

**Five questions based on the assigned readings for the October 23, 2013 class.**

- 1. How did the Panic of 1857 affect Five Pointers?**
- 2. Why do nannies want to be treated as professionals?**
- 3. Why is the existence of workers in New York City generally ignored?**
- 4. What is the definition of the “bamboo ceiling”?**
- 5. Why has New York “become a less civilized, more alienated community”?**

**Answers:**

- 1. Because of the Panic of 1857 thousands of Five Pointers were thrown out of work. (Anbinder, 134).**
- 2. Nannies want to be treated as professionals so as not be treated as servants or friends. (Cheever, 36).**
- 3. The existence of workers in New York is generally ignored because New York workers and their organizations do not fit the picture usually found in histories of post-World War Two labor. (Freeman, xiv).**
- 4. The “bamboo ceiling” is the blocked mobility of Asians and Asian Americans into leadership positions in fields such as business, education, and government. (Kang, 81).**
- 5. New York has become a less civilized and more alienated community because the working class has lost its influence. (Freeman, xv).**