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Special Notices.

The New-England Society in the City of New-York will celebrate the 235th Anniversary of the Landing of the Pilgrims, (being the Semi-centennial Anniversary of the Society,) at the Church of the Puritans the Rev. Dr. Cheever's, Union-square, on FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 21, at 7½ o'clock. ORATION, by OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES, LL.D. POEM, by the Rev. JOHN PIERPONT. Admittance free.

ORDER OF EXERCISES.
1. Voluntary on the Organ by Mr. G. W. Morgan.
2. Chorus—full Choir, Mozart.
3. Prayer, by the Rev. Dr. Cheever.
4. Quartette, (poetry by Geo. P. Morris, esq.,) Mendelssohn.
5. Oration, by Oliver Wendell Holmes, LL.D.
6. Poem, by the Rev. John Pierpont.
7. Hymn: Tune, "Old Hundred."
8. Benediction.

The exercises will commence precisely at 7½ o'clock. The Society, with their guests and friends, will dine at the Astor House on SATURDAY EVENING, 22d, at 5 o'clock. Tickets may be obtained of S. DRAPER, esq., President, or of either of the Officers of the Society, and at the Astor House. L. P. HUBBARD, Secretary.

The Fifth Lecture before the Young Men's Association of the Spring-st. Congregational Church between the 6th and 7th-avs., will be delivered on THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 20, by the Rev. JOSEPH P. THOMPSON, of New-York. Subject, "The Patriot Mazzini and Italy." Tickets 25 cents. To commence at 8 o'clock.

Tiffany's Spiritual Lectures for the People, now exciting the intense interest of crowded audiences in the Stuyvesant Institute TUESDAY and FRIDAY EVENINGS; Brooklyn Institute, WEDNESDAY and SUNDAY EVENINGS; Williamsburgh Savings Bank Building, MONDAY and THURSDAY EVENINGS, at 7½ o'clock. Admission 10 cents.

Mr. Collins's Californin Lecture in relation to which the correspondence appeared in Wednesday's Tribune, will come off at Clinton Hall, Astor-place, on FRIDAY EVENING. Tickets 25 cents. As a popular lecture on the Mineralogy and Agriculture adaptations as well as the Geological formations of the Golden State, it should attract unusual attention, especially in view of the fact that Mr. COLLINS has spent five years in California.

Mercantile Library Association—Elocution.—Mr. J. S. BROWN, Professor of Elocution, will deliver a Lecture on THURSDAY EVENING next, 20th inst., at 7½ o'clock, in the Lecture-Room, Clinton Hall, on "The Necessity of Elocution as a Branch of Study," with Readings from Shakespeare and others. Members are invited to attend and join a Class which will then be formed. Admission free. FLOYD CLARKSON, Chairman Class Committee.

Meeting of the American Geographical and Statistical Society (New-York University,) on THURSDAY EVENING, 20th Dec., at 8 o'clock. MAJOR SEARS will read a paper on "Submarine Explorations." The public are invited to attend.

Mr. Huydock, the Ex-Woodsswyer, will lecture upon the subject of Temperance, THIS (Thursday) EVENING, Dec. 20, at Mission Hall, Warren-st., Brooklyn, at 7 o'clock.

Fugitives to Canada.—The Rev. J. B. SMITH, who is a Missionary among Fugitives in Canada, will speak on their condition THIS (Thursday) EVENING, at 7½ o'clock, at the Free-Will Baptist Church, Sullivan-st., near Houston.

Greenwich Literary Union.—The Anniversary of the above Society will be held in the Rev. Dr. Gordon's Church, 7th-av., near 12th-st., on THIS (Thursday) EVENING, at 7½ o'clock. Address by the Rev. A. D. GILLETTE. Subject—"Reading and Conversation as a means of Mental and Moral Improvement." Poem, by WM. H. BURLEIGH, esq. Subject—"The Golden Age." JOHN RUSTON, Pres't.

Children's Fair.—The Misses connected with the Sabbath School of the Hedding M. E. Church, in 17th-st., between 1st and 2d-avs., propose holding a FAIR in the basement of the said Church, on FRIDAY and SATURDAY, Dec. 21 and 22, 1855, the proceeds of which will be appropriated for the benefit of the Church. On the evening of the last day (Dec. 22) all goods remaining unsold will be sold at auction by an auctioneer who has kindly offered his services. Admission 12½ cents. Doors open at 10 a. m. and close at 10 p. m. each day.

Ladies' Fair.—A Fair for the sale of useful and fancy articles will be opened THIS (Thursday) EVENING, Dec. 20, to be continued through several days and evenings, in the Hall, No. 512 Broadway, second floor, for the benefit of the COLORED ORPHAN ASYLUM. Of this noble charity nothing need be said to induce the friends of the orphan to patronize the ladies in this effort for their relief. A good supply of ice creams and other refreshments always on hand.

Ladies' Fair.—The Ladies of the Free Church of the Epiphany will hold a FAIR for the benefit of said Church in the basement of the same, No. 120 Stanton-st., between Essex and Norfolk-sts., on WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY, Dec. 19, 20 and 21, from 11 a. m. to 10 p. m. The attendance of all persons friendly to the object is respectfully invited.

Notice.—Fair.—The ladies of the Siloam Presbyterian Church (the Rev. Mr. Freeman's) of Brooklyn, will hold a FAIR for the benefit of their Church, in the Museum Building, corner of Fulton and Orange sts., opening on Monday afternoon, Dec. 24, and to continue four days. Entrance from Fulton-st. Admittance 12½ cents.

New-England Society Dinner will be served on SATURDAY, the 22d inst., at 5 o'clock precisely. Gentlemen are requested to assemble before that hour.

Agricultural Chemistry—YALE COLLEGE.—Lectures commence Jan. 7, 1856, and continue five weeks. Fee $5. For instruction in analysis during the course, (including apparatus and materials), $20. The analytical course continues throughout the year. JOHN A. PORTER. New-Haven, Dec. 18, 1855.

Mercantile Library Association—SPECIAL NOTICE.—The repairs to the Down-Town Office being completed, Books are now delivered as usual. By order, &c. GEORGE S. PARTRIDGE, Jr., Recording Secretary.

Special Notice.—Owing to the detention by fog of the steamship Empire City for two days off Sandy Hook, the sailing of the California Mail Steamer of the 20th is postponed to SATURDAY, the 22d inst. at 2 P. M.

Emigrant Intelligence Office and Labor Exchange, No 2 Canal-st., cor. of Centre-st., N. Y.—The Office is established by the Commissioner of Emigration, where can always be found large numbers of LABORERS and SERVANTS at very low rates of wages, and persons can have their orders filled by writing to the Superintendent, and sending the amount necessary to pay the passage of the parties required. No fees charged to employers. JAMES P. FAGAN, Superintendent.

Amusements.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—THIRTY-FIFTH NIGHT. AND LAST BUT FIVE OF THE SEASON. MADAME NANTIER DIDIEE will make her FIRST APPEARANCE in the rôle of LEONORA, in Donizetti's Grand Opera, in four acts, LA FAVORITA. On FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 21, 1855.
Leonora.....Madame NANTIER DIDIEE
Fernando.....Signor BRIGNOLI
King Alfonso.....Signor MORELLI
Baldessare.....Signor GASPARONI
During the Opera, a GRAND PAS DE DEUX, by Mdlle. DE LA VIGNE and M. HUPPOLITE.
Admission.....ONE DOLLAR.
Secured Seats 50 cents Extra. Amphitheater, 25 cents. Musical Director and Conductor.....MAX MARETZEK
Doors open at 7; Opera commences at 8.
Reserved seats may be obtained at the Principal Office, corner of Broadway and 14th st.; at Danskin's Agency; Jollie's Music Store, No. 519 Broadway; and at Hall & Son's Piano-forte and Music Store, No. 239 Broadway.

BROADWAY THEATER.—E. A. Marshall, sole Lessee.—Boxes and Parquet, 50 cents; Family Circle and Upper Tier, 25 cents; Private Boxes, $5 and $6.—Doors open at 6½; commence at 7 o'clock.—THIS EVENING: MORNING CALL. Sir Edw. Arlington, Mr. Fenno | Mrs. Cobbington...Mad. Ponis. Fairy Dance and Sailor's Hornpipe. COUSIN JOE. Cousin Joe...Mast G. W. Marsh | Margery...Little Mary Marsh. MY NEIGHBOR'S WIFE.

BROADWAY THEATER.—KING CHARMING; Or, THE BLUE BIRD OF PARADISE, Will positively be produced at this Theater, for the first time in America, on CHRISTMAS EVE—MONDAY, Dec. 24. The Management respectfully announces that, great as the reputation has been of this house for grand Spectacle and Scenic Drama, the production of the splendid FAIRY EXTRAVAGANZA of KING CHARMING will excel all other displays which have yet been made, bringing into immediate requisition the full resources and existing capabilities of the establishment, after many months of preparation, as well as the advantages obtained by the importation of the original models of the vast machinery, &c., in London, where the piece was acted for HUNDREDS OF NIGHTS. The Gorgeous, the Picturesque and the Wonderful will be blended in this effort, and insure the return which those interested confidently expect to receive for the ENORMOUS OUTLAY, time and labor consequent thereon. Full particulars will be duly announced. N. B.—There will be NO PERFORMANCE ON SATURDAY EVENING, as the rehearsal of the new piece is imperative.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM.—NEW FAIRY PIECE!—HOLIDAY FUN!—THURSDAY, Dec. 20.—Evening, at 7½, the new Dramatic Fairy Romance, full of deep and absorbing interest, THE KING OF THE ALPS. Afternoon at 3, the farce of NO; Or, THE MINORITY, and RAISING THE WIND. Performances in the LION'S DEN at 2½ and 7 p. m. The LIVING WILD BEASTS, &c., may be seen at all times. Admittance to all 25 cents; Children under 10, 12½ cents.

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NIBLO'S GARDEN.—THURSDAY EVENING, December 20, 1855. Great Success of the New Comic Pantomime by THE WONDERFUL RAVEL FAMILY. A New Ballet by Mlle ROBERT and the Ballet Troupe. FRANCO'S RAVEL.....as.....Godensky. To commence with GODENSKY; Or, THE SKATERS OF WILNA. New Ballet by PAUL BRILLANT: THE ISLE OF NYMPHS. Mlle ROBERT, Mlle PAULINE GENET, Mme. MARZETTI, LINA WINDLE, PAUL BRILLANT, and E. MANGIN. MEDINA. Pozzolini.....ANTOINE RAVEL. PRICES OF ADMISSION: TICKETS.....FIFTY CENTS. The only seats that can be secured in advance, are: Private Boxes.....$5 00 each. Orchestra Seats.....$1 00 each. Box Office open daily from 8 a. m. to 3 p. m., for the sale of Tickets and securing Orchestra Seats and Private Boxes only. Doors open at 6½; Performances to commence at 7½.

NIBLO'S SALOON. MISS BRAINERD'S GRAND CONCERT, THURSDAY EVENING, DEC. 20 1855. MISS MARIA S. BRAINERD, (LYRICAL ARTIST, PUPIL OF MR. CLARK W. BEAMES,) Has the honor to announce to her friends and the public, that she will give her first grand VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT, assisted by Mr. J. B. BEUTLER, Tenor Vocalist, BROTHERS MOLLENHAUER, Violinists, Mr. APTOMAS, Harpist, and Mr. CHARLES W. BEAMES, Conductor at the Piano, at NIBLO'S SALOON, ON THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 20, 1855.
PROGRAMME.—PART I.
1. SONG—"La Donna Mobile,".....Verdi. MR. BEUTLER.
2. GRAND CAVATINA—"Casta Diva," from Norma. Bellini. MISS MARIA S. BRAINERD.
3. SOLO—Violin.....Ernst. MR. MOLLENHAUER.
4. DUET—"Ee Quel Di," from Linda.....Donizetti. MISS BRAINERD AND MR. BEUTLER.
5. SOLO—Harp, "Home, Sweet Home".....Aptomas. MR. APTOMAS.
6. SACRED SONG—"If with all your hearts," from Elijah, Mendelssohn. MR. BEUTLER.
7. SLEIGHING SONG—"O swift we go o'er the Fleecy Snow," (composed expressly for Miss Brainerd)..Beames. MISS BRAINERD.
PART II.
1. GRAND SCENE AND CAVATINA—"Softly, Slowly, Numbers Holy," from Der Freischutz.....Weber. MISS BRAINERD.
2. GRAND DUO—Two Violins.....Mollenhauer. BROTHERS MOLLENHAUER.
3. DUET—"Verma mia die" from "Don Pasquale". Donizetti. MISS BRAINERD AND MR. BEUTLER.
4. FANTASIA—Harp, "La Danse des Fees".....Alvars. MR. APTOMAS.
5. SONG—"Come In," from the German.....Kucken. MISS BRAINERD.
6. SONG—"A Ride I Once was Taking".....Kucken. MR. BEUTLER.
7. WALTZ SONG—"Allh Brillar".....Ricci. MISS BRAINERD.
Tickets 50 Cents—To be had at the Music Stores of HALL & SON and JOLLIE, also at the door on the evening of the Concert. Doors open at 6½. Concert to commence at 7½ o'clock.

L. M. GOTTSCHALK PIANO-FORTE SOIREE, At DODWORTH'S ROOMS, adjoining Grace Church, On THURSDAY, Dec. 20, 1855, commencing at 8 o'clock, Assisted by Messrs. RICHARD HOFFMAN, J. BURKE, KARL WELS. PROGRAMME—PART I. 1st—Italian Glories: Fantasia el Bravura on themes from Lucrezia, Norma and Somnambula, composed for the piano-forte by.....L. M. Gottschalk, and performed by Herr KARL WELS and the author. 2d—Fragments of the Fantasia on Lucia, composed and performed by.....L. M. GOTTSCHALK. 3d {A—Ballades, B—Marche de Nuit, C—Mazurkas, } Composed and performed by GOTTSCHALK. 4th—The Banjo: African sketch, composed and performed by.....GOTTSCHALK. PART II. 1st—Grand Sonata, for four hands in E minor, by Onslow, performed by.....HOFFMAN and GOTTSCHALK. 2d {A—Last Hope: Religious Meditation, by B—Funeral March.....GOTTSCHALK. CHOPIN. 3d—Sonata in A Major, by Mozart for violin and piano, by.....BURKE and GOTTSCHALK. 4th—Fantasia on themes La Figlia del Reggiment, composed and performed by.....GOTTSCHALK. Tickets, $1 each. Tickets admitting a gentleman and lady, $1 50; extra ladies' tickets, 50 cents each. To be had at Hall & Son's, Jollie's, Vanderbeek's and Dremler & Clayton's, and at the Music stores generally.

CONCERT by the CHILDREN of the FIVE-POINTS MISSION, and the NEWSBOYS, under the direction of Messrs. VAN METER and TEACY, in the BROADWAY TABERNACLE, on FRIDAY EVENING, December 21, 1855. PROGRAMME.—PART FIRST.
1. I was glad when they said unto me, &c.—Chant.
2. Invitation to our School.
3. Here we throng to praise the Lord.
4. Phonetic Song.
5. Infant School Song.
6. Boldly we roam.
PART SECOND.
1. Way to Contentment.
2. Come, let us sweetly sing.
3. Charming little Valley.
4. Brightly gleam the sparkling rills.
5. Do Good.
6. With tearful eyes I look around.—Chant.
PART THIRD.
1. As free as the winds we fly.
2. We love to make sweet music.
3. Sing gayly sing.
4. Schoolmaster of "olden time."
5. Come and join our cheerful song.
6. Tee blessed time is coming.
Doors open at 6 o'clock; concert commences at 7. Admittance 25 cents. Tickets can be obtained at the principal music stores, and at the door.

GRAND ORATORIO of THE MESSIAH, CHRISTMAS NIGHT, Dec. 25, by the NEW-YORK HARMONIC SOCIETY, at the Church of the Divine Unity, (the Rev. F. H. Chapin's,) near Prince-st. Solos by eminent resident talent, with full Orchestra and Chorus of THREE HUNDRED PERFORMERS. CONDUCTOR.....Mr. GEO. F. BRISTOW. N. B.—The Church will be brilliantly lighted up for the occasion. Tickets 50 cents—to be had at the principal Music Stores and at the door on the evening of performance. Doors open at 6; performance to commence at 7 precisely.

TABERNACLE, No. 340 Broadway.—THURSDAY, Dec. 20, 1855.—First Grand Festival Concert of the NEW-YORK SÆNGERBUND, consisting of 300 male voices, of 14 united Glee Clubs, and assisted by a grand Orchestra of 50 celebrated musicians. Director and Conductor, Carl Bergmann; Leader, Joseph Noll. On this occasion will be performed for the first time in America the great dramatic prize composition, "Eine Nacht auf dem Meere," (A Night on the Ocean,) by W. Rechlich. Doors open at 7 o'clock, to commence at 8 o'clock. Tickets—Parquet, 50 cents; Circle, 25 cents.

MRS. EMMA GILLINGHAM BOSTWICK'S GRAND CONCERT will take place on FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 21, 1855, at Niblo's Saloon, assisted by Signor BERNARDI, from the Italian Opera; Mr. APTOMAS, the celebrated Harpist; Mr. H. C. TIMM, and others. Tickets, $1, to be had at Hall & Son's; Jollie's Music Store, No. 519 Broadway; at Schuberth's, and at the door on the evening of the Concert.

BURTON'S—CHAMBERS-STREET.—THURSDAY—The Great TOODLE DRAMA, and the new American Comedy of FALSE PRETENCES, will be played together, by general desire of many patrons. Mr Burton as Berryman and Mr. Toodle. The Comedy is now in its third week of successful career, and will be played every evening till further notice. On FRIDAY, a new Dramatic Sketch, called ONLY A PENNY. A new two act Comic Drama is in rehearsal for the HOLIDAYS.

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WALLACK'S THEATER.—Boxes and Parquet, 50 cents; Family Circle, 25 cents; Stalls, $1; Private Boxes, $8 and $7.—Doors open at 6½ o'clock, performances commence at 7.—THIS EVENING will be performed: PAULINE. Count Horace.....Mr. Lester | Pauline.....Mrs. Hoey. Leon de Beauchamp...Mr. Norton | Gabrielle.....Mrs. Stephens. TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS. Monr. Tourbillon...Mr. H. Placide | Lady Nettles...Mrs. Sylvester. Master Waddilove...G. Holland | Virginia.....Miss Thompson

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