two years, and when her husband died she told her children she felt that she would soon follow him. She expressed the wish that the marriage of her daughter, Lillian, who was engaged to Edward J. Barber, a Bridge employe, take place while she was well enough to share as far as possible her child's happiness. The wedding took place on Monday, and the blind mother gave the couple her blessing. Her decline after that was rapid. Besides her daughter she leaves two married sons. The funeral will take place to-day. She was sixty-seven years old.

AFRAID OF A POPULAR VOTE.

HOPELESS RESIGNATION OF PROHIBITION PEOPLE.

DR. FUNK THINKS THAT HOME RULE WOULD RESULT IN OPEN SALOONS ON SUNDAY—THE USUAL REPORTS READ AT THE MEETING OF THE LEAGUE.

The Prohibition League, of Brooklyn, held its usual Sunday afternoon meeting at No. 515 Fulton-st. yesterday afternoon. The secretary handed in his report, which was received in a spirit of almost hopeless resignation by several of the prohibition people present, who saw from its general outlines that Mayor Wurster had still failed in his promise to keep the sidedoors closed. The report told of between fifty and seventy-five places which had been found open yesterday morning by the league's agents, and the usual number of men, women and children who were seen entering with the regular Sunday "growler." Dr. Funk, in commenting on the report, made the remark that one of the greatest things he feared in this prohibition question was that a vote might be taken in the near future submitting the matter of Sunday closing to a popular vote in New-York and Brooklyn. He would prefer, for his part, to see a vote taken on the first commandment. New-York State, he said, was greater than any of its cities, and if the proper thing were done the so-called up-country legislators would never declare in favor of home rule. Home rule must not be either for New-York or Brooklyn, as it would lead inevitably to open saloons, with the consequent direful results. He understood that Mayor Wurster said he would close the saloons in three or four weeks. If then, why not now, for surely an honest Mayor would need no more time to enforce the law than Mayor Wurster has had since he assumed office.

A man, who failed to give his name, startled the audience by jumping up and declaring in a most emphatic tone that he had come there on a special mission from God. He then proceeded to berate the city officials, and excoriated the Mayor in harsh terms for his complete and utter indifference to the demands of people who loved a Christian Sabbath. The speaker was frequently interrupted by fervent ejaculations of "Amen!" from various parts of the room.

H. M. Randall, a former Excise Commissioner at Port Jefferson, said there was no law on the statute books which any saloonkeeper felt he was bound to respect, and never at any time did he obey an excise law if he did not want to. Later on Mr. Funk referred to the receipt of several letters which had come to him making serious charges against men in high station, particularly a certain Judge in this city. It was not clear what the charges were, but they related to connivance and tampering with the excise laws. Mr. Funk said he wished it publicly announced that anonymous communications would receive absolutely no notice from his society. In reference to the proposed conference between the Saloonkeepers' Union and the Prohibition League and allied churches, Mr. Funk said that his side would repudiate any compromise that the saloonkeepers would try to effect in relation to keeping open on Sunday.

Remarks were also made by H. Walker, chief of the Good Templars, of Long Island, and James Morton, of the Law Enforcement Society. Mr. Walker repeated a former assertion which had been made by the Excise Commissioners, that if they strictly enforced the statutes the Republicans would lose 30,000 votes in Brooklyn, which would be thrown back to "Boss" McLaughlin, and that the statement had been made in the presence of ex-Mayor Schieren, but at various times Mr. Schieren had denied hearing it.

WHAT WOMEN'S CLUBS ARE DOING.

INTERESTING PROGRAMMES FOR MEETINGS TO BE HELD THIS WEEK.

A concert will be given at Memorial Hall on Tuesday evening by the Amateur Musical Club. The programme will surpass in interest that given at the Johnston Building on January 29, on which occasion the attendance was so large that all could not be accommodated, and many were turned away. For the coming concert, however, the club has been careful to invite not more than can be seated in the hall. The soloist will be Miss Alice Mandelick, who will sing a selection from the opera "Mitrane," a ballad by Chaminade and Hawley's "Good Night"; Erick Bushrell, who will give the "Rhine Song" and "Song of the Night," and Herr Banck, who will give one or two violin numbers. The concerts will be conducted by Harry Rowe Shelley, and Mrs. Skeffington S. Norton will be the accompanist.

On Thursday evening, February 20, the Health Protective Association will give the last of its entertainments for this season. It will be held at Memorial Hall. The Rev. Dr. A. J. F. Behrends will speak on "The Place of Law in Character and Education."

A special programme has been prepared for the meeting of the Civitas Club, on Wednesday afternoon, at its headquarters, No. 159 Joralemon-st. The speakers will be S. H. Hadley, who will speak on the Jerry McAuley Mission and general rescue work in New-York City, and Miss Emily Meury, who will also talk upon the same subject. The hostesses of the day will be the Misses Lillian House, Mary House, Alice Driggs, Marie Almirall, Harriet Blackford, Ada Blackford, G. Harkness, Isabel Harkness, Helen Post, Bessie Colson, Annie Colson and Mrs. Frank Anderson and Mrs. Andrew C. Fetterolf.

The programme for the meeting of the Kosmos is varied and entertaining. The subscribers to the reading course to be given by Mrs. Dellenbugh, under the auspices of the Department of Philology of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, will be accommodated, and the meeting has been arranged for 2:30 o'clock, the reading to begin at 4 o'clock.

The Suffrage Association will hold its February reunion at Wilson's Parlors, No. 153 Pierrepont-st., Tuesday afternoon. Miss Alice Stone Blackwell will speak, and after other entertainment features there will be a tea.

The Colonia will meet on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. F. Buckley. Mrs. James Watt will present a paper on "The Beginnings of Transcendentalism in Germany." Miss Ovington will read a paper about the college settlement in Greenpoint.

GATHERED ABOUT THE TOWN.

The Manufacturers' Association of Kings and Queens Counties will give its third annual dinner at the Pouch Mansion to-night at 6:30 o'clock. During the half-hour preceding the dinner the guests of the association will be received. Well-known speakers will make addresses.

Under the auspices of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, there will be a discussion of "The Theory of Limits and Its Philosophical Bearing" by Professor Rufus Sheldon, J. Franklin Shields, and others, at No. 502 Fulton-st. at 8 o'clock to-night. "Hawks" will be discussed in papers by E. A. Behr, C. C. Young and Dr. William A. Braislin at No. 502 Fulton-st. at 8 o'clock. A lecture by Stewart Culin, of the University of Pennsylvania, on "The Game of Arrows in America and in the East," illustrated with stereopticon views, will be given at the same place and time.

An address in the course on "The Puritans in Old England" will be given in the hall of the Historical Society to-morrow night at 8 o'clock. The Rev. Dr. F. W. Gunsaulus, of Chicago, will lecture on "John Hampden and the Ship Money."

Christian Auternelth, thirty-six years old, of Bushwick-ave. and Tanchon-st., while intoxicated Saturday evening fell at Broadway and Kent-ave. and broke his left leg. He was removed to the Eastern District Hospital.

George Hartman, jr., twenty-five years old, who lives at No. 1,099 Halsey-st., was arraigned yesterday in the Gates Avenue Police Court on a charge of forging the name of John W. Grabowsky, of No. 1,229 Broadway, to a check for $12 and passing it. Hartman was remanded.

John Coleman, thirty-six years old, who deserted from the United States cruiser Columbia day before yesterday, was arrested last night, and held to await official action.

Professor J. Leonard Corning, of Munich, delivered an interesting lecture on "The Idea of God as Expressed in the Art of the Ages" at the Pouch Mansion last night.

POWERS OF ALDERMEN DEFINED.

Corporation Counsel Burr, in answer to inquiries on Saturday, said that the Board of Aldermen has no jurisdiction in the matter of acting jointly with the Queens County Supervisors, who are just now anxious to build several bridges across Newtown Creek. The Committee on Bridges of the Brooklyn Board of Aldermen has been anxious to act jointly with the Queens County Supervisors. Mr. Burr holds that any contracts which may be made by the Aldermen in respect to the building of bridges must be made by them as a Board of Aldermen through the Department of City Works, as other city contracts are made. He further holds that they have no power to issue bonds for bridge purposes.

IN THE BROOKLYN ARMORIES.

TARGET MATCHES, INSPECTIONS AND REVIEWS ON THE CARDS.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL M'ALPIN INVITED TO PRESENT THE TROPHIES WON BY THE 23D REGIMENT IN OPEN RIFLE COMPETITIONS AT CREEDMOOR.

The inspection of the 23d Regiment Saturday night in the armory at Bedford and Atlantic aves. showed a larger percentage present than the regiment ever before mustered. Five of the companies had a percentage present of 100.

Previous to the inspection the regiment in State service uniform, packs, with overcoats rolled, and canteens, was formed in ten commands of twenty-four files, and a review was held before Inspector-General McLewee, who was accompanied by Major Lee and Colonel Greene. The battalions were in column of masses and then formed in line and gave a marching review.

The inspection followed immediately after the review, and showed the following figures:

	Present.	Absent.	Total.
Field	4	—	4
Staff	12	—	12
Non-commissioned staff	15	—	15
Company A	101	—	101
Company B	58	—	58
Company C	74	2	76
Company D	68	1	69
Company E	44	1	45
Company F	94	—	94
Company G	84	3	87
Company H	80	—	80
Company I	69	1	70
Company K	74	—	74
Totals	775	8	783

Percentage present, 98.98. The total present last year was 827; absent, 17; total, 844. This shows a falling off in the total number enrolled of 61. The highest percentage heretofore recorded was 98.48, in 1889.

The following matches have been scheduled by the 23d Regiment Rifle Club: Open-to-all-Match—Expert target; entries unlimited at 10 cents per score of ten shots; each score to commence from first hit. Aggregate number of hits in any ten scores to count. Scores may be fired on any of the following dates: Saturday, February 22; Saturday, March 7; Saturday, March 21; Saturday, April 4; Saturday, April 18. First Prize, solid silver matchbox, special design; second prize, solid silver regimental cuff buttons; third prize, solid silver scarfpin. Competitors desiring to shoot for expert collar decorations can do so by declaring their intentions before the commencement of any score, and paying the additional entrance fee. Ammunition extra.

Individual Match—Armory experts barred; distances, 500 and 600 yards; five shots at each distance to constitute a score. Position prone; no sighting shots allowed. Aggregate of any ten scores to count. Scores may be fired on any of the preceding dates. Entries unlimited at 10 cents each. Ammunition extra. First prize, solid silver matchbox, special design; second and third prizes, pair gold regimental sleeve buttons; fourth and fifth prizes, pair silver regimental sleeve buttons; fifth, sixth and seventh prizes, gold regimental scarfpins; eighth, ninth and tenth prizes, silver regimental scarfpins. Competitors can count scores for collar decorations, if desired, under the usual conditions.

Individual Match—Armory experts and sharpshooters barred; distances, 200 and 300 yards; five shots at each distance to constitute a score. Positions, sitting or kneeling at 200 yards; prone at 300 yards; no sighting shot allowed. Aggregate of any ten scores to count. Scores may be fired on any of the dates named before. Entries unlimited at 10 cents per score. Ammunition extra. First prize, solid silver matchbox; second and third prizes, pair gold regimental sleeve buttons; fifth, sixth and seventh prizes, gold regimental scarfpins; eighth, ninth and tenth prizes, silver regimental scarfpins. Competitors can count scores for collar decorations, if desired, under the usual conditions. Winners can, if so desired, receive other prizes of equal value in place of any of the above-mentioned.

Colonel Alexis C. Smith, of the 23d Regiment, has invited Adjutant-General E. A. McAlpin to review that command on February 28 and present the State, brigade and adjutant-general's trophies won by the regiment in open rifle competitions at Creedmoor last fall.

An election will be held by Company A, of the 23d Regiment, on Wednesday evening for second lieutenant, in place of De Witt C. Weld, promoted. There are two candidates—Sergeant E. B. Thurber and Sergeant C. G. Parsons. Sergeant John Wolfe, of the same company, has been appointed first sergeant by Captain Prueger, in place of J. W. Carlisle, promoted adjutant.

The 23d Regiment will assemble in fatigue uniform for drill and instruction on Friday night next. Major Everdell has been appointed president of the Regimental Examining Board, vice Captain Thorn, relieved. The following warrants have been issued: Hermann E. Goedecke, sergeant, Company F, vice Norton, promoted; Edward T. Rice, sergeant, Company H, vice Olin, returned to the ranks at his own request; Edwin Codet, sergeant, Company K, vice Travis, honorably discharged; George F. Stringer, corporal, Company D, vice Wingate, promoted; Everett A. Spink, corporal, Company F, vice Spink, honorably discharged; Bethune W. Jones, corporal, Company F, vice Goedecke, promoted.

Troop C has adopted riding breeches and short leg boots as a part of the uniform of the organization. It has also been agreed that each member shall contribute $10 toward a fund to be used in the purchase of horses for the use of such members of the troop as do not own their own horses. Captain Clayton drilled the men mounted on Monday night, and First Lieutenant Frederick C. Dennington, of Company H, 23d Regiment, instructed the non-commissioned officers. The troop has been divided into four platoons, which will drill on different nights.

Company B, of the 47th Regiment, Captain William Louis Fish, commanding, will have a dinner on the night of Washington's Birthday at the Hotel Andrews. Second Lieutenant E. W. Rockafellow is chairman of the Committee of Arrangements.

Drills of the 14th Regiment are ordered as follows: First Battalion, Companies A, G, H, I and K, under command of Major Tobey, on Tuesday, February 18; Second Battalion, Companies B, C, D, E and F, under command of Major Gillon, on Wednesday, February 19; uniform, undress, white gloves.

Captain F. T. Leigh, of the Second Signal Corps, has issued orders directing the men of the command to assemble at the armory in Dean-st. at 7:15 o'clock on the morning of February 22, thence to go to Hartford, Conn., to which place they have been invited by Major Howard A. Gidding, the chief signal officer of the National Guard of Connecticut. The corps will return to its armory on Sunday morning, February 23. The following uniform will be worn: State coat, trousers, overcoat, fatigue cap, helmet cords, belt and sabre, pouch, haversack and white gloves.

The rifle team of the 23d Regiment last Saturday night beat the team of the 47th Regiment by 18 points, and the 13th's team beat the men of the 14th Regiment by 4 points. The first match took place in the armory of the 23d Regiment, and the second match was shot off in the armory of the 13th Regiment. The work in the Bedford Armory was especially good. The next matches in the series will be shot off on the evening of February 29 by the 14th and 23d regiments in the 14th Regiment Armory, and by the 47th and 13th Regiment teams in the 47th Regiment Armory.

WHAT THE Y. M. C. A. IS DOING.

THE PROGRAMME OF WORK AND ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE WEEK.

Basket ball has held a high place in the affairs of the Central Young Men's Christian Association, Brooklyn, during the last week. Two victories have been scored against the Bay Ridge Athletic Club and Adelphi Academy. The Washington Heights Branch, Y. M. C. A., New-York, defeated the Centrals on Friday evening. The line-up was as follows:

Central.	Position.	Wash. Heights.
Gerlach	Right centre	Christensen
Diemer, Lawrence	Left centre	J. Quigg, Shaw
Cameron (captain)	Centre	Shoe
Leeds	Left guard	Hiepershausen
McCormick	Right guard	C. Quigg (captain)

Score—Centrals, 4; Washington Heights, 6. Goals for Central—Gerlach, 2; Leeds, 2. Goals for Washington Heights—Shoe, 4; C. Quigg, 2. Fouls—Central, 1; Washington Heights, 2. Goals from fouls—Central, 2; Washington Heights, 1. Umpires—Dr. E. Brown, Dr. A. C. Howe. Referee—T. G. Cook.

The afternoon and the second evening basket-ball teams have been well organized, and are arranging matches.

The Central handball team has made an exceptionally good record this winter, having lost but ten games of the fifty-six played on the Central court.

The semi-annual election of officers of the Literary Society of the Central Association was held on February 8. The following were elected: President, S. B. Balcom; first vice-president, H. C. Barnes; second vice-president, A. T. Clark; recording secretary, C. W. Morehouse; corresponding secretary, Emil Schnecloch. Saturday evening, February 15, A. T. Clark will read an essay, and the topic for debate will be, "Resolved, That the Benefits of Competition Outweigh Its Evils."

The "visitor's card" is a new feature at the Central Association. At the request of a member the courtesies of the association are extended to a friend for the day upon which the card is issued.

The seventh concert in the members' entertainment course will be given by the Mozart Symphony Club this evening and to-morrow evening.

At the members' monthly meeting last week Messrs. Charles F. Halsted, W. A. Strout, W. R. Dorman, J. C. Klinck, F. A. Cottrell, Frank S. Warle, Edwin B. Searles, Frank H. Parson, C. A. Moser, George F. Halsted, Frank L. Sniffen, Edwin H. Mays and Dr. A. C. Howe were elected delegates to the thirtieth annual State convention, to be held in Newburg next week. D. W. McWilliams, a director and trustee of the Central Association, will occupy the chair at the opening of the convention.

Dr. Meredith's Thursday night talks on "The Making of the Bible" have aroused interest outside of Young Men's Christian Association circles. The next subject is "The Story of the Samaritan Pentateuch and the Versions."

IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT.

HENRY HOFFMAN DOES NOT WANT TO BE RETURNED TO ENGLAND.

HE IS A PATIENT IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT HOSPITAL AND HIS EXPENSES ARE PAID BY HIS GOVERNMENT.

Henry Hoffman, forty-eight years old, who was a sailor on the British steamship Silver Craig, has been confined in the Eastern District Hospital since 1892, suffering from a fracture of the spinal column. Hoffman received his injuries by a pulley-block on the vessel falling upon him while the vessel was lying at South Third-st. Since his confinement in the hospital the English Government has paid the hospital $8 a week board for the patient and kept him in money for tobacco. The Government now appears to be tiring of paying the amount and has suggested, through its counsel, that Hoffman be returned to England. When this news was brought to Hoffman he appeared greatly disappointed and expressed a wish to be let alone and allowed to remain where he is perfectly happy and contented.

Although no move has been made toward removing him, Hoffman expects to hear the summons any day.

The lower part of his body and legs are helpless and he lies constantly on a water mattress. Otherwise he is in robust health, eats well, and has grown stout. On fine days he is wheeled out to the veranda of the hospital, and is regarded as one of the best pinochle players in the institution. He has never seen a trolley car, although he has been a resident of Brooklyn for three years. According to the doctors at the hospital there is nothing to prevent him living to a ripe old age.

HE HAD NOT TRIED TO KILL HIMSELF.

Bergen B. Hess, eighteen years old, a clerk, who lives with his parents at No. 352 South Third-st., went to the Eastern District Hospital late Saturday night suffering from a bullet wound under the right eye, which, he said, he had received while playing with a .22-calibre revolver. The doctors found that the bullet had passed around the cheek and lodged in the neck, and decided that further probing would be dangerous. Hess then returned to his home, where he is attended by the family physician. He has been out of work for some weeks, which first made it appear that he had attempted suicide, despite his assertion that he had accidentally shot himself.

THE THIEF WANTED A NEW HAT.

The hat store of T. J. Bachwalker, at No. 1,561 Broadway, was entered early yesterday evening and seven umbrellas and two hats carried off. An entrance had been effected to the store by breaking a side light, and the thief left an old hat in the hallway of No. 1,563 Broadway, which was found by Alfred Quick, living in the house. The hat was found to be one of a number stolen on December 17 last from the hat store of F. H. Newcomb, at No. 126 Flatbush-ave.

THE EXCISE MASS-MEETING TO-NIGHT.

The mass-meeting under the auspices of the clergymen of Greenpoint, which is to be held to-night in the Tabernacle Methodist Episcopal Church, in Manhattan-ave., to protest against the violation of the excise law on Sunday, will be addressed by the following speakers: The Rev. Dr. Kent, of the Lewis Avenue Congregational Church; the Rev. J. F. Carson, of the Central Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Dr. Chadwick, of the Sumner Avenue Methodist Church; the Rev. Harvey E. Burnes, of the Tabernacle Methodist Episcopal Church, and the Rev. Dr. Louis Francis, of the Kent Street Reformed Church. It will present a series of resolutions expressing the feeling of the people in that section of the city on the excise question.

THE BISHOP OBJECTS TO THE CLUB'S NAME.

The Catholic Club, which is an offshoot of the St. Aloysius Young Men's Society, attached to the Church of the Most Holy Trinity, in Montrose-ave., near Graham, has been requested by Bishop McDonnell to eliminate the word "Catholic," but the members have so far shown no inclination to comply with the Bishop's wishes. The members all belong to the parish and have a nicely furnished house at No. 172 Humboldt-st., which is fitted up with billiard tables and supplied with soda water. The first request to abolish the name was made by the clergymen of the church, and when it was found that the members would not accede to it the Bishop was appealed to. Father Dauffenbach, the rector of the church, from the outset has warned the young men of the parish not to join or encourage the Catholic Club, which, he said, was sailing under false colors. The priest's requests received little or no attention, and the club continued to gain in membership. Its president is F. W. Kuhn, who said the club was organized simply for the purpose of having a place for the young men to pass an evening. Father Hauseiman, one of the assistant priests, when spoken to about the opposition to the club, said that all that was desired was to have the name changed, as it is not under the jurisdiction of the Church.

ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAW.

DR. KENT SAYS THAT IS WHAT IS NEEDED IN PREFERENCE TO INTERPRETATION.

The Brooklyn Christian Endeavor Union, whose officers were recently elected, met at the Lewis Avenue Congregational Church on Saturday night. W. W. Freeman, the ex-president, introduced the new president, the Rev. A. De Witt Mason. The Good Citizenship Committee offered a preamble and resolution setting forth the necessity for the enforcement of law and the protection of churches and homes. The resolution pledged sympathy and assistance to the Committee of Fifty in its effort to enforce the Sunday excise law, urging all members of the Christian Endeavor Society to employ every means in their power to further this end. The Rev. Robert J. Kent, pastor of the church, addressed the meeting on "Good Citizenship." He said that politics was corrupt because good citizens kept aloof from it and allowed the vicious to get control. "What Christians are contending for in Brooklyn," said Mr. Kent, "is not an interpretation of the law, but the enforcement of it as found on the statute-books. An honest enforcement of the law is all that is asked. It is not enough to close the front door of a saloon and open the side door on Sunday. The law must not only be obeyed in appearance, but in reality." He declared that it was the duty of the Mayor and the Police Commissioner to enforce the excise law as it is upon the statute-books.

IT WILL BE A BIG PARADE.

VOLUNTEER FIREMEN TO MARCH ON WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

The Volunteer Firemen's Association of Brooklyn made arrangements on Saturday night for the annual parade on Washington's Birthday, Saturday next. Delegates were present from fire companies in New-York and Staten Island and a number of small towns on Long Island. In addition to these, it is expected that companies from Poughkeepsie and Kingston will also be in line. Altogether, it is believed the column will be 2,500 strong. The line will be formed at 10:30 o'clock, and the officers will be as follows: Grand marshal, Louis L. Napp; special aids, Joseph Downing and L. W. Clark; aids, Jacob F. Becker, John Schwegler, William H. Wardell, P. H. Kehoe, Thomas Tiernan and W. J. Clark. Mayor Wurster has accepted an invitation to review the parade. The line of march is as follows: Harrison-st. to Henry, to Remsen, through Remsen-st. across the City Hall Park, passing in review of the Mayor and other city officials, to Fulton-st., to Myrtle-ave., to Jay-st., paying a passing salute to Fire Commissioner Bryant and his staff at Fire Headquarters; to Fulton-st., to Boerum Place, to Livingston-st., to Court, to Schermerhorn, Lafayette-ave. and Bedford-ave. to the Fountain.

WATER FROM THE DELAWARE.

AN EXPERT OPINION THAT EX-COMMISSIONER WHITE'S PLAN IS FEASIBLE.

The publication in The Tribune of a plan of Alfred T. White, ex-Commissioner of City Works, relating to the possibilities of supplying Brooklyn, New-York City and Jersey City with water from the Delaware River, near Port Jervis, has aroused considerable interest. It was said by J. M. De Varona, engineer of the Department, that perhaps a thousand million of gallons a day of good water could be supplied from that source.

Colonel William Martin, of East Branch, N. Y., a town on the Delaware River, near Port Jervis, read of the plan as it was published in The Tribune, and has written a letter to the paper, in which he says that he thinks the plan of drawing water from Port Jervis is feasible. Colonel Martin is a retired railroad contractor and civil engineer, and it is said that he knows almost every foot of the course of the Delaware River. He says in his letter: "I have given the subject considerable attention and have come to the conclusion that, while there may be, and doubtless are, many engineering difficulties in the way of taking water from the Delaware River near Port Jervis, to tide water at New-York City, I think the difficulties can be overcome. I think that a reservoir situated on the summit of the 'Sheep Pasture,' Shawangunk Mountain, just south of Port Jervis, and directly opposite Carpenter's Point, would be many feet higher than any intermediate point which it would be necessary to cross in order to get the shortest distance to New-York. Of course, the reservoir would be supplied by pump. If I am correct in my conclusion, which could be determined only by instruments, then the problem is solved."

LONG ISLAND SPORTSMEN.

A CLUB WHERE THERE IS HUNTING AND FISHING THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

SOME MEMBERS, HOWEVER, MUST HAVE ADDITIONAL GAME—A CAMP IN LABRADOR—DR. PRESTON'S THEORIES ABOUT TROUTING FLIES.

The house of the Long Island Country Club is situated on a beautiful elevation of ground about ten or fifteen minutes' walk from the railway station at Eastport. From the porch one can see the beautiful Great South Bay, or rather that arm of the Great South Bay which the Eastport people call the East Bay. It is declared by its owners and admirers to be the only club property in many a day's journey upon which a sportsman can both hunt and fish for 365 days in the year. It is so plentifully stocked with fish and game of all kinds that, as soon as the Game law has its clutches on one kind of fish or game something else is loosened to the hunters. One of the lakes down in front of the building has a dam built across it. A fisherman can stand on that dam and cast his line on one side and draw up a beautiful lake trout, then throw it on the other side and bring to land a black bass. From four to five thousand brace of quail have been let loose on the property.

The property that now belongs to the Long Island Country Club has an interesting history. Its advantages were discovered in 1850 by William C. Barrett and the late Judge Beebe. Barrett and Beebe were leaders of the New-York bar, and they came upon the property when down on Long Island shooting. The land was in its native wild state, the streams were all filled with trout, which swam at will out into the sea, and up again into these

CAMP ROMAINE.

streams, and thus made the juiciest trout in the world, as a trout that inhabits both salt and fresh water is of especially fine flavor. The woods were filled with quail, partridge and woodcock, wild ducks abounded, and in those days the railroad went only as far as Patchogue and Greenport. Mr. Barrett and Judge Beebe bought the property and used it as a stock farm and a fish and game preserve. Their house was an unpretentious structure, but the cellars were filled with fine wines and liquors. In that ordinary-looking building the choicest dinners were given, and prominent people were royally entertained. Negotiations of magnitude were consummated and high officials were made and unmade.

CLUBHOUSE FEATURES.

To-day Mr. Barrett stands before the world as a defaulter, and no one knows where he is; but his old neighbors down at Eastport all speak of him in the highest terms. Not a man of them will believe that Mr. Barrett was a dishonest man. They think that he was the victim of some inexplicable condition of affairs. Old Judge Beebe was killed while getting on or off of a railroad car. After that the property lay idle until it was rediscovered by some of the

RESTING FOR A BITE AT MID-DAY.

present members of the Long Island Club. This club owns about thirteen hundred acres of land, and leases nearly three times as much more. It has just erected a fine new clubhouse, with a frontage of 164 feet. Besides a fine reception-room, dining-rooms, kitchen and all the rooms that a thoroughly up-to-date club should have, each member has a private room, 10x20 feet, on the front of the building, to which he carries the key, and which he may fit up in accordance with his own taste. There are dog kennels and stables in the rear, and a beautiful little yacht anchored down in the bay. All the privileges of the club in the way of hunting and fishing are open to the wives or daughters of the members, except the first ten days or so of the season, which are exclusively for men.

Dr. Henry G. Preston, the president of the Long Island Country Club, through whose efforts the club was brought into existence, while he is an all-round sportsman, takes the greatest delight in trout-fishing. The doctor is an expert at casting the line. He

TROUT FISHING ON THE BEAVERKILL.

can hit a spot the size of a 50-cent piece at a distance of from fifty to sixty feet. One day while he was fishing for trout a man sat on the shore of the lake, fishing with a drop line. The doctor said, "Look out for your line; if you don't, I might hook it up." The reply was, "Oh, you can't hook it up from where you are." After two or three throws the line was caught.

A THEORY ABOUT FLIES.

Dr. Preston has perhaps the largest private collection of flies of any man in America. There are flies of all kinds, and for every conceivable purpose in the fishing line. There are white ones for night use, and bright, gaudy ones for day use. There are those copied from nature, and others that are built only upon the conceit of the artist. There is a collection, the wings of which are all made of fish scales.

Dr. Preston is the inventor of a wonderful book of flies. It would seem, according to Dr. Preston, that the trout keeps track of the kind of flies that are common in each month, and she doesn't get mixed in her dates either. When the Long Island Country Club bought the property that it now owns on Long Island, it was observed that the doctor was an extremely successful fisherman. His friends, less lucky, kept coming to him and saying: "I say, doctor, what kind of a fly do you use?" At last, in self-defence, the doctor made this book. In it the flies of each month of the year are catalogued and entered by number. One of Dr. Preston's sporting trophies is a trout taken at Upper Dam Pool, in Maine, which weighed seven pounds and four ounces, and took forty-six minutes to land. The skin of this trout is stuffed and hangs in the doctor's office. Another trout, taken from the waters of the Long Island Country Club, weighed four pounds and a quarter. Dr. Preston has also owned many valuable dogs. Dr. Preston also hunts, and he has a very fine lot of guns, shotguns and rifles.

TWO CAPITAL SHOTS.

E. G. Whitaker and W. B. Williams enjoy the reputation of being the finest shots in the club. Mr. Whitaker, president of the New-York State Bar Association, is an authority on all matters relating to fish and game. He was one of the Commissioners appointed by the Legislature in 1890 to revise the game laws, and is the author of "Whitaker's Game Code." Mr. Whitaker is the owner of several fine hunting dogs. Some of these dogs are the descendants of a long line of celebrated ancestors. About 1850 a vessel was wrecked off Montauk Point. The only thing in that vessel that came to the shore with life in it was a beautiful lemon-colored and white English setter dog. The dog was cared for by a resident of Sag Harbor and from him bought by Mr. Whitaker's father. This dog was Milo I. Mr. Whitaker's father imported a female (Belle) from England, the breed became celebrated, and from that day to this these dogs have been bred and owned by the Whitaker family, and one of the dogs has always been named Milo and one Belle. These names were never allowed to become extinct, and Mr. Whitaker now has Milo XI and Belle XV.

Mr. Williams is a celebrated shot. Last fall when he was out quail-shooting he flushed a bevy of quail, marked them down, and went to where he saw them light, but could find nothing of them. The dog stood, but no quail were to be seen. Not far from where the dog stood was a fox burrow, and Mr. Williams saw by their tracks that the quail had run into this hole. He filled the mouth of the burrow up and said nothing to anybody about the matter. The next morning when he started out to hunt again he asserted in the most confident manner that he would be back by lunch time with at least ten quail. He went out to the burrow, dug the quail out and captured fourteen of them, and returned to the clubhouse with them in triumph. No one would have ever known how he bagged his game had not Mr. Williams thought the circumstance too strange to keep a secret. Mr. Williams is an expert fly fisher, and out of one of the lakes he took seventeen trout one afternoon that weighed twenty-five pounds.

Robert B. Roosevelt, who has fished in scores of ponds, pools and streams, is also highly pleased with the trout fishing at Eastport. Dr. J. H. Parker, president of the United States National Bank, is a famous rabbit hunter, and, in company with Edward P. Steers, president of the Twelfth Ward Bank, shot fifteen in one day.

Lawrence Meyer is also a quail shooter, but Mr. Meyer is modest, and he says quail are easier to miss than they are to hit. Mr. Meyer has two fine hunting dogs which he keeps at the club.

SALMON FISHING HIS DELIGHT.

A. K. Sloan is the treasurer of the Long Island Country Club. Mr. Sloan says that the particular form of sport in which he takes the greatest delight is salmon fishing. In the company of three other men (sometimes they take their wives along) Mr. Sloan has, for the last five years, taken a trip to Camp Romaine, a little spot which belongs to these men, and where the delight of salmon fishing is found in its perfection. Camp Romaine is on the Romaine River, in Labrador, nine miles from the Hudson Bay station. The letter-carrier there rings your doorbell only once in two weeks. The three other men who make up this party (it is not a club) are Mr. Fitch, the president of the American Watch Company; Dr. Brow and Mr. Edmons. The yacht Romaine, in which these friends reach their objective point, is a schooner of seventy-five tons, and belongs to Mr. Fitch. The fishing at Camp Romaine begins generally between June 15 and 20. About May 30 these four friends meet at St. John, N. B., where they board the yacht, and about five days later they reach Camp Romaine. Each man takes with him two gaffers and a canoist. The two gaffers, in addition to gaffing the salmon when the fishermen have tired the beautiful fish out, serve as body servants. They are well paid for all their work, besides having the surplus fish caught by the party as a bonus.

The Romaine, a beautiful broad river, about such another one as the Connecticut, is plentifully bespotted with salmon pools. It is a favorite run for the fish at the spawning season. There are two features about these fish which every sportsman knows, but which might be news to others. First, during the spawning season a salmon never eats. Thousands are caught at this season, but not an atom of food is ever found in their stomachs when they are opened. "Why, then, should they snap at what they think to be a fly?" one fisherman was asked, and he said he thought it was simply temper. It is most frequently the male fish that is caught at this time, and as he swims along beside his wife, he has a kind of an idea that he is in duty bound to fight anything and everything that comes in the path, even if it is no bigger than a fly. Speaking of gallantry and male and female fish, this same sportsman said that the male fish frequently fight like good fellows for the female that happens to strike their fancy. The victor carries off the fair one, and the vanquished takes up with the next finny belle.

Mr. Sloan says that your salmon is like your fortune: "Difficult to get; but the true science of the game is not to lose it after you have got it. Casting for salmon is done like casting for trout, with the exception that with the salmon rod you must use both hands. You throw the line out over the water, and when the flies rest upon the surface, trying to beguile the beautiful salmon, you give the rod a few gentle jerks that will twitch the flies along with the same movement that a real live fly would have. This casting is an applied art that only with a natural fondness for the sport and much practice becomes a science. If the fish do not bite after a moment or two you raise the rod and cast again."

Mr. Sloan's beautiful home on Washington-ave., Brooklyn, contains many souvenirs of his sport in Labrador and elsewhere. On the floors of the library rest two black bear rugs, and in another part of the house still another; these bears were shot by Mr. Sloan. On the wall of the library there is a black and white picture of one of the "halting camps" of these four friends. The picture was given to Mr. Sloan by Mr. Cleveland (the artist), who, when himself out in the occupation of his art, came upon the friends at their campfire.

At Camp Romaine there are two cottages, but the sportsmen sleep in their tents, except when the weather compels them to go indoors. On stormy days they can read, for they have a fine library, or play cards, or some other games. Camp Romaine is built on high ground. Down at the foot of this bluff, near the edge of one of the salmon pools, is the cabin of the caretaker, Malone, who lives there the year round. Except for the brief five weeks when the men are in the camp, Malone's only company is his one faithful dog. When he gets tired of talking English to the dog he talks French to him, as the dog and master understand both languages.

A WOMAN FISHERMAN.

Mrs. Sloan accompanied the party last year. She is an enthusiastic "sportsman," but she, as all of the others, had to yield the palm to her husband last summer, for Mr. Sloan landed one salmon that

A. K. SLOANE'S TENT IN THE PINE WOODS OF LABRADOR.

weighed seventy-four pounds, and another that weighed thirty-four pounds. Mr. Fitch has taken his wife and boys with him on this trip to Labrador a number of times, and Mrs. Fitch, who is an excellent amateur photographer, has a fine collection of views along the road, as well as pictures of the fishermen casting their lines, the canoemen, gaffers, and the like.

The officers of the Long Island Country Club are Dr. Henry G. Preston, president; W. B. Williams, vice-president; A. K. Sloan, treasurer; James P. Philip, secretary; Carlton W. Nason, G. Durand Ruel, F. House, P. W. Lynch, E. G. Whitaker, Lawrence Meyers and Walter Brown, directors; the members include F. Allard, John Achelis, Arthur L. Barney, Spencer S. Nash, Howard M. Baker, Frank Baldwin, Spencer F. Baldwin, David Banks, Frank Bailey, James Bryar, E. H. Dougherty, Edward L. Graef, William Limmis, George Moore, Julian L. Meyer, John Monks, jr., Dr. J. H. Parker, James Raymond, Robert B. Roosevelt, J. H. Stearns, Dr. A. N. Strouse, T. F. Shaw, R. A. C. Smith, H. S. Wilson, R. Tyson White, Edward A. Warren, H. W. Williams and Emile Utard.

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