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GOTHAM LETTER

New York, April 15.—The commission of eminent physicians which is now co-operating with the New York board of health in investigating the epidemic of cerebro-spinal meningitis has, as was expected, made little progress in reaching effective preventive measures. In a clinical way, they are studying all the cases reported in New York, tabulating their history as far as it can be learned, examining into the conditions of their environment as to local and neighborhood sanitation, and endeavoring to determine what event it is communicable from one person to another. The chief reason that the medical staff of the local sanitary administration cannot accomplish more of value to the public in the study of this dread disease is the difficulty of securing and retaining competent bacteriologists. Men of this kind are not numerous, and when employed in the laboratories of the department they get rather less pay than a patrolman on the police force. Men capable of conducting and initiating original investigating or even following to authoritative conclusions those laid out for them, do not care to take such positions. Leading physicians express the opinion that the epidemic here and in the vicinity will gradually subside within the next 30 days, simply because epidemics of contagious and infectious diseases habitually attain their maximum development during March and April and disappear in the early summer.

Springlike Sundays bring no joy to the hearts of the conductors of the Third Avenue surface cars. As soon as the open cars are put on and the sun shines warm the downtown Ghetto turns out for a car ride. The Third Avenue line, which affords the longest ride in that part of the town, gets the bulk of the patronage. For a single nickel one may go from the postoffice to the far end of the island at Port George, but each adult fare for the company usually means a child young enough to ride free as well as the grown up passenger. The conductors are kept busy with the rush, and they are glad when normal traffic is resumed after sunset.

Arrangements are being made by the Finance Department to sell \$25,000,000 of city bonds next week. This will be the second largest issue of corporate stock ever sold by the city. The record was about a year ago, when an issue of \$37,000,000 was made, \$32,000,000 of which was corporate stock and the other \$5,000,000 refunding bonds.

The money to be raised will go toward departmental work, new parks and parkways and permanent betterments not provided for in the budget of the budget of the current year.

One of the forgotten points of interest in the lower end of the city is the old "Schreyers Hook." This was the "Capaks" or Cape rock which jutted out into the river at a point a little north of South Ferry, and which is now included in Battery Park. Here was the first dock, and here the settlers greeted new arrivals and said farewell to those about to depart. It took its name from the "Schreyers Hook" in Amsterdam, a similar point projecting into the harbor, where the burghers said goodbye to their friends who were about to sail. Because of the mournful scenes enacted there it came to be known as "Schreyers Hook" or the "weeping point."

To shoes with light tops New Yorkers have never shown the least cordiality. Common as they are, gaiters still attract a certain amount of attention and the man who ventures out with patent leather shoes having light tops of cloth or leather must expect to be stared at by his fellow citizens. In London these shoes are frequently worn on dress occasions by men who pretend to keep in the fashion, and all over the continent they are affected by the well dressed men who follow English fashion. But they have never gained popularity here.

"The golden age of charity," is what Robert W. Hubbard, secretary of the State Department of Charity, terms the present area of philanthropy. Few persons realize, he says, that \$50,000,000 is expended in charity in New York state every year. To understand the evolution it is necessary to go back to the first provisions made here for the poor in 1641, when all that went to the poor was the penalties collected for selling unpolished wampum. Vagrants and beggars in the early Dutch times were dangled from gallows as objects of ridicule.

The first almshouse in New York was built by Peter Stuyvesant at Albany in 1652. The first built in this city was erected in 1735 on the present site of the city hall. The second structure for the poor was built on Chambers street, with \$50,000 won by the city in a lottery.

There was an early custom requiring

the poor to wear red or blue badges on their sleeves, and also a harsh provision in the early settlement laws by which poor settlers could be forcibly taken back to the town which they had left and publicly whipped. All this is changed, for the poor now must be relieved where they are and the expense paid by their native place.

Ignace Paderewski is a great admirer of little Von Vessey and thinks that in the future the boy's powers will make him a great performer. Paderewski wanted to send the lad a present from New York the other day and consulted Daniel Frohman, suggesting a watch as a suitable gift. Mr. Frohman was able to recall seven watches that had been presented to Von Vessey this season, so M. Paderewski selected a gold knife for him.

On the heels of the news that the National Art club will move next fall to Gramercy Park and take possession of Governor Tilden's residences, comes the purchase of the corner house, Gramercy Park and Irving Place by the Columbia University club. The Arts, the Players and the Columbia will thus occupy a long stretch of East Twentieth street fronting north of Gramercy Park. If the Lotus club should close with one of the numerous offers for its Fifth Avenue house, in order to obtain larger quarters on Gramercy Park, that part of the borough could not, indeed, lose any of the quiet which is its charm, but it would form more than ever the center of a neighborhood for residences of people who like to be near their favorite club.

The woman of fashionable society stole a march on the men this spring in opening the coaching season. The celebrated road coach, Pioneer, each spring for the amusement of that part of the sport-loving public which can afford to pay for the fun opened its season of tooting the Pioneer between the Holland house and Ardley casino this week. But several days earlier the Ladies' Four-in-hand club, composed of women of the first social consequence, placed in commission a new tally-ho coach. The first trip was made with Mrs. J. Borden Harriman handling the "ribbons" in a masterly manner.

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College Baseball Today.

Chicago, Ill., April 15.—Today marks the real opening of the baseball season among the big and little colleges of the Middle West. The most important games on the calendar are those of the University of Michigan and University of Chicago on Marshall field and the University of Illinois and Wabash College at Urbana. The Northwestern University has a game scheduled on the home diamond with the College of Physicians and Surgeons and the University of Nebraska plays the Nebraska Indians at Lincoln. Indiana University plays the Indianapolis Manual Training School at Bloomington and Rose Polytechnic is scheduled to line up against the nine of Milliken University at Decatur, Ill.

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New York, April 14.—Five people were badly burned or injured in a fire which destroyed a six-story tenement sweatshop on Hester street early this morning. The fire spread to adjoining buildings, and caused a panic in the neighborhood. The loss is \$100,000.

To the Public.

You are respectfully requested to call on the undersigned and satisfy yourselves that the wines, liquors, cigars, etc., at 221 Commercial street are the best in the city. New patrons, as well as old, will receive the best attention. RALPH SWARTS.

PRINTERS VERSUS BARBERS

The baseball sports of Salem must prepare to be on hand to witness the great game between the barbers and printers on Sunday, April 16. It has been the custom for years for these worthy opponents to meet on the field of honor, and this year the excitement is unusually high.

The chin scrapers will be on hand bedecked in their war paint of herpicide, bay rum and massage cream, while the type jugglers will be there with a plentiful supply of printers' devils and a cage of type lice on the bleachers.

These are the challenges issued: The attention of the public is invited to the following bombastic display of egotism: Play ball, ye inky imps!

To the Printers of Salem: On Sunday next, at 2 o'clock p. m. the Tonsorial Baseball club of this place intend to play ball, and for the purpose of demonstrating that they are masters of the amateur industrial clubs hereabout, do hereby grant permission to the alleged typesetters of this city to come up against us on the diamond, provided these slaves of the case and stick can summon courage to accept this 'defy.' It is hopeless, of course, for them to attempt to summon skill in the matter.

The suggestion is made that all friends of the typesetters appear in regulation mourning in justifiable anticipation of the lambasting in store for the ink-smeared horde, whose temerity will cause them to contest against us.

Arrangements have been made for putting all flags at half-mast immediately on the defeat of the printers. The city press will turn its column rules on the issues following: the bands will play dirges for 30 days after the 'wipe-up' and a compensation purse has been provided for the nine victims of catastrophe, as they will need it much more than any public institution.

No deadly weapons, such as printing office towels, allowed on the grounds.

TONSORIAL BASEBALL CLUB. It is with unbounded astonishment that the Printers' Baseball club view this arrogant assumption on the part of a lot of nose-pulling tonsorialists, who play ball like old women. Come on, you wasp-jawed splashers of shaving soap. We are eager for the fray. We agree to meet you on the battle-ground, where, with less dangerous weapons than printers' towels, we can reduce that bump of conceit which is the distinguishing feature of your shampooed heads. We are ball players, not boosters. We prefer deeds to words. That is one thing we like about us. Oh yes, we will show you how to play ball.

Play ball! Why, you can no more play the game with us than a State street dude can fight Fitzsimmons. Yes, you are right, the flags will hang at half mast; the band will play its most mournful tune; the papers will turn their column rules upside down and a certain class of citizens of our fair city will don their most sombre garb—but it won't be the printers. Not on your life. The sober, dejected look and the mournful cloth will adorn the face and bedeck the form of a disgruntled crowd of pompadour-cutters, who won't be able to call "next" for months to come.

As a precautionary measure let the drugstores lay in a plentiful supply of court-plaster and arnica, and let each spindle-shanked bayrumist give in his name and address to the coroner. Play ball!

PRINTERS' BASEBALL CLUB. Attention, Ye Suckers!

To the Barbers of Salem: Notice is hereby given that the Printers Baseball club of the city of Salem is duly organized and ready to defend the title of champions of Marion county. It having come to our notice that a measly mob of tender-handed and powder-checked barbers have made their boasts that they are the only recognized champions, we hereby challenge these chicken-hearted tonsorialists to meet us on the green diamond and let us demonstrate to a fair-minded public that these windy lather singers are as ignorant of the great American game of baseball as a Berkshire hog is of the principles of ethical culture. We will show these knights of the stripped pole that they couldn't catch a ball if it was swimming in a bath tub; also that there is difference in playing baseball and filling a man's nose and ears with soapuds—for 15c a fill.

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PRINTERS' BASEBALL CLUB. The game will be played on the Asylum Avenue grounds, Sunday, April 16, at 2 o'clock.

A picked team from the George E. Waters' Profit Sharing association, composed of famous players, and managed by Albert A. Disque, will challenge the winning team for a game to be played next week.

The line-up of the two teams is as follows:

Printers—Clark, catcher; Loughheed, pitcher; Hill, first base; McComb, second base; Snyder, third base; Hill, shortstop; Stuart, left field; Clark center field; Knowland, right field; Koch, sub.

Barbers—Lucas, pitcher; Bailey, catcher; Irwin, first base; Needham, second base; Brown, third base; Ferguson, shortstop; Ferrell, center field; Pickett, left field; Ryan, right field; Lovell, sub.

Lincoln County Telephone Line.

The articles of incorporation have been drawn up and are ready for filing, for a telephone line connecting Newport with the outside country. The incorporators are, A. J. Warnick, A. T. Peterson, I. J. Pippin, J. Dickson.

Stock at \$10 a share is to be subscribed by Lincoln citizens. No one is allowed more than ten shares. The outside connection has not been decided upon, the intentions being to connect to the best advantage. The name of the company is Yaquina Bay Mutual Telephone & Improvement company.

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