

# A BLAZE OF LIGHT A CHORUS OF SONG TO GREET THE GREATER CITY.



AS CITY HALL PARK WILL APPEAR THE MOMENT THE NEW CITY IS BORN.



**COL. JAMES MORAN.**  
The Colonel will lead the Irish Volunteers in the parade to-night.

Holt, Captain Homer W. Hodge, First Brigade Signal Corps; Bradlee Strong, M. A. White, Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant of the Seventh Regiment, and C. O. Tohmsaint, Sergeant-Major of the Seventh Regiment. Under such efficient direction the splendid pageant can be guaranteed to start, progress and finish exactly as planned in every respect.

**UNCLESAM'S SALUTE TO THE NEW CITY.**  
Washington, D. C., Dec. 30, 1897.  
Editor of the Journal:  
The Secretary of War has authorized the salute of one hundred guns requested by you to be fired from Governor's Island at sunrise on New Year's Day.  
**H. C. CORBIN,**  
Acting Adjutant General.

As everybody knows, the splendid band of eighty pieces, presided over by Francesco Fanciulli, will lead the parade and play continuously from the moment it starts, at Seventeenth street, until it reaches the City Hall Plaza. There it will take the place reserved for it on a stand erected for the purpose fronting the City Hall, uniting with the Twenty-third Regiment Band already there, forming a combined musical aggregation of 120 pieces. This band will play the following selections:

- Grand Inaugural March.....Fanciulli
- Jubilee Overture.....Weber
- El Libertador March (written for the Journal).....Fanciulli
- Ode to Greater New York.....Fanciulli
- Star Spangled Banner.....Fanciulli
- For Honor of National Air.....Fanciulli
- Auld Lang Syne.....Fanciulli

**Bombs Will Disperse Clouds.**  
The display of aerial bombs will tear into ribbons all wandering, homeless clouds that venture within the heavenly field of fame. The Committee of Award, headed by Andrew H. Green, and composed of former Governor Roswell P. Flower, J. Q. A. Ward, Murat Halstead, Antonio Pastor, Bruno Oscar Klein and William Schner, has been notified to present itself at room No. 80, Tribune building, at 9 o'clock to-night. Anton Seidl, who was to have served on the committee as the musical representative, is forbidden by his doctor to leave his house, and has suggested the name of Professor Bruno Oscar Klein, who will act with the others, as mentioned above.

The judges to award the bicycle prizes have been increased by the addition of Joseph H. Stuer, Civil Justice of the Court of Sessions.

**Attention, Paraders!**  
Special Pyrotechnics, Torches, Lanterns, Lamps and all requirements at **PAIN'S, 12 PARK PLACE.**

## MAYORS PRAISE THE JOURNAL

**Chicago Admires and Congratulates.**  
Chicago, Dec. 30.

Editor New York Journal:  
I extend congratulations to the Journal on its enterprise and liberality in making the Greater New York celebration the imposing affair which the nature of the occasion demands. It is a movement which should win the admiration of every loyal son of New York at home or abroad.  
**CARTER H. HARRISON,**  
Mayor.

**Boston Hopes for Great Success.**  
Boston, Dec. 30.

Editor New York Journal:  
On behalf of the one million people of Greater Boston, the metropolis of New England, I send greetings to Greater New York, the new metropolis of the American Continent, and best wishes for the success of the most momentous experiment in democratic municipal government which the world has ever seen. May the new city not merely stand at the head of all American municipalities in size and wealth, but furnish them with a shining example of honest, efficient and progressive municipal administration, holding before the world a high ideal of what a great modern city ought to be, and demanding unselfish service from each of its citizens, in order that its beneficent activities may work for the greatest good of all of its citizens.  
**JOSIAH QUINCY,**  
Mayor.

**Sister's Good Wishes from Newark.**  
Newark, N. J., Dec. 30.

Editor New York Journal:  
As chief magistrate of a sister city to the great metropolis of America, I would feel I was neglecting my magisterial functions were I to allow this opportunity to pass without extending to the citizens of Greater New York greetings on the birth of their new city, which will rank second in size among the cities of the world. The birth of a great city like Greater New York is an occasion which should be marked by a demonstration equally great. As the New York Journal has succeeded in arranging such a demonstration, it affords me pleasure to extend these greetings through its columns, and at the same time to congratulate the Journal on its great enterprise and magnanimous liberality.  
**JAMES M. SEYMOUR,**  
Mayor.

**St. Paul Praises the Journal's Efforts.**  
St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 30.

Editor New York Journal:  
Godspeed and greeting to the city of Greater New York on this the hope-illuminated voyage of her greater New Year, and may the future prove all that her sanguine friends have predicted for her. Praise is due the New York Journal for its prodigious efforts in commemorating the great event of the new birth of its city.  
**F. B. DORAN,**  
Mayor.

**Cleveland Commends the Celebration.**  
Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 30.

Editor New York Journal:  
The birth of Greater New York, the largest municipality of the United States and second largest in the world, is certainly worthy of a fitting celebration, and I commend the enterprise of the Journal in arranging for an appropriate observance of so great an event.  
**ROBERT E. M'KISSON,**  
Mayor.

**Seattle Applauds the Great Feat.**  
Seattle, Wash., Dec. 30.

Editor New York Journal:  
The public spirit manifested by the New York Journal in inaugurating a suitable celebration consequent upon the union of the civic corporations constituting Greater New York I regard as highly commendable, adding as it does another to the many remarkable feats accomplished by a great newspaper.  
**T. J. HUMES,**  
Mayor.

Eighth Judicial District, and now stands as follows: Magistrate Charles E. Simms, Alderman F. A. Ware, Will R. Pittman, and former Assistant District-Attorney George Gordon Battle. They have been directed to assemble at room No. 80, on the sixth floor of the Tribune building, at 9:30 o'clock to-night. No club is allowed more than fifteen members, and illumination will count 50 per cent in awarding the prizes. The American District Telegraph boys will be in the bicycle division. The Bowling Green Wheelmen will turn out in line. Marshal Kuhlke will have his wheel decorated with a miniature reproduction of the Brooklyn Bridge.

**Marshal at the Everett.**  
Colonel George Moore Smith and Captain Lydecker will establish their headquarters at the Everett House early in the evening, and may be consulted there at any time prior to 10:15 o'clock, at which hour and minute the procession will move out of the plaza at the north of Union Square.

The large and beautiful float of the fruit trade has been added to the Italian section, which will rendezvous in Twelfth street, east of Broadway, instead of at the point previously designated. It must be prepared to move at exactly 10:20. The marshal in command of that street is Dr. N. Faxon, to whom all officers in the Italian division should report for position in line.

Among the unique features of to-morrow's parade will be a float manned by the athletes of the Columbia Turn Verein of Brooklyn, who will perform on an apparatus while the float is in motion. This has never been attempted before.

In conclusion, it may be said that all that has been promised will be performed, and that the next twenty-four hours will find the people of this great municipally satisfied and glad that the Journal and the friends who have rallied to its aid recognized the importance of one of the great events of the nineteenth century and not only projected, but carried out the commemorative jubilee.

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### Irish Volunteers to Parade.

Headquarters First Regiment Irish Volunteers, No. 734 Third Ave. Order 30.  
The regiment will assemble at Armory in uniform and white gloves Friday, December 31, at 8:30 P. M., to participate in the parade in honor of the birth of the Greater New York.  
Field and staff, mounted, will report to Colonel. Non-commissioned staff and field music to the Adjutant. By order of  
**JAMES MORAN, Colonel.**  
**E. P. EDWARDS, Adjutant.**

### THE POLICE ARRANGEMENTS.

The police arrangements for the parade and for taking care of the people during the exercises in City Hall Park have been made by Chief McCullagh personally, and are not only admirable, but calculated to give every one a chance to see and enjoy the ceremonies and at the same time be out of danger from the fireworks.  
The procession will be led by Sergeant Langdon, at the head of a squadron of mounted police. These will see that the marchers have a clear way. The line of march will be divided into three sections, and as many inspectors will take care of the people on it.  
Inspector McLaughlin, with a reserve force, will be at Union square and will take care of things as far south as Fourteenth street. From there to Canal street Inspector Thompson will be in charge, and Inspector Grant will look out for things from the latter place to John street, where the procession disbands.  
City Hall Park, where the exercises will take place, will be kept entirely clear of every one except members of singing societies, and those who are taking an active part in the ceremonies. The general public will be allowed on the west side of Broadway and the east side of Park row, thus affording them a splendid view of all that takes place.  
Special arrangements have been made for Brooklyn visitors. They will not be allowed to cross the Bridge to the west side of Park row, but will be compelled to come down the steps to the east side. The members of the Brooklyn singing societies will be allowed to cross the Bridge and thus attain their proper position without having to break through the crowd.  
At the disbanding point Sergeant Wallace will be in command of a squad of mounted patrolmen, and will direct the different organizations to the east or the west, as his judgment dictates. Every one will then be compelled to march at least two blocks from Broadway. Then they will be at liberty to break ranks, but not before.