

HOW WALL STREET STARTED.

Was Origin of the Best Known Thoroughfare in America.

On the morning of March 31, 1644, a man of clerical appearance might have been seen standing at the entrance to the dilapidated fortress of New Amsterdam, with a sheaf of official papers in his hands, says Frederick Trevor Hill in Harper's Magazine. It was not an inviting prospect that confronted the observer that raw spring morning, for the roughly built, wooden houses scattered about the fort looked sadly weather-beaten, and the straggling, ill-made roads and paths which served as streets were littered with refuse and rubbish of every sort and ankle deep in mud.

The man at the fort did not, however, waste much time in gazing at these discouraging surroundings. They were familiar to him in every dreary detail, for Cornelius Van Tienhoven had been secretary of the council at New Amsterdam for many years, and if he had ever been disturbed by the prevailing wretchedness of the town, it had long since ceased to afford him the slightest concern. Slowly turning his back to the view, he tacked one of his official documents to the wall of the fort and then, swinging about and picking his way across the miry ground to a convenient tree, mixed another paper.

Van Tienhoven's handwriting was easily read. Indeed, good penmanship was the only qualification he had ever displayed for his office, that virtue had wholly failed to appear him to the populace, who hated the very sight of his clerical hat. The particular notice he had transcribed that morning, however, was singularly free of offense. It merely recited a resolution of the director and council of New Netherland, that a barrier be erected at the north of the settlement, sufficiently strong to prevent the straying of cattle and to protect them from the Indians and "warned" all interested persons to appear on "next Monday, the 4th of April, at 7 o'clock," for the prosecution of this work.

It was not long, therefore, before the colonists were hard at work at the projected cattle guard, and within a few days it stood completed. There is no authoritative information as to how it was constructed, but there is evidence that it consisted mainly of untrimmed trees felled at the edge of the adjoining forest and piled together to form a sort of a barricade, and that its northern line, running certainly from the present William street, New York City, to what is now Broadway, and possibly from shore to shore, marked the farthest limits of New Amsterdam, as it then existed, and practically determined the location of Wall street. Such was the origin of the best-known thoroughfare of the Western Hemisphere.

Some Scientific Bees.

Apropos of nature faking, the following story, vouched for by no less a person than M. Gaston Bonnier, and set forth in the ultra-scientific reports of the Paris Academy of Sciences, is of interest. It has to do with bees. M. Bonnier placed in his garden several lumps of sugar. The bees tried to bite off particles with their mandibles but couldn't. He then marked them and they flew off to the hive. In about two hours the first lot came back bringing some companions with them. But before tackling the sugar they flew to a fountain in the garden and filled "their crops" with water. Upon alighting upon the sugar the water was pumped out, and soon transformed the former into syrup, when, of course, each bee filled "his crop" and started back for the hive. From this two conclusions seem legitimate—first, that bees understand the principles of syrup making, and, secondly, that they can communicate their discoveries to one another.

Britain's Debt to Smiths.

The Smiths, in the first instance, won all our early wars. They forged the weapons which others wielded with so tremendous success. From Oroy to the Crimea British victories were owing in no small measure to the worthy craftsmen who have given an enormous family to the nation.—London Standard.

Germany's Hunters.

Consul Ikt of Annaberg reports that 300,000 hunting permits are issued every year in Germany. The government receives in fees something like \$1,500,000. The annual kill by the hunters is estimated at 45,000,000 pounds, having a market value of \$6,500,000.

Dwarf Elephants.

The island of Malta is the only known spot where the remains of dwarf elephants are found. There are several places on the island where the bones of these miniature pachyderms have been unearthed, and hundreds of skeletons have been secured in whole or in part.

A Great Structure.

London has completed the steel structure of its great stadium where the Olympic games are to be held. It is designed to accommodate 70,000 spectators.

Newspapers in China.

The growth of public spirit in China is evidenced by the great number of newspapers which have sprung up since the close of the war.

RICE AND MUSCULAR POWER.

In Polishing the Grain It Loses Much of Its Nutritive Principles.

Rice is commonly supposed to be deficient in muscle-making qualities and yet the Japanese, whose chief and almost only food is rice, are noted for their physical strength, and, in the latter advance on Peking outstripped the armies of Russia, Germany, England, France and America. Also, note the same marvelous energy of the Japanese in the struggle with Russia. For an explanation of these facts the Rev. H. S. Chubb, of the Philadelphia Vegetarian Society, applied recently to the agricultural department. His letter was referred to Professor S. A. Knapp, who investigated the rice industry in China, Japan and the Philippines, and the explanation proved to be very simple. The Japanese and other rice-eating nations do not polish the grain except for export. In the mills the outside coating of the rice kernel is rubbed off. The outer husk and the bran just within it are removed, and then the kernel is rubbed to remove the rough protein surface. This is called polishing, and the process not only removes one of the most nutritious substances in all cereals, but deprives the grain of about three-fourths of its flavor.

Olive and Olive Oil.

Spain's olive industry is increasing in importance. One of the leading branches is the preparation of green olives. The olives are put up in bottles or kegs. To carry out the pickling process the olives are well sorted, as only those which show no faults can be kept. They are then placed for several days in cold water, which is renewed frequently. Then they are placed in a brine bath, which consists of a salt and soda solution, and are covered with the liquid. In some cases different aromatic substances are added to the bath so as to give a special flavor to the olives. Ripe or nearly ripe olives are but little in demand and are not consumed to a large extent.

Extraction of olive oil has been carried out heretofore by a primitive process, although improved machinery is now being introduced. The olives were ground up in a horse mill before pressing. The ground olives were then put in a lever press, using boiling water for the extraction. The process is a slow one and the olives need to be stored on hand for some time. They are thus likely to ferment and give an inferior quality of oil. It is estimated that there are some 3,000 or 4,000 of such primitive oil presses in use in Spain at the present time.

After the extraction the oil is placed in large earthenware jars or tin tanks and is then filtered. In some cases the air is kept from the oil by means of a layer of alcohol, which is placed on the surface. The inferior grades of oil are used in soap manufacture.

Uses of Palm Trees.

The various kinds of palm trees on the island of Ceylon are in themselves of great interest, and when their different uses are explained a person can well appreciate how essential they are to the natives in the low-country Sinhalese districts. From the sap of the coconut palm the spirit he drinks is distilled; the kernel of the nut is a necessary element in his daily curry; the "milk" is the beverage offered to every visitor to his domain; his nets for fishing are manufactured from its fibre, as is also the rope which keeps his goat or cow from going astray; while the rafters of his house, the thatch of the roof and the window blinds are made from its leaf and wood. There is, perhaps, no product in the world that is put to so many and such profitable uses as the coconut palm, for, even before it is grown, its leaf ribs are tied together to make brooms for sweeping and cages for birds.

Every Bird a Weathercock.

"Where's the wing?" scoffed the sailor. "Why, look at the birds—they'll tell you. Don't you know that every bird's a weathercock? Stop moisten your finger and hold it up," he went on, in a tone of disgust. "The practice ain't he jolly cleanly. Look at the birds as jolly you got to do, for every bird sets with its head always straight at the wind. Every live bird in a tree is as reliable a weathercock as the dead birds on the spires what is so much considered in this here Lenten season."

Why Go to Bed?

It seems to me we make a mistake in prescribing special hours for going to bed and getting up. Why should we thus gorge ourselves with slumber? Why should we not follow the example of the dog and take an occasional nap when we have nothing better to do? Why should we go to bed when we don't feel sleepy? Why should we not take forty winks when inclined thereto? It strikes me there is too much method and regularity about our somnolent arrangements.—London Graphic.

Noiseless Europe.

Railway whistles inflict torture on so many people that the efforts abroad to check the plague have won approval from the people. Austria has introduced a system of dumb signaling to start and stop the trains. Belgium is trying compressed air whistles instead of steam, and Germany experiments with horns.

Red Versus Blue.

Red glass hinders vegetation while blue glass suppresses it. Sensitive plants like the mimosa, grow 15 times higher under red glass than under blue.

Dansville.

Dansville people were most agreeably surprised and especially delighted on last Sunday, to have with them Rev. William Earnshaw Etzel, Litt. L., Sc. B., F.R.A.A. of St. Bernard's Seminary, who was pastor last fall during Rev. Father Dunns absence in Europe, and who endeared himself to young and old alike by his many ready acts of kindness and self-sacrifice. We hope by her sister Miss Marie Smith again to have the benefit of the reverend gentleman's ministrations among us.

On Monday evening was held the closing exercises of St. Patrick's school, which was one of the finest school closings ever witnessed in our school. The exercises opened with a piano duet by Clara Kelly and Hilda C. Mehenbacher. Then the presentations of the graduates, awarding gold medals and diplomas by Rev. M. Krishel. The class of 1908 and their untiring self-sacrificing teacher are to be congratulated on a most excellent year's work, all students passing the 95 per cent. The gold medal for Anna Roche and Helen McNeil was drawn by Anna Roche, won by Clara Schleyer, K. of C. Medal for Bible History merited by Esther Fitzpatrick, Margaret Triner, Helen McNeil, drawn by Margaret Friner. This class numbers twelve, who have thanks to their teacher the foundations for a solid education.

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The stage seemed a veritable fairyland with the gay decorations and the bright colored costumes of the little ones. Great credit is due to the excellent teachers who had the evening's enjoyment in hand. A special feature which gave pleasure to all was the presence of our old pastor Rev. Father Day of Mt Morris. His old friends here are always delighted to see him with them. Rev. Father Etzel who opened our school this fall was unable to be with us, and it was regretted as he has taken a lively interest in all the doings of the school year, which has been a most successful one, satisfactorily alike to pastor, teachers, and children.

Miss Margaret McNeil was graduated from the Dansville high school, June 24. Congratulations to Miss McNeil. Miss Lucy Crothy of Erie who has been seriously ill is improving, her many friends here hope for her speedy and certain recovery of health. Miss Darcy and McGrath of Rochester were visitors at St. Patrick's convent this week.

Next week the Baker Theater Stock Company will offer its greatest bill of the present season "The Fatal Wedding." The play is presented at the earnest solicitation of the many patrons of the theater and there is every indication that it will prove a record breaking week. On Wednesday afternoon the regular weekly reception will be held and this time Mr. Barwald, the heavy man of the company, will be the host. He will take advantage of the opportunity to show that he is not as bad as he is painted. On Friday afternoon handsome photo souvenirs of Mr. Barwald will be presented to the ladies. On Thursday night the entire company will hold a reception on the stage after the performance to accommodate those who cannot attend the Wednesday afternoon reception.

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AUBURN, N. Y.

The St. Alphonsus church was the scene of a pretty June wedding on Tuesday morning when Miss Katherine Smith was united in marriage to Mr. Joseph Francis Ibbotson. The pastor of the church, Rev. Herbert Ragenbogen, performed the ceremony in the presence of a large number of friends of the contracting party. The bride was attended by her sister Miss Marie Smith and the groom being attended by Charles F. Coughlin, a cousin of the groom. A wedding breakfast was served to the bridesmaids at the home of the bride's parents and in the evening the finest school closings ever witnessed in our school. The exercises opened with a piano duet by Clara Kelly and Hilda C. Mehenbacher. Then the presentations of the graduates, awarding gold medals and diplomas by Rev. M. Krishel. The class of 1908 and their untiring self-sacrificing teacher are to be congratulated on a most excellent year's work, all students passing the 95 per cent. The gold medal for Anna Roche and Helen McNeil was drawn by Anna Roche, won by Clara Schleyer, K. of C. Medal for Bible History merited by Esther Fitzpatrick, Margaret Triner, Helen McNeil, drawn by Margaret Friner. This class numbers twelve, who have thanks to their teacher the foundations for a solid education.

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The residents of Cayuga will rejoice in the news that on Monday morning at the church. This will give campers and other at this lake a chance to attend service each Sunday. The church has been refitted during the past year and is now a handsome little chapel due to the good work of the pastor Rev. J. J. McGrath of this city.

Canandaigua, N. Y. A great crowd is expected at St. Mary's picnic July 4th. It will be held on the fair grounds where the attendance for the past five years has been large and plans are being laid for a larger crowd than ever. Children are admitted free and there has never been an accident to mar the happiness of the festivities. The chief attraction will be the address by Hon. Peter A. Hendrick of New York city, the well-known orator who has many friends in Penn Yan, Auburn and Rochester, who will be glad to hear him.

The closing exercises of St. Mary's school were held Friday evening. Rev. John H. O'Brien of St. Augustine's church addressed the graduates. The class includes six boys and ten girls as follows: Jeremiah C. Flynn, Jno L. Kelly, Leo C. Mooney, Anna G. Connolly, Gertrude L. Fallon, Ella M. Holihan, Pauline C. Linahan, Gertrude E. McCormack, Geo. A. Koehler, Fred W. Linehan, Waller C. Gillespie, Florence C. Dwyer, Sophia L. Gilles, May A. Harrington, Helen B. Walsh, Alice J. Ward.

Enjoyable Concert at St. Ann's St. Joseph's choir went out to St. Ann's Home on the Charlotte Boulevard Wednesday evening and gave an enjoyable concert for the old men and women who live at the institution. The choir gave a long programme of solos, duets and choruses and the old folks applauded generously and let it be seen plainly that the treat was a source of great pleasure. Mrs. Mary Vogt was in charge of the concert and the solos and duets were sung by Mrs. O'Leary, Frank Hoffman, John Koesterer, William Fingerhut, John Kluber, Joseph Mura, Isabella Stoll, Marie O'Leary, Leo Gilfoil and Mr. Shiefen. Sister Eusebius, the reverend mother in charge of the home, thanked the choir for its concert and served refreshments.

Alumnae Society Reunion Three hundred members of the Alumnae Society of Nazareth Academy were at the annual reunion held Monday evening at that institution. The reception of the seniors into the alumnae was part of the programme about which interest centered. The class of 1908 was presented by the principal, Sister Marcella, and welcomed by the alumnae president, Miss Minnie Stapleton. Miss Margaret King, president of the class made the response.

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First Graduates of

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The closing exercises of the grammar department of Nazareth Academy were held Wednesday night in Cathedral Hall. The following girls finished the grammar school course this year, Mercedes Brayer, Madeleine Burke, Mary Conley, Esther Cook, Helen Cook; Cornelia Evans, Tillie Ehrstein, Grace Fellman, Gail Keeler, Dora Kinney, Beatrice Murray, Helen Murphy, Josephine Reed, Irene Streb, Helen Whalen and Helen Yawman.

Mass at Conesus Lake Chapel. The first mass for the season at St. Margaret's chapel at Conesus Lake will be at 10:30 o'clock next Sunday morning. Bishop McQuaid will send a priest to officiate from Hemlock Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jaynes of Clinton Avenue South have gone to Conesus Lake for the summer. Mrs. J. H. Lambert and Miss Theresa B. McAnally are their guests.

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