 8,635,930 pounds of food stuffs necessary were either purchased or contracted for here. The whole amount if placed in a single heap would make a structure as

large as the Flatiron Building. In spite of this however the bluejackets are expected to eat it up in one hundred days. The provisioning of the fleet was conducted with considerable secrecy and as a result the size of the task has been little understood. New York's whole available supply of canned tomatoes was used up in supplying this single item of 900,000 pounds. The beef item is close to 1,000,000 pounds, representing the product of 1500 cattle which if marched up Broadway from the Battery would make a line three miles long. Other enormous quantities which Father Knickerbocker was called upon to furnish are potatoes 1,500,000 pounds; sugar 1,400,000 pounds; flour 1,300,000 pounds; cheese, 43,000 pounds; catsup, 24,000 gallons and jams 8500 pounds. Every thing else in the entire list was supplied on this gigantic scale and as a result New York's markets have been stripped almost bare.

New York has the tjijaks, although the average person here if confronted with the statement would probably indignantly deny it as a blot on the reputation of the city. But the tjijak is here nevertheless, and while he is not liable to last long Father Knickerbocker may find some consolation in the fact that never before has he visited the United States. The strange visitor is not so formidable as his name might indicate, being a lizard native to India where he

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## MANY RHEUMATISM VICTIMS

EPIDEMIC OF RHEUMATISM. DRUG-GEST TELLS OF REMARKABLE RESULTS FROM SIMPLE HOME MADE REMEDY.

Thousand of men and women who have felt the sting and torture of this dread disease, which is no respecter of age, persons, sex, color or rank, will be interested to know that while for many years rheumatism was considered an incurable disease, now it is one of the easiest afflictions of the human body to conquer. Medical science has proven it not a distinct disease in itself, but a symptom caused by inactive kidneys. Rheumatism is uric acid in the blood and other waste products of the system which should be filtered and strained out in the form of urine. The function of the kidneys is to sift these poisons and acids out and keep the blood clean and pure. The kidneys, however, are of sponge-like substance, the holes or pores of which will sometimes, either from overwork, cold or exposure become clogged and inactive, and failing in their function of eliminating these poisons from the blood, they remain in the veins decompose and settling about the joints and muscles, cause the untold suffering and pain of rheumatism and backache, often producing complications of bladder and urinary disease, weakness, etc. The following simple prescription is said to relieve the worst cases of rheumatism because of its direct action upon the blood and kidneys, relieving, too, the most severe forms of bladder and urinary troubles: Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Mix by shaking well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime. The ingredients can be had from any good prescription pharmacy, and are absolutely harmless and safe to use at any time.

Foreigners who say this country has no ruins should be reminded that, first and last, Jamestown has done its duty.

Beware of Frequent Colds. A succession of colds or a protracted cold is almost certain to end in chronic catarrh, from which few persons ever wholly recover. Give every cold the attention it deserves and you may avoid this disagreeable disease. How can you cure a cold? Why not try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy? It is highly recommended. Mrs. M. White, of Butler, Tenn., says: "Several years ago I was bothered with my throat and lungs. Someone told me of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I began using it and it relieved me at once. Now my throat and lungs are sound and well." For sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

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## CHICKEN HEARTED MEN.

Every One of Group Dreading to Hear of Some Injury.

"I could hear the bone in his wrist snap," said a man who was describing an accident to a group of men.

"Oh, cut it out, for heaven's sake!" called out one of the group. He was a big fellow, but he was as white as a sheet.

The speaker laughed jeeringly. "I didn't know you were so chicken hearted," he said.

The big man began to explain. "I'm not what you would call a timid sort of person, but the mention of any injury to the wrist always turns me faint. I can stand seeing blood flow or hear thrilling tales of broken limbs and smashed heads, but I can't stand any wrist stories. I don't know the reason. It seems to be merely a matter of temperament."

A quiet little man came to the rescue. "I know just what you mean," he said. "You're not the only one who has a peculiar aversion to a certain sort of injury. Now, my particular aversion is on account of trouble with the eyes. Immediately I begin to blink and wink and my eyes smart until I can't stand it. I'd rather hear an account of a brutal murder than any description of an eye disease."

The man who had jeered at the big man had been thinking. "I have one of those aversions, too, now I come to think of it," he said. "It is accounts of paralytic shocks, to which I particularly object. I feel myself growing numb all over when I hear such tales, and I always make an excuse to get away as soon as possible."

His remark was a signal for a universal confession. One acknowledged that the sight of blood gave him a sensation of extreme nausea; another said that reading or hearing of a fracture of the skull gave him "a gone feeling at his stomach," and another said he shivered so his teeth chattered every time he heard an account of an operation for appendicitis.

The big man was triumphant. "Well, I'm not such a big baby after all," he said.—New York Tribune.

## FEAR IN BATTLE.

Frederick the Great Ran Away, and Grant Was Afraid.

Some of the greatest soldiers whose names adorn history's pages entered their first battles with a feeling of fear in their hearts.

Frederick the Great simply lost his head at the battle of Mowita. Had he not been a king it is safe to say that he would have been shot at the next sunrise. In the heat of the carnage he got an idea that the army under his command was being overwhelmed, so he put the spurs to his horse and dashed headlong among his soldiers. He rode many miles before he stopped in his wild flight. Late at night he was discovered hiding in an old mill, awaiting, as he thought, capture by the enemy. Then he discovered that the army he deserted had won the battle.

As Frederick was a prince, everybody tried to forget the incident just as quickly as possible. And after that when the king went to war he was just as brave as any other soldier.

General Grant in his memoirs tells us that, despite the fact that he was not new to the ways of war, he had a strange fear in his heart when as commander of the Union forces he found himself on the eve of his first battle of the civil war. He adds, however, that he came to find that "the other fellow" had a similar feeling.

In American history there is no more reckless warrior than the dashing Light Horse Harry Lee. It seems strange, therefore, to find that at the outset of the Continental struggle Washington had to reprove him for his "prudence" in battle. Lee, though, up and told Washington that he was just as brave as the general in chief, and he made good his word.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## All's Fair in War.

"A tenderfoot once visited Tin Can," said a westerner, "and watched with interest the poker play. From saloon to saloon he passed. Everything was wide open and very gay and lively.

"But as he looked on at a poker game that had no limit the tenderfoot suddenly frowned. He had seen the dealer slip himself four aces from the bottom of the pack.

"Gracious powers," whispered the tenderfoot, excitedly clutching the sleeve of the man next him, "did you notice that?"

"Notice what?" said the other.

"Why, that scoundrel in the red shirt just dealt himself four aces."

"The other looked at the tenderfoot calmly.

"Well, wasn't it his deal?" he said.

—Washington Star.

## The Sundowner.

A "swagman" or "swaggie"—so called from the "swag" or personal luggage wrapped up in a blanket strapped to his back—is a genuine Australian traveler in search of work, but a "sundowner" is the antipodean professional tramp. The sundowner strolls from one squatter's station to another, always taking care to arrive at sunset, for it is the traditional practice of Australian squatters to give food and shelter to all comers for the night.—Kansas City Independent.

## Respecting Her Oath.

"Judge, will you do me a great favor?" asked the lady who was about to be put upon the stand as a witness. "Certainly, miss. What is it?" "Will you please ask me my age before I take the oath?"—Youkers Statesman.

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## WILL ACCEPT SCRIP.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 13.—Resolutions were adopted by the council yesterday authorizing the City tax and license collector to accept scrip of the local Clearing House and cashiers checks in payment of the first installment of city taxes. This is intended to make it easy for local property owners to pay their taxes.

## PUBLIC SPEAKER INTERRUPTED.

Public speakers are frequently interrupted by people coughing. This would not happen if Foley's Honey and Tar were taken, as it cures coughs and colds and prevents pneumonia and consumption. The genuine has no opiates and is in a yellow package. Sold by T. F. Laurin Owl Drug Store.

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## LANDS CASES TRIAL TUESDAY.

PORTLAND, Dec. 13.—The Oregonian tomorrow will say that Francis J. Heney, the assistant to the attorney-general, has directed United States Marshal Reed to have all the defendants and their attorneys in the pending land fraud cases in court on December 17th, at 10 o'clock. Heney is expected to arrive in Portland Monday.

## Danger in Asking Advice.

When you have a cough or cold do not ask some one what is good for it, as there is danger in taking some unknown preparation. Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs, colds, and prevents pneumonia. The genuine is in a yellow package. Refuse substitutes. T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

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