

## FROM THE MORGUE

### Classic Articles From Police Gazettes Gone By

Next year the Brooklyn Bridge will be 130 years old. The Police Gazette Building would also have been 130 years old if it hadn't been torn down around 1960 to make room for ramps serving the bridge. The building, a grand monument, opened the same year as the bridge in 1883 and stood right next to the bridge's Manhattan landing. The following "Religious Editor" article describes events at the Police Gazette Building during the bridge's—also known as the East River Bridge—opening-day ceremonies.

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### THE RELIGIOUS EDITOR.

On May 24, the POLICE GAZETTE had a house warming in its new and stately building. In honor of the event, and as a tribute to the enterprise of Mr. Richard K. Fox, the great East River Bridge was formally opened. For the purpose of giving the President of the United States an opportunity to get a good view of the POLICE GAZETTE building in all its magnificence, Mr. Wm. C. Kingsley, of the East River Bridge Board of Trustees, invited His Excellency to pass over the structure, which runs under our windows. Ten thousand similar invitations were issued to prominent citizens known to be admirers of the POLICE GAZETTE.

Early on the morning of May 24 the doors of the POLICE GAZETTE building were thrown open. The long line of visitors which had formed on the night previous, so anxious were they to obtain admission, passed through the entrance in one continuous stream for hours. The rooms of the fashion editress, sporting editor, religious editor, and editor-in-chief were quickly filled. The religious editor's room was set apart exclusively for clergymen. They were entertained, and any one who does not believe this need—but to read the annexed statement of liquids and solids consumed in but one room:

- 4 chicken sandwiches.
- 180 bottles Blue Grass whiskey.
- 2 lobster salads.
- 4 baskets champagne.
- 1 barrel lager beer.
- 2 doz. bottles Old Tom gin.

The visiting clergymen were not hungry, but somewhat thirsty. Considering that they were clergymen they behaved quite well. Most of the religious editor's visitors wore handsome badges, bearing various inscriptions, of which the following are specimens:

"The Beacon Light of Civilization—the POLICE GAZETTE."

"The POLICE GAZETTE first—Our Country next."

"The Widow's Joy and the Poor Man's Friend—the POLICE GAZETTE."

"Three names which will never die—George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, and the Religious Editor."

The religious editor's collection of sporting actresses' portraits attracted considerable attention. The visitors gazed in mute admiration at Maude Granger and their eyes bulged as they studied the beauties of Langtry as Rosalind. It was a big day, and the religious editor's head—well you guess the rest.

## DR. CAPRIO'S SEX CLINIC



DR. CAPRIO

**This month's question: How important is the honeymoon night for marriage success?**

A young woman who had divorced her husband after five years of marriage was referred to me by one of the doctors she had been seeing for various chronic conditions. She suffered from fatigue, head-

aches, lassitude, and a host of other ills. She wept easily.

Her husband, an ignorant man, did nothing but rail at her for running up doctors' bills. The last doctor she had gone to recommended psychiatry. The husband threw up his hands in disgust. "It's always something—doctors, specialists, for everything. Feet to head. Now it's psychiatry."

Nevertheless, she came. It did not take many sessions before a clue to her problem was uncovered. It was her description of the way her husband had acted on their honeymoon night. He had behaved "like an animal." He had not uttered a word of endearment nor asked if she was happy. Without any preliminary lovemaking he had taken a quick and brutal satisfaction for himself, then rolled over and went to sleep.

Her honeymoon had started in pain, fear, and frustration, and she regretted the marriage. She had loved her husband, but his conduct had prevented her from demonstrating her love. In tears she said, "Doctor, if my husband had been a little kinder, if he'd make love to me, talked to me—I know I could have shown him my love for him."

## Police Gazette Horoscope for December

**Capricorn** (the goat) Dec 22-Jan 19

A man with a large belt buckle has you in his sights, so stay away from rodeos and questionable bars. T and P offer a surprising new theory. Don't laugh too soon.

**Aquarius** (the water bearer) Jan 20-Feb 18

Men dressed in lavender could offer a tantalizing new proposition, but make sure you have your ducks in a row. Pizza and mayonnaise purchases could lead to an exciting new find.

**Pisces** (the fish) Feb 19-Mar 20

Mauve is your lucky color, but radishes and grapefruit could bring untold tragedy. Speak to someone who knew your mother in her youth and discover a family secret that will leave you with a desire for revenge. 88 and 9 are unlucky through the 15th.

**Aries** (the ram) Mar 21-Apr 19

An apple a day may keep the doctor away, but the same does NOT apply to "collection agents." Keep a sharp eye and an equally sharp blade handy. 7 and 34 are lucky numbers.

**Taurus** (the bull) Apr 20-May 20

Two if by land and three if by sea. A good marksman and a rotten apple have three things in common. Can you name them? Yellow is the color of success, so wear it proudly.

**Gemini** (the twins) May 21-Jun 21

A person with the initial "R" in his name has a proposition for you. Listen carefully and without prejudice, and you could find yourself in the catbird seat.

**Cancer** (the crab) Jun 22-Jul 22

The coworker or cellmate who keeps giving "the eye" in your direction has something hidden in a VERY secret location on their person. Don't be afraid to get all touchy-feely in the chow line or in church service near the 14th.

**Leo** (the lion) Jul 23-Aug 22

Stay away from rivers and anyone called "Sparky" this month because either one could seal your doom. Spicy chicken should be avoided at all costs, and the color red will bring luck.

**Virgo** (the virgin) Aug 23-Sep 22

Time for a new hat! Choose wisely, and any overheard conversations are to be dissected thoroughly this month.

**Libra** (the scales) Sep 23-Oct 22

Why did the chicken cross itself? Discover the answer to this and you will solve the problem you have been facing. 77 and 8 are to be watched near Christmas. Keep your nice list short.

**Scorpio** (the scorpion) Oct 23-Nov 21

Ballparks and theaters are a good place to lay low this month and also provide lots of opportunity. Keep your eyes open for anyone with a limp or the strong smell of perfume.

**Sagittarius** (the archer) Nov 22-Dec 21

The priest you spoke with last month surely made notes, so do NOT let him talk with the reporters or anyone from the other team! Sometimes hard decisions have the best reward.