

How Times And Events Change Through The Years

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There was a tent show known as Young Buffalo's Wild West and Col. Cumming's Far East. It exhibited at the Lansingburg grounds in the summer of 1912. The name was designed to resemble the larger and better known Buffalo Bill's (Col. W. F. Cody) Wild West and Col. Lillie's Far East. Kemp Sisters Wild West, another show which appeared once at Rensselaer Park, billed a young woman rider and crack shot as Jennie Cody, a similiarity to Buffalo Bill's real name. Incidentally the day after Young Buffalo's show was here, Thomas Frear, a boy, walking through the deserted show grounds killed a six-foot snake which had escaped from its cage and was not found when the show was leaving.

The Hagenback - Wallace Trained Animal, Circus and Managerie exhibited July 2, 1913 at the circus grounds on the east side of Fifth Avenue, south of the present 106th Street. Later this circus was fated to be involved in one of the worst railroad wrecks in the United States near Ivanhoe, Ind., June 22, 1918. Sixty-eight employes of the circus and some of the animals lost their lives.

In 1911 there was a song which contained a plea addressed to "Mister Dream Man." The tuneful chorus was: "Oh, Mister Dream Man / Please let me dream some more / Just like the dream I had the night before / I dream't about a lov'in man / He was so sweet / And when he started lovin' me / My

1965, August 14, Times Record (Troy, MY),
Jennie Cody in 1912, Kemp Sisters Wild
West

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