

# PROPOSED PLAN TO STOP SNOWSTORMS

## Scheme to Save Millions to New York City--East River Blown Dry--Forgotten Millions in Metropolitan Banks. Ex-Secretary Shaw to Run For President on a Book--Father Knickerbocker's Time Worth \$30,000 a Minute.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—It is possible the future generations in Greater New York may never see a snowstorm, for a proposition contemplating their abolishment has at last been put forward. Every fall New York prepares to clean the streets of snow in a miraculously short time and every winter finds the street cleaning department unable to do so. The city is not quite in the class of Chicago where it was recently discovered that men were still being carried on the pay rolls for the purpose of removing the big snow of 1906, but it is never able to do much in the way of actually getting rid of the fall. After every storm all squares and parks are filled with miniature mountains of snow shoveled together theoretically to be hauled away and dumped in the river, but in reality to await the destroying influence of a good thaw or rainstorm. A heavy snow fall too has come to mean the piling up in each gutter of an impassable banker. Naturally in the light of such conditions suggestions for the handling of the snow have been many. The latest and by far the most ingenious does not contemplate the handling of the snow but its complete abolishment. A chemist in this city claims to have discovered a chemical which if sprayed into the air during the storm would immediately change the snow to rain at a height of 100 feet above the pavement and at a much lower cost than is now necessary for snow removal. Those persons who fatten on street cleaning contracts are naturally contemptuous and call it visionary and impossible. But stranger things than the abolishment of snow have happened and should it come to pass only those persons whose offices are above the tenth story could ever expect to see a snowstorm.

New York came close to finding itself actually a part of Long Island last week when during the gale and blizzard which descended upon the city the water practically blew away the East river which divides Manhattan and Long Island. The continuation of the gale at low tide left the river so nearly dry that travel by ferry was practically suspended. So much water was blown out of the river that it took on more the appearance of a series of puddles broken by what appeared to be flats on which were stacked practically all the ferryboats on the river and a number of smaller craft. One ferry line was put out of business by the running aground of every one of its boats, most of them too at points where there was ordinarily enough water for any sort of commerce. Blackwell's Island, where Father Knickerbocker confines his undesirable citizens, added temporarily nearly three acres to its small area and buildings ordinarily situated at the edge of the water found themselves for the time being a considerable distance removed from the river. With the subsidence of the gale the water gradually resumed its former level but for a time it looked as though the East river was going to be entirely blown away and New York City involuntarily annexed to Long Island.

The late panic has served to bring to light in a striking manner the carelessness of the average New Yorker in regard to his money. The largest institution in the city which was forced to close its doors after a run, and is now attempting to reorganize, is seriously hampered in its efforts to secure the necessary sanction of its depositors to the plans mapped out on account of the fact that there are more than five hundred such depositors with deposits of more than half a million dollars, who are either lost, strayed or stolen and cannot be found. When the depositors' committee began its work of securing consent for the scheme of reorganization which it decided upon, it nearly discovered that half a thousand

depositors seemed to have forgotten all about their money. Two, whose deposits were over \$20,000 each, were only located after weeks of search and much expense and both were very much surprised to discover that they had this money on deposit, since all record of it had escaped their minds. That anyone should forget a matter of \$20,000 cash seems unbelievable, yet the records show that more than 500 persons have done just this in regard to sums in varying amounts. In one case a now wealthy man had deposited \$12,000 in 1884 and had forgotten all about it. He was therefore very much surprised when informed that he had at present nearly \$25,000 standing to his credit. Still further evidence of the New Yorker's carelessness in regard to money is instanced by the fact that in the case of this single institution there are more than one hundred accounts standing in the names of persons deceased whose families or executors have never even obtained letters of administration. In view of these figures it seems probable that a good many million dollars are lying in New York banks whose owners have forgotten about them entirely.

New York is likely to have no less than three entries in the race for nomination honors at the Chicago convention next June. It is well known that Secretary Cortelyou is the principal dark horse candidate. It is already settled that Governor Hughes will be the state's favorite son and will receive the votes of the state's delegates. The third aspirant, who may be called an adopted-son candidate, so far as New York is concerned, is ex-Secretary of the Treasury Shaw, formerly of Iowa and more recently at the head of a well known trust company of this city. Having made over \$100,000 in the year that he has occupied this position the buzzing of the presidential bee has drawn the ex-secretary away from Wall street to the political arena. While his precise plans for securing a share of the Chicago delegates have been kept secret, his purpose is indicated by the announcement of a prominent publishing house that it is about to bring out a book by Mr. Shaw and that the title of the book is "Current Issues." Whether or not he has the delegates Shaw has the platform on which he is willing to run all set forth in black and white and nobody can complain that they do not know where he stands on the tariff, currency or any other pending question, for it is all in the book. Whether or not this novel plan of campaigning helps his political fortunes, Mr. Shaw's book is very timely coming as it does on the eve of a presidential campaign and it is likely to find a good many readers who will want to have a clear exposition of the intricacies of currency and tariff questions. At any rate the ex-secretary has gone the Taft postal card campaign one better.

The old saying that time is money never received a more apt and concrete illustration than in New York at the present day. Minutes here are literally viewed as dollars for based upon the annual earnings of the people of New York City each minute of the working day is worth \$30,000. In other words results of labor high and low paid in the metropolis amounts to just a little less than \$15,000,000 a day or about \$4,500,000,000 a year. Nowhere else in the world has time ever been so valuable so far as its earning power is concerned. In this fact lies the explanation of the tremendous expenditures which are being made, particularly in connection with transportation about the city, which persons unfamiliar with existing conditions often look upon as being heedless extravagance. In the light of what these improvements will save to the earning public, they are all a sound investment. The \$70,000,000 for instance which is being expended

at the Grand Central Terminal will mean a saving of from six to eight minutes on each train on the daily operation of 1,440 additional minutes for work. At \$20,000 a minute this would mean the saving of \$43,200,000 every day. Of course the sum is not actually so large but the fact remains nevertheless that it will not take long to get back the \$70,000,000 in question and that the investment even from the point of view of persons who have to pay for it is a sound one. It is the tunnels which afford perhaps the most concrete illustration of the value of time in New York City. Crossing the rivers by ferry is at best a slow process and it is simply to save the minutes, each one worth \$30,000 in this means of travel that hundreds of millions of dollars are being expended on the tunnels under the river. Father Knickerbocker hopes shortly to reach the point when his time will be worth \$50,000 a minute, but even now his record is far ahead of that of any other city in the world.

## City News ...In Brief

(From Sunday's Daily)  
**Poland Visitor.**  
 William McNeill, of Poland, is visiting in the city.  
**Here From Humboldt.**  
 Rev. E. Owens, of Humboldt, is visiting in the city.  
**Jerome Visitor.**  
 Charles T. Lynch, of Jerome, is here on a business visit.  
**Tucson Visitor.**  
 Moss Drachman, of Tucson, is here on a business visit.  
**Mining Man Here.**  
 C. C. Miller, the Dewey mining man, is here on a business visit.  
**Left For Eureka.**  
 E. E. Pascoe was an outgoing passenger last night en route to Steve Mott's mining camp in the Eureka district.  
**Left For Phoenix.**  
 Mrs. James Haughey was an outgoing passenger last night for Phoenix where she will be the guest of relatives the coming week.  
**Visiting With Relatives.**  
 W. L. Anderson arrived here last night from Ash Fork to spend Sunday with relatives.  
**Home From Octave.**  
 Deputy Sheriff Frank Burns arrived home yesterday afternoon from an official visit to Octave.  
**Agua Fria Visitor.**  
 A. W. Lessard arrived here last evening from his home in the Agua Fria district where he reports copious rains and stock in fair condition.  
**Will Visit Friends.**  
 Lee Thomas was an outgoing passenger yesterday afternoon for Eldorado Springs, Missouri, where he will be the guest of friends for two months.  
**At Grand Canyon.**  
 Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan, wife of the celebrated New York financier, who, with her party, is now visiting the Grand Canyon, will leave Monday for the east.  
**Home From Humboldt.**  
 H. M. Hartson arrived home yesterday evening from an extended stay in Humboldt where he filled a responsible position with the Arizona Smelting company.  
**Reported Improving.**  
 A telegram was received here yesterday from San Francisco announcing that M. J. Hickey's condition is improving and that he is gradually gaining strength.  
**Hides For Sale.**  
 Chairman Barney Smith, of the board of supervisors, announced last night that the board had 180 wild cat hides for sale. Those desiring to purchase hides are invited to call on C. A. Peter, Jr., clerk of the board, during office hours.  
**More Scalps and Hides.**  
 Ed Weston brought in the scalps and hides of five wild cats and one coyote which he deposited in the board of supervisors' office yesterday with a demand for the statutory bounty. The animals were killed in the Jerome Junction neighborhood.  
 (From Tuesday's Daily)  
**Kirkland Visitor.**  
 E. E. Beebe, of Kirkland, is visiting in the city.  
**Mayer Visitor.**  
 Mrs. S. G. Robinson, of Mayer, is visiting in the city.  
**Mayer Visitors.**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Fred Venator, of Mayer, are visiting in the city.  
**Left For Phoenix.**  
 M. B. Hazeltine left last night en route to Phoenix on a short business visit.

**Chaparral Visitor.**  
 E. B. Wilson arrived here last evening from Chaparral on a short business visit.  
**McCabe Visitor.**  
 Mark Boston arrived here last evening from McCabe on a short business visit.  
**Stockman Visits.**  
 E. A. Marlow is in the city from his stock ranch in the Williamson valley section.  
**Here On Business.**  
 W. L. Roberts is in the city from his home in Skull Valley on a short business visit.  
**A Dollar Will Do It.**  
 One dollar will start a savings account drawing 1 per cent interest, at the Yavapai County Savings bank.  
**Back From Phoenix.**  
 William Nellis returned yesterday from a hurried visit to Phoenix on a mining business.  
**Left For Tucson.**  
 Mr. and Mrs. C. Coby left last night for Tucson where they intend to reside in the future.  
**Simmons Stockman Here.**  
 John Blamont, the Simmons stock man, arrived here last evening from his ranch in the Williamson valley section.  
**Purchasing Supplies.**  
 Al Vroom arrived here yesterday from his mining camp at Gold Springs in the Thumb Butte district to purchase supplies.  
**Will Leave For California.**  
 Charles Wheat arrived here last evening from the camp of the New England Arizona Copper company on his way to southern California where he will be the guest of friends during the rest of February.  
**Road Overseer Qualifies.**  
 Arthur W. Whittaker, qualified as road overseer of Road District No. 4, in Jerome, by filing his oath and bond in the county recorder's office yesterday.  
**Left For El Paso.**  
 M. A. Perkins, member of the Territorial live stock sanitary board from Yavapai county, left here yesterday for a short business visit in El Paso, Texas.  
**Back From Copper Basin.**  
 S. J. Gnash and Nestor A. Young, Jr., returned yesterday from an inspection trip to the properties of the Penn-Arizona Copper company in Copper Basin.  
**Ladies' Aid Meeting.**  
 The Ladies' Aid society, of the Marina Street Methodist church will meet Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. S. Norviel, 209 South Pleasant street.  
**Left For Home.**  
 Mrs. Joan W. Rogers left yesterday

for her home in Canyon City, Colorado, after a pleasant three weeks' visit here with her brother, Judge J. J. Hawkins and his family.  
**Peace Disturber Sentenced.**  
 Robert Jones arrested Friday morning by Deputy Sheriff Merritt, on the charge of disturbing the peace, was sentenced to serve ten days in the county jail yesterday by Justice of the Peace Meloney.  
**Here On Business.**  
 William Gaston, foreman of the Alvarado Gobi Mining company's mill, at Paul's ranch, arrived here yesterday on a short business visit. He will return this morning. He is accompanied by Ed Haffey, one of his assistants.  
**More Hides.**  
 Seven wild cat and one coyote hide were added to the supervisors' collection of scalps and hides yesterday. J. T. Cook, of Yeager Canyon brought in four wild cats and one coyote and George E. Rowlock contributed three wild cats from the Camp Verde district.  
**Expected From Douglas.**  
 Frank Rahl, of Douglas, is expected here this morning to join Mrs. Rahl, who has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bazarth, since the holidays. Mr. Rahl is a former resident of this city. He is now a prosperous merchant of Douglas.  
**THOMAS TURNER NUPTIALS.**  
 (From Tuesday's Daily)  
 Mrs. Laura Vail Thomas was united in marriage to Pearl L. Turner, Sunday evening, by Rev. L. W. Wacantley of the Marina Street Methodist church. The wedding was a quiet one, only a few of the intimate friends of the contracting parties being present.  
 The bride has resided in this city almost all her life and is well and favorably known to a wide circle of friends. The groom is a popular trainman of the S. F. & P. Ry. He is esteemed by his fellow employees and the officers of the railroad as well as by all who enjoy his acquaintance. The happy couple will make their future home here.  
**DENN ARIZONA.**  
 Diamond drill operations on the 1,100 of the Denn are being prosecuted steadily. A new hole is being put down and has already attained a considerable depth. The direction of the drift on this level was changed, and progress is now in the direction of the southwest. There has been no material change in the formation.  
 Full Associated Press dispatches in the Journal-Miner.

**RETURNS FROM VISIT TO EUROPE**  
 (From Tuesday's Daily)  
 D. M. Clark, who arrived home yesterday from an extended visit to European countries, including Great Britain and Ireland, stated that he seen nothing to compare with Grand Canyon in grandeur and sublimity in all his travels. "The are stupendous to gaze upon," Clark said, "but do not, in my opinion compare favorably with many of the same scenes of this country. I saw some great castles erected hundreds of years ago, all with more less interesting traditions. I saw Blarney Castle but could not muster courage enough to kiss the celebrated Blarney stone. It is near the top of the castle, 104 feet above the ground. It is necessary to be held hanging at this height by the heels to perform the feat of kissing it. Ireland surpasses any country visited in green and pretty girls. I visited the Dublin exposition and was disappointed at meeting a number of Prescottites who had left before I arrived."  
 Mrs. Clark stopped over in southern California on a visit with relatives. Mr. Clark came here in connection with a mining deal which he expects to consummate in a few days.  
**CONVICTED OF BURGLARY.**  
 Arthur Livingston, who was arrested here on the charge of stealing jewelry from Arthur Wasson some eight months ago is reported to have been convicted on a burglary charge recently in Stockton, California and sentenced to serve a four year term in the San Quentin penitentiary of that state.  
**SMALLPOX IN WILLIAMS.**  
 It is reported that there are several cases of smallpox in Williams and eleven cases of the dread disease in Winslow. The extremely cold weather on the mountain and the fact that no precautions have been taken to prevent the spread of the disease are said to be the primary cause of so many cases in Williams.  
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