RAINES'S BLUFF CALLED WITH A DEMAND FOR MORE LIBERAL SUNDAY LAWS.

ACTORS IN THE FIGHT FOR AND AGAINST MORE LIBERAL EXCISE LAWS.

BISHOP POTTER, who says saloons are necessary. SENATOR RAINES, who wants total abstinence in hotels on Sunday. JULIUS HARBURGER, who wants Sunday theatres and baseball. ASSEMBLYMAN ADLER, who wants saloons opened for a few hours on Sunday.

Legislators Think He Means to Head Off Adverse Amendments.

HE SAYS HE IS SERIOUS.

Two Assemblymen Introduce Bills for Opening Saloons on Sundays.

MESSRS. ADLER AND HARBURGER.

Hotel Men Agree to Fight Any Such Proposition as Raines Outlines and Organize to Oppose It.

Albany, Jan. 17.—The proposed measure of Senator Raines to secure total abstinence on Sundays by passing such an amendment to the present liquor law as will prohibit the sale of drinks even with meals at legitimate hotels and clubs as well as at "fake" establishments was an idea deemed astounding by the legislators who discussed it to-day.

What Senator Raines's real motive is in giving publicity to his alleged intentions seems doubtful. No well informed legislator will admit that the proposition has any chance of passing, and several have assured inn-keeping constituents who telegraphed inquiringly that no such attack on the hotel keepers would be successful.

The sincerity of Senator Raines is questioned and many believe that his threat to introduce the bill is mere "bluff," masking another purpose. It is believed that the bill will never be introduced, and it certainly has no party support at present.

By many the proposing of the measure is regarded only as an attempt to frighten the liquor interests into acquiescence in the present state of affairs, and to prevent them from their threatened attempt to secure such an amendment as will allow Sunday liquor selling in the cities during certain specified hours.

Sentiment Favors Local Option.

There is a strong sentiment in favor of allowing the cities, and especially the larger ones, to have at least local option in the matter of Sunday liquor selling during certain hours, and it is suggested that it is to check the growth of this sentiment that Senator Raines has announced his new and drastic proposition.

Senator Raines, however, insists that he is in grave earnest. He refused, to-day, to discuss the subject at any length, or to add to the statement, which was exclusively published in to-day's Journal, except so far as to declare:

"I am still seriously considering the proposition."

Senator Grady, in an interview to-day with the Journal correspondent, severely criticised the measure. He said:

"I do not believe that Senator Raines can have any expectation of amending the present very objectionable law in such a still more objectionable form. The Democratic Senators are ready to meet such an issue without either debate or delay.

"Whatever may have been the purpose of publicly proclaiming his intention to attempt such an amendment before the introduction by him of any bill looking to that end, it would surely be defeated. No hotelkeeper need feel disturbed that this latest threat against his business and property will be followed by any legislation to carry it into execution.

Simply Fanaticism.

"Whatever may be said of the Governor, either as a partisan or a reformer, it certainly will not be claimed that he is a fanatic; and the legislation proposed is simply fanaticism in its most acute form.

"It is undertaking to subject the most intelligent constituency in the Western world to a restraint and oppression obtaining in no civilized country or community except where absolute prohibition in the use of liquor is enforced.

"Although the people of New York have been patient, it cannot be that this patience can have induced in the minds of many intelligent observers the delusion that they would submit to the intolerance and the invasion of personal liberty involved in this latest pronouncement of the Senator responsible for the present immoral, dishonest and mischievous excise law."

That the announcement of the proposed drastic measure of Senator Raines was made to head off any movement for a more open Sunday received at least partial proof in the fact that to-day a bill was introduced by Mr. Adler, of New York, permitting liquor selling on Sundays between the hours of 3 and 10 p. m., and the proposal made to-day by Mr. Harburger to allow theatrical performances and baseball games, under certain restrictions, on Sundays.

Adler's Broad Bill.

The new excise bill presented to the House by Mr. Adler is very comprehensive. It adds to the sub-division defining trafficking in liquors the distribution at any banquet, reception, ball or wedding in any rented hall or rented premises.

It strikes out that part of the law which provides that there shall be not more than one bar on any licensed premises unless a tax be paid for each one.

It provides a license fee for restaurants where drinks are sold with meals and not with sandwiches of $250 in cities of 1,500,000 population and over, $200 in cities of from 500,000 to 1,500,000, and ranging down to $50 for towns of from 5,000 to 10,000 population.

For the privilege of selling between 1 a. m. and 5 a. m. on week days, and from 12 midnight to 4 a. m. on Sundays, an additional scale of license fees is scheduled.

For premises containing halls where all night balls and entertainments may be held special permission must be secured.

The vital clause of all is tucked in modestly at the close of the bill, and provides that Sunday liquor selling shall be allowed between the hours of 3 p. m. and 10 p. m.

Mr. Harburger, in the House this morning, dropped in the bill box these three bills to make Sunday a day of recreation. He takes the stand that pleasures in themselves innocent should be lawful even though enjoyed on the first day of the week.

One bill, with great particularity, provides that it shall be lawful "in any building, garden, grounds, concert room or other roof or place within the city of New York," to exhibit to the public, between the hour of 8 and 11 p. m., on Sunday, any "interlude, tragedy, comedy, opera, play, farce, dramatic performance, ballet, negro minstrels, negro or other dancing, or any part or parts therein, or any equestrian or circus performance or any performance of jugglers, acrobats or rope dancing."

His second bill allows base ball playing on Sundays, on private grounds, by permission of the owner or lessee, and his third bill amends the penal code in conformity with the other two.

HOTEL MEN DENOUNCE THE PROPOSED INIQUITY.

Unfair, Unconstitutional, Ruinous, Are Some of the Expressions They Use.

The hotel men of this city are deeply worked up over the proposed attempt of Senator Raines to interfere with their Sunday business, as is evidenced by the following interviews:

William H. Lee, of the Hotel Imperial—Such a law would not only be outrageous, but unconstitutional. I do not see how it could ever be passed.

M. H. Baumann, of the Holland House—Such a law ought never to pass, and I do not think it could ever be passed. It would be an unfair attack upon hotel keepers, that I feel sure would not have the support of the people or their representatives.

H. W. Purdy, of the Metropole—If such a law could be passed, it would be a hard blow at hotel people, and would work great injury. It is such a bad law that I can scarcely think of it as a possibility.

J. H. Breslin, of the Gilsey House—They ought not to pass such a law. I do not believe they could possibly do something so unfair and unconstitutional.

Thomas Shanley—It would be a blow to legitimate hotels and restaurants, but would also be a crushing blow to the Republican party.

The three hundred or more proprietors of first and second class hotels in this city are so determined to smash the proposed amendment to the Raines law prohibiting the serving of drinks with meals on Sunday that they have called upon President H. H. Brockway of the Hotel Men's Association to call a conference at which means for doing so shall be formulated.

At a preliminary conference between President Brockway, Chairman Merrifield, of the Hotel Men's Association Legislative Committee, and James H. Breslin, of the Gilsey House, yesterday, it was decided to issue a call to-day for a meeting on Saturday morning at the Gilsey House.

JULIUS HARBURGER DENOUNCES RAINES.

He Writes to the Journal Protesting Against the Dictatorial Policy He Is Pursuing.

Assemblyman Julius Harburger sent the following letter to the Journal yesterday:

"Editor New York Journal:

"It has taken Senator Raines nearly three years to find out that his inquisitorial and usurpatory law needed amending, but not in the direction which he proposes. He speaks of "many complaints about so-called fake hotels being permitted to sell liquor on Sunday with meals," and because of that he wants to punish every honest, legitimate hotel owner by not permitting him to sell liquors with meals on Sunday. He speaks in the personal pronoun: 'I have thought it best perhaps to suppress all liquor selling on Sundays in all hotels, legitimate or fake.' The assumption of Senator Raines is without a parallel in the history of the State. No Czar or Kaiser even would dare to be so dictatorial.

"If Senator Raines had his way saloons as well as hotelkeepers would be taxed to death, but even in the Assembly this proposition of his would be defeated, as he could not find Republicans from the various cities who would stand up and be counted for such an outrageous bill.

"I do not think he will introduce it, as he knows it has not a chance in the Senate. I think this is a shrewd move on the Senator's part to divert attention from my two excise bills; one of them may have a chance of being passed in either house, so he brings up this Sunday question.

"He proposes to rule, if he can, every business interest in the Greater New York and injure the peaceably inclined people who go on outings on a hot Summer's day.

"He can never make a village of the greatest city on earth. He claims that the State is behind him. Greater New York snowed his ideas under by a majority of eighty thousand.

"What gives this ultra-radical would-be censor the right continually to harass, embarrass and hamper the best business interests of a vast community? No demand has been made. No Sunday school meeting at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Governor Roosevelt has not made known any desire in that direction. And yet the Senator from Ontario cries out. His detestable bill has ruined more business people than any other measure in the United States.

(Signed) "JULIUS HARBURGER."

KILLED FLEEING FROM FIRE.

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 17.—While seeking safety from the flames which were destroying their home to-day Mrs. Fred W. Tisdel was instantly killed and her husband sustained fatal injuries.

Mr. and Mrs. Tisdel were sleeping on the second floor, and when aroused it was too late for them to get out by way of the stairs. They made their way to a scaffolding on a new house which was being erected next door. The scaffolding gave way, and both were precipitated to the ground.

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POISONER ALMOST IN THE POLICE NET

Expert Carvalho Makes Several Startling Discoveries in the Handwriting.

THREE SUSPECTS NOW?

The Police Believe the Principal May Have Had Two Accomplices.

The reason for the refusal of Captain McClusky to permit reproduction in the newspapers of the photographs of the handwriting on the poison package wrapper in the Adams case was made apparent yesterday at the conclusion of a long conference at Headquarters between Handwriting Expert David N. Carvalho and the Chief of Detectives. In other words, the publicity that would be given to the handwriting by extensive exhibition of photographs in the public press is no longer necessary because the police now know who wrote the address on the wrapper.

When Expert Carvalho emerged from Captain McClusky's room yesterday afternoon, after an interview of nearly an hour and a half, he impliedly admitted that an important discovery had been made in the examination of handwritings, and that the end of the case was in sight. Mr. Carvalho was, until Monday, in the employ of Mr. Weeks, counsel for Molineux. Since Monday, however, he has been working for the police. He has been able to supply some very important information which, it is said, goes to show that three persons were concerned in the poisoning of Mrs. Adams.

There was a rumor around last night, however, that the detectives are looking for two accomplices instead of one, a woman as well as a man. Three persons, it is said, are now suspected of complicity in the crimes which caused the deaths of H. C. Barnet and Mrs. Adams.

Expert Carvalho's Discovery.

It was hinted that the handwritings in the possession of the police had revealed these important facts, and that Expert Carvalho was the first to direct attention to similarities in three different specimens of handwriting which Cornish turned over to Captain McClusky.

Mr. Carvalho, when questioned as to the import of his conference with Captain McClusky, began by saying that the Captain and he had had a long talk about the Adams case. He admitted that he was now in the employ of the police, and had been since Monday.

"Our talk was general," said Mr. Carvalho, and then, changing his manner suddenly to one of great earnestness, he added, "but I will say this. In my experience as a handwriting expert I have encountered many cases more difficult than this one. I do not regard this as a difficult case at all. The handwriting on the wrapper of the poison package can, in my opinion, be identified from specimens in our possession. I think I shall succeed in this case, and that the mystery will be cleared up.

"I found certain specimens of handwriting to-day which evidence a capacity of hand similar to that of the person who wrote the superscription on the wrapper. To-morrow I shall carefully examine these suspicious handwritings and see if the identity of authorship with the original can be established.

"Most of the handwritings turned over to me were quickly disposed of, the majority of them being written by people who absolutely could not have written the address on the wrapper. When handwriting is disguised, if written in a fairly good hand, the writer must have had the ability to write an equally good hand. The aim of the expert is to ascertain the method of the disguise. This I think will be found in the present instance.

"I have also found several examples of handwriting, the author of whch by the use of this genial method could. I believe have written the original superscription. This is a step forward.

"I wish you would also say that from what I know of this case Captain McClusky has shown marked intelligence and ingenuity in its management. Things are moving very rapidly now, and I think it may safely be said that the case will come to a head very soon."

Police More Confident.

Mr. Carvalho's declaration that the case is a simple one is the first revelation of the police case against the principal suspect and his accomplice or accomplices. In other words, the police are now confident that they will be able to snare the poisoner or poisoners through telltale handwriting. Captain McClusky is only waiting until the expert can say positively that the handwriting on the wrapper is that of the suspect to arrest him at once. This may be but a matter of a few days.

In the meantime the watch over the movements of the suspect and his alleged accomplices will be doubled. He will not be able to make a move without the full knowledge of the police. If he attempts to leave the city he will be stopped and locked up at Headquarters.

Captain McClusky would not say much about his conference with Mr. Carvalho. He did state, however, that Mr. Carvalho had been employed in the poisoning case by the police since last Monday. Captain McClusky again refused to say whether Harry Cornish had given him information which would lead to the apprehension of the poisoner's accomplice.

Excitement at Headquarters.

It is certain that not for many days has Headquarters been so wrought up over the poisoning mystery as it was yesterday. It was noticeable also that Captain McClusky kept a large number of his detectives ready for special orders. These men were sent flying in many directions, and returned with reports which appeared to afford Captain McClusky much satisfaction.

That the mystery is on the verge of being cleared up was not denied last night by Captain McClusky himself as he left for his home.

"I do not expect an arrest to-night," said he; "but then, you know, the unexpected often happens. I think, however, there will be nothing new in the case to-night."

Captain McClusky's words were construed to mean that an arrest in this case is always within the bounds of probability.

"I expect the reports from Professor Witthaus by Friday or Saturday," said Coroner Hart yesterday. "Just as soon as I get them I shall give them to the newspapers. I want the greatest publicity in this case, for through the medium of the papers the last necessary point in this perplexing case may come."

GIBBS SAYS RAINES IS GOING TOO FAR.

The Republican National Committeeman Does Not Believe in Stopping Legitimate Privileges.

When National Committeeman Frederick S. Gibbs, one of Senator Platt's lieutenants, was asked what attitude the Republican machine will assume toward the proposed changes in the excise law, he said:

"I cannot speak for the organization. I am frank to say, however, that I do not believe in depriving first-class hotel proprietors or their guests of any legitimate privilege. I presume that Senator Raines has become convinced that it is impossible to enforce the law which bears his name if any discrimination is shown in favor of the hotel as against the saloon. It is a case of all being open or closed on Sunday.

"I presume that on the return of Senator Platt and County Chairman Quigg from Washington the organization leaders will talk the amendment over, as well as others that have been introduced at Albany. What decision will be reached I cannot attempt to predict."

TO PROTECT WITNESSES IN TRUST PROSECUTIONS.

A New Bill Framed to Guard Their Rights as Well as Those of the People.

Albany, Jan. 17.—A new anti-trust bill was introduced in the Assembly to-day by Mr. Green, of New York. It provides that the testimony of each witness must be subscribed by him, and all testimony must, at the close of the examination, be certified and filed with the clerk of the Supreme Court of such county as the justice or referee shall direct.

No person shall be excused from answering any questions, or from producing any book, paper, or document, required on the ground that it may tend to criminate him; but the testimony given by a witness shall not be used against him.

GOV. ROOSEVELT SAYS "YAH."

Promises the Saengerbund to Open the Great Fest in 1900.

Albany, Jan. 17.—Governor Roosevelt has agreed to open the festivities at the nineteenth national saengerfest, to be held in Brooklyn from June 30 to July 17, 1900. The Governor also to-day suggested legislation which will permit the Saengerfest to be held in the great hall of the Thirteenth Regiment armory, which will hold over 15,000 persons. An attendance of 30,000 a day is expected. No hall in Brooklyn except the armory would contain such an audience, and to build one would cost $50,000.

Wife's Scream Cost Husband's Life.

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MEN TO BE BENEFITED.

An Eight-Hour Day and Union Inspectors Proposed in the Sanders Measure.

Albany, Jan. 17.—Assemblyman Leon Sanders, Tammany Democrat, of the Twelfth New York District, in which are a great many working people, introduced to-day, at the request of many of his constituents and of labor bodies, a bill amending the factory inspection laws in many ways.

Under the present law the chief protection of factory inspection is given to women and children. Mr. Sanders proposes to extend the scope of the law so that men will have the protection from careless or too exacting employers that women and children now have.

Another amendment makes all public and private corporate establishments subject to the visits and regulations of the factory inspectors.

The bill makes the hours of labor forty-eight hours a week instead of sixty hours, and relieves employers from the necessity of posting on factory walls the ages of employes under the age of twenty.

A concession that labor unions have been striving for years to obtain will be made if the Sanders amendment is adopted. His bill provides that deputy factory inspectors appointed by the factory inspector must be members of organized labor bodies.

Mr. Sanders will insist upon an early hearing and a speedy report upon his bill by the General Laws Committee. Several speakers from New York labor unions will advocate the bill before the committee.

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