

THE EVENING NEWS.

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THE NEW BABY

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And up she comes, bright and satisfied, to give the lie to all your narrow-brained theories, and prepared to study the next subject with the attention which befits a reasonable being.

And she had suddenly blossomed into beauty. Those who thought she was always beautiful. "The baby" was it, she said, "did" says dotting parties, it is splendid, but she had blossomed into beauty. The baby was it, she said, "did" says dotting parties, it is splendid, but she had blossomed into beauty. The baby was it, she said, "did" says dotting parties, it is splendid, but she had blossomed into beauty.

ANNIE JANS

STRUGGLE FOR THREE HUNDRED MILLIONS.

We do not suppose there ever was a lawsuit in this or any other country, where the issues involved were so stupendous, the claimants so numerous, and the difficulties in the case so many and so complicated, as in the contest between the heirs of Anneke Jans and Trinity Church corporation.

Additional interest has been added lately by the fact that the government of Holland has advertised for the heirs of Wintje Suybrant.

In consequence of this, a meeting of parties interested in the matter, was held last February. An agent was supplied with funds and left New York on the 15th inst., to go to Holland in regard to this fortune. We will have news from him in August next.

To commence at the beginning: Who was Anneke Jans? Her maiden name was Anneke Webber. She was the grand daughter of the ruling Sovereign at that time in Holland; her father was William, Prince of Orange. About the year 1600, she emigrated to America with her husband, Reeloff Janson. She was received in New York with great eclat. The citizens wishing her to make her home there, presented her a tract of land. The first English government gave deeds to Anneke Jans confirming her title to the lands.

These two tracts of land are now held by the Wardens and Vestry of Trinity Church. This corporation claims that certain heirs of Anneke Jans conveyed one of the tracts of land to Governor Lovelace, in 1671, and it was by him leased to them, and was subsequently conveyed to him by Queen Ann. The heirs claim that this is a fraud from beginning to end.

Anneke Jans' first husband died, and she married again in 1635 her second husband, Dominicus Bogardus. It appears that Bogardus was lost at sea; while returning to Holland on a visit, and all hands were lost, about eighty in number. The last of Anneke Jans' side in New Amsterdam, and in 1654, the grant of the farm was confirmed to her and her heirs by Governor Stuyvesant. She had four children by her first husband, and four by her second; and when she made her last will, in 1663, she bequeathed all her property to her seven children then living. She died the same year.

This property is in the richest part of New York. The Astor House stands upon it. It is situated in the Fifth, Eighth, and Ninth Wards. The Church claims to own whole blocks of houses in Hudson street, Greenwich street, Christopher street, Dominick street, in fact, in nearly every street in the three wards west of Laurens street. It owns nearly one side of Canal street, between West Broadway and the North River, and its real estate in West Broadway is as valuable as any property devoted to the wholesale dry goods trade in the city of New York.

All this estate was originally a part of the Anneke Jans farm. The original grants contained about two hundred acres. The made ground, extension of wharves, etc., may make some five acres more. The tract of land presented to Anneke Jans extended from Washington street to West Broadway and from Broadway between Chambers and Duane streets. The tract of land purchased by her first husband extended from Spring to Christopher, and from Washington to near Sullivan, McDougal, and Bedford streets. The land was consequently valuable. Its present worth is almost fabulous; it is estimated at three hundred millions. One fact is still fresh in memory: Mr. Vanderbilt paid the Church one million dollars for St. John's Park.

The corporation of Trinity Church was established by Royal charter, May 6, 1673, and in that charter a grant was made of the land which they still keep possession of. It is to be held for the use of the inhabitants in communion with the Protestant Episcopal church of England. A further grant of possession for a term of years, to the corporation, was given by a lease on May 9, 1708, and they held, accordingly, all that was included in that lease till the end of Lord Cornbury's time of office as governor, and the lease expired at the same time, on December 18, 1708.

The heirs intend to keep up the war until it is carried to the Supreme Court of the United States. As it stands now, the case is waiting its term to come up in the New York circuit court, and will then be decided on its merits. It was found that the expense of going to law could not be defrayed by a general fund; but, in December 1868, a committee of twenty was appointed. This committee undertakes to procure, at its own expense, all the evidence necessary to carry on the suit in the circuit court or supreme court. For this, the heirs will receive ten per cent on any amount that may be obtained from Trinity Church.—Chicago Tribune.

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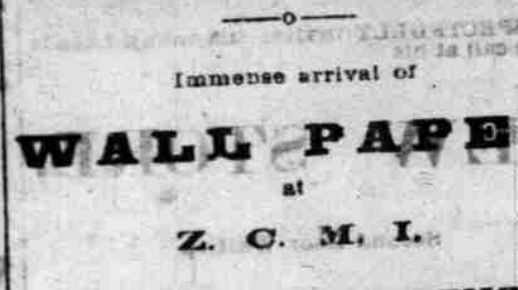
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