

NOTES FROM GOTHAM

THE EXCITING ELECTION IN GREAT-ER NEW YORK.

The Result a Surprise—The Remarkable Tribute to Henry George—Women for the Klondike Country—Opening of the Magnificent New Astoria Hotel.

No city election ever before held in this city has created so much excitement as that of this year. This is owing to the fact that the Democrats, naturally in the majority, have been out of political control for the past three years and of course made a determined effort to win...

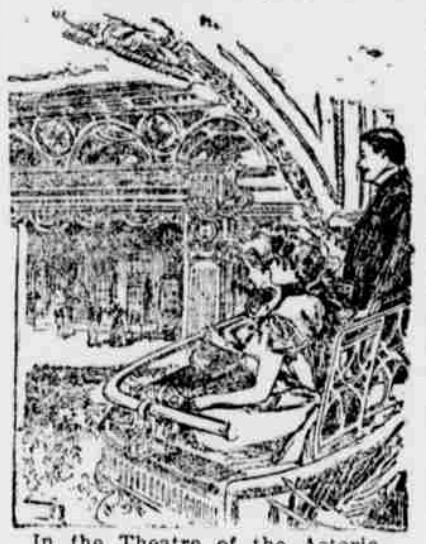
The election places the Tammany Democracy in complete control of the government of the great city. The legislative branches, composed of a council and a board of aldermen, is strongly Democratic and if patronage and party power is of any real benefit in building up a party Tammany has the greatest opportunity...

His funeral was one of the most remarkable ever held in this city. Ten thousand people attended in the great crystal palace and thrice that number were kept on the outside by the police after every seat in the vast palace had been filled. Before nine o'clock in the morning, as the body lay in state three thousand persons passed and took a look at the dead leader...

ing as one who had lost a dear friend and in full sympathy with the object and aims of the philosopher who had passed. Last of all came John S. Crosby, of Missouri, once Clerk of the Missouri Assembly, a man of strong eloquence, implicit faith in the Henry George theories, and so carried away by the strength of his convictions that his speech closely verged on the political and evoked repeated rounds of applause.

The testimony to the nobility of his nature came from all men—from those who differed from him wholly in his economic views, from those who differed from him in part, and from those who were fully in accord with him. The steamship City of Columbia is being fitted up for a voyage to the Klondike region. She will begin on the morning of December 1 the long trip around Cape Horn, and will have on board along the prospectors for the yellow metal thirty-five New York women. The band of women is headed by Mrs. Hannah S. Gould, of No. 256 West Twenty-second street, who has interested herself in several business enterprises in this city.

The splendors of the new Astoria Hotel have been thrown open in the good cause of charity. It was an expensive luxury to watch children perform on a stage, to dance in the Astor Gallery, to listen to a Seid concert and to see "Rosemary" in the great ballroom, yet nobody begrudged the price. There was endless surprise in store for those who strolled through the Canoe...



In the Theatre of the Astoria.

for those who strolled through the Canoe suite of apartments and offices, the dining hall, the cafe, the Palm Room, the Caen Poyer, the Myrtle Room, the Colonial Roper, the smokers' promenade, the club rooms, the sun parlors, the kitchens and the great wine cellars. Nobody but an Astor could think of fitting up a hotel in such extravagance. It will be difficult indeed to find people who can live and move as easily amid such grandeur. The series of entertainments given were devised by Mrs. Richard Irvin for the benefit of the charities in which she and her intimates are principally interested.

The death in Georgia of another baseball player has awakened the legislators of that State to a realizing sense of the dangers to life which this very rough sport entails, and a bill is to be passed positively prohibiting the playing of the game in the State.

Don't Fret. Fretting is the fruitful source of weakness and failure. Fretfulness is enlisted in the corps of sappers and miners and engages to undermine manhood. It will sap love of home, and disrupt the most hallowed friendship.

The sturdy oak transforms its boughs into whip cords, and its leaves into whip-lashes, and cracks its defiance in the face of the storm.

After the storm, there is growing, vigorous life. After the worm, death. Don't be a worm. Don't fret.

It is said that the lamp chimney workers of Elwood, Marion, Muncie and Alexandria will form a co-operative company and will operate a chimney factory at Windfall, Ind. The flint glass manufacturers refuse to open their factories, and the men have been idle since June 30.

Some of the condors shot in the Andes Mountains have a spread of wing from fifteen to twenty feet.

METEORS AND METEORITES.

Stone and Iron Visitors From Interstellar Space.

The return of Perry from Greenland with an enormous mass of iron which has been thought to be a meteorite reviver a number of questions as to the origin, composition and size of that class of objects. In a few instances these "skystones," as they have sometimes been called, have been worshipped or at least regarded with peculiar reverence. The sacred Kaaba stone at Mecca is believed to be of meteorite origin.

Astronomers distinguish between "shooting stars," or meteors, and meteorites. The former which are by far the most numerous, are due to the passage through our atmosphere of stones which rarely weigh more than a few grains, and which are burned up during the short period of their visibility. The velocity with which they move, somewhere from ten to fifteen miles a second, develops enough friction as soon as they enter the earth's aerial envelope to render them incandescent.

But those masses which are large enough to survive this fiery ordeal are, relatively speaking, exceedingly rare. Perhaps not more than a dozen are seen in the course of a year, and it is doubtful if any more than a very few hundred fall without witnesses in that period of time. These may weigh from a few ounces to several tons. The flight of the larger ones is often attended by a rumbling or roaring sound, and also by explosions.

Meteorites are classified according to their composition. Nineteen out of every twenty are stony; in a very small proportion of them metal predominates. Iron is the principal metallic constituent. A small proportion of nickel is mixed with it usually, and traces of copper, tin, lead and several of what are called the "rarer" metals have also been found.

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To Shorten the Distance.

Congress is to be asked for fifteen million dollars to dig a canal to connect Lake Erie with the lower part of Lake Michigan. Such a canal would save about five hundred miles of the distance from Chicago to Buffalo.

BEACOM HAS 126,484.

McCauley's Plurality Beats That by About 12,000.

Official returns from every county in the state show the vote last week for state treasurer and auditor to be as follows.

State Treasurer—Beacom, Rep., 371,053; Brown, Dem., 244,569; Swallow, Pro., 117,430; Thompson, Ind., 15,204; total vote, 748,256. Beacom's plurality over Brown, 126,484. Majority of other candidates over Beacom, 6,210.

Auditor General—McCauley, Rep., 407,301; Ritter, Dem., 268,706; Lathrop, Pro., 57,651; total vote, 733,658. McCauley's plurality over Ritter and Lathrop, 80,944.

The total vote is about 20,000 less than that for state treasurer in 1895 and nearly 450,000 less than was cast in the presidential election of last year. Beacom received 85,602 less votes than were given for Haywood for state treasurer in 1895, and Brown's vote falls 37,912 behind that cast for Meyers, the Democratic candidate in that year.

Swallow's vote is nearly 100,000 above that given to Berry, the 1895 Prohibition candidate. The vote for Berry was 20,779.

McKinley's plurality over Bryan last year was 301,175, in a total vote of 1,194,355; his clear majority over all candidates was 262,445.

Its Policies Invalid.

Philadelphia Underwriters' Association's Business Not Legal.

Attorney General McCormick, in an opinion requested of him by Insurance Commissioner Lambert as to whether the business conducted by the organization known as the Philadelphia Underwriters is legal, says there is no warrant whatever for issuing a joint policy, and the entire transaction of this association issuing policies is illegal and void.

The Attorney General says corporations cannot form a copartnership unless expressly authorized, and agreements between companies which create a partnership between the parties thereto are void. Policies of insurance issued by such an association are in contravention of the Act of Assembly of February 4, 1870, which also provides a penalty for its violation.

It is understood that a number of policies have already been issued by this association.

DON'T NEGLECT A HEAD COLD.—Catarrh will result if you do. If you have Headache, Foul Breath, Pain in Forehead, Drooping in the Throat, Dryness in the Nose, it indicates this troublesome disease. Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder will relieve a cold in 10 minutes and will cure Chronic Catarrh. No failure, sure, safe, pleasant and harmless.—30. Sold by C. A. Kleim.

Maidens Ward Off Triflers.

Cape May Girls Organize for Matrimonial Protection.

A new and altogether unique organization has been formed by a number of attractive and marriageable young women, of Cape May who find time hanging heavy on their hands during the winter months. The title of the new organization is the Bachelor Maids' Club, and its avowed objects are the cultivation of the social amenities of the season and mutual protection of interests along matrimonial lines.

The club has adopted a constitution and by-laws, with attached penalties for violations. One of the fundamental rules, adopted by a majority of one after long and heated argument, is that no member may accept an offer of marriage without the unanimous consent of the club membership. It is probable that this rule will be broken before the winter is half over, but the young women declare that they are very much in earnest in banding themselves to ether.

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IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF CARPET, MATTING, or OIL CLOTH, YOU WILL FIND A NICE LINE AT W. H. BROWER'S. 2nd Door above Court House. A large lot of Window Curtains in stock.

Pennsylvania Day at Chickamunga Battlefield, November 15. Personally-Conducted Tours via Pennsylvania Railroad. SEASON OF 1897-8. For Pennsylvania Day at Chickamunga Battlefield, Chattanooga, Tenn., November 15, 1897, when the monuments marking the movements of Pennsylvania troops in that great battle will be dedicated, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets from all points on its line in Pennsylvania at the extremely low rate of one cent a mile, short-line distance, tickets to be sold November 9 to 13, good to leave Chattanooga returning until November 23, 1897, inclusive.

County not Liable. A Decision Affecting Magistrates and Constables. Judge Stewart, at Chambersburg, recently filed an opinion that affects all the magistrates and constables in the state, and will materially reduce their incomes. Recently Magistrate John A. Seiders, of that place, brought suit against the county commissioners to recover fees in a summary case where the defendant had gone to jail for the costs. The commissioners, upon the advice of the county solicitor, refused to pay the bills, and a case stated was prepared for an appeal to the court.

Starved Rather than Beg. Mother Perished and Children Nearly Starved in Awful Fate. Poverty-stricken to the last degree, and too proud to beg, Mrs. Joseph Goshak, the wife of a Mt. Carmel miner, died Friday from starvation, after untold suffering. Hunger has long been known in the family. Friday morning Goshak, though weak from want of food, left his wife in bed and went out to hunt for work. On his return at noon he found her lifeless body. Two of her children, who were in critical condition for lack of something to eat, were afterward fed by neighbors. Some time ago Goshak sent to Austria for his family. He had a few hundred dollars, and upon their arrival his wife became ill. Then he grew sick, and their savings were finally exhausted. The family kept their poverty a secret.

Why He Cannot. We clip the following from an exchange: "Can an editor be a Christian?" is a query now going the rounds. We have tried the combination and have found out negatively. An editor can be a hypocrite, but as for being an upright, straight-forward, conscientious Christian—well, not however! It is delinquent subscribers—and a few other deadbeats—that knock the props from under his feet and bring his gray hairs in sorrow to the poorhouse.



Judge Van Wyck—First Mayor of Greater New York.

The first demonstration of the kind occurred when Dr. McGlynn rounded out one of his eloquent sentences with the name of Henry George. It started the sedate citizens who were seated on the platform. And the demonstration came again and again.

Whether the committee on funeral arrangements intended it or not, there appeared to be a set purpose to bring together orators of a different temperament and representative of different conditions of life. The Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott, successor of Henry Ward Beecher in Plymouth church, delivered an address calm, cool and conservative, but never-the-less highly eulogistic of the dead leader.