

NEWS OF THE CITY

What is Going on Back in the Worlds Metropolis

Politics, Religion, Fashions Fads and Foibles Dealt With by a Correspondent

New York, Sept. 25.—The Democrats of this city will hold their convention October 1, for the nomination of mayor and other city officers. The indications now point to the nomination of George B. McClellan, son of the distinguished general of that name. Tammany having practically declared for him already. Mr. McClellan is now a congressman and is very popular with the young element in his party.

The proneness of man to gamble finds practical demonstration any day on the elevated roads of this city, where passengers may be seen standing on the platforms watches in hand, wagering money upon the time the train will take to make the distance between stations. As the stations are many it may be possible to place quite a number of bets in a single trip.

More than a year ago it was promised that the subway road would be in operation by October 1 of this year. A month or two ago came the statement that strikes of the summer would delay the operation until the spring of 1904. Now Contractor McDonald declares that Superintendent Parsons of the subway company is seriously interfering with the progress of his work, and this would indicate still further delay of the opening of this much needed means of transportation.

It has been stated from time to time within the past twelve months that novel reading in this city is growing in disfavor. The recent failure of the New Amsterdam Book Company, a large concern whose specialty was the publishing of fiction would seem to confirm this contention. Several of the librarians have stated that there is growing choice of history, biography and science on the part of the public. This if true augurs better things for the people.

The most congested district in the whole earth is what is known as the Ghetto in this city. While no intelligent attempt has been made to scatter this dense mass of humanity, the city authorities propose the fixing of several small parks in this and immediate adjoining territory. It has been demonstrated that the location of parks in crowded districts contributes greatly to the healthfulness of the area within the pale of their influence. It is the declared purpose of the authorities to extend the small park system throughout the densely populated portions of the city.

It matters very much here in the City of New York where one's land lies when considering its value. Gold street is a short and narrow but important thoroughfare in the business district, but a few blocks away from Broadway. A tract of land, or lot, rather was sold there a few days ago for 199,000. Had a lot of the same size been sold on Broadway but four short blocks away, it would have brought ten or twelve times that amount.

The Civil Service Reform Association is leaving no effort untried for the prevention of the time-honored practice of bleeding the smaller office-holders in the present municipal campaign. It has sent out a circular letter to all city employees as well as those in the national service, inviting attention to the statutes in relation to the subject and is using all of its influence to restrain the practice of extorting money from all public servants.

The last one of the several organizations opposed to the re-election of Tammany has declared for Low for mayor. The opposition of State's Attorney Jerome to his candidacy is not feared greatly by the Fusionists, if their published declarations are to be credited. They declare that the competency of the district attorney is due to personal dislike only, and that this is not likely to affect other voters in their estimation of the present mayor.

The people of New York are inclined to think with decided favor upon the approaching marriage of Miss Max Goelet and the Duke Rosburghs. This approval is due not to the fact that an American girl is to become a duchess, but that it is clearly a love match, with no suggestion of money hunting

about it. This is somewhat anomalous in international marriages and the novelty of it impresses the popular mind favorably. Besides it is believed generally that the duke is a really good fellow and will make a desirable husband for the beautiful and rich New York girl.

The present season at Coney Island has been the most prosperous one in its existence, and this despite the fact that the summer has been cool and therefore not calculated to promote business there. This state of affairs is regarded as a triumph for the defenders of decency and order. Most of the offensive dives and other resorts were eliminated at the beginning of the season and Coney has been signally free from vice. Good order people have been so encouraged by the results of the present year that a purpose has been expressed to make the notable resort yet more desirable for women and children. The expunging of the objectionable places was followed by the introduction of really meritorious attractions and Coney may now be said really to offer the public something for the money it spends there.

Contributions to the great cathedral of the Episcopal church of this city come in very slowly. There is strong opposition to the structure among members of that church and congregation in this city. The feeling prevails that it is to big an enterprise and comprehends too many years for its completion. At any rate the bishop does not seem to be stirring himself greatly to secure added funds and the work of construction goes on very slowly indeed.

And now New York is threatened with a vegetable scarcity, if not famine during the approaching winter. Never before were potatoes, turnips, carrots and vegetables of that kind so scarce in the local market and the prices of these promise to range very high.

Among the entertainments promised at Madison Square Garden during this season is the Earls Court (London) spectacle, "Fighting the Flames." A New York street scene will be shown; the sending out of a fire alarm; the collection of the usual crowd; the arrival of the engines; the burning of the buildings and the rescue of the inmates.

Painting Church White.
The First Baptist church will soon be the white temple if two coats of pure white lead can make it so. Painters H. M. Buell, C. M. Dille, O. A. Phillips and Fred Whittier are working on the contract. The doors and sash will be bottle green, the only thing suggestive of anything but cold water about the beautiful house of worship on Liberty street. In putting up the nailholes and cracks the painters made the discovery that many of the finials and ornaments had had been literally shot to pieces by boys who were taking rifle practice on the wood-peckers that at times visit the roof and tower of the church. Many of these large bullet holes have damaged the building not a little.

Want Portland Selected.
The Master Horseshoers' Protective Association of Portland is urging Governor Chamberlain to extend an invitation to the national convention of that order, which meets in St. Paul, Minn., next month, to come to Portland for 1905. The Portland members are very anxious to secure this convention for the World's Fair year, and will do all they can to attain this object.

Gilliam County's Quota.
Sheriff T. G. Johnson, of Gilliam county, this morning returned to the penitentiary the two prisoners taken out a week ago to testify in a case in the circuit court for that county. They were Bert DeFord and A. Morley. The sheriff also brought to the penitentiary Reuben Pigg and J. H. Duncan, convicted of larceny and sentenced to serve 18 months and two years, respectively.

Board of Health.
City Recorder Judah will call a meeting of the new city board of health for next Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, when that body is expected to perfect its organization, and begin the work for which it was chosen. The members of the board are now at home, all of them having returned from their vacations, and are ready to take up the work.

Ten thousand people saw the presentation of Aristophanes' "The Bird" at the opening of the amphitheater at the State University, at Berkeley.

William H. Dollard, a negro, employed as a trusted clerk in the United States revenue office in San Francisco, was yesterday sentenced to five years in San Quentin, after conviction on four counts of an indictment charging utterances of forged certificates of residence.

BURGLARS BURGLE THE BURG

J. A. Norwood and W. G. Prunk Receive Attention

Operators Took Money But Left Watches, They Secured About Twenty-five Dollars

A bold burglar, or probably a couple of them, worked their nefarious trade in Salem last night, and despoiled two residents of Yew Park of their funds, while the victims slept the sleep of the just. The midnight prowlers secured as their booty about \$30 in the coin of the realm.

Mr. J. A. Norwood, the Court-street grocer, who resides in the G. A. Rockwell house, on Oak street, found, when arising this morning, that his trousers had disappeared from a seat beside his bed during the night, and a search revealed the fact that another pair of trousers had been taken from a closet nearby, and a third from the room of Mr. Norwood's son, across the hallway. The last two garments were found lying on the landing at the head of the stairs, but apparently nothing had been taken from the pockets, although young Mr. Norwood had a gold watch in his trousers pocket. The elder Mr. Norwood found his clothes lying on a lounge in the sitting room downstairs. A \$30-gold piece and about \$7 in silver had been taken from the pockets, but the thief had very considerably left the purse, he probably having one of his own in which to place the money. Forty cents in small change was overlooked in one of the pockets of Mr. Norwood's clothing, and 15 cents in a pocket of his son's clothing. Mr. Norwood's vest, hanging by the side of his bed, and containing a new gold watch, was not disturbed, the thief being evidently after money.

At the home of W. G. Prunk, near that of Mr. Norwood, the thieves entered the house and went through Mr.

Prunk's pocket, and secured about \$3 in change. They took the trousers from under Mr. Prunk's pillow, without disturbing the sleepers in the room, and carried them downstairs, where they rifled the pockets. Finding very little of value, they searched the house, and, finding a small desk, which they were unable to open, they took it to the woodshed, secured an ax and shattered the desk in their search for money, finding nothing of value, however, to reward them for their trouble.

The inmates of other houses in that neighborhood report having been disturbed during the night by prowlers, but no other burglaries are reported. At the Norwood home the burglars entered through a window on the east porch, which had been left open by the family, thus giving them easy access to the house. Mr. Norwood and son cannot explain how the thieves gained admittance to their room without awakening the sleepers, and the young man this morning expressed the conviction that he had been chloroformed, for he complained of a violent headache. The young man retired about 11 o'clock last evening, and the burglary was committed after that hour.

Chief of Police Gibson was informed of the burglaries this morning, and at once made an examination of the premises. He found tracks in the yards of the houses burglarized, indicating that the thieves were a man and woman, the former wearing shoes with rubber soles and heels. Similar tracks were found on the platform of the passenger station this morning, and it is barely possible that the midnight prowlers left town by the early train this morning. The marshal is working on the case, and will leave no stone unturned in his effort to bring to justice the guilty parties.

Chief of Police Gibson this morning arrested A. L. Knighton and wife on suspicion of having committed the two burglaries, and put them in the sweat-box, but they both strenuously deny any connection with the crime. Knighton and his wife live at the Wilson House, at the end of the steel bridge, and they are said to be prowling about town at all hours of the night. Knighton is an employe of the sawmill.

The death of Miss Grace Ashton, at Boise, Idaho, discloses the existence of a suicide club formed of young women. Three members have drawn the fatal lot, and taken themselves off in the past three months.

JOURNAL X-RAYS.
From the manner in which the burglars went through their victims' pants pockets, it is fair to presume the robbers were married women.
Rev. Reginald J. Campbell, of the London City Temple, is certain that "no sin has ever been dreadful enough to incur an eternal punishment."
It was rather stretching it at the production of "The Dairy Farm" when the song "Rock Me to Sleep" was sung as an old tune in 1856. It was not written until 1863.
The Porte wants the American battleships withdrawn from Beirut, and says differences cannot be settled while they are there. Experience shows that the only way to get a settlement out of Turkey is when warships are present.
This country has presented so many ultimatums to Turkey that the market is drugged. Now, by the way, would be a convenient time for Secretary Hay to demand settlement of the long-standing claims. Admiral Cotes and his good ships might be able to loosen the Sultan's purse strings.

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