WEDDINGS PAST AND TO COME

One of the largest weddings yesterday was celebrated at noon in Trinity Chapel, in Twenty-fifth-st. The bride was Miss Louise Norwood Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bayard Smith, of No. 10 West Thirtieth-st., and the bridegroom Samuel Verplank Hoffman, son of the Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, dean of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church. The marriage ceremony was performed by the bridegroom's father, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Morgan Dix, rector of Trinity Parish, and the Rev. Dr. William H. Vibbert, the minister in charge of the chapel. The bride entered with her father, and the little niece of the bridegroom, Miss Gretta Hackstaff, was the maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Miss Lena Goodridge, Miss Virginia Walsh, Miss Helen De Peyster, Miss Lucy Bird, Miss Louise Hollins and Miss Elizabeth Knevals. Henry Oliver Thompson, of Baltimore, was Mr. Hoffman's best man. The ushers were the brother of the bride, B. Marston Smith, Edward L. Trudeau, Joseph Ames, Frank Bullard, William Bliss and George H. Gillman. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Frederic J. De Peyster, Mrs. Frederick Goodridge, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Hollins, Miss Edith Hollins, Mrs. Morgan Dix, the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Charles F. Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. Elbridge T. Gerry, the Misses Gerry, Mrs. Edgar S. Auchincloss, Samuel Sloan Auchincloss, Louis Norwood, Dr. Gouverneur Smith, the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Ritchie, Mrs. John B. Trevor, Miss Trevor, Mrs. Grenville Winthrop and the Misses Winthrop. Mr. Hoffman, with his bride, will sail for Europe next month, to remain until July.

The chantry of Grace Church was at half-past 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon the scene of the marriage of Miss Emilie Thorn King, granddaughter of Mrs. William K. Thorn, to Edward C. Post. The bride was given away by her uncle, William K. Thorn. There were no bridesmaids, no maids of honor and no ushers. H. de Courcey Forbes, was best man. The marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. William R. Huntington, the rector of Grace Church. A small reception for the immediate family and a few of the most intimate friends followed at the home of Mrs. Thorn, No. 13 West Sixteenth-st. Among the guests were Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Mrs. H. McKay Twombly, Mrs. William Douglas Sloane, Miss Sloane, Miss Turnure, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Post, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kintzing Post, Mrs. Edmund L. Baylies, Mrs. Alexander Van Rensselaer, Mrs. Francis P. Kinnicutt, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Hadden, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Fish Webster, Mrs. Richard T. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Regis Henri Post and Mrs. Thomas Hitchcock.

The marriage of Miss Belle S. Lockman, daughter of General and Mrs. T. Lockman, of No. 140 West Seventy-third-st., to Dr. William Tod Helmuth, jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. William Tod Helmuth, was celebrated at half past 4 o'clock in St. Agnes's Chapel, in West Ninety-second-st. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. Morgan Dix, assisted by by the Rev. Dr. Edward A. Bradley, the minister in charge of the chapel. The maid of honor was Miss Helen McLean, and the bridesmaids were Miss Louise Sweetland, of Providence; Miss Alice Lee, Miss Laura Roe and Miss Lillian Day. The best man was Dr. Harry Minton, of Brooklyn, and the ushers were Dr. Walter B. Brouner, Dr. Paul Kimball, Dr. Dowling, David Morris, Howard Neilson and John Hugh Lockman, a brother of the bride.

The wedding of Miss Edith Fish, daughter of Horace W. Fish, and Charles H. Spencer took place last evening in the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, West Forty-eighth-st., near Fifth-ave. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. H. P. Faunce, the pastor. Miss Alice Fish and Miss A. Louise Spencer were the bridesmaids. The bridegroom was attended by Francis S. Way as best man. The ushers were Frederic C. Hornby, Walter B. Malling, Dr. Frederick T. Zabriskie, Edward L. Ballard, William J. Yates and Robert E. Carey. A reception followed at the home of the bride's father, No. 31 West Ninetieth-st.

The wedding of Miss Alice H. Pinkham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Pinkham, of No. 126 West One-hundred-and-twenty-ninth-st., and Percy Demarest Adams took place at 8 o'clock in the Lenox Avenue Unitarian Church. The pastor, the Rev. Merle St. Croix Wright, performed the ceremony. Miss Edith Pinkham was her sister's only attendant. The best man was James Hyde. Horatio Schroeder, J. P. Palmer, Alexander Traub, Louis Brown, Charles W. Demarest and the bride's brother, Richard H. Pinkham, were the ushers.

The wedding of Miss Amalia Del Pino, the eldest daughter of Mrs. Marcos Del Pino, of No. 15 East Thirty-second-st., and Harry Phelps Foster, son of Mrs. James Phelps Foster, of Hartford, Conn., took place at 8:30 o'clock in the Church of the Incarnation, Madison-ave. and Thirty-fifth-st. The rector, the Rev. Dr. Arthur Brooks, officiated. The bride was escorted to the chancel and given away by her brother, Emilio Del Pino. Miss Rose Del Pino was her sister's maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Miss Mabel Stevens, of Baltimore; Miss Emma Wood, Miss Ruth Schemerhorn King and Miss Louise Sazorac. James M. Waters was best man, and Dr. Henry McManus, Dr. George Frederick Brooks, Morris Putnam Stevens, William Harold Ayres, Dr. E. de la Calle, Addison Wilmurt, George D. Barton and J. M. Foster, of Hartford, were the ushers.

Miss Amy Halliday Warren, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William W. J. Warren, was married to William Samuel Titus last evening at the home of her great-uncle, Charles C. Peck, No. 20 East Eleventh-st. There was a notable company of guests present to witness the ceremony, which was performed by an old friend of the bride's family, the Rev. Samuel B. Halliday, of Brooklyn, who officiated at the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Warren nearly thirty years ago. The bride made a beautiful picture in her gown of heavy white satin. Her little sister, Miss Helen E. Warren, was the maid of honor. There were no bridesmaids. Frederick H. Whitin, of Brooklyn, a cousin of the bridegroom, was best man. The ushers were the bride's two brothers, Myron Perry Warren, a student at Yale University, and Willis Ogden Warren; Charles Peck Warren, a cousin of the bride; William Thurston Hincks, of Bridgeport, Conn., William Tenney Bartley, of Andover, Mass., and Gerald Faulkner Shepard, of this city. The ceremony was followed by a reception from 8 o'clock until 10. In the collection of beautiful gifts displayed during the evening in one of the upper rooms of the house were two silver tablespoons used nearly a century and a half ago by the bride's great-great-grandfather, Moses Warren, of Lyme, Conn. The spoons, which were made from an old silver tankard, were presented to the bride by Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Hyde, of Norwich, Conn. Two other gifts which attracted considerable attention were a photograph of the late Henry Ward Beecher and two autographic copies of notes of sermons delivered by the great preacher, one dated 1861 and the other 1874. They were gifts from Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher, who was one of the guests at the ceremony and reception. Among the other guests present were General Thomas Wilson, United States Army; Miss Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hagaman Hall, Ira Bliss Stewart, the Rev. Dr. William R. Huntington, Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Logan, Edward Pason Cone, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Haley, Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Searle and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Ruhl, of Brooklyn; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Velts, of New-London, Conn.; John E. Stewart and Miss Stewart, of Plainfield, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Haring, of Montclair, N. J.; Mrs. J. R. Morgan, of Providence; Ira H. Evans, of Austin, Tex., and Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Hobron.

The floral decorations were by Miller, of Columbus-ave. Marest was the caterer.

The marriage of Miss Maude Alice Burke, daughter of the late G. F. Burke, of this city and San Francisco, to Sir Bache Cunard, took place quietly at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride's guardian, H. W. Carpentier, No. 108 East Thirty-seventh-st. Less than half a dozen persons were present at the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. Dr. William S. Rainsford, rector of St. George's. The bride was given away by her stepfather, J. Frederick Tichenor. There were no bridesmaids or ushers. Sir Bache Cunard was attended by his cousin, Bache McEvers Whitlock, of Grymes Hill, Staten Island, as best man.

Two Easter weddings took place in New-Brunswick at 6 o'clock on Tuesday evening. In the Second Reformed Church, Theodore Burges Booraem, of the law firm of Voorhees & Booraem, of this city, was married to Miss Helen Constance Randall, daughter of Mrs. Darley Randall. The Rev. Dr. Marcellus H. Hutton, pastor of the church, performed the ceremony. The bridesmaids were Miss Frances Stevens and Miss Catherine Carpender, of New-Brunswick; Miss Esther Nicholas, of Baltimore, and Miss Annie Hasbrouck, of Plainfield. The best man was Charles B. Ludlow, son of ex-Governor George C. Ludlow. The ushers were John Philips Street, Irving Hoagland, Charles Deshler, Freeman Woodbridge, Henry Stevens and Drury Cooper. The bride was given away by her brother, Sidney Randall. The other wedding was that of Miss Emma D. McCurdy, daughter of Mrs. Daniel McCurdy, to Dr. Jesse Diverty Lippincott, of Norristown, Penn. It was performed at the home of the City Attorney, Frederick Weigel, the bride's brother-in-law, in Bayard-st.

The marriage of Miss Dorothea S. Walker, daughter of James E. and Marla Walker, to William T. Finkell took place on Monday. Both are of Brooklyn. The Rev. Dr. Frank M. Ellis was the officiating clergyman.

The wedding of George Manley and Miss Alice Maud Burroughs, the elder daughter of William Henry Burroughs, took place last night at 8 o'clock at the Episcopal Church of Zion and St. Timothy, No. 334 West Fifty-seventh-st., the Rev. Henry Lubeck, the rector, officiating. W. D. Wheeler, of New-York, was the best man, and the maid of honor was Miss Fannie L. Burroughs, sister of the bride. The bridesmaids were Miss L. Maud Manley, of Bloomfield, N. J.; Miss Lydia M. Woolf, of New-York; Miss Mary B. Clark and Miss Margaret R. Clark, of Yonkers. The ushers were Arthur E. Burroughs, a brother of the bride; Charles A. Valentine, of Yonkers; Eugene McGarrah, of Westfield, N. J., and George H. Rockwood, of New-York.

The engagement was formally announced yesterday of Miss Mary L. Archbold, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Archbold, of No. 20 East Thirty-seventh-st., to Michael M. Van Beuren, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick T. Van Beuren, of this city.

The marriage of Miss Bertha Norris Robinson and John Nesbitt Conyngham, of Wilkesbarre, Penn., will take place this afternoon at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. J. Hood Wright, No. 613 Fifth-ave.

Miss Bertha Curtis, daughter of A. L. Curtis, of Albany, will be married to Rollin N. Larrabee at noon to-day in Trinity Chapel, West Twenty-fifth-st.

Miss Mabel Wetmore, daughter of Mrs. William S. Wetmore, was married to Robert Clinton Clarke, of Binghamton, N. Y., yesterday in Rye. The best man was Charles Lee Austin, and the maid of honor was Miss Carrie M. Clarke, sister of the groom.

In Christ's Church, in Rye, yesterday, Archdeacon W. W. Kirkby, pastor of the church, officiated at the marriage of Miss Florence Juliette Taylor, daughter of the late Thomas B. Taylor, to Albert Rowland Sears, nephew of the late Governor James Lawrence Orr, of South Carolina. The best man was C. Grinnell Bettome, of Boston, and the ushers were J. Griffiths Masten, of Newport; Dr. Henry B. Carroll, Elisha E. Taylor and Lyman Austin Spalding.

Baltimore, April 17 (Special).—The marriage of Miss Belle Berry, daughter of Mrs. J. C. Berry, to Nicholas Hill, jr., took place this evening. The ceremony was performed by Cardinal Gibbons, at the home of the bride's mother, in St. Paul-st. The best man was Dr. Eugene Vonness. The bridesmaids were Miss Bessie Burns and Miss Mary Hill. The ushers were Gordon Hawks, of New-York, and Snowden Marshall, of Baltimore. Miss Dorsey Watts was the flower girl. The bride was given away by her uncle, William Burns. She wore a gown of white satin and old point lace.

Schenectady, N. Y., April 17.—Anna Banker Meeker, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Van Ingan Meeker, and Dr. Dayton Livingston Kathan were married in St. George's Episcopal Church, this city, by the Rev. J. P. B. Pendleton, last evening. Guests were present from New-York, Albany, Saratoga, Amsterdam, Syracuse, Rochester, Ballston and Buffalo.

TO WED MISS MARY LEITER.

GEORGE NATHANIEL CURZON, M. P., ARRIVES HERE FROM LONDON.

Washington, April 17.—The great social affair of the post-Lenten season in this city will be the marriage on Monday of George Nathaniel Curzon, member of Parliament for Southport, England, and Miss Mary Leiter, the daughter of L. Z. Leiter, of Washington, formerly of Chicago. The ceremony will be performed at noon at St. John's Episcopal Church.

Miss Leiter has been warmly congratulated on her approaching marriage with Mr. Curzon, who is one of the most promising of Great Britain's younger public men. Mr. Curzon is thirty-six years old, and is the eldest son of Lord Scarsdale. He spent last winter in Afghanistan, and wrote a series of letters from Cabul to "The London Times," which evinced a comprehensive grasp of the political conditions in that country and which attracted wide attention in Great Britain. He has been a close student for many years of Central Asian affairs.

The Scarsdale family is an old and highly distinguished one. The family estate, Kettleston, is in the north of England, near the town of Derby. Here, 150 years ago, one of the ancestors of George Nathaniel Curzon entertained Dr. Samuel Johnson and his biographer, Boswell. The Scarsdale residence formed to some extent the model upon which the White House at Washington was built. The estate of Kettleston has been in the possession of the Scarsdales for more than 200 years.

Miss Leiter has enjoyed for several years the advantage of extended foreign travel. She has been a conspicuous figure socially, not only in Washington, New-York, Newport and Bar Harbor, but in London and Paris as well.

Mr. and Mrs. Curzon, after a short wedding tour in this country, will make their home in London.

George Nathaniel Curzon, M. P., the affianced husband of Miss Mary Leiter, of Washington, D. C., arrived here yesterday on the White Star steamship Majestic, from Liverpool, and started for Washington immediately. He was accompanied by his brother, the Hon. Frank Curzon, Lord Lamington, his sister, Lady Miller; Mr. Miller, and other relatives. Mr. Curzon is of splendid physique and prepossessing presence. He is well known as a traveler, and the author of several important works on countries through which he has journeyed, including Persia, Afghanistan, China, Corea and other Oriental lands. He was the British Under Secretary for India in the last Administration, and, according to a recent issue of "The St. James's Budget," he is marked down for the Premiership in some administration yet to be. Miss Leiter, a charming and accomplished young woman, is a daughter of L. Z. Leiter, formerly of the extensive wholesale dry goods firm of Field, Leiter & Co., now Marshall Field & Co., Chicago. He retired from business ten years ago, and removed to Washington, where he purchased an elegant home in Dupont Circle, an ultra-fashionable part of the National Capital.

OFFICERS OF THE 7TH ENTERTAINED.

The officers of the 7th Regiment were entertained at dinner last night by Edward Kemp, at the Hotel Buckingham. The Kemp dinner every year is looked forward to with pleasure by those who expect a place at the hospitable board. Colonel Daniel Appleton sat at the host's right last evening, and next to him was Major-General Nelson A. Miles, U. S. A. Others near Mr. Kemp were Brigadier-General Louis Fitzgerald and Lieutenant-Colonel George Moore Smith.

The two newly elected captains of the 7th Regiment, Francis Griswold Landon and Robert McLean, were also present, and after the dinner received their commissions and were sworn in by Colonel Appleton. Captains Landon and McLean passed the First Brigade Examining Board at its last meeting, and a special messenger went to Albany to bring their commissions to this city, so that they might receive them last night.

AT THE IRVING PLACE THEATRE.

On next Monday evening the performance at the Irving Place Theatre will be of special interest for two reasons—the attractive programme and the fact that it is to be a "benefit" for the popular and clever treasurer, Otto Hess. The pieces to be produced then are "Blas," a comedy in one act, by Max Bernstein; "Bei Wasser und Brod," musical comedy in one act, and "Das Versprechen Hinterm Herd," comic opera in two acts, by Alexander Baumann. All members of the company will take part, and a most interesting and enjoyable evening is promised to the numerous friends of Mr. Hess. Tickets are now on sale.

This evening "Zwei Glückliche Tage" will be given.

GERRIT SMITH'S SONG RECITAL.

A song recital is announced by Gerrit Smith for Saturday evening, at the Mendelssohn Glee Club Hall. Eleven solo artists will sing and play compositions by Dr. Smith, some written especially for this recital, and a chorus will give selections from his new cantata, "King David." The list of assisting artists includes Mrs. Julie Wyman, Mrs. Gerrit Smith, Miss Marguerite Hall, Miss Jeanne Paure and Messrs. Powers, Karl, Clarke, Gordon, Fergusson, Robinson and Barber.

THE TERMS OF PEACE IN THE EAST.

TOO EXACTING FOR BELIEF.

From The Boston Herald.

We do not at all doubt that China has had to submit to rigorous conditions, but until the terms of the treaty are more authoritatively disclosed we shall hope that Japan was not as exacting as the Shanghai accounts make her to have been.

MAKES JAPAN CHINA'S FRIEND.

From The Providence Journal.

China now has a friend who will not debauch her, and she assuredly needs such a source of strength to save her. The East is to be made over in the light of civilized thought, and to be inspired by new ideas. It is doubtful if the world has seen such a suggestive and significant occurrence since the French Revolution or at least since the Revolution of 1848.

MOST INTERESTING TO EUROPE.

From The Utica Herald.

The term of the treaty which most concerns interested European powers, especially England and Russia, is the third. This allows Japan to retain all of the territory east of the Liao River, which empties into the Gulf of Liao-Tung, in other words the Japanese, by reducing their claim for a money indemnity, have apparently succeeded in retaining about all the country on the mainland which their armies have conquered.

A FICTION APPLIED TO COREA.

From The Baltimore American.

The independence of Corea is, of course, a fiction, similar to the independence of Egypt under the restraining influence of Lord Cromer and a British garrison. It can be seen with what lightning-like celerity Japan adopts European customs when they happen to be suitable to the occasion.

RUSSIA AND ENGLAND DISAPPOINTED.

From The Philadelphia Inquirer.

If, as the result of this war, Japan and China are to stand together in the future, Russia and England will both be disappointed. Both European countries have been keen enough to get some advantage out of the Eastern war to put both China and Japan on guard.

JAPAN'S DREAM OF WORLD-CONQUEST.

From The New-York World.

The full terms of the treaty of peace between China and Japan are finally avowed, and they more than justify the wildest estimate that has yet been made of the ambition—we may even call it the megalomania—of the conquering power. . . . Japan is undoubtedly dreaming of world conquest. Its statesmen and generals have read the history of Persia, of Alexander and of imperial Rome. The absorption of China is really the chief article of the treaty.

MORTON GIVES A DINNER.

HIS PLAN TO PROMOTE THE REFORM BILLS.

ALL THE REPUBLICAN SENATORS INVITED TO DINE WITH THE GOVERNOR—FIFTEEN OF THEM PRESENT AND FOUR ABSENT.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Albany, April 17.—Governor Morton tried his diplomatic powers to-night with a view to bringing about harmony of action among the Republican Senators upon the New-York Reform bills. He invited the eighteen Republican Senators in Albany and Lieutenant-Governor Saxton to dine with him, intending, it is understood, to hold afterward an informal conference upon the New-York bills. Mr. Morton's invitation, unfortunately, could not be accepted by all the Republican Senators, since Senator Owens had already issued invitations to all his Long Island colleagues in the Senate and the Assembly to take dinner with him at the Kenmore Hotel. It thus happened that Senators Owens, Reynolds and Childs, the three Republicans from Long Island, were absent from Governor Morton's dinner.

Nor was this the sole misfortune that Governor Morton suffered. Mr. Platt's followers do not want any more of the New-York reform bills to be passed. They are especially opposed to the Police Magistrates bill, not desiring Mayor Strong to have any more patronage. Edward Lauterbach was here to-day, seeing that these bills giving patronage to Mayor Strong should be blocked. Mr. Platt's followers, therefore, as soon as they heard that Governor Morton had called a conference at his house, took steps to prevent any union upon the New-York Reform bills. Throughout the evening the politicians of Albany were predicting that nothing would be accomplished at the conference.

Up till midnight none of the Republican Senators had come away from Governor Morton's, so that the result of their deliberations and of the Governor's efforts for harmony was not known. Near midnight it was reported that Senator Robertson, in consequence of illness, had been prevented from attending the conference. Senator Childs intimated strongly that he had not attended it, because he had heard that Governor Morton intended to veto his Jamaica Normal School bill. There were thus four Republican Senators—Robertson, Reynolds, Owens and Wolfert—who were not at the conference, and fifteen who were present.

It was stated that Colonel Cole, the Governor's private secretary, in giving his invitations to the dinner, had said frankly that the Governor hoped by having a conference at his house to bring about unity of action on the Reform bills and especially on the Police Magistrates bill, in which the Governor was personally interested, and the defeat of which he would especially deplore. The dinner, it was understood, was decided upon by Governor Morton when it became evident that the Republican Senators could not be got together again in another caucus.

THE BROOKFIELD LEAGUE FORMED.

ORGANIZED TO OPPOSE THE LINCOLN LEAGUE AND POLICE COMMISSIONER MURRAY.

The Brookfield League of the Third Assembly District was launched last night in the rooms of the Eleventh Election District Republican organization. The formation of the league followed the regular monthly meeting of the Republican organization, and is the outcome in the district of the opposition to Platt, Murray and the Lincoln League, of which the Police Commissioner is the president. Last week a circular was issued to the regular Republican voters, telling all those who were disgusted with the clique that controls the organization, all who are opposed to a non-resident chairman and those in favor of equal representation, to meet last night to form the new league. There was liberal response to the call, and the meeting-room was filled at the hour when those present were called to order. William H. Van Norden, the chairman of the election district organization, was chosen temporary chairman, and he announced the object of the new league that was to be called after the new Commissioner of Public Works.

Mr. Van Norden attacked the Platt faction, and Platt particularly, and was by no means sparing in his denunciation of Commissioner Murray and his organization. He said that Murray was a carpet-bagger, who had led the members of the Lincoln League to him with promises that he had no intention or power to keep.

Mr. Van Norden, who will probably be made the permanent chairman of the league, said that it would become a power for good in the district, and would be the exponent of the principle of home rule.

Nearly 100 members enrolled their names last night. The books for enrolment will be open at the rooms, No. 105 Forsyth-st., every Monday, Wednesday and Friday evening, from 8 to 9 o'clock.

THE MAYOR INDORSED BY BUSINESS MEN.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Business Men's Organization of the VIIIth Assembly District was held last night at No. 468 Hudson-st., with William A. Mass, the president, in the chair. The Republicans of the district indorse the administration of Mayor Strong, and advocate the uniting of all factions in the city, so that effective work may be done in the next campaign. There are 700 business men enrolled in the organization.

TO CONSIDER MR. ROBERTSON'S COURSE.

Judge William H. Robertson, who for many years served Westchester County in the State Senate, and who is at present the chairman of the Westchester Republican County Committee, has, in obedience to the request of members of the committee, called a special meeting of the committee to be held at the Orawaupum Hotel, White Plains, to-morrow at 10 a. m. It is understood that the object of the meeting is to take action relative to Senator George W. Robertson's position in the State Senate on the reform bills affecting New-York City. It is well understood that influential members of the party in Westchester County are not at all pleased with Senator Robertson's course in the Senate on the measures in question.

NEW CAPTAINS OF THE SEVENTH.

Albany, April 17.—Commissions were issued by the Adjutant-General to-day to Francis G. Landon and Robert McLean as captains in the 7th Regiment, New-York City.

Captain Landon is one of the most popular men in the 7th Regiment, and has shown himself to be a valuable man in many positions. He was instrumental in organizing the 7th Regiment Signal Corps; was the prime mover in the Howitzer Corps and organized the Bicycle Corps, the command of which he must now resign. He enlisted in January, 1882, and was made adjutant in January, 1891. At the election which followed the resignation of Captain Harper, Adjutant Landon received seventy-eight votes, not one vote being cast against him.

Robert McLean was also chosen without opposition. Captain McLean is also a popular man, and in the various places which he has held, has shown much executive ability. He has distinguished himself at the rifle range, and has done much to encourage rifle practice in the command. He enlisted in December, 1880, was advanced to corporal, October 15, 1882; sergeant, December 17, 1884, and received his first commission December 2, 1886. In 1891 he was elected first lieutenant.

TESTIMONY AS TO MRS. STEVENS'S WILL.

The testimony of ex-Surrogate Delano C. Calvin and Noel Gale, the subscribing witnesses to the will of Mrs. Paran Stevens, was examined yesterday before Probate Clerk Washburne, in the office of the surrogate. The will was executed on May 15, 1894. The Union Trust Company is executor and trustee. Hoffman Miller appeared in support of the probate of the will, Mrs. Mary Fiske Paget, the daughter, having waived all right to the issuance of citations and consented to the admission of the will to probate. The witnesses testified that at the time of the execution of the paper Mrs. Stevens was of sound mind and understanding, and fully competent to execute the paper, and that all the requirements of law were complied with. The will is to be probated immediately and a decree to that effect will be signed by the Surrogate.

A BENEFIT CONCERT AT THE WALDORF.

A benefit concert for Gennaro Volpe, the mandolinist, was given at the Hotel Waldorf yesterday afternoon. The handsome parlor was crowded by women in jaunty spring costumes, and the programme of eight numbers was well carried out. The concert was opened with Charles de Beriot's trio andante rondo, interpreted by Mr. Volpe, J. J. Walshe and Signor Baraldi. Then Sorrentino's "Sul lido" was sung by A. Capuano, barytone. A selection by Mr. Volpe followed, and was received with hearty applause. Miss Carmela Cosenza gave three selections, from Rubenstein, Raff and Mendelssohn, on the piano, and was followed by Lloyd B. Raud, tenor. Mr. Raud sang with good effect "The Dream," by Rubenstein, and in response to a recall gave Ries's, "Inhaus, Arise." Miss Maud C. Fairfax, soprano, sang a romance from Gounod's "Cinq Mars," and Mr. Volpe ended the programme by playing selections from the works of Lully, Moszkowski, Brahms-Behr and Thorne. About $500 was realized.

NAVAL BATTALION PRIZEMEN.

ANNUAL PRESENTATION ON BOARD THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

INSPECTION AND DRILL ATTENDED BY PRESIDENT JEROLOMAN, WILLIAM BROOKFIELD, COLONEL WARING AND OTHERS—A LIST OF THE 100 PER CENT MEN.

The annual inspection and prize presentation of the 1st Naval Battalion, N. Y., was held last night on board the New-Hampshire, moored at East Twenty-eighth-st. Mayor Strong's place was taken by John Jeroloman, president of the Board of Aldermen, and other officials comprising the reviewing party were William Brookfield, Commissioner of Public Works; Colonel Waring, Police Commissioner Andrews, General E. C. O'Brien, Dock Commissioner; Amos Lyon, U. S. N., and Captain C. Field, of the training ship St. Mary's. Among the guests were Captain Ambrose Snow, Pilot Commissioner; A. G. Bowen, Dock Board; First Assistant Surrogate W. R. Delano, Job E. Hedges, Colonel Montant, of General Fitzgerald's staff; Colonel Herbert L. Satterlee, of Governor Morton's staff; C. C. Poe, ex-commander of the Michigan Naval Reserve; Aaron Vanderbilt, the principal organizer of the battalion; Captain Seafield, Lieutenant Frye, U. S. N., Loyall Farragut and Dr. H. H. Butts.

The battalion turned out in full force, four divisions of eighty-five men each answering to the roll-call. The officers in attendance were Commander J. W. Miller, Lieutenant-Commander and Executive Officer George E. Kent, Navigating Officer S. Dana Green, Surgeon Job Vanderpool, Commanding Officers of Divisions Robert P. Forshew, William H. Steyton, W. B. Duncan, jr., and E. C. Weeks, Junior Lieutenants W. H. Dimock, E. M. Henderson, E. B. Renwick and M. K. Eyre, Ensigns James McFarlane, W. J. Henderson, F. W. Meeker and E. P. Mowton.

The men were drawn up in line on the spar deck for inspection, and the reviewing party were afterward conducted by Commander Miller and his officers on a tour of inspection through the ship. President Jeroloman expressed himself well pleased with the smart appearance of the men and with the orderly and cleanly condition of the ship's quarters. Previous to the presentation of the division drills were executed, after which the entire battalion assembled on the spar deck, when President Jeroloman presented the division prizes and marksmanship badges.

The first division won the prize for superior seamanship, the second division secured the torpedo honors and the broadside prize was taken by the fourth. The men who qualified as sharpshooters were Quartermaster Anderson, Lieutenant Renwick, Lieutenant McFarlane, Ensign Zerega, Coxswain Powers, and Seamen Lozier, Maguire and Southgates.

General O'Brien presented the medals to the "one hundred per cent men" officers and men who have attended every drill during the year—as follows:

Staff: Commander J. W. Miller, Chief P. O., Chief Boatswain Mate B. Seagrave and Chief Quartermaster F. B. Anderson. First division, R. P. Forshew, Ensign J. Macfarlane, Boatswain Mate A. D. A. Pierce, Coxswain C. W. Stranahan and Seamen Thomas Baxter, jr., A. R. Fox, E. D. A. Colvin, F. Meyer, C. D. Simons, F. C. Coey, H. A. Kimber, H. H. Simons; Lieutenant (J. G.) E. B. Renwick, Boatswain Mate F. N. Stranahan, Torpedoist T. Appleton, jr., Coxswain W. E. Powers, and Seamen W. E. Carver, W. F. R. Leigh, H. W. Dooley, E. P. Hill, R. Shirley, W. L. Tompkins, S. R. Dummer, jr., and H. H. Reddy. Second Division, Lieutenant, J. G.) G. C. Weeks, Boatswain Mate Froehlich, Quartermaster Raynor, and Seamen Rogers, Jo Billier, Guion, Pidgeon, Wetmore, Shaster, Kirkland, Talbot, G. B.; Billings, Holran and Woodward; Ensign W. DeW. Dimock, Gunner's Mate Griffith, Coxswain Meade and Seamen Talbott, B. M. O.; Clark, King, Spooner, Barnewall, Hayward, Raynor, Milliken, Dyett and Maury. Third division, Boatswain Mate E. P. Mowton, Seamen C. H. Delamater, R. A. Hunter, E. B. Renwick and M. K. Eyre, Ensigns James McFarlane, W. J. Henderson, F. W. Meeker and E. P. Mowton.

ODD FELLOWS' FAIR TO OPEN TO-NIGHT.

LENOX LYCEUM BEAUTIFULLY DECORATED IN HONOR OF THE OCCASION—RECEIPTS TO GO TOWARD BUILDING A HOME.

Beginning to-night the Odd Fellows of New-York will hold a "Home Fair" in the Lenox Lyceum, at Madison-ave. and Fifty-ninth-st., for the purpose of raising money to build an Odd Fellows' Home, in which aged and indigent members of the order and their widows and orphans in the vicinity of New-York will be cared for. Seven acres of ground have already been secured at Sherman Park, on which the home building will be erected.

The fair will be opened at 8 o'clock to-night by Mayor Strong, who will make an address. Mayor Schieren, of Brooklyn, with honorary members of the fair committee, composed of a long list of well-known men, will also be present. The Board of Aldermen, it is expected, will be present in a body. The fair will be continued every afternoon and night except on Sundays, until April 29. On the 19th, the teachers of the public schools are expected to be present in force; on the 20th, the 7th and 9th Regiments, with other organizations, will be present; the 22d will be "Letter Carriers' night"; on the 23d various Masonic organizations and the Odd Guard will be there; the 24th will be devoted especially to receiving German lodges of Odd Fellows; the 25th will be the night devoted to the G. A. R., the Legion of Honor and kindred organizations; the 26th will be notable as the seventy-sixth anniversary of the founding of the order of Odd Fellows; the 27th will be the closing night, and on April 29th an auction and ball will take place.

Lenox Lyceum has been beautifully decorated for the fair, and many handsome and novel booths have been prepared for the sale of the various articles which the fair patrons will be expected to buy. The musical selections during the afternoons and evenings will be an attractive feature.

A large attendance is expected, and if the visiting public is generous, a good round sum will be received for the projected home. Season tickets will cost $1.

INCIDENTS IN SOCIETY.

The supplementary meeting of the dancing class generally known as Mrs. Benjamin S. Church's class was held at Sherry's last night, and was the largest and gayest of the season. The young people turned out in great numbers. As they entered the pink room they were received by the members of the reception committee—Mrs. Frederic J. De Peyster, Mrs. Frederick Goodridge, Mrs. Charles R. Henderson, Mrs. John Carlson Jay and Mrs. Stuyvesant F. Morris. The cotillion, led staff by Alexander M. Hadden, was begun at 11:15 o'clock, and continued until midnight, when supper was served. There were no favors. After supper the cotillion was resumed. Some of the young people present were Miss Beatrix Post, Miss Van Nest, Miss Clarkson, Miss Marion McKeever, Miss Ethel Whitney, Miss Margaret Lee, Miss Edith Jay, the Misses Barclay, Miss Laura Satterlee, Miss Leonie Lenthilhon, Miss Mary Beekman, Miss Hall, Miss Helen Beaman, the Misses Lefferts, the Misses Atterbury, Miss Angelica Schuyler Church, Miss Madeline Cutting, Miss Ruth Hoe, Miss Anna Peabody, Miss Elsie Coster, Miss Bowers, James Gallatin, Bayard Cutting, Woodward Babcock, Roger Winthrop, J. Langdon Schroeder, Robert Livingston, Rudolph Neeser and Craig Cogate.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tracy Barney, of No. 101 East Thirty-seventh-st., gave a dinner party and dance last evening in honor of their young son, Ashbel Barney, and General and Mrs. Louis Fitzgerald gave a dance for young people at their home, No. 253 Lexington-ave.

The Thursday Evening Club will be entertained this evening at the home of Bishop and Mrs. Potter, No. 10 Washington Square, North.

The passengers on the public coach Pioneer, on its trip to and from the Hotel Brunswick and Country Club, at West Chester, yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. T. Suffern Tailer, Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh, John C. Furman, J. M. Hoppin and Frederic Bronson. Dr. W. Seward Webb was the whip. To-day Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Iselin, with a party of guests, will occupy the seats on the Pioneer.

The second annual post-Lenten dinner dance took place at the Germania Club, Brooklyn, last evening. The Reception Committee, consisting of Mrs. Edward H. Litchfield, Mrs. A. A. Low, Mrs. William S. P. Prentice and Mrs. William C. Sheldon, jr., received the guests in the ballroom at 7:30 o'clock. At 8 o'clock the guests adjourned to the banquet hall, where dinner was served. The committee, consisting of Arthur M. Hatch, Albert G. Jennings, Edward H. Litchfield and William C. Sheldon, jr., arranged the details, which are so nicely observed at the Ipetonga.

A very enjoyable Easter dance was given at the Hotel Empire last night. The big American dining-room, which opens upon the Boulevard, was cleared of its tables, and the floor was waxed and polished. The hotel's orchestra furnished the music, and the 300 guests present heartily enjoyed themselves. Refreshments were served at 11 o'clock, and then the dance went on.

PROMINENT ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS.

BRUNSWICK—Ex-Governor John Lee Carroll, of Maryland. EVERETT—Bishop Boyd Vincent, of Cincinnati, and Paul Blouet (Max O'Rell). FIFTH AVENUE—Mayor Jacob Amos, of Syracuse, and Charles W. Fairbanks, of Indianapolis. HOLLAND—Ex-Governor Robert M. McLane, of Maryland. MURRAY HILL—The Rev. E. Winchester Donald, of Boston, and ex-Congressman Stephen W. Kellogg, of Connecticut. PARK AVENUE—President Julius D. Dreher, of Roanoke College. PLAZA—Professor Josiah Royce, of Cambridge, Mass. WALDORF—State Controller James A. Roberts, of Buffalo. WINDSOR—Edward Atkinson, of Boston, and Frederick H. Winston and Erskine M. Phelps, of Chicago.

SELECTIONS FROM THE MAIL.

THE BROOKLYN PRINCIPALS.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: In an editorial in your journal of April 7 I notice the following assertion: "It also appears that the principals in general have agreed to institute a boycott against Mr. Hull in case of his final selection by the board, with the purpose of making Brooklyn too hot for him."

I have never heard of such a combination. I do not believe that any one has heard even one principal express any intention of doing aught to annoy Mr. Hull in case he comes to Brooklyn.

The Tribune would not knowingly traduce a respectable body of men, and it