

PICARESQUE GANGS OF OLD NEW YORK

Heroes of Fist and Club Were Politicians' Aids in Ruling City.

EVEN DEFIED MILITIA IN PITCHED BATTLES

One Leader, Progressing by Gambling Role, Arose to Seat in Congress.

There is the same stuff in the ruffian gangs of to-day that was in the gangs of yesterday. The gregarious instinct and the spirit of bravado are still the basic element.

In the 70's Manhattan was parcelled out among the gangs no less definitely than it is to-day. The animosity with which members of different gangs regarded each other was even more dangerous.

But there was no intergang shooting then. It was a case of beating up, which left injuries sometimes more serious than those inflicted by the more modern weapons.

Clans Hiding Place Razed. "Denny" was one of the Five Points gang, that stubborn coterie which didn't disintegrate until the rookeries which sheltered them were razed about their ears.

More intergang strife came to the Five Points gang when "Big Nose" Pol Sullivan was shot by "Kid" Hunt.

Just to the north and east of the precincts of the Five Points gang were those of the Cherry Hill gang. There were the Ware brothers, "Blinky" Conroy and "Micky" McCarthy and a dozen others of no less prowess.

For some of these piratical raids they were finally laid by the heels by Captain Murray, later Superintendent of Police, with his henchmen, "Gillie" and "Meeke."

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"Yellow Book" Will Be on Every Desk When Solons Mobilize Outpost Sortie to Be Followed by Forward Movement Which, General Staff Says, Will Win

The suffrage campaign is on in Albany. When the Legislature opens on Wednesday each Assemblyman and Senator will find on his desk a souvenir of printed statements from prominent men of the state, members of the New York City administration, judges, lawyers and Assemblymen.

Whitman's "I shall vote for your bill" heads the list. No legislator will be able to overlook the suffrage souvenir, because it is in a yellow cover, which shrieks its mission to the most indifferent eye.

The Empire State Campaign Committee is responsible for these souvenirs, which are really copies of the January number of "The Woman Voter," a special campaign number, containing many bits of information which the suffragists think the legislators ought to know.

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CALLS BANKRUPTCY ALIMONY DODGE

Wife of Woollen Merchant Balks Move to Reduce Her Allowance. \$60 A WEEK MUST BE PAID, SAYS COURT

Justice Refuses to Cut Amount—S. H. Golden Also is \$690 in Arrears.

Samuel Herbert Golden, president and treasurer of the S. Herbert Golden Company, woollen merchants, who used to allow his wife, Mrs. Rebecca Harris Golden, \$8,000 a year for her clothes and the household expenses, has made an unsuccessful application to the Supreme Court to reduce the alimony of \$60 a week he is now paying her to an amount commensurate with his present financial condition.

Mrs. Golden said when she opposed the reduction of her alimony that the bankruptcy proceedings were part of a scheme to defraud her. The Golden was married in 1898 and has two children—William Theodore, five, and Berah, two years old. Mrs. Golden said her husband had a fortune of about \$150,000 or \$200,000. The trouble in the family began soon after the birth of the younger child, when Golden, it is alleged, frequently absent himself from his home.

"I was born an orphan and was educated by my mother and a gentleman," said Mrs. Golden in telling of the manner in which her husband treated her. "I did not know what abuse meant until I was married. I was educated by my mother and a gentleman," said Mrs. Golden in telling of the manner in which her husband treated her.

"I was a devoted nurse and lone some wife," added Mrs. Golden, "and had to face every crisis alone. I had to remain alone, as all my relatives had been forbidden by my husband to enter our household. I was simply kept busy nursing my two infants."

Mrs. Golden is now suing the woollen merchant for the second time for a separation. There was a peace patched up between them after the first action, and Golden promised to pay his wife \$100 a week. Subsequently, she said, he reduced this allowance to \$75, then to \$60 and later to \$50 a week. Her life was humdrum, according to her affidavit. She alleged that for more than two years her husband did not take her to any form of amusement, while he frequently attended the theatre, she said, "in the company of I know not whom. He was seemingly bent on torturing me. No amount of pleading would seem to move him."

Mrs. Golden complained that when she opened check accounts in various stores her husband notified the merchants not to give her credit. The couple lived at 2 Pinehurst av., on Washington Heights. Mrs. Golden said her husband permitted the rent to run behind for three months, when they were threatened with eviction. When he left her, she said, she was without any means of support.

Connecting on the facility with which her husband emerged from the bankruptcy proceedings, Mrs. Golden said that his business was incorporated at from \$150,000 to \$200,000, and, so far as she knew, he never played the races, dabbled in stocks or gambled. The wife said "it was difficult to understand how he obtained his complete discharge from bankruptcy in a single month."

She went so far as to venture the belief that the chief purpose of the bankruptcy proceeding was to defraud her and to deprive her of her share of settling with his creditors at 33.3 per cent being "incidental merely and secondary in importance." Mrs. Golden told of a threat made by her husband that unless she turned her children over to Golden's sister he would "starve her to death."

Golden is now \$690 in arrears of alimony, and in asking Justice Giegerich to reduce the allowance he said he owned only \$2,000 worth of stock in the S. Herbert Golden Company, and that he was now merely employed there at a salary of \$35 a week. Out of this he said he had to support his eighty-three-year-old mother.

Justice Giegerich, in denying the application, said that if Golden insisted on the point the court would appoint a referee to ascertain his ability to pay the alimony.

TENDER FOR SAILORS' AID

Church Institute Receives the J. Hooker Hamersley.

The tender J. Hooker Hamersley was dedicated to the service of the Seaman's Church Institute yesterday. The Rev. Dr. Frederick Courtney and the Rev. William T. Manning, of Trinity Church, conducted the ceremony.

Louis Gordon Hamersley made the formal presentation of the tender at Pier 7, East River, to the Rev. A. R. Mansfield, superintendent of the Seaman's Church Institute. It is a memorial to his father, Judge Courtney pronounced the dedication.

Among those on the pier yesterday were Mrs. Samuel Neilson Hiney, Edmund J. Baylies, Mrs. Hamilton Fish Kenn, Miss Catherine Leverich, Miss Augustus M. de Pester and Miss Emily van Amringe, C. S. Sargent, J. Fred Adams and Henry L. Hobart.

CALLS B. R. T. RETORT NO REPLY TO P. S. C.

Report Is Case Against "L." and Williams Must Answer It, Says Johnson.

Remarking that the travelling public cared less about what she said, President Williams of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company got than what both of them did to earn it, Joseph Johnson, M. P. of the Transit Bureau of the Public Service Commission, replied caustically yesterday to the statement issued by the head of the transit company last Saturday.

"I thought the Transit Bureau should be a sort of prosecuting agency before the commission on behalf of the travelling public," he said. "My report is the bureau's case against the B. R. T. It will be submitted before the commission. If the road can disprove any of our conclusions it will have a chance to do so."

"It will not help Mr. Williams to say that I am a highly paid official who is justifying his existence. Why not? Is not that the very thing it should do? If the report does nothing to improve the travelling public's opinion of the B. R. T. I will presume to criticize his management, it will serve a good purpose."

"Mr. Williams might as well leave me out of it and go ahead and prepare his answer, for the travelling public of Brooklyn cares less about the salary either he or I receive than what we do to earn it."

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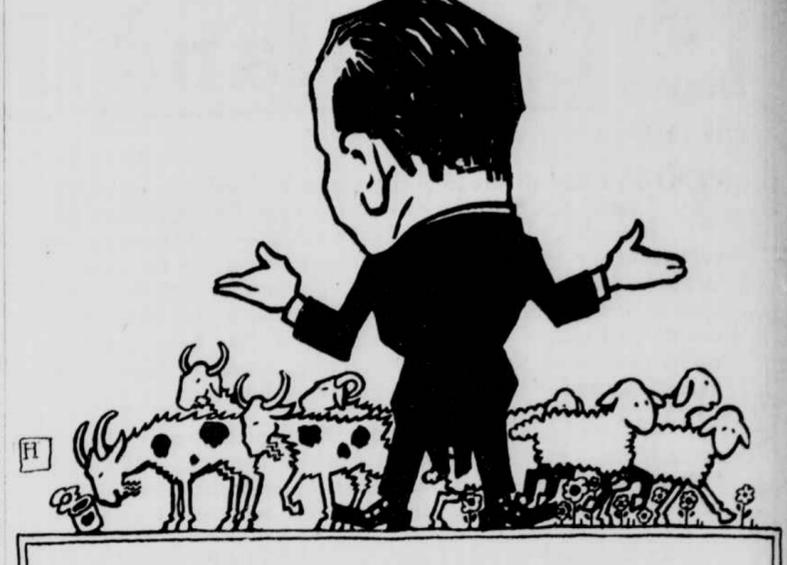
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Some Sheep, Some Goats and an Epigram

Lincoln said it when he warned the crooks they couldn't fool all the people all the time. If he were alive now he would notice that, as a matter of fact, you can't fool much of the population much of the time.

Are we getting wiser? Or should we give thanks to a man like Samuel Hopkins Adams, who is spending his time sorting out the sheep from the goats—and tying a can to the goats?

Adams loves this business of finding a crooked advertiser, pulling him apart to see what makes him work and then cataloguing the pieces. We are giving Adams all that a big paper has to offer in the way of assistance in preparing his advertising articles, which are now running. Between us we are going to make Mr. Lincoln's epigram read, "You can fool some of the people some of the time—but that's all!"

The Tribune

First to Last—The Truth News—Editorials—Advertisements

Clearance Sale of Centemeri Gloves

To prepare for entirely new stocks for our Easter business (Easter Sunday, April 4th) we will hold from January 4th to 12th, a Genuine Clearance Sale of all broken assortments of perfect gloves—the incomplete lines in our Wholesale Department after filling Christmas orders. The range of colors and sizes is complete, with seasonal patterns of embroidery.

Standard Qualities listed in our latest catalogue under such well established brands as Florine, Elsinore, Walton and Isere. In Kid, Caste, Mocha, Suede and Doekin. Qualities regularly selling at 1.50-1.75-1.85-2.00 and 2.25, HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO

16-Button Length Kid, Glace and Suede, in Lavender, Blue and Black, Formerly 1.75 to 2.25. REDUCED TO 1.35

Men's High Grade Gloves, broken lots, Cape and Mocha-lined and unlined—Tan, Grey, White and Black. Formerly 1.75 to 2.25. REDUCED TO 1.35

On the Second Floor will be found a large assortment of seconds and salesmen's samples. All high grade gloves. REDUCED TO 85c

One Door 296 Fifth Avenue Below 31st Street

\$1,000,000 PAWNING FOR THE HOLIDAYS

New York Poor Got More Loans than Usual This Time, Say Brokers.

The opinion among New York pawnbrokers is that the two weeks preceding Christmas and New Year's were the most profitable for them during the entire year. It has been estimated by conservative authorities that more than \$1,000,000 was lent out by New York pawnshops during the week preceding Christmas.

It is estimated that fully \$3,000,000 is outstanding in loans issued by the 300 pawnbrokers who do business in New York. It was said that one Bowers pawnshop had more than \$1,000,000 in loans outstanding.

Business in general has been much better with pawnshop men this year than it was last year at this time. This is accounted for by the fact that the number of unemployed is much larger than last winter. As a consequence loans have depreciated. A pledge which would bring as large a loan this year as it would have brought last year.

One of the leading pawnbrokers in New York, who lives in Fifth av. and conducts a string of pawnshops in greater New York, estimated that fully 50 per cent of the loans made during the last two weeks would be repaid within thirty days.

"Around this time of the year pawnbrokers play Santa Claus to a larger extent than is usually believed," he said. "It is surprising how many poor people pledge articles which at the time may be of little value to them in order to be able to purchase Christmas presents. With the first pay day in the new year these pledges are usually redeemed."

Some queer loans are made by pawnbrokers around New Year's. One business man used to pawn the greater portion of his household furniture every year; another his wife's jewelry. As much as \$50,000 is loaned by the

If It's Advertised in The Tribune It's Guaranteed. See Editorial Page, First Column.

DR. DERNBURG TO TALK Will State Germany's Case to New Rochelle Forum.

Justice Martin J. Keogh, of the Supreme Court, who founded the New Rochelle Forum thirteen years ago, believes he has obtained one of the best speakers of the time for the meeting in the forum in the New Rochelle Theatre January 10. Dr. Bernhard H. Dernburg will speak on "The Cause of Germany Stated."

Dr. Dernburg, formerly German Secretary of the German Colonies, is the present Germany's case to the American people.

Church Plea for Jobless. Th day on which Judge Gary and his fellow committeemen will tour the East Side has not been announced.

Police Vigilant Near Where Murder Was Discovered. Owing to the vigilance of the police the part of Brooklyn where a body was found on Saturday night, two robbers were captured last night.

HOBBOES BECOME ANGRY Davis Gets Brotherhood's Goat by Talking of Labor. An unheralded invasion at yesterday's meeting of the Brotherhood Welfare Association in 64 East 4th st. by Jeff Davis, president of the international Itinerant Workers of America, stirred the hoboes to a pitch of excitement they probably never knew before.

JOLLY DOG LOST; LURED BY RUM "Bum," Revenue Cutter Mascot, Quit Post for Spree Ashore.—Visited Saloons. "Bum," the dissipated mascot of the revenue cutter Calumet, was reported missing yesterday, but hopes are entertained that he is a Boston bull terrier, but lacks the fine instincts that generally go with the dog of that city. He comes from pedigreed stock. When five weeks ago "Bum" was presented to the cutter under the influence of liquor. He chewed tobacco, it is said, and had all the traits denoted by his name. "Bum" was admired by dog fanciers who were privileged to go down the bay to meet incoming steamships, and Boyce had many offers for purchase. As a reprisal for previous indiscretions, Miss Boyce kept "Bum" locked up on the Calumet for four days, but chafing under restraint the animal got ashore Thursday night and is said to have followed a man who treated him to beer in a saloon in Whitehall st. Then he vanished.

SAILS TO WED SOLDIER Miss Gertrude Bird to Marry British Captain in London. Changing her wedding date because her fiancé is going to war, Miss Gertrude Bird, of Brewster, left hurriedly for England yesterday to wed Captain William H. Terrill. He is in Lord Kitchener's vast army, who is to be sent to the Continent next month. He and Miss Bird had planned to wed in this country in September, but the war interfered. So, fearing he might be killed, he wrote, urging her to hasten to England, where she would find a shelter for them, provided they would help clean up the city markets every day, the trouble being every year; another his wife's jewelry. As much as \$50,000 is loaned by the