

THE 'GROSSIP' ON MANY THEMES

APPAIRS IN THE METROPOLIS GO OFF WITH A SWING—THE GREAT McLELLAN DINNER THE COMING WEEK ATTRACTING MUCH ADVANCE INTEREST.

Ligour Selling Said to be Dropping Off, Which Fact Causes Consternation Among the Dealers—Searching Crafters—Room for Stranahan for Governor.

(Journal Special Service.) New York, Jan. 22.—By far the most important event of the coming week will be the dinner given by the "brethren" of the "Amor Cornet" to Mayor McClellan. The dinner will have many unusual features. Quite an assortment of mayors will be present, including Mayor John Weaver of Philadelphia, Mayor Patrick Collins of Boston, Mayor Tom Johnson of Cleveland, Mayor Carter Harrison of Chicago, and Mayor Dennis Mulvihill of Bridgeport, Conn. The great banquet hall of the Fifth Avenue hotel is to be decorated with flags and flowers and a great gathering of Republicans, Democrats, magwumps and all sorts and conditions of statesmen who are to take "one night off."

Multimillionaires Will Kase. The dinner will be given next Wednesday night, the 27th, and many of the guests will leave for Florida immediately afterward to witness the Daytona-Ormond Beach automobile race, in which interest has grown greatly. Several New York multimillionaires, including William K. Vanderbilt, jr., have already gone to the fashionable winter resort to take part in the big event. It is estimated that \$1,000,000 worth of machinery alone will be represented in the contest.

Less Ligour Sold. For some reason not entirely clear to the proprietors themselves the Broadway cafe has been selling less liquor than usual. This has been the condition since the first of the year, and the white-aproned dispensers of the enlivening fluid are becoming nervous and are troubled with presentiments of bankruptcy. Whether this falling off is due to new resolutions which are being held out longer than usual, is not known, but it is certain that many proprietors are in despair and facing a serious situation unless there is a greater demand for the seductive delights of the cordial bottles.

Test Books in Schools. Comptroller Grout is conducting a searching investigation into the affairs of the board of education in all its branches. Some of those associated with the department have a habit of writing text books, or at least of putting their names in them and then having them selected for use in the schools throughout the city. It has been hinted that Mr. Grout intends presenting a bill in the legislature which will cut off this source of revenue and have text books selected for merit only.

Boom for Governor. A little gubernatorial boom for Nevada N. Stranahan, collector of the port of New York, has been started on the assumption that Governor Odell does not care to run a third time. The prospect is that there will be many candidates for the first place on the Republican state ticket if Mr. Odell steps aside. Timothy L. Woodruff is a candidate and Speaker Fred S. Dixon is expected to boom up the state ready for launching at the proper time. Before his appointment as collector Mr. Stranahan was one of the most prominent members of the state senate. He and President Roosevelt are warm friends, and it is asserted that the president would like to have the collector head the ticket in this state next fall.

A Private Health Bureau. Ex-Health Commissioner Dr. Ernst J. Lederle intends starting a private health bureau, the work of which may be extended to other cities. While there will be an omission of the medicinal side, Dr. Lederle's bureau will be a duplicate in miniature of the city's department of health, and he will closely follow along the lines upon which he has been working for the last 15 years. Dr. Lederle expects to maintain friendly relations with his successor in office, Dr. Darlington, and will have associated with him several well-known experts.

The Third Rail System. Engineers and consulting electrical experts of the Interborough Rapid Transit company are working upon a solution of the "third rail" problem and it is expected that a report will be made within a few weeks proposing a number of plans which would be feasible by which the dangers of an exposed contact rail may be obviated or greatly lessened. It is said that the engineers favor a plan by which the contact rail will be cut off in short sections and the ends either "cut out" altogether in case of a fire or an accident on the structure and thus render it harmless, or it may be automatically rendered "alive" as the trains pass along and be "dead" at all other times.

Pleased With McClellan. As Leader Charles F. Murphy is so pleased with the success of his candidate, Mr. McClellan that he is said to be grooming the young mayor for still higher honors—possibly the presidency in 1908—and will see that Tammanyites who would bring Mr. McClellan's rule into disrepute will be kept at bay by high ambitions are restrained. If Mr. Murphy can be a Warwick or a Hanna a few years hence, with New York's young executive as the plastic material, it is said that his ambition will then have been satisfied.

Growth up in Arms. Comptroller Grout is still up in arms against an increase in the \$21,000,000 appropriation for schools, claiming that if certain useless extravagances be cut off, it will not be necessary to curtail the educational system. The school authorities insist that they must have more money and there is talk of appealing to the legislature for the funds necessary for the vacation schools, playgrounds, lectures and recreation centers.

Never Tires of Fads. New York society never tires of fads and everything that smacks of novelty is taken up with an eagerness that is sometimes amusing to say nothing of the gross extravagance of many of the ideas. Just now the rage is for fattening. Many smart multi-millionaires, following the example of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Vanderbilt, have given up their homes for the winter and taken dates for the season. Needless to say that these fads are situated in the most exclusive apartment hotels and require as much furniture and expense of keeping up as an entire house. Many of them consist of as many as 18 rooms and occupy entire floors.

Ketty Green's \$10 Home. In striking contrast to the New York fad are the modest rooms in Hoboken of Mrs. Betty Green, the richest woman in America, and probably one of the most

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economic. She has domiciled herself, her dog Dewey and maid in six rooms in the famous New Jersey town, for which she pays \$12 monthly. Her apartment is rented in the name of Nash, Mrs. Green's maid, and unless one knows just where she is situated, it would be impossible to locate her.

The Pointed Waistcoat. The latest extraordinary fashion in evening dress is the return to the favor of the pointed waistcoat. For a decade or more the round cut dress waistcoat has been considered indispensable to style in the evenings. But the London tailors have changed that and are sending here this winter a new waistcoat that beats both the white and black waistcoats, cut to the point.

Footpaths on New Bridge. Absolutely no work has been done on the footpaths of the Williamsburg bridge. It will be useless for months, as no arrangements for railway transportation have been made. It is evident that the opening was premature. It has developed that the last administration in its effort to obtain the credit for opening the bridge made the affair a costly failure.

THE VALUE OF CHARCOAL. Few People Know How Useful it is in Preserving Health and Beauty. Nearly everybody knows that charcoal is the safest and most efficient disinfectant and purifier in nature, but few realize its value when taken into the human system for the same cleansing purpose. Charcoal is really a magic wand. It is as soft and as absorbent as a sponge and it absorbs the impurities always present in the stomach and carries them out of the system. Charcoal sweetens the breath after smoking, drinking, or after eating onion, garlic, or any other strong smelling food. Charcoal effectively clears and improves the complexion, it whitens the teeth and further acts as a natural and efficient purifier of the blood.

It absorbs the injurious gases which collect in the stomach and bowels; it disinfects the mouth and throat from the poison of catarrh. All druggists sell charcoal in one form or another, but probably the best is Stuart's Absorbent Lozenges. They are composed of the finest powdered Willow charcoal and other harmless antiseptics in tablet form, and in the form of large, pleasant tasting lozenges, the charcoal being mixed with honey. The daily use of these lozenges will soon tell in a much improved condition of the general health, better complexion, sweeter breath and purer blood, and the beauty of it is, that no possible harm can result from their continued use, but on the contrary, great benefit.

The Buffalo physician, speaking of the benefits of charcoal, says: "I advise Stuart's Absorbent Lozenges to all patients suffering from gas in stomach and bowels, and to cleanse the complexion and purify the breath, mouth and throat; I also believe the liver is greatly benefited by the daily use of them; they cost but twenty-five cents a box at drug stores, and although in some sense a patent preparation, yet I believe I get more and better charcoal in Stuart's Absorbent Lozenges than in any of the ordinary charcoal tablets."

Musicians' Mutual Association, Local No. 99, A. F. of L. The attention of local players not members of this association is called to the fact that after Tuesday, February 2, 1904, the membership fee will be raised to \$20.00, present fee \$10.00. C. L. Brown, secretary, 128 Sixth street.

MORE SALES ARE MADE EACH WEEK JURORS FIGHT THE WILY COCKROACH

READY SALES SHOW AN INCREASE FOR THE WEEK—MUCH TALKED OF TRANSFER IS MADE—CONGRÉGATION AHAVAL SNAKOW WILL ERRECT SYAGOGUE.

Table with columns: Day, Permits, Transfers. Monday: 3,750, 16,208. Tuesday: 10,300, 18,300. Wednesday: 9,500, 97,532. Thursday: 4,900, 40,124. Friday: 4,900, 16,211. Total, five days: \$28,540, 178,469. Last week, five days: \$1,100, 124,448.

Loss this week.....\$52,560 "Over" this week.....\$ 54,617 This week the realty transactions show an increase, and local dealers report that they now expect the sales to assume larger proportions as the spring season advances. The sales for the first five days this week amount to \$28,540, or \$178,469, as against \$124,448 during the same period of the preceding week. This results in a gain of \$54,021 for the transactions this week.

The largest sale during the week was that of lots and a block 65, corner of Second and Grand streets, to the Western American company. This transaction was in reality made about six weeks ago, but the deeds have just been recorded. The sale was made by the Whalley-Fechheimer heirs through Grindstaff and Blain. The consideration was \$40,000. The company intends to construct a large building upon the premises and the present buildings will soon be torn away.

Samuel A. Miles sold to Samuel Swanwick a portion of Pleasant Home addition for \$12,000. The Eastern & Western Lumber company sold to the Portland General Electric company a fraction of block 31, B, and the north 40 feet of block 31, Sherman addition, together with riparian water and wharf right, for \$16,000. The electric company is now engaged in building a large power station on the ground, which will be used as an auxiliary to its Oregon City station.

The Oakland Land Park company sold to G. M. Smith lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100. \$10,400.

Local architects say that they are fairly rushed with work for new buildings which will be erected during the present season. Although the permit books are not so large as at the end of the week previous, still the activity in the building line is far more pronounced than it was during the former period.

One of the large buildings to be erected during the near future is that of the Blaxter Bros., on the corner of Third and Washington streets. The property is known as "the Rows." The exact cost of the building has not yet been fully decided upon, but the owners say that it will very likely be in the neighborhood of \$40,000.

Upon the property owned by the Ladd Estate the Men's Resort will construct a two-story building to cost about \$12,000. The land is located on the southwest corner of Fourth and Burnside streets, and is valued at \$25,000. The lower floor will be used as an auditorium and reading room for men, and the second story for a kindergarten and gymnasium for boys. The old two-story structure now on the property is being moved to the adjoining lot on Fourth street. The work of constructing the new building will be begun at once.

Will Build a Synagogue. The congregation Ahaval Shelom, which recently sold its quarters on Sixth street, between Pine and Oak streets, to Grindstaff and Blain for \$15,250, has purchased a lot on the corner of Third and Grand streets, and will build a new synagogue within the next month. The plans for the building are now being completed by several local architects, and the exact cost of the building cannot yet be determined, as it will depend upon the amount of ground to be acquired, and the amount of work to be done.

LAUNCHING OF THE CHARLESTON (Journal Special Service.) Newport News, Va., Jan. 22.—The projected cruiser Charleston, the largest and most powerful vessel of her type in the American navy, was launched today in the presence of a large crowd which included a party of distinguished persons from the city of Charleston, S. C., a large number of naval officers from Washington and other important points. The launch was very successful, and the ship rode out on the James river without leaning to starboard or port. Miss Helen W. Rhett, daughter of the mayor of Charleston, christened the cruiser as it started down the ways. Following the launching was a luncheon given by the officials of the shipyard in honor of the sponsor.

The new cruiser Charleston continues the name of the 3,700 ton vessel wrecked several years ago in the Philippines. There will be two other vessels in the United States navy of the Charleston class. They are the Milwaukee and the St. Louis, now under construction. While designed primarily for speed they will be of the same type as the most powerful fighting machines. They will have the most powerful ordnance for vessels of their class and have the highest speed compatible with good cruising qualities and great radius of action. They so closely resemble the type of the most powerful cruisers that they might easily be mistaken for such.

The Charleston is 424 feet long and has a breadth of 66 feet. Her displacement is 5,700 tons. Her armament will consist of 14 6-inch main battery guns, 14 4-inch rapid fire guns, 12 3-pounder rapid fire guns, four 1-pounder automatic guns, eight 1-pounder rapid fire guns, two 3-inch rapid fire field guns, two machine guns, 50 calibre and eight automatic guns, 20 calibre. The Charleston is to have twin screw engines, which will furnish 21,000 horse power, and which will enable her to show better than the required speed of 22 knots per hour. Her coal capacity with her bunkers full is 1,500 tons, which would enable her to cross the Atlantic several times without reloading.

The building of the Charleston was authorized by an act of congress in 1903 and her keel was laid last year at the yards of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock company. According to contract the vessel will be ready for delivery to the government within 12 months from date, and will cost \$1,740,000.

Jury sessions are likely to be longer in Judge Frasers' court at the county courthouse. It has been somewhat generally remarked by unfortunate who have been compelled to serve on juries in this court, that there are more cockroaches and allied breeds of insects in the juryroom than they had ever believed possible to congregating in so small a space. Jury deliberations in this room have been notoriously short, and the Parker case, that was decided by a jury in 40 seconds yesterday, was no exception.

Just how fierce have been the onslaughts of the roaches during jury sittings will never be generally known, as with other secrets of the silent chamber this is buried forever, but palefaced jurymen have often knocked loudly for the bailiff, who would disappear with an industriously pushed insect powder gun at the bug hosts until they beat a temporary retreat.

It was announced today that the room would be thoroughly gone over and the resident roaches and allied hordes exterminated, even with the oldest and most venerable king cockroach, who reserves for himself the right of crawling in the foreman's ear. Paint, lime and other essentials will be liberally used.

"Some day a fellow will get hung just because that juryroom is too interesting," said a clerk of the courts weeks ago, and to preserve the ends of justice the bugs must die.

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