

NEW VOICES ON MANY THEMES

REPUBLICANS SHOW FLEXIBILITY IN THE STATE—INCREASE OF DISEASE—A 45-STORY BUILDING TO BE HIGHEST IN THE WORLD.

New York, Jan. 20.—New York Democrats are interested in the alleged movement afoot to make State Senator Patrick McCarran the successor of Norman K. Mack as commissioner from this state. Mr. McCarran has become a great power in Brooklyn, and should he be made national committeeman a few of the enthusiastic might press him for the chairmanship. It is doubtful if such would be possible, however. Tammany, with all its loyalty, knows that McCarran is not the man to have charge of the national campaign, so for the present many of his friends will be content if he can be made merely the representative of this state on the national committee.

Republicans of State.
In an effort to show that New York is safely Republican even if the Fiat influence should be thrown openly or secretly against the ticket next year, attention is called to the table of pluralities on the vote for assemblies during the recent election, which has just been published. The figures show that the Republican plurality outside Greater New York was 112,335, and that the net Republican plurality in the whole state was 37,647. This is held to be a remarkable showing in an off year when there was no state ticket in the field and that no drift toward Democracy has been shown.

Worst Winter in Years.
Not in many years has New York had so many snow storms as this winter. These have been followed by big drops in the mercury, and numerous complaints are heard of cold cars on the local surface and elevated lines. To such conditions is attributed the prevalence of pneumonia. Efforts to remedy the matter have failed, as the New York officials cannot be reached by the present laws. Perhaps the legislature will amend the laws so that death-dealing cars will be eliminated.

Increase of Disease.
Not only is pneumonia rapidly running up the death list here, but diphtheria and scarlet fever are prevalent to an extent that is causing anxiety. A proportionate increase of other contagious diseases such as measles and chicken pox is recorded. Prominent physicians say that the high death rate over the city and in Brooklyn, in particular, is doubtless due to the failure to use anti-toxine at all, or in insufficient amount, or not soon enough.

Valuable Curios.
The large and interesting collection of curios gathered from every part of the world, which is now in the museum of the Maritime Exchange building, will shortly be disposed of. Most of the relics are from vessels which were famous in their time. There is an original manuscript by Sir Walter Raleigh, taken from one of his ships; a pair of iron knuckles from a vessel of the Spanish armada; a can made from a stick of Commodore Perry's flagship Lawrence; a box of matches found on an Arctic glacier by Greely; a quadrant made in 1750 and taken from a French frigate several years later, and hundreds of other articles of great interest. The souvenirs include a roll on which the signature of every Mayor of New York appears; a United States treasury check for 1 cent, and a letter which went around the world on test time in 94 days.

Colonel Vanderbilt.
New York society is greatly interested in a report that Colonel James H. G. Vanderbilt has been asked to be colonel of the Newport artillery company. The company is the oldest artillery organization in the United States, having been granted a charter by George II. It is independent and has in its ranks many of the best known young men of Newport and surrounding towns.

There is much talk of operating a stage line on the new Williamsburg bridge, pending the installment of a regular car service, and the matter will likely be considered by the authorities. The section around the Manhattan terminal is decidedly unprepossessing and if stages should be put on they will connect with the elevated railway stations. Unless the satisfactory making of shuttle cars be adopted it will take a year and a half to install a car service with adequate terminal facilities.

Highest Building in World.
Much comment has been aroused over the proposed erection of a 45-story office building at the corner of Cortlandt street and Broadway to be known as the "Broadway-Cortlandt" building. It would, of course, be the highest structure in the world. Real estate men, however, are skeptical about the report. While such a building is an engineering possibility, there is no necessity for such a mammoth structure, even in the crowded financial center. A building with nearly half a hundred stories would be hard to erect. Real estate men, erected according to the latest improved methods, awaying in the wind could not well be avoided. Higher buildings than the 28-story Park Row structure would hardly pay and there will hardly be any experimenting "just for fun."

Finest Market in World.
New York's market is said to be the finest in the world and it is asserted that everything that is considered edible can be found here. The latest acquisition to the game supplies is the wild boar from the Black Forest of Germany. Scores of these denizens of the mountain district of the Fatherland are displayed at the big markets. Expensive game, though, is not bought so freely now as it was a year ago, as Wall street has dulled somewhat the appetites of the equires.

Visitors to the automobile show which opens next week at Madison Square Garden will see the largest automobile ever made in America. It was constructed by a Brooklyn firm that makes a specialty of power driven cars of high power and carrying capacity. The one to be shown is an automobile for 15 passengers, built along the same lines as a touring car. It is equipped with a four-cylinder gasoline engine and can travel 20 miles an hour.

Beer on Sundays.
Dr. Parkhurst is said to be preparing a bill to change the existing law by which "the law-abiding beer drinking German citizens of New York" will be enabled to get their beer on Sunday. Just how this is to be done has not been decided upon yet by the minister, but he is firmly convinced that the temperate men who exercise a manly self-control and respect our laws should be given some opportunity on Sunday to obtain their beer if they so desire.

Raised the Price.
They are "knocking" Sir Henry Irving's Shylock up North. Sir Henry must have put the orchestra prices up to two pounds of fish.

KEEP INSIDE OF WAYS AND MEANS

Council Some Reductions and Some Increase in the Mayor's Annual Budget.

The ways and means committee submitted the budget of appropriations for the ensuing year at today's council session, and in addition recommended changes that will prevent any injudicious expenditures of municipal funds. The most important change is one suggesting that monthly estimates of all departments be presented to the council at the first regular session of the month and that they be made in detail so the council may know the purpose of each item of expense; also that in such expenditures as park improvement and street repairs the council may know the location and character of the work. Another provision is made that where monthly estimates are filed, no bills in excess thereof shall be contracted by any department and that in no instance shall the bills audited be in excess of the estimates as approved.

Heretofore monthly estimates have been filed with City Auditor Devlin, but it has never been customary to have them read in council. The city council, though, in view of a full paid fire department and other unusual expenses, is figuring on a season of careful and only needed expenditures and hopes to have a better finger on the municipal pulse strings by these changes.

There are few increases in salary recommended and with one or two exceptions the payroll will remain as it stood during 1903. The committee report will undoubtedly be unanimously adopted, as nine of the councilmen have already expressed their satisfaction at its findings. We further recommend that appropriations be made as follows:

General Fund.
Salaries mayor's office, \$5,035.70, which with unexpended balance, makes a total of \$5,100, as per mayor's budget.
Salaries of council, \$2,788, which with unexpended balance makes a total of \$3,300, as per mayor's budget.
Salaries of city treasurer's office, \$5,430.20, which with unexpended balance makes a total of \$5,430.20, as per mayor's budget.
Salaries of city attorney's office, \$6,600, as per mayor's budget.

Police Department Fund.
General expense of police department, \$90,509.56, which with unexpended balance, makes a total of \$90,832, as recommended for the general expenses of said department for the further time to consider the matter of an appropriation for repairs to the city jail.

Lighting Fund.
Lighting streets and public buildings, \$59,860.76, which with unexpended balance, makes a total of \$66,540, as per mayor's budget.
Street Repair Fund.
Repairs to streets and bridges, \$54,359.39, which with unexpended balance, makes a total of \$56,216, as per mayor's budget.

Park Fund.
General expense of park department, \$22,338.86, which with unexpended appropriation, makes a total of \$31,921, as per mayor's budget.
Water Fund.
General expense of water department, \$12,884.85, which with unexpended balance and the transfers necessary for the payment of interest on water bonds, makes a total of \$485,900, as per mayor's budget.

THE GREAT ST. LOUIS FAIR.
Fair opens April 30, 1904; closes December 1, 1904.
Size of grounds, 1,240 acres, nearly two square miles.
Approximate cost of the exposition, \$5,000,000.
Main picture comprises ten great palaces, arranged fan shape.
Typical '49 mining camp in "Mining Rose garden, six acres in area, 60,000 rose trees.
Melon yard—500,000 melons served to visitors without cost.
Model strawberry farm, with 400 varieties growing thereon.
Thirty-five acres of asphalt and gravel roadways in grounds.
Great Britain to reproduce the orangery of Kensington Palace.
Automobile chairs, carrying two persons each.
Art pottery manufactory in operation, showing processes.
Wireless telegraph station among great electrical exhibits.
Floral clock, dial 100 feet in diameter, hands 20 feet long, at the Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's home, for Virginia state building.
General Grant's cabin at St. Louis county erected at exposition.

Washington's headquarters at Mount Vernon for New Jersey building.
Map of United States in growing crops covers area of five acres.
The pike, a mile long, concessions costing more than \$5,000,000.
Three great cascades, largest water falls ever constructed by man.

Salaries city engineer, \$1,740; office deputy, \$1,380; chief draughtsman, \$1,330; assistant draughtsman, \$1,020; stenographer, \$1,200; estimate man, \$900; computer, \$600; two inspectors, grade A, at \$1,200 each; one bridge inspector and one sewer inspector, at \$1,200 each; \$130 surveyors, at \$130 each; six transitmen, at \$900 each; and 12 chainmen, at \$780 each; that all of said persons be paid a monthly salary in proportion to said annual appropriations and we submit herewith an ordinance amending paragraph 5 of section 1 of ordinance No. 12,321, which fixes the number and compensation of employees in said department. In the item of "material and equipment for general engineering" in the detailed estimate of the engineer, your committee has reduced the item of horse feed from \$100 to \$600, for the reason that said amount is ample for the number of horses kept by said department.

Inspection of street and sewer improvements, \$16,975.75, which with the unexpended balance makes a total of \$17,120, as per mayor's budget.
Purchase and operation of road rollers, \$6,355.65, which with unexpended balance makes a total of \$6,845, which is an increase of \$1,355 over the estimate as shown in the mayor's budget and which is made to provide for the payment of a road roller heretofore authorized to be purchased, deduction having been made in the maintenance and operation of road rollers, based upon three rollers instead of four.
Repairs to sewers, \$754, as per mayor's budget.

Improvement of streets in front of public property, \$10,000, which with unexpended balance makes a total of \$13,970.86, as per mayor's budget.
Health Department.
Health department, including salaries, expense of hospital for contagious diseases and expenses of garbage crematory, \$14,038.53, which with unexpended balance makes a total of \$14,030, said sum being an increase of \$300 over the estimate of the mayor's budget, and which is provided for an increase in the salary of the city physician of \$25 a month, and your committee recommends that paragraph 8 of section 1 of ordinance No. 13,212, be amended so as to provide for said increase. Your committee further recommends that all other requests, as recommended by the health board for increase of salaries in the health department be denied.

Stationery and blanks, \$7,000, as per mayor's budget.
Insurance, \$200, which with unexpended balance makes a total of \$1,012.19, as per mayor's budget.
Your committee recommends no appropriation for relief, for the reason that there is an unexpended appropriation of \$1,195.67.
Expense of museum, \$2,000, as per mayor's budget.
Expense of litigation, \$1,000, which with unexpended balance, makes a total of \$2,022.15, as per mayor's budget.

City Expenses.
Your committee recommends that no appropriation be made to provide for the repair of sidewalks made by the city engineer, and that said repairs, when made, shall be directed by the executive board, and that the cost of said repairs be paid out of the street repair fund, and that the money collected from the special assessment levied against the property, for said repair be deposited to the credit of the street repair fund as provided by Section 387, of the city charter.
Your committee recommends that no appropriation be made for pay of viewers, for the reason that the sum of \$1,500, as recommended in the mayor's budget, represents a balance in said appropriation.
Working prisoners, \$500, which with the unexpended balance, makes a total of \$1,676.30, as per mayor's budget.
Mayor's secret service, \$500, as per mayor's budget.
Expenses of council, \$1,000, which with unexpended appropriation, makes a total of \$1,821, as per mayor's budget.

Returns of surplus from sales of impounded stock, \$100, which with unexpended balance, makes a total of \$186.25, as per mayor's budget.
Purchase of license tags, \$400, which, with unexpended balance, makes a total of \$877.80, as per mayor's budget.
Expenses of civil service commission, \$1,500, which, with unexpended balance, makes a total of \$1,682.40, as per mayor's budget.
Codifying and printing ordinances, \$250, which, with unexpended appropriation, makes a total of \$1,250, as per mayor's budget.
Street signs, \$2,000, which, with unexpended appropriation, makes a total of \$6,000. This \$2,000 appropriation in addition to the mayor's budget, for the reason that your committee recommends that street signs be placed upon all streets in the city at the same time.
Miscellaneous expenses, \$2,900.

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