

It is sorry to see the New York Press club engaged in a scheme that is a disgrace to the press. A few of the members of the club are reputable newspaper men, and their connection with it makes the organization to come at the business and general public of New York with a scheme apparently backed up by the entire newspaper guild.

The demands made in behalf of the approaching fair are not actually accompanied by threats of newspaper retribution, but in most cases the person approached is made generous by an undefined dread of what may happen to him if he isn't. With the demand is coupled the assurance that the Press club is a philanthropic institution, which takes care of its members in sickness and burials when dead.

This is a humiliating reflection on the members of the newspaper profession. The great majority of them and the most reputable of them do not belong to the Press club at all. They are self-respecting and make their own provision for sickness and death, or, at all events, do not appeal to the general public, directly or indirectly, to do those things which every real man is expected to do for himself.

There is a growing knowledge among the public that the Press club idea, not only in New York but elsewhere, is strongly worked, and for their own advantage, by men who either are not newspaper men at all or whose connection with the press is very slight. It will be a good thing when this knowledge becomes general.—Life.

**Pneumatic Caissons For a Building.**  
Pneumatic caissons are being used in preparing the foundation for the new office building which is being erected on lower Broadway by the Manhattan Life Insurance company. This structure is being built on a lot 123 by 67 feet in size and at a place where a rock bottom cannot be reached without passing through quicksand full of water. Fifteen of these caissons will be employed, four circular and 11 rectangular. The latter vary in size from 35 feet in length by 21 feet in width to 18 feet square. The largest of the circular caissons is 15 feet in diameter and the smallest 10 feet. They are made by riveting together steel plates, angle bars and beams into boxes from 8 to 10 feet in depth, with a top thoroughly braced with steel beams to support the superposed loads. All the rivets on the sides have countersunk holes on the outside so as to diminish the friction which arises when the caissons are sinking. All the openings in the top are carried up through the masonry which is laid on top of the caisson and are provided with the same valves that are used in submarine works. It is stated that these caissons will be the first ever employed in building construction.

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Color black; stands 15 1/2 hands high; weighs 1075 lbs. He was never hitched to a byke, and always had a driver that weighed 210 lbs. Midnight paced an exhibition mile at Mason city, Iowa last fall, in 2:14; last half in 1:04; last quarter in 31 seconds.

I will match him against any pacer or trotting stallion, mare or gelding in McHenry County.

I also have in my barn a two-year old pacer bred by Midnight, out of a common mare, that I will show against any two-year old for half a season. As a proof that it is public like him, thirty days from the day I got him home I looked 30 mares, I think Midnight's service fees less than any I see in the state with a record of 2:17 3/4, or any better than 2:20.

**FEE - \$20.**  
Look for speed where speed has been found. Midnight will start this fall to lower his record, and those who have seen him in his races say that he will take a mark better than 2:12.

**Handicap of Midnight, 2:17 3/4.** — Black mare, 15 1/2 hands high; foaled 1886; bred by E. J. Foster, Germantown, Ill. Sired by Nigger Boy, born by Plymouth Rock 2:24, he by Hill's Black Hawk, 1:45 dam Starlight, could pace in 2:27, by McKay horse, dam of Midnight 2:17 3/4; 3rd dam sired by Pharaoh, pacer; sire Richard 2:12 1/2, 2nd dam by John Allen.

Midnight will make the season of 1893 at the stables of the undersigned, at Nunda.

**H. B. THROOP.**  
Nunda, Ill., April, 1893.

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