THE NEWS OF BROOKLYN.

IN THE SOCIAL WORLD.

Some of the questions which have agitated the minds of the younger society people have been settled in the week just ended, and there will be unfeigned satisfaction at the announcement that the first of the Heights Assemblies has been slated for Wednesday evening, December 16, and the preliminary arrangements have already been made. As was predicted in this column a week ago, the burden of responsibility fell on the shoulders of Wyllys Terry, and the fact that he is at the head of the arrangements is a sufficient guarantee of the success of the popular dances. The opening dance falls on the evening of the Yale Glee Club's concert, but that will not affect the attendance much, as the concert will be over in time to permit dancers to enjoy both functions. The Cinderella dances will be held on the evenings of December 11, January 8, February 12 and April 22, and arrangements for the others are already being talked over. The season of social activity will be unusually lively, according to present appearances, and while the list of those who are counted as prominent factors in the success of social affairs and are still away from town is rather large it is steadily decreasing, and there will be no lack of flying feet at the winter evening gatherings.

Dr. A. J. Wood, of DeKalb-ave.; A. J. Walters, of Washington-ave., and B. A. Ganter, of New-York, who formed a very pleasant party during the last ten days in the Adirondacks, have just returned home from a remarkably successful hunting trip in the North Woods. Mr. Walters carried off the honors of the trip by shooting an immense buck, whose antlers alone weighed about eight pounds. The party killed six deer in all during their stay in the mountains. Dr. Wood killed a buck and doe, and the others did the same.

A quiet home wedding was celebrated on Wednesday evening at the house of Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Stanwood, No. 177 Congress-st., when the daughter of the house, Miss Mabel Terry Stanwood, became the wife of Charles Jean Falco, the violinist. The Episcopal service was used, the officiating clergyman being the Rev. Dr. Backus, of New-York. Miss Louie R. Stanwood, of Boston, a cousin of the bride, was the maid of honor, and the bridesmaid was Miss Audrey W. Stanwood, of Boston, also a cousin of the bride. Thomas Kilduff was the best man, and there were no ushers. Only relatives and intimate friends witnessed the ceremony, which was followed by a small reception. Mr. and Mrs. Falco, on their return from a short wedding trip, will make their home at No. 177 Congress-st., and announce "at homes" on November 4 and 11, from 4 until 7 o'clock. Both the bride and bridegroom are well known and popular in musical circles.

Another Wednesday evening home wedding was celebrated at the house of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stearns, in Monroe-st., the contracting couple being Miss Emma Stearns and Eugene Lowerre Young. The Rev. Dr. Baker performed the ceremony, which was witnessed only by relatives and intimate friends, although a large reception followed. The bride was attended by Miss Edna Young as maid of honor and Miss Evelyn Stearns, Miss Mabel Stearns and Miss Elsie Simonson as bridesmaids. Stephen Young was the best man, and the ushers were H. B. Bromley, of Brooklyn, and Henry Reddy and Mr. Tatum, of New-York. The young couple will make their home at No. 120 Jefferson-ave., and will be at home on Wednesdays in November. Among those present at the reception were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Orton, Walter Orton, Clarence Orton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adams, Miss Alice Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Simonson, Mr. and Mrs. James Practer, Miss Lillie Practer, Walter Practer, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Raynor, Mr. and Mrs. George Fertain, Mrs. E. S. Taylor, Arthur Stearns, W. G. Stearns, Edward Stearns, Sylvester Stearns, Mrs. James Foy, Mr. and Mrs. George Rapelje, Mrs. Gertrude Lott, Miss Anna Lott, Miss Myra Fosdick, Mrs. Fosdick, Stephen Lott, Mr. and Mrs. David Young, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Young, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hussey and Mrs. Lydia De Witt.

The Heights of Brooklyn has never been considered literary, though the Fords, Worthington C. and Paul Leicester, have been for many years of high standing in the book world, and a few others have printed volumes and magazine articles. It is with the more surprise, therefore, that the coming forward of a new author is noted, especially as he is one of the more prominent men of the younger set. This is no one else than Albert Gould Jennings, of Remsen-st., who has just published for private circulation a finely made up little brochure on "The Misuse of the Redeemed Legal Tenders." The brochure is worthy of a larger audience, and is a successful first plunge into authorship. There is a feeling of astonishment that so young a man should have attempted to write on so difficult a subject. Mr. Jennings is but twenty-five or twenty-six, and has been married only a year. His young wife is well known as the eldest daughter of John D. Crimmins, of New-York. Jennings himself is a wealthy manufacturer, and is easily third or fourth in the list of Heights leaders of the present day.

The Nameless Beat Club brought its season to a close on Thursday evening with a reception at the clubhouse, at Fifty-sixth-st., Bay Ridge. The affair was a success, and among the many present were Miss B. Van Nostrand, Miss Sadie Slatts, Miss Meisel, Miss C. Middleton, Miss M. O'Brien, Miss K. Sweeney, Miss H. F. Palmer, Miss McCormick, Miss L. Mennecke, Miss K. Hinton, Miss B. Douglass, Miss C. Graham, Miss J. Klinge, Miss Freese, Miss Daly, Miss Hall, Miss Canvedles, Miss Beachcomer, Mr and Mrs. Henry Briely, Mrs. McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. James Wilcox, William J. Benham, C. Beck, G. Boyce, H. Gardner, J. F. Hart, P. Medler and Mrs. Clara Williams.

The marriage of Miss Louise Goldey Hetfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred R. Hetfield, and Jarvis Adelbert Marikle was celebrated Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, No. 246 Clifton Place, the Rev. Dr. L. R. Foote officiating. The bride was attended by Miss Julie Dupuy. The best man was J. I. Huhne, and the ushers were G. Fred May and Wilson S. Huthwaite. A small reception followed the ceremony, after which the bride and bridegroom started on a fortnight's tour, which will include a visit to Niagara Falls. On their return they will live at No. 246 Clifton Place, and will give a reception some time in the fall.

Mrs. Van Brunt Bergen, Mrs. William Thomas, Miss Stevens, Miss Kitty Mackay, Mrs. Horace Plimpton, Miss Mary White, Mrs. Melville Titus, Mrs. F. N. Doubleday, Mrs. E. W. Bliss, Mrs. F. Coit Johnson, Mrs. George H. Ford, Miss Bowns, Mrs. Poulson, Mrs Norman White, Mrs. Bard, Miss Powell, Mrs. Otto Heinigke and Miss Copman are arranging a fair, which will be held in the third week in November, for the benefit of the Bay Ridge Free Library Fund. The booths will be set up in the new building of the library, and Bay Ridge people are expected to come to the front in large numbers in support of their pet institution.

Miss Annetta Theodora Treharne and Frederick W. Brown were married on Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's mother, in Jefferson-ave., the Rev. Dr. Kent officiating. Miss May E. Brown was the maid of honor. Arthur Brown was the best man, and there were no ushers.

The Rev. Dr. Louis Albert Banks on Wednesday evening performed the ceremony which united Miss May Boyd, daughter of Captain and Mrs. W. Boyd, of No. 449 Gates-ave., and W. Hoyt Worthen. Mr. and Mrs. Worthen started immediately after the ceremony on a trip through the Eastern States.

Cards have been sent out by John Packwood Tilden for the marriage of his sister, Miss Rose Tilden, to William Henry Nichols, jr., which will be celebrated at noon on Wednesday, October 28, in the Memorial Presbyterian Church, Seventh-ave. and St. John's Place. The ceremony will be followed by a breakfast at the house of the bride's brother, No. 185 Berkeley Place.

The engagement is announced of Miss Lillian H. Roche, daughter of Dominick H. Roche, of Second Place, who was for many years secretary of the Board of Assessors, to Edmund C. Barr, of this city. Mr. Barr is a member of Company A, 23d Regiment.

DELAY IN PRINTING THE MESSAGE.

MAYOR WURSTER'S FIRST COMMUNICATION TO THE ALDERMEN YET IN THE PRINTER'S HANDS.

Mayor Wurster's first message was sent to the Board of Aldermen on the first Monday in January, but it has not yet appeared in official printed form. It would seem as if ten months and a half ought to be sufficient to enable the most deliberate of printers to handle a document of that length, for Mr. Wurster took pains to make his first official communication to the City Fathers commendably short.

There are some obvious reasons for the delay, however, and the most important is that the message of the Mayor, in accordance with established custom, is to form the first part of a volume that will include the reports for 1895 of all the city departments. Some of the reports are bulky, and it has not been practicable to get them all out as yet. The volume of reports last year contained about seven hundred pages; this year about twice as many pages will be put into the book. A good share of the increase is due to the report of the Department of City Works, which makes a good-sized volume of itself.

There is a growing conviction that the printer who does the city's printing should do his work more expeditiously. In the opinion of experienced officials, all the department reports and the Mayor's message should be ready not later than the middle of the year, and it is said that the printer will be put under a bond next year to furnish everything complete by July 1.

Delays of this kind are not confined to Brooklyn, as is evidenced by the reports from other cities which are sent to Mayor Wurster. For the last few weeks they have been arriving from all parts of the country. Most of them are much smaller than the Brooklyn volume will be when it appears, but no doubt they were sent out immediately on their receipt from the printer.

NOTES FROM BROOKLYN CLUBS.

WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE CITY'S SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS.

The first entertainment of the season at the Crescent Athletic Club will be given to-night. The chief feature of the entertainment will be music by the Kaltenborn-Beyer-Hane Quartet. Mr. Kaltenborn is one of the first violins of the Seidl Orchestra, Mr. Beyer-Hane is a well-known 'cellist, and the others are members of the Seidl Orchestra. The nature of this opening entertainment seems to indicate that the performances of this year will be of a higher class than last year.

Captain Philip del Bosco, for three years the riding master of the Riding and Driving Club, has resigned, in order to accept an offer from Pickel's Academy, in New-York City. It is likely, however, that he will continue in charge of the rough-riding class, and he will have charge of a rough-riding class at the 3d Battery, in the Clermont-ave. armory, for one night a week, as well as a class of mounted officers of the 13th and 47th regiments on another evening.

The season of the Lincoln Club was begun on Tuesday night by the annual election of directors. Charles A. Tinker, Martin E. Berry, H. K. Dyer and J. V. Bowden were elected directors for a term of three years, and Herbert T. Ketcham for the two-year term. An election of officers was to have been held on Wednesday, but as there was no quorum the meeting was postponed till next Wednesday.

The Bowling Committee of the Crescent Club has arranged for a handicap team competition, to begin on November 3 and continue on Tuesday and Friday evenings until finished. There are to be teams of five men, who may enter as teams or individually. If they enter independently, they will be assigned to teams.

The Montauk Club's annual series of entertainments will begin on November 11 with a theatre party. The Montauk Theatre has been selected, the play on that occasion being "The Heart of Maryland." A large party is expected to be present.

The principal occasion at the Union League Club in the next few days will be the women's reception for Mrs. Hobart and Mrs. Woodruff, already announced in The Tribune. This will be held to-morrow afternoon. As the women have had charge of all the arrangements and the affair is in their hands exclusively, the novelty of the occasion and the general interest that is taken in the charming wives of the candidates for Vice-President and Lieutenant-Governor are likely to bring out a pretty fair representation of club members. The men will be excluded from the women's reception, but not from the general reception to follow, in which the Political and Entertainment committees will have charge of the club's share in the affair.

OLD BROOKLYN SOCIETY.

THE MODERN WRITER REBUKED FOR BEING IN FAVOR OF THE YOUNGER GENERATION.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: In your Sunday Tribune of October 11 the writer of the article on "Brooklyn Social Sets" makes a misstatement in saying that none of the "sets," as he calls them, were old, and do not antedate the year 1840. Either ignorance, or prejudice in favor of the new set, makes this statement ridiculous. Information could have been easily obtained by searching the records of the old residents on "Clover Hill," or "Ihpetonga," as it was called by the Indians. From the time of the settlement of Brooklyn, through the Revolution, and before the arrival of the "East India and Oriental" contingent, well-known gentlefolk, Dutch and New-Englanders, with their families, were willing to drop their Puritanical prejudices and form "social sets," more moderate, and undoubtedly much more select, than those of modern Ihpetonga, and in their quiet homes on the Heights. At that time hired halls were unknown, and the reception and the greetings were from the master and the mistress of the house.

Of those who lived in this olden time on the Heights in the last century were the Cornells, Whitehead and John; George, John, Isaac and Jacob Hicks; Gideon Kimberly, Aert and John Middagh, Hez. B. Pierpont, the Patchens, Remsens and Doughtys; and early in the present century the Sands, Joshua and Comfort; Cyrus P. Smith, David and Sheldon Leavitt, George L. Willard, Henry and Nat. Waring, Henry C. Murphy, Sarah Gracie, Samuel and Charles Congdon, John Marsh, Losee Van Nostrand, Benjamin D. Silliman, Robert Bach, Charles E. Bill, George Howland, Benjamin Harris, Audley Hazlett, William T. Peet, John and Tasker Howard, James Harper, John H. Prentice, William and John Herriman, E. D. Hurlbut, Theodore Duckwitz, Hippolite Mali and a few others.

In giving the above list of old and honored residents, most of whom have long since died, it only remains, while giving full credit to the modern Ihpetonga for their social efforts, to ask them to remember that the two generations past, to the manner born, made for those who are here by birthright the foundations of their homes and their families, and for those who come to the Heights in later years the social position, that they all may truly say, "I'm not only equal to the new sections of our own city, but to all and every set across the river, from Washington Square to the upper end of Gotham." OLD BROOKLYN—1834.

Brooklyn, Oct. 15, 1896.

GATHERED ABOUT THE TOWN.

The committee having in charge the collection of funds for the relief of the sufferers in the fire at Moore and Ewen sts. reports that so far $132 50 has been received. Benjamin C. Klingman, Alexander Grant, Louis Margulies and R. J. Gothe comprise the committee.

The Prohibition League will hold an indignation meeting at Jackson Hall, No. 515 Fulton-st., at 4 o'clock this afternoon to make a further protest against the Raines hotels and Sunday liquor-selling. The president, I. K. Funk, announces that several speakers will be present.

The first of the series of ten concerts to be given this season by Seidl and the Metropolitan Orchestra, under the auspices of the Brooklyn Seidl Society, is announced for Tuesday evening, October 27. The concert will be given in the Clermont Avenue Rink, and the price of admission will be 50 cents.

The theft of several articles from the Flatlands Neck Church was reported at the Flatbush Police Station yesterday. The thief took a brown organ cover valued at $7 and sixty hymnbooks, with "F. N. S." marked on the flyleaf.

Controller Palmer began payment of the county employes yesterday morning, whose salaries have been withheld since last July because of the lack of funds. The Controller has signed all the warrants for August and September, but most of the employes were not paid yesterday, except for August, as City Clerk Benjamin, who is ill at his home, had not passed upon all the warrants. All of the employes will have been paid by Monday night. The sum due for the two months was about $160,000.

William I. Nichols, general secretary of the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, warns the public against a woman who calls herself Smith, and who is making a practice of calling at various houses with a tale of poverty and hunger. The woman is young, fairly good-looking, well dressed, and has an abundance of red hair. Mr. Nichols says she is an imposter.

The Rev. John Watson ("Ian Maclaren") will lecture in Brooklyn again on Thursday, December 10, at the Academy of Music. This will be his last appearance in Brooklyn, as he sails for home December 16.

The Brooklyn Heights Railroad Company has placed a piano in the reading-room at the cross-town station for the entertainment of the employes of the road. On Friday night the first of a series of concerts was given, and the place was filled with conductors, motormen and their families. At the close of the entertainment there was a supper at the Hotel St. George for the performers. The Heights company is fitting up rooms at the other stations for similar purposes.

BERTILLON SYSTEM IN PENITENTIARY.

The Bertillon system of measurement is now being used in the Penitentiary. About two hundred prisoners have submitted to the various tests employed. Prison Clerk James Tully is superintending the work, and is being assisted by Dr. Otto Stumpf. On November 1 the police of Brooklyn and of other cities in this State will put the system in operation.

AFFAIRS AT THE NAVY YARD

WORKMEN BUSY MAKING REPAIRS ON THE CHICAGO.

A LIKELIHOOD THAT ONE OF THE BIG SHIPS OF THE SQUADRON WILL GO TO THE YARD FOR REPAIRS THIS WEEK—MORE DEFECTS FOUND IN DRYDOCK NO. 3.

Activity is the order of the day in the Navy Yard, and in no department is there an idle man. The expectation that one or more of the ships of the squadron would come to the yard for repairs was not fulfilled, but it is likely that there will be an addition to the vessels at the yard this week, as the monitor Terror has been moved from her berth inside the channel to the outer edge of the Cob Dock, to make room where a ship can be reached by the workmen. On the vessels the sounds of labor are steady, and the big hulk of the Chicago looms up out of the stone dock, a piebald mass of dull iron and streaky white paint. Her propeller blades have been removed by the gentle process of breaking the hubs open, and little is left of the graceful cruiser save an unsightly hulk. In the timber dock the monitor Puritan is receiving her secondary battery, consisting of four 3-pounder rapid-fire guns, four 37-mm. Hotchkiss revolving cannon and four Gatling guns, together with several coats of paint and a general overhauling and putting into shipshape. She will not come out of the dock before the latter part of next week, according to estimates made yesterday, and will be ready for going into commission on November 1, with either Captain Colby M. Chester or Captain William Bainbridge Hoff in command. The engine-room of the Katahdin is still in a state of upheaval, and the end thereof no man seems to see. It is regarded as more than probable that when this vessel is again ready for sea she will be kept in commission for a short time and then be laid up. She has been so far much like the torpedo-boat Ericsson—a costly and unprofitable investment.

MORE DRYDOCK TROUBLES.

The drydock question is rapidly assuming formidable proportions. While repairs on Dock No. 2 are being completed with all possible speed, the chances that any of the big battleships will see the inside of the new dock, No. 3, seem to be growing smaller and beautifully less. The latest cause for delay is the trouble over the suction pipes for the removal of water from the dock after a vessel has been floated in. It seems that when the contract was made the specifications called for suction pipes of the same size as those already in use. The plans for the first dock were looked over, and they called for a pipe, by the scale, 42 inches in diameter, but there were no figures on the plan. The pump was known to be a 42-inch pump, and the natural supposition was that the new pipes would have to be of the same size. Accordingly the pipe was laid, but the inspection is apparently another story.

The work on the little training ship Essex is being rushed ahead, and the framework of her heightened bulwarks is almost all in place. It will require at least two months to finish this work, and then the ship will be full-rigged instead of bark-rigged, as formerly.

CONDITION OF CONTRACT WORK.

The condition of the contract work in the yard is as satisfactory as usual with that class of work. A large part of the plate handling machinery has been put in place in building No. 115, and workmen are putting in the countershafting and overhead pulleys. Much of this machinery, which is extremely valuable, will require a lot of cleaning and repairing, as it has been exposed to the elements ever since the old building was torn down, early in the spring of this year. One of the most difficult jobs at present under way in the yard is that for which the King Bridge Company of Cleveland has the contract. This is putting a new roof on building No. 11, known as the construction smithery. The building has a frontage of 300 feet on Morris-ave., and 195 feet on both Second and Third sts. The main building is 60 feet wide, the Second-st. "L" being of the same width and the Third-st. 69 feet wide. The work is to be completed in 105 days, and it is the intention to have the work done without interfering with the work of the shop. To do this the old roof will have to be taken off in sections, and the new roof placed. Already fourteen carloads of structural steel have arrived at the yard, and about eighty feet of the Second-st. "L" has been unroofed. The work will require seventy steel trusses, of which sixteen will have a sixty-nine-foot spand, and forty a span of sixty feet. The new roof will have a ventilated monitor top, with pivoted windows between each pair of trusses. The aggregate contract price for the work is $30,354.

THE PIPES THREE INCHES TOO SMALL.

The fact was overlooked that in the sizinfl of pumps the figures given relate to the outflow and not to the intake, and the "forty-two-inch pumps" of the old dock called for suction pipes forty-five inches in diameter. It now turns out, so it is said, that when the pipes were connected with the pumps for the purpose of emptying the dock after the caisson had been floated into place, a bonnet or hood was used, with a flaring end, which fitted both the pump and the pipes. At a later stage of the proceedings it was found that the water could not be lowered below a certain depth, and an examination revealed the fact that there were several leaks at the joints, and one break. The pipes were uncovered, and a board, consisting of Captain Sperry, Civil Engineer White and Naval Constructor Zahm, was ordered to investigate the affair and incidentally to place the blame for having pipes in the place which were three inches less in diameter than those required by the contract. Inquiry in Washington elicited the information that a rather sharp letter had been sent to the yard, calling attention to the fact that there was something wrong with the inspection system, and asking what inspectors were for, any way.

In the mean time there was a halt called on the work, and an inspection of the trench revealed that the pipes had been laid without a due regard for the weight of the work, and that in several place they were unsupported by earth. It was natural that when the filling in was placed on top of them and hammered down, they should feel the strain and bulge at the sides or flatten out. Just where the blame rests is what the Board is trying to find out, and it has a difficult task ahead of it. Whatever the investigation may reveal, one thing is certain. The dock will not be completed on schedule time, from present appearances. Other points which may be considered are that there will be an extra expense of at least $20,000 on account of the trouble, as it has been decided to remove all the pipes now laid, which are of cast-iron, and substitute for them medium steel pipes, three inches more in diameter, and having the joints riveted.

TO BEGIN THE NEW DOCK APPROACHES.

The dredging of the approach to the big dock will begin to-morrow, Dubois & Co., of New-Yark, having the contract. A large part of the filling-in has been done behind the western approach wall, and the finishing touches are being put to a portion of the east wall. The contractors have started pumps at work inside the dock clearing the well of water and preparing it for inspection.

The report of the Auditor of the Navy, which is about to be issued for distribution, says that up to the present time, $101,659,125.91 has been appropriated for the increase of the Navy. There has been expended $89,830,738 13. The total amount available for the fiscal year 1897 is stated to be $13,954,439 01, made up of the unexpended balance from last year and the appropriation under the act of June 10, last.

Reports have just been received by the Navy Department of target practice made by the cruiser Raleigh while she was stationed off the Florida coast in September. The reports show exceptionally good work at the guns, and indicate the complete success of the percussion shell lately adopted by the Navy. The target was the hull of the wrecked bark Carmolita, at a distance of about a mile and a half. Nearly every shot struck the mark, and the shells burst within the sides of the hull, as they were calculated to do by the marksmen.

The friends of Assistant Naval Constructor and Mrs. R. M. Watts will be pleased to learn they are located for the winter at No. 254 Carlton-ave., Brooklyn. Mr. Watts has lately reported for duty at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, taking the place made vacant by the transfer of Assistant Naval Constructor Richmond P. Hobson.

IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT.

YOUTHFUL WOULD-BE SAFE-BREAKERS HELD.

William and Edward McKenna, brothers, twelve and thirteen years old, who were arrested on Friday night charged with robbing the mineral water factory of Lawrence F. Carroll, were arraigned yesterday before Justice Goetting, charged with burglary. In addition to robbing the factory of a box of soda water and part of a set of strainers, an attempt was made to force open the safe by pounding the door with a hammer and chisel. Since the arrest of the McKenna brothers, the police have arrested Percy Elliott, nine years old. The parents of the boys live at No. 196 Hope-st. Young Elliott, it is said, was also in the robbery as well as another boy, known to the youthful prisoners as "Reddy." The boys declared that it was "Reddy" who made the attack on the safe. Detective Campbell found forty dents on the safe. The mother of young Elliott was in court, and her son was paroled in her custody, while the McKenna boys went to jail until Monday, when the case will be tried. The police expect to have the other boy in custody by that time. The mother of the McKennas is ill at her home.

THE MILLERS BEFORE THE PUBLIC AGAIN.

Adam Miller, nineteen years old, of No. 575 Kosciusko-st., was committed to jail by Justice Lemon in the Ewen Street Police Court yesterday in default of $500 bail, on a charge of abandonment preferred by his wife. The couple were married last spring, Mrs. Miller being a widow at the time, and six years older than Miller. Miller's parents refused to be reconciled to the marriage, and Mrs. Miller was constantly in fear that her husband would leave her. One night, shortly after their marriage, Miller returned to his home and found his wife bound and gagged on a lounge. She told him that two strange men had entered the apartments and tied and gagged her so as to prevent an outcry while they ransacked the room. Later she admitted having bound and gagged herself in hopes of regaining her husband's love, as she thought he intended going away. The affair had the desired effect, and Miller continued to live with his wife until a short time ago, when he, it is alleged, abandoned her. When arrested on Friday night Miller was enjoying the performance of "Kidnapped" at the Lyceum Theatre. Mrs. Miller is living at No. 141 Maujer-st.

NOT OPPOSING CLANCY.

W. C. REDFIELD, THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE FOR CONGRESS, REPORTED TO BE CONFINING ALL HIS ATTENTION TO MR. HURLEY.

It is becoming apparent in the IId Congress District that William C. Redfield, the candidate of the National Democrats, is not working as vigorously against John M. Clancy, the silver candidate, as against Congressman Denis M. Hurley, the Republican nominee. Mr. Redfield is said to be working much harder for Republican votes than for the support of the "regular" Democrats. He is reported to have approached many of his Republican friends in the district, and told them that he was strongly for the gold standard, and could be trusted by Republican protectionists, because his views on the tariff are not extreme. Mr Redfield has no personal grounds for fighting against Congressman Hurley, and has no fault to find with Mr. Hurley's record while in Congress, or with his reputation for honesty and ability. Nevertheless, he seems to have a great fondness, according to reports from many sections of the district, for Republican votes, and seems willing to allow Mr. Clancy to win by pulling away from the only sound-money candidate who has a chance to win enough votes to defeat him.

Mr. Hurley's political associates have expressed much surprise at Mr. Redfield's action. They supposed that the object of the National Democrats was to fight free silver, but Mr. Redfield, so far as can be learned, is giving little attention to his free-silver antagonist.

The "regular" Democrats are working harder for Mr. Clancy than for any other Congress nominee. They realize that he is the only one of the five whom they can by any possibility elect, and they are concentrating their efforts in his interest.

THE REV. DR. ASTON RESIGNS.

HE GIVES UP THE FIGHT IN THE WINDSOR TERRACE METHODIST CHURCH.

The Rev. Dr. Henry Aston, pastor of the Windsor Terrace Methodist Episcopal Church, created a sensation at the regular weekly meeting on Friday night by sending in a letter of resignation. The Rev. E. A. Noble, pastor of the Eighteenth Street Methodist Episcopal Church, was present as Dr. Aston's representative, and read the letter. The Rev. C. S. Wing, presiding elder of the district, was also present. It had been Dr. Aston's intention to read the letter in person, but illness compelled him to remain at home. The letter made reference to Dr. Aston's enemies in the church, and the pastor gave as a reason for his resignation that he could no longer stand the strain which his enemies had brought to bear upon him. He also made the statement that the church owed him back salary.

The Rev. Dr. Noble will occupy the pulpit of Windsor Terrace Church this evening. It is understood he will make some reference to the trouble. The Rev. Mr. Wing has announced that he will supply the pulpit until a new pastor is appointed to fill the vacancy.

Dr. Aston's illness is due to a disorder of the nerves, and he is seriously ill. He has been in the Methodist Church for forty years, and this is the first trouble he has ever had.

AGAINST GONGS ON BICYCLES.

A STRONG CONVICTION IN MANY MINDS THAT THEY ARE AN UNQUALIFIED NUISANCE.

There is a strong feeling on the part of many people in Brooklyn that steps should at once be taken by the city authorities to put an end to the practice of a considerable number of bicycle riders of carrying large gongs attached to the rear of their wheels, and ringing them in such a manner as to create a nuisance. It is recognized by everybody that bicycle bells are a necessity both for the protection of riders and of pedestrians, but there is no excuse for bells that give forth a sound like the gong of an ambulance or a trolley-car.

The practice would not be so bad if it were indulged in only by riders who sounded these things when an alarm of some kind is needed, but it threatens to become a menace to health when the gongs are adopted by boys who ring them simply for the sake of making a hubbub, no matter whether it is early in the morning or late at night. Some riders with the new-fangled attachment think nothing of keeping it ringing for the distance of half a block as late as 11 o'clock p. m., of course waking up many people and seriously disturbing the sick.

The difficulty can be reached by the adoption of a stringent ordinance forbidding the use of bicycle bells larger than a prescribed size. In some towns near New-York the limit has been fixed at 2½ inches, and there is a further rule laid down that the bell must be attached to the handle-bar. In the opinion of some cyclists a larger bell should be allowed in the case of tandems, though as a matter of fact a bell two inches in diameter is sufficient to give ample warning in the case of any wheel ridden with reasonable care.

Some of the Aldermen have been spoken to by wheelmen who have become disgusted with the gong-ringing, and there is a prospect that an ordinance will be proposed placing a limitation on the size of bells to be used on bicycles. It would seem to be appropriate that the wheelmen's organizations should take the matter up and urge the adoption of such an ordinance.

A DINNER FOR PRESIDENT BALDWIN.

A dinner was given at the Hamilton Club, Brooklyn, on Friday evening, for President William H. Baldwin, of the Long Island Railroad. The other guests were Mayor Frederick W. Wurster, Park Commissioner Timothy L. Woodruff, presidents Clinton L. Rossiter, of the Brooklyn Heights Railroad; James McKeen, of the Hamilton Club; William Berri, of the Union League Club, and Eugene G. Blackford, of the Atlantic Avenue Commission and Bedford Bank; Chester S. Lord, of "The New-York Sun"; Samuel Bowles, of "The Springfield (Mass.) Republican"; Frederick Mitchell Munroe, of "Brooklyn Life"; the Rev. Samuel A. Eliot, of the Church of the Saviour; Horace C. Du Val, John A. Taylor, Henry H. Benedict and Naval Constructor Francis T. Rowles. The host was Herbert L. Bridgman, of "The Standard Union."

PLANS FOR THE DR. STORRS CELEBRATION

The committee of twenty-five representative citizens of Brooklyn, called together to formulate plans for a public testimonial in honor of the Rev. Dr. Richard S. Storrs, pastor of the Church of the Pilgrims, held a meeting on Friday evening. No members of the committee belong to Dr. Storrs's church, but all who attended expressed themselves as only too glad to be able to take part in a public demonstration on the occasion of Dr. Storrs's golden jubilee, November 19, when he will have completed a pastorate of fifty years in this city. Alfred T. White, former City Works Commissioner, presided. Among those who attended were A. A. Low, Henry W. Maxwell, James McKeen, Charles M. Moore, Albert G. McDonald, Colonel Willis L. Ogden, William Berri, the Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott, and Justice Willard Bartlett. Colonel Ogden outlined a plan for the proposed celebration, which included an address by Dr. Storrs on the subject, "Fifty Years of Citizenship in Brooklyn." It was practically decided to engage the Academy of Music for the occasion. Mr. White was authorized to appoint a committee of ten to make arrangements for the affair, and to raise the necessary funds. Another meeting will be held in a few days.

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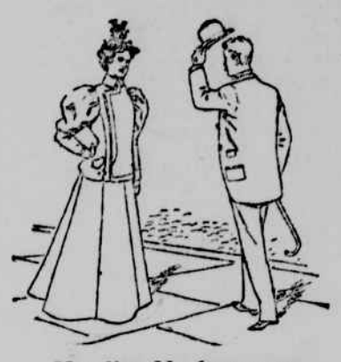

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Muslin Gowns, tucked yoke, cambric ruffle on neck & sleeves, at.....27c
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Walking Skirts, with lace trimmed ruffles.58 cts
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We just purchased from the largest importers of English hosiery in this country—280 dozen of Men's fine cashmere and natural wool Socks, made by a celebrated manufacturer, whose name—stamped on each pair—will be recognized as a standard of merit. The goods retail regularly at 50c. pair—but we bought them at a price which enables us to offer them at.....25c pair

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Oak Sideboard, made to sell for 42.00, Our Price.....29.50
Oak Sideboard, made to sell for 48.00, Our Price.....34.10
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Oak Hall Rack, made to sell for 16.00 Our Price.....11.50
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Oak Hall Rack, made to sell for 19.00, Our Price.....13.80
Oak Hall Rack, made to sell for 21.00, Our Price.....15.10
Oak Hall Rack, made to sell for 27.00, Our Price.....19.65
Oak Hall Rack, made to sell for 30.00, Our Price.....21.45
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Fourteen solid mahogany Bedroom Suites of three pieces, as follows:
Bedstead is 6 ft. 2 in. long by 4 ft. 6 in. wide and 5 ft. 10 in. high.
Mahogany Bureau with swell front base, carved legs and French bevel plate mirror, 30x30 in.
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Splendid goods splendidly made, at exceptionally small prices:

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Walking Skirts of black fancy wide wale cloth—lined throughout and velvet finished—regularly sold at $7.00—at.....$4.98
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