

Amusements. ACADEMY OF MUSIC—2-8—The Best of Friends. BELASCO THEATRE—2-8—Daring of the Gods.

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New York Daily Tribune.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1903. THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

FOREIGN.—Reports of war in the Far East were denied by the Japanese Ministers at London and Paris, and the Foreign Office in London.

DOMESTIC.—Reports of gigantic public land frauds in the West, involving several of the great railroads in the West and many Congressmen, reached officials in Washington.

CITY.—Stocks were dull and heavy. Mayor Law was received with great enthusiasm by German-Americans in Brooklyn.

THE SAME OLD "STENCH". The letter which has just come to light from Richard Croker to the late Michael C. Murphy is a significant and all sufficient commentary on the argument that Tammany has changed its character in two years.

There are the orders. There is Murphy's title to leadership. His power rests not in any conquest of his own. His is no master mind that has established its own domination.

BOURKE COCKRAN AT HIS WORST. On Thursday night Mr. Bourke Cockran displayed his professional capacity for assimilating at short notice a vast mass of misinformation.

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With a warmth of declamation perhaps psychologically generated by the topic, Mr. Cockran went on to inform his hearers that fire insurance rates have gone up in New York within the last two years "by leaps and bounds."

THE ALDERMANIC CHOICE. There will be a reputable and competent Board of Aldermen during the next two years if the fusion candidates are elected.

THE FUSION CANDIDATES. The fusion candidates this year have been well chosen. They do not all measure up to the standard of Mr. R. Fulton Cutting, Mr. Beverley Robinson, Mr. James Ross Delafield and Mr. Franklin B. Ware.

THE HOUSE MINORITY. Word comes from Washington that the Democratic minority in the new House is to be disrupted by a fresh struggle for the prize of party leadership.

the party's candidate for Speaker, they would give only that authority and prestige on the Democratic side which he can individually capture and assert.

Whether or not the new minority leader can checkmate this projected clipping of his rights and functions, he will undoubtedly succeed to a disputed and embarrassed chieftaincy.

Perhaps the Mississippi Representative's impetuous and expansive temperament may not entirely fit him for the tricks and stratagems of parliamentary warfare.

A SPOILED BEAUTY. The extremely sensitive moral nature of Mr. Edward M. Grout is in retrospect greatly offended over the plain spokenness of Mr. Jerome's speeches of two years ago.

Two years ago Jerome was called a flaming sword, a voice crying in the wilderness, the Prince Rupert of reform. He brought into the campaign things never before discussed at public meetings.

SCREW PILES FOR THE HUDSON. Concerning the most novel feature of the Pennsylvania Railroad's tunnel plans "The Iron Age" indulges in serious doubts.

Oh, teacher, I'm so happy in my little Sunday school. For my pipe is drawing nicely, and the water is so cool.

A good story is told of a stuttering plebe at Annapolis who was accented by an upper class man and ordered to tell him a story and to "tell it quick."

Not many days are left for the inspiring and exhilarating chase of the Tiger. He is on the run already. Keep him going at top speed! No overconfidence! The hardest of hard work up to the final count of the ballots is needed.

more than one occasion, when the son of General Samuel Thomas was at the course this thoroughbred, which is said to have been purchased for \$50,000.

Chicago is abolishing grade crossings as far as practicable at present, bringing great quantities of sand from Indiana to use for that purpose.

When so many railroads are practicing economy just now because it is not easy to obtain big loans in Wall Street for extensive developments, and also because of disagreements with walking delegates, it is encouraging to be assured by the president of the Pennsylvania system that there will be no delays in the tunnel plans.

THE TALK OF THE DAY. A German who died in Missouri recently was buried in a remarkable coffin. He was a very eccentric old fellow.

"I'm not given to flattery," drawled Mr. Stayton. "Don't make a point to say nice things to girls!"

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Germany's friendship toward the Sultan invites resentful comment in the Russian press, the "Viedomost" declaring that "the time has come to complete our alliance with France by one with England, for this is the only possible way in which a settlement of the Balkan problem can be brought about."

YARMOOUTH COMING IN DECEMBER. Pittsburg, Oct. 23 (Special).—The Earl of Yarmouth and his countess, who was Miss Alice Thaw, will spend the holidays with Mrs. William Thaw in this city.

About People and Social Incidents.

THE PASSING THROUGH. George R. Carter, secretary of the Territory of Hawaii, has been in the city on business connected with the issue of a bond issue.

THE CABINET. [FROM THE TRIBUNE BUREAU.] Washington, Oct. 23.—Mrs. Hay, who has been in Cleveland since closing the family summer home in New-Hampshire, started for New-York to-day to visit her daughter, Mrs. Payne Whitney.

THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS. [FROM THE TRIBUNE BUREAU.] Washington, Oct. 23.—The Venezuelan Minister, General José Manuel Hernandez, has leased the house at No. 1,367 Seventeenth-st. for a legation.

NEW-YORK SOCIETY. Westchester's annual stepphase will take a large number of well known people to Rye this afternoon, and there will be a big attendance from the various country houses throughout the Westchester district.

CAMPAIN CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED. The campaign for the election of the fusion ticket necessarily involves the expenditure of a large sum of money for the rent of halls for meetings, the erection of banners, the printing and distribution of immense quantities of literature and the maintenance of headquarters.

William C. Whitney has left town, and is at Lexington, Ky. Mr. and Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, who are announced in this column, the other day, have returned to town from the Pacific Coast.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Gladys Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Robinson, to James E. Martin, jr., a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Martin, and a grandson of William V. Brockway.

Colonel and Mrs. H. Anthony Dyer are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter at their home in Providence, R. I. Colonel Dyer is the brother of Elisha Dyer, jr., while Mrs. Dyer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tilden, of Providence.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Vanderbilt have returned to Oakland Farm, their place near Newport, a stay of several days at Sagamore Lodge, their camp in the Adirondacks.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Rollins Morse, who are in town at their house, in Fifth-ave., depart the day after to-morrow for Tuxedo.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Satterlee return to town from Highland Falls at the end of next week, and will take possession of their new house, No. 235 Madison-ave.

Miss Smith Cliff, of Paris, has arrived at Curtis Hotel. Other arrivals are Mr. and Mrs. F. Burton Harrison, Archibald C. Mackay and George F. Baker, of New-York.

Eustace A. Jaques, who has been spending the summer and fall in Europe, has returned to Lenox, N. Y. He will have as his guest this afternoon for New-York.

NEWPORT NOTES. Newport, R. I., Oct. 23 (Special).—Mrs. Reginald C. Vanderbilt left Newport to-day for Lenox, where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Arthur T. Kemp.

WEDDINGS. The wedding of Miss Frances Depew, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Depew, of Kingston, and Reuben Peshine Brewer, of Mamaroneck, took place on Thursday at the Marble Collegiate Church, in this city.

PASSENGERS ON THE PHILADELPHIA. London, Oct. 23.—The American Line steamer Philadelphia, which is to sail from Southampton and Chebourg to-morrow for New-York, will have among her passengers the Hon. John W. Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob M. Dickinson, Mr. and Mrs. Hannis Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Pittman.