

NEW YORK LETTER

The Panama to Be Revived for Ladies' Wear—Hetty Objects to Decorations on Chemical Bank.

New York, May 7.—Following the fashion in Washington, New York women are showing a strong inclination to revive the craze for Panama hats, and the Fifth avenue milliners are sending orders for big supplies of the fine weave. Mrs. Roosevelt was responsible for the first move. When she returned from the Bahamas last summer, she brought a genuine Panama, and her first appearance in it was a signal to the do-like-wise class. Her's is trimmed with a slash of yellow and brown silk, with fringed edges and a 2-1/2 inch wide band of grass ends. Mrs. Roosevelt is wearing one that carries a hand of plaid ribbon and a quill, while Miss Ethel Roosevelt may be seen almost any day riding in a Panama quilted like her sister's and held in place with a long winding veil. For morning wear the hats are simple and comfortable. Hetty Green was so opposed to the extravagance that marks the new decoration of the Chemical National bank, on its reopening from partial rebuilding and refitting, that she absented herself from the opening, and no longer has a separate desk to herself. The officers secretly, and many of the customers openly, rejoice at this state of affairs, as Hetty Green is not liked, and is held in contempt by the great mass of her fellow citizens, for her petulantness, her miserly ways, and her consummate meanness. The Chemical National bank is a bank with a peculiar history, as it has carried a surplus of seven millions, while having a capital of only \$200,000. The surplus was piled up at the start by the decision to declare no dividends for several years, letting the profits flow up into a huge surplus, so that the stock is worth over \$1000. Miss Hetty Green grew to be a fixture, because she had some considerable money invested in the bank, and was generally considered a great nuisance, and the coupling of her name with that of the bank a serious reflection on the institution. The new building is one of the finest banking institutions in the country. Besides splendid mural paintings, and interesting features in the vault, which is unlike any other in the city, it is built on a small acre of land, 25 feet square, extending south from the banking room. On this a masonry structure has been built up to the level of the first window of the banking room. Here the main banking room is situated on an island. It is two stories high, and standing on masonry columns, it allows room for the watchman to pass underneath. There is an equal space between it and the ceiling. A similar space has been left at the sides. At each corner a large mirror is arranged, which gives the watchman passing in front a clear view of the entire space by which the safe is surrounded. The safe is in a masonry closet, at 5th street and Sixth avenue, a famous resort of old New York, and a landmark, is soon to pass away. Plans have been filed for a six-story office building to be erected by Adam Engel, as owner, for the Greenwich bank of Hudson street, as lessee, on the site of the old restaurant, Engel's eating place, a fine one of note from all parts of the country. Its passing will be regretted by hundreds of persons who have dined and wine within its walls. Old forty-niners would have supposed themselves transported to the rich gold fields of California had they happened on the East Side of New York city last week. A Polish laborer passed through the streets carrying a bag of gravel, and shouting: "Gold, gold, its a gold mine." Work stopped instantly. Laborers poured out of the pit, pockets bulging with gravel, and their dinner pails overflowing. Tom White and Daniel Hussey, who boss the job of excavating for the National Biscuit company's new building, tried to catch the man. "Not one of you take out another spoonful of that stuff," shouted White, get back there with the shovels and go to work," but the command was unheeded, and the excited men, casting picks and shovels aside, gathered handful after handful of gravel in which they saw glint of shining particles, and came to the street surface. Work was abandoned for five pounds of the stuff to the United States assay office in Wall street, where they were promised a report in three days. Meanwhile the gold fever on the lower East Side spread, and there was a rush of prospectors with buckets, tin pails and wash boilers all fighting for gravel. The discovery was made by Pavel Parufsky, whose spade turned up a shining mass. He examined it. The glitter fascinated him. He took up a handful and held it where the sun shone. He saw hundreds of minerals. The rays of the sun gave them a yellowish tinge. He took up another handful, and it looked to be richer in metal than the first. Parufsky began to fill his pockets. The discovery was too much for him, and he went to the "gold" fields. He took a few minutes, the other diggers were into the auriferous rock with their picks, breaking down the rock formation and bringing away as much of the gravel as their overall pouches and trousers pocket would hold. There is an abundance of iron pyrites and silicates. Under the yellow rays of the

sun these tiny particles took on the appearance of grains of coarse gold. There was no use arguing with anybody. Gold had been discovered and anybody who said to the contrary was simply trying to corner a claim. Even when the assay office said pyrites, the belief still ran strong that the National Biscuit company's factory covered a gold mine. Thousands of New Yorkers last week witnessed the strange spectacle of street lamps in competition with the sun. As the daily downtown rush began in Harlem and the Bronx, the throngs were astonished to find the lamps still burning merrily in many places. The unusual condition was the sequel of the sudden lighting of the recently unlighted lampposts. The Welch Lighting company, which has the contract for lighting city streets where there are no electric lights, estimated that the police has succeeded in lighting about 10,000 lamps during the night, and all of these were kept burning throughout the day. Less than the upper part of the street, and Brooklyn being plunged into darkness once more with the coming on of night. Hard luck stories are very much quoted in the financial district just now, and it is significant that some at least are imaginative. Tangible evidence of trouble in many quarters is not wanting. The assertion is made that a certain loan association making a specialty of loaning by catering to individual needs on personal collateral has loaned on 40 automobiles and one steam yacht in a month, and that is accepted as accurate. Some creditors are complaining that the recent panic is being worked to death as an excuse for securing extension of time on maturing obligations. Five-cent fare to Coney Island has been brought a step nearer when the New York Assembly passed the Warner bill, providing that no greater charge shall be made for transportation to the resort. The law is to the right of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit to charge 10 cents to the resort; very vague, and more than one serious riot has resulted from attempts on the part of the public to enforce a five-cent charge. According to the latest judicial decision the question could be settled only by the legislation which is now being attempted. The passage of this bill is a severe blow to the Brooklyn Rapid Transit, and to the trust interests of Greater New York, as the measure not only provides for a five-cent fare to Coney Island, but a five-cent rate throughout Greater New York. The railroad lobby is counting on defeating the bill in the Senate railroad committee, but is doubtless will be disappointed, as the Assembly vote is an indication of the popularity of the measure, and the senators will not care about openly defying public sentiment. Every popular and public body in New York has endorsed the Warner bill, and no steps will be spared to serve it.

DEATH OF H. A. CLARK.

Manufactured Furniture in Winooski Many Years Ago. The death of Henry A. Clark on Saturday, April 7, at Thomaston, Fla., recalls to mind one of the most prominent furniture manufacturers in the East. Mr. Clark was a Vermont boy, and when a young man he came to Winooski, where he was engaged in the manufacture of estate furniture in Winooski, which was shipped to the Clark factory in Philadelphia, where it was finished and distributed. In 1878 the brothers decided to locate in the West and went to Chicago, where a new partnership was formed under the title of Clark, Swan & Platt, and the firm were soon cutting a big line of goods which were finished and distributed at both the Chicago and Philadelphia factories. About 1878, Mr. Swan retired, and Mr. Platt having previously sold his interest to the Clarks, the firm became known as Clark Bros. & Co., and in 1889 the Clarks were numbered among the most successful men in the trade. In 1887 the big Chicago plant was sold, and Emory Clark retired from business. He died about two years ago in New York, leaving a fortune of about \$2,000,000. H. A. Clark then arranged for new interests in the firm, which included John Gillan, Robert Graham and Leon H. Clark, son of the proprietor. These three, with H. A. Clark and C. W. Thomas, formed the new concern, whose furniture was known all over the country. Under the advice of his physician, Mr. Clark went to live on his farm at Sharon, Vt., for his health, where he remained four years, returning to Philadelphia after the recovery of his health to take charge of the fine new factory which the firm had built in the meantime. He finally gave up the business and purchased an orange farm in Florida, where he died. He was 68 years of age and left a widow and one son, Leon H. Clark.

LIMOGE GUILTY.

Jury Found That He Sold Intoxicating Liquor. The following jury was empaneled in Chittenden county court Thursday afternoon in the case of Pliny J. Cowles vs. Max Agel, apt. A. B. Stearns of Hinesburgh; H. S. Morgan of Burlington; C. D. Morey of Westford; Charles Gilbert of Milton; E. W. Grow of Fairfax; N. S. Stafford of Burlington; N. S. Story of Jericho; George E. Wheeler of South Burlington; L. J. Wilkins of West Bolton; Alvin Chas. Richmond; Alfred Chastany of Winooski; Martin Hill of Charlotte. This case grew out of a partnership at one time existing between the plaintiff and the defendant and involves the ownership of certain horses, wagons and junk. The divorce petition of Pauline Pierson Welch vs. Walter A. Welch was heard in Chittenden county court Friday afternoon. The petitioner seeking separation on the ground of wilful desertion and refusal to support. The divorce petition recalls the romantic marriage three years ago of the parties concerned. Both Mrs. Welch and her mother, Mrs. J. S. Pierson testified, Mrs. Welch told of her elopement with Welch and their marriage in the Province of Ontario, the being 15 years of age at the time. She said she subsequently her husband had contributed nothing to her support but on the contrary she had advanced money to him which she obtained from her mother, Mrs. Pierson. She was also supported by her mother from the time of her marriage with Welch up to last October, when she became of age and came into an income of ten per month from the Pierson estate. Mrs. Welch told also of meeting Welch unexpectedly in Boston two months ago and leaving him \$5. Mrs. Pierson, mother of the petitioner testified briefly. The greater part of the day in Chittenden county court Friday was devoted to the hearing in the case of Cowles vs. Agel. A decision was made in the case of J. E. Lavelle, admr. vs. Michael Ledy, an action to recover the value of a note. The decision was that Mr. Lavelle as administrator of Mrs. J. M. Lavelle's estate, is entitled to recover the value of the note which was for \$50. The jury in the case of State vs. Louis Limoge, charged with selling and furnishing intoxicating liquor, having reported a disagreement twice after receiving the case Tuesday afternoon, reported a verdict of guilty at 9:15 o'clock that evening. The empanelling of the jury and the trial of the case occupied most of the time in Chittenden county court Tuesday.

WILL GO TO SUPREME COURT

Friendly Proceeding to Settle Question Growing Out of Col. Cannon's Will. A petition has been brought in probate court by Mrs. Esther Edith Brookes, one of the daughters of the late Col. Leonard B. Cannon of Burlington, in which she seeks to have the court order the executor to make certain securities part of a trust fund that was provided for her in her father's will. There is an ambiguity in Colonel Cannon's will by reason of the fact that there was a substitution of securities, which the testator held at the time his will was made, for other securities which came into his hands before his death. The original securities were stock in the Northern securities company, as a result of legal proceedings, Colonel Cannon was obliged to surrender that stock and accept in place of it stock in the Great Northern and Northern Pacific Railroad companies. The question involved in the proceeding is one of law as to whether this substituted stock is part of a trust fund provided for Mrs. Brookes's benefit. The proceeding is a friendly one for the purpose of settling the questions of law involved and to enable the executor of the Cannon estate to properly set out Mrs. Brookes's trust fund. The case will ultimately go to the supreme court for final determination. Mrs. Brookes's legal representatives are Darling & Mower of this city.

ARRESTED IN BUFFALO.

Louis Shelley, Charged with Stealing Tea, to Be Brought Here. Louis Shelley, formerly employed in the E. J. Thomas company's store and who was indicted by the grand jury in 1905 on the charge of stealing two half chests of tea from his employers, who later jumped his bond of \$500, was arrested Tuesday in Buffalo, N. Y., and will be brought to this city. Security was furnished by Louis Alpert and Morris Lavigne but when his bail was called at the spring term of court a year ago Shelley had disappeared and the court chancered the bail to \$100. When Mr. Alpert returned to the store, abouts of Shelley he left for Buffalo with a bench warrant. The tea, which Shelley is charged with stealing, is alleged to have been taken to Pittsburgh and sold in small packages to different customers. Naturally Mr. Thomas missed such a large amount of tea and after a few days Shelley was arrested, charged with stealing it.

VERMONT'S LAW-ABIDING SPIRIT.

(From the St. Albans Messenger.) With no disposition to play the Pharisee, and to thank God that they are better than other men, Vermonters, nevertheless, have reason to be grateful that these few days have witnessed no outbreak of lynching or mob violence in Bennington. It is difficult for the mind to conceive of a more depraved creature than Alfred Mahan, or a more atrocious and heinous crime than the murder of his little niece last Sunday afternoon. Greater provocation to wreak speedy vengeance upon a brutal wretch, seldom, if ever, occurs. In adding by the law of the land, the people of Bennington have done no more than their duty, it is true, but in the heat of the fierce indignation aroused by such a horrible crime, respect for the ordinary processes of justice too often is disregarded. By waiting for the law to take its course, under circumstances of peculiar provocation to violence, the best traditions of Vermont and New England have been upheld. An early trial and punishment in keeping with the enormity of the crime are results earnestly to be desired.

BUT ONE DEDUCTION.

The Clergyman—You should seek work, my friend. You know, Satan finds employment for idle hands. The Hobo—Thanks, kind sir. Many times before I've been advised to go ter de devil, but never in such diplomatic language.—Puck.

WILL OBLIGE

A Trenton Man avers that there is posted on the walls of a building in that city the following notice: "Tenants should be careful not to throw lighted cigars or cigarettes or matches about. Otherwise they may set fire to the building, and oblige Joseph Robinson, Proprietor." Philadelphia Ledger.

EVERYTHING LOVELY.

(From the Atlanta Constitution.) The world's all right; only the chaps who want the world are grumbling.

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The Vermont space in this building consists of about 500 square feet. A large and valuable collection of documents and articles of historic interest is being prepared by E. M. Goddard, assistant State librarian. Among some of the most notable features of this exhibit from Vermont will be a collection of the portraits of the 56 Vermont governors. These photographs are finished in aple and framed. The celebrated Lucey press, the first printing press used in North America, north of Mexico, will form the central feature of the Vermont exhibit. PORTRAITS OF ADMIRALS. The large State paintings of Admiral Dewey and Admiral Clarke will occupy a conspicuous place in this exhibit. Numerous documents and papers relating to the early history of Vermont and relics of the revolutionary period and of the War of 1812, will be placed in this collection. The Vermont State building is nearly completed and will probably be finished by the middle of May. The building will be an attractive one and well adapted for the purpose for which it was designed. Many of the State buildings are in an unfinished condition and some of them will not be ready until after the Vermont building is completed. RARE OLD FURNITURE. The commission has been fortunate in securing many rare specimens of furniture of the colonial and revolutionary periods for furnishing the building. Among the articles that will find a place in the State building may be mentioned a solid mahogany dining-room table, owned by Governor Thomas Chittenden; a tall hall clock, once the property of the Great Britain of Connecticut; a chair once owned by Dr. Jonas Fay of Bennington; a chair that was brought over by Miles Standish and that is now owned by one of his descendants living in Vermont; and a dressing-table once owned by Gen. Ethan Allen, loaned by Prof. George H. Perkins of Burlington. Historical Bennington contributes a large number of household articles of early days. 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In the mines and metallurgy building. The exhibit was installed and ready for inspection on the opening day of the exposition, and it was the only State exhibit in this building that was complete April 26. There are a few additions yet to be made to this exhibit in the way of large photographs of quarries and works and marble and marbled slab wall-scoring, but the original exhibit was in position for inspection before that of any other State. This exhibit of the quarry products of Vermont, the most extensive of any ever collected before for exhibition purposes. It consists of more than 50 varieties of marble, granite, and slate, representing nearly every quarry in the State. The exhibit is mostly in the form of slabs and cubes. It is displayed on a succession of platforms, and in glass cases and on tables. In the pure food building Vermont occupies a space of 1,000 square feet. 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