WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

PEEKSKILL.

This evening at the First Presbyterian Church the pastor, the Rev. Alvah Grant Fessenden, will preach the annual sermon to Abram Vosburg Post No. 95, G. A. R.; De Lancey Cole Camp, Sons of Veterans, No. 78, and the Woman's Relief Corps.

Peekskill streets are all being treated to a coating of trap rock, preparatory to the firemen's convention in June.

The State Camp is almost in readiness for the opening next Saturday.

The trustees of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church have decided to have the exterior of the church repainted. It is now being repaired by masons.

YONKERS.

Henry M. Baird, jr., transfer tax appraiser of the estate of Thomas G. Aycrigg, filed his report yesterday. The report shows a net estate of $87,888 84. As the decedent died intestate, the estate is divided among two sisters, five nephews and three nieces. The transfer tax to be paid to the State Controller is $2,636 64.

At the annual convention of the Home Mission Society of the United States at Detroit, Mich., Thomas J. Morgan and the Rev. Alvah S. Hobart, of Yonkers, were respectively elected treasurer and secretary.

The annual session of District Grand Lodge No. 1, Independent Order B'nai B'rith, will be held today in the Home for the Aged, in Riverdale-ave. Delegates are expected from the Dominion of Canada, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Massachusetts and New-York.

The Democrats on Friday night held primaries in all of the wards, with the exception of the Sixth Ward. There was no primary there, owing to an injunction issued by County Judge Lent upon the application of James P. Dalton, made on account of the refusal of Thomas Coyle and John Daly, the inspectors, to enroll Dalton on Wednesday. Dalton also had both inspectors arrested. They were released on bail.

MOUNT VERNON.

The members of the Commercial Travellers' Club of this city entertained about a hundred friends on Friday night at the formal opening of their rooms. A programme of songs and instrumental music was given by volunteers, after which refreshments were served. The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing. The new club is in a flourishing condition, having about sixty members and attractive rooms in the Ferguson Building.

Knights Templar from several of the cities and towns of Westchester County assembled in Mount Vernon on Friday night to take part in the annual election and installation of Bethlehem Commandery. The following Sir Knights were elevated to office: Ex-Major Edson Lewis, Commander; Daniel Lewis, Generalissimo; M. E. Close, Captain-General; J. D. Ferris, Senior Warden; William Maxon, Junior Warden; C. A. Hodgman, Treasurer; E. T. Stewart, Recorder; J. L. Fisher, Warden. Past Commander John W. Coburn, of New-York, was the installing officer.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward D. Jennings, of South Third-ave., celebrated their thirtieth wedding anniversary on Friday night. Mr. and Mrs. Jennings were assisted in receiving by Mrs. Sabine, of Troy. About one hundred guests were present. Mr. Jennings is connected with the Union Dime Savings Bank of New-York.

Uniforms have been selected for the new cavalry troop just formed in this city. The uniforms will be the same as are worn by the members of Squadron A, New-York City.

WHITE PLAINS.

The members of Cromwell Post No. 466, G. A. R. and the Woman's Relief Corps will attend special services in the First Baptist Church this evening. The Rev. Dr. Boothe will preside. On Wednesday the veterans will parade to Rural Cemetery, where public exercises will be conducted.

Aaron Hall, a resident of White Plains, has purchased a farm of four hundred acres in Sullivan County, to which he will soon remove.

PELHAM MANOR.

The Rev. J. H. Robinson, pastor of the Huguenot Memorial Church, will preach a baccalaureate sermon this afternoon to the young women students of Mrs. John Cunningham Hazen's school. About a hundred of the young women and their friends will be present, and the church will be decorated with flowers and the Hazen colors.

NEW-ROCHELLE.

Flandreau Post, G. A. R., is to attend service this morning in the Upper New-Rochelle Methodist Episcopal Church, where an appropriate sermon will be preached by the Rev. W. H. Wardell. On Wednesday afternoon there will be a parade in which General James Shields Garrison Army and Navy Veterans, Flandreau Post and the other military organizations of the city will take part. At night the veterans and their friends will assemble in the City Hall, when Mayor M. J. Dillon, on behalf of the people of New-Rochelle, will publicly turn over to them the rooms prepared for them in the new City Hall Building.

The Common Council at its regular meeting on June 5, in the City Hall Building, will sell $150,000 of 3½ per cent street improvement bonds and $30,000 of bonds bearing interest at the same per cent for the payment of damages for change of grade under the old village government. These bonds were authorized at the last session of the Legislature. A certified check for $1,000 payable to the City Treasurer of New-Rochelle is required to be deposited by each bidder as a guarantee of good faith.

Carl Keller, of Chicago, who on March 31 attempted to rob the photograph gallery of A. J. Rosch, was sentenced yesterday to two and a half years in Sing Sing Prison. The main evidence against the burglar was the plaster of paris moulds of his footprints secured the next morning. He wore a pair of No. 10 shoes with peculiar heels.

MOUNT KISCO.

William Stanley early in March left Mount Kisco, presumably for Philadelphia, where he said his wife, who was visiting there, was dying from pneumonia. He returned a week later dressed in mourning and appearing greatly distressed, owing, as he said, to his wife's death.

He returned to work as superintendent of the Molleson place, but Mr. and Mrs. George Molleson were then in Atlantic City. On March 20 Stanley left Mount Kisco, saying he was going to New-York, and would return on the 24th. Mr. Molleson has not heard from him since, but has received a letter from Stanley's wife, asking about him. Annie Wilson, a servant, went to New-York just previous to Stanley's departure, and it is said that the two appeared greatly attached to each other after Stanley announced that he was a widower.

CROWD PURSUES BOLD BURGLARS.

ROBBERS, SURPRISED AT THEIR WORK, ENFORCE COMMAND WITH A PISTOL.

Passaic, N. J., May 26.—While the family of E. P. Sargent were at a circus to-day, thieves entered and ransacked the house. Sargent returned from business at 3 o'clock, and when he tried to get in found the door barricaded on the inside. Two men suddenly opened the door. One of the strangers held a revolver in his hand, and he compelled Sargent to kneel on the stoop, and told him not to move until they were out of sight. The thieves then fled.

Sargent did not wait, but shouted for assistance, and in a short time a crowd of about a hundred men and boys were running after the thieves. The two men were fleet footed and soon distanced their pursuers. When Sargent returned home afterward he found that the robbers had tied up several bundles and were just about to leave the house when he surprised them. Only $40 in cash was missing.

JEFFERSON COUNTY SOCIETY FORMED.

"The Jefferson County Society of the City of New-York," whose object is the promotion of friendship and good fellowship among Northern New-Yorkers, particularly those from Watertown and its vicinity, was organized last night after an informal dinner at the Murray Hill Hotel. About forty former residents of Watertown and its neighborhood were present. Frank G. Banister, secretary of the Harlem Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association, presided at the meeting. After the adoption of a constitution the following officers were elected: Frederick D. Rounds, of the Third Avenue Railroad, president; Chester A. Lord, vice-president; John N. Harman, second vice-president; John P. Martin, secretary; A. B. Quencer, treasurer; and the following Board of Directors: John A. Hardiman, Thomas A. Kenyon, Frank G. Banister, John J. Quencer and Justin Burns.

VETERANS' ANNUAL DINNER.

The Veteran Association of the 165th Regiment, 2d Duryea Zouaves, had their seventeenth anual dinner last night at the Sturtevant House. About seventy members and guests were present. A life-size figure of a zouave in immortelles, the gift of Colonel C. H. Raymond, stood on a small table beside the dais table. There were no set toasts or speeches. Among those who made short addresses were James Ferguson, president of the association; General M. Day, Colonel A. G. Mills, Captain W. C. Reddy, General G. C. Chappell, John Fleming, Major Thomas Odell and Captain Mathias Johnson.

QUEEN TO CANADIAN SOCIETY.

The Canadian Society of New-York yesterday received the following cable message in reply to one it sent to Queen Victoria on her birthday:

Balmoral, Bartindale, President Canadian Society, N. Y: Queen sincerely thanks society for congratulations. SECRETARY.

REMOVAL OF PUBLISHERS.

Meyer Bros. & Co., the well known book publishers, formerly at No. 1,132 Broadway, have moved their establishment to their own building, No. 26 West Thirty-third-st., opposite the Waldorf-Astoria Court.

HOME NEWS.

PROMINENT ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS.

ASTOR—Dr. Deitlin, of Chicago. BUCKINGHAM—Walter Wynne, of Philadelphia. EMPIRE—Judge William K. Cattell, of Garrison's, N. Y. FIFTH AVENUE—Dr. George D. Bliss, of Dorchester, Mass., and Samuel Ross, of Washington. GILSEY—Carl Upperman, of Berlin. GRAND—Matthew Swan, of Pittsburg, and Lieutenant E. H. Tillman, U. S. N. HOFFMAN—J. V. Cunny, of Buenos Ayres, and Arthur Peyton, of San Francisco. HOLLAND—Dr. George W. Crile, of Cleveland, Ohio, and R. R. McCormick, of Chicago. IMPERIAL—Colonel S. T. Warmcastle, of Pittsburg; Colonel G. A. Elder, of Duluth; Thomas Edwards, M. P., of Liverpool; George E. Matthews, Editor of "The Buffalo Express," and Major Frederick E. Webb, of Milwaukee. MANHATTAN—Joseph A. Leggett, of Troy. MURRAY HILL—C. De Armond, of Philadelphia; W. Bailey, of Bristol, England, and H. Stanley Knight, of New-Haven, Conn. NETHERLAND—De Courcey May, of Scranton, and Judge Frank Brundage, of Buffalo. SAVOY—Dr. J. Taber Johnson, of Washington. STURTEVANT—C. H. Norton, of Philadelphia. WALDORF—L. B. Elkins, jr., of Washington; Captain M. Robinson, of London; Colonel T. R. Parkinson, of England, and Colonel William Donoghue, of Hartford, Conn.

NEW-YORK CITY.

The dedication of the new building of the Young Men's Hebrew Association will be held on Wednesday at 3:30 p. m. It is at Lexington-ave. and Ninety-second-st., and is the gift of Jacob H. Schiff.

Edwin T. Greenfield, Grand Marshal of the Grand Army of the Republic, will review the boys of the Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society on Wednesday at 4:30 p. m. on the grounds of the New-York Orphan Asylum, at Eleventh-ave. and One-hundred-and-fiftieth-st.

The annual confirmation services of the Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, Madison-ave. and Sixty-fifth-st., will be held on Sunday morning, June 3, at 10 o'clock. The Rev. Stephen S. Wise, the minister of the congregation, will then preach his farewell sermon.

Sergeant-Major John N. Stearns, jr., of Squadron A, has been appointed commissary, with the rank of lieutenant, to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of Lieutenant Robert K. Prentice to the staff of the Major-General.

William P. Ames, forty-two years old, a pedler, living at No. 300 Bowery, died in the City Hospital, Blackwell's Island, yesterday from stab wounds received on March 27 at the hands of John Owens, thirty-seven years old, a lodger at the same place.

THE FERRY HOUSE A COUNTY FAIR.

A LONG ISLAND COUPLE SPEND MUCH TIME AND MONEY ON ITS DELIGHTS.

"By gosh, Mariah," exclaimed a Long Island farmer to his better half as they entered one of the East River ferry houses, "this beats ther county fair all ter smash!"

The bewhiskered follower of the plough gazed about the place, and then put his hand in his pocket to see how much money he had. The ferry house was certainly a revelation to a man who hadn't been "up ter town" for several years. About seventeen kinds of musical instruments were in full blast, and as they were all playing different tunes the effect created was certainly equal to the entertainment of the best three ring circus that ever took the road.

The scene was also enlivened by the presence of the official candy man, who controls the stand privileges in the ferry house, a number of men selling racetrack tickets and programmes, railroad porters ready to take charge of passengers' baggage, and others.

Mariah was nothing loath to loiter with her husband, and so the couple proceeded to take in the sights. They began instinctively, perhaps, by purchasing a bag of peanuts, and then they drifted over to the automatic banjo, which was making more noise than any of the other instruments.

"It beats that there 'coon' up in ther village all ter pieces!" declared the countryman.

"It do," was Mariah's rejoinder, as she began to scrutinize the spring millinery worn by the colored woman who stood in a glass case over in the corner, telling fortunes. Then the couple patronized in turn the different kinds of phonographs arranged about the place, they chewed fourteen different kinds of gum which they had extracted after much study, exertion and expenditure of money from the various penny-in-the-slot machines, and then they had their fortunes told both by the elephant and the colored woman referred to.

By this time the happy pair had lost three boats, but they continued to turn a deaf ear to the entreaties of the ferrymen to get aboard. They were resolved to get their money's worth out of the show if it took all day. Next they put a nickel in the box of the automatic orchestra, had their weight singly and combined registered three times—every time differently—by the weighing machine, tested their lungs by blowing in a rubber tube, heard more music from an electric ragtime piano, viewed the Streets of Cairo at the Paris Exposition and other instructive sights displayed by the kinetoscope, and, last but not least, listened to all the latest ballads and comic songs of the day warbled by artists of doubtful merit with a wheezing, sneezing, buzzsaw accompaniment.

As was natural, the farmer and his wife were somewhat tired by the unusual excitement and sightseeing. They were also hungry, so they turned their attention for a few brief moments to the candy man. They indulged in fries in a box, candy and oranges, looked at the multitude of magazine pictures on the walls, and were about to hear the phonograph's recital of its views on free silver when a young man rushed into the ferryhouse and shouted:

"Say, dad, you'll be late fer the train if you don't hurry up!"

Dad and Mariah cast longing looks about the varied attractions of the ferry house and then moved toward the door. As they were going the old man turned to his son and exclaimed:

"Great show, this!"

The son, having been "up ter town" twice in a twelvemonth, looked at his parent in a superior sort of way and replied:

"It's dead slow! There isn't a cigarette machine in the whole outfit."

ROOSEVELT TO THE SCIENTISTS.

GOVERNOR WILL ADDRESS THEIR CONVENTION TO BE HELD HERE NEXT MONTH.

Governor Roosevelt will address the forty-ninth annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, which will be held at Columbia University from June 23 to 30. The association headquarters will be in Schermerhorn Hall, and the hotel headquarters of the council of the association will be at the Hotel Majestic.

The officers of the meeting are: President, R. S. Woodward, Columbia University; vice-presidents, mathematics and astronomy, Asaph Hall, jr., Ann Arbor University; physics, Ernest Merritt, Cornell University; chemistry, James Lewis Howe, Washington and Lee University; mechanical science and engineering, John A. Brashear, Western University of Pennsylvania; geology, James Furman Kemp, Columbia University; zoology, C. B. Davenport, Harvard University; botany, William Trelease, Shaw Botanic Gardens; anthropology, Amos W. Butler, Indiana Board of Charities; social and economic science, Calvin M. Woodward, Washington University; permanent secretary, L. O. Howard, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington; general secretary, Charles Baskerville, University of North Carolina; secretary of the council, William Hallock, Columbia University; local Executive Committee, J. J. Stevenson, chairman; R. S. Woodward, William Hallock, J. F. Kemp, D. T. MacDougal, N. L. Britton, C. F. Cox, H. F. Osborn, F. W. Putnam, William McMurtrie and J. McKeen Cattell.

The programme has been completed up to and including the evening of June 26. Announcements will be made later for the succeeding days. The election of officers will probably take place on Thursday, and the closing general session on Friday evening. Here is the programme as far as it goes:

SATURDAY, JUNE 23.

Regular meeting of council, Hotel Majestic, noon.

MONDAY, JUNE 25.

Meeting of council, Schermerhorn Hall, 10 a. m.

First general session of the association, 11 a. m., at the university gymnasium, called to order by the retiring president, G. K. Gilbert, of Washington, who will introduce the president-elect, Professor R. S. Woodward, of New-York. Addresses of welcome by Governor Roosevelt, Mayor Van Wyck and President Low. Reply by President Woodward.

Adjournment of general session, followed by organization of sections.

At 3 o'clock—Vice-President Hall, before the section of mathematics and astronomy; Vice-President Howe, before the section of chemistry; Vice-President Trelease, before the section of botany.

At 4 o'clock—Vice-President Merritt, before the section of physics; Vice-President Kemp, before the section of geology.

Tuesday Evening—General session in Museum of Natural History. Address by the retiring president, G. K. Gilbert. Reception to the members and guests of the association.

Among the affiliated societies represented in this convention will be the American Forestry Association, Geological Society of America, American Chemical Society, Society for the Promotion of Agricultural Science, Association of Economic Entomologists, American Mathematical Society, Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education, American Folklore Society, Botanical Society of America, Sigma XI Honorary Scientific Fraternity, American Microscopical Society, Astronomical and Physical Society of America, American Physical Society, American Psychological Association, Linnear Fern Chapter and Sullivant Moss Chapter.

BOOM TIMES IN HONOLULU.

BUSINESS REVIVING RAPIDLY—CAPITAL SEEKING INVESTMENT

San Francisco, May 26 (Special).—Advices from Honolulu show that the long period of depression due to the plague quarantine is over, and that all signs point to a great business revival in a short time. In fact, it is even predicted that the flush times of March last year will be revived.

The first cause of this better feeling is the passage of the Hawaiian bill, which is an absolute assurance of complete stability. This of itself would ordinarily cause a boom. As it is, even despite the recent plague epidemic, there is certain to be in the immediate future a rush of mainland capital to the country. Eastern capitalists have simply been waiting for what has now occurred. Colonel MacFarlane, in Washington, and Edward Pollitz and others in New-York are ready to turn the tide of investment seekers to Honolulu. On top of this comes the telegram from President McKinley approving the bill lately passed by the Council of State. This makes available over $2,000,000 additional money, a large part of which will go into circulation at once. In fact, a considerable item in bills is for unpaid accounts of last year, which will now be settled.

Again Secretary Gage announces that within forty-five days the Washington Government will call in $4,000,000 of bonds assumed by the United States and pay for them. Probably $3,000,000 of these bonds are held by Hawaiian people, and it is a conservative estimate that $2,000,000 are in the islands at this time. A large part of this can be taken up at once under the bondholders' own terms, and the balance by compromise. Out of the deal it seems probable that nearly or quite $2,000,000 will be returned to the people in this way. As investors in bonds are usually wealthy men who wish to keep their money out all the time, other bonds and stocks will come into demand.

Added to all this is the near approach of large dividends to be paid by plantations. These will come in June and July. In view of the settled condition of things none of the plantations will "hedge," but will pay promptly and as largely as possible. Some of the plantations will pay the last of this month. It is impossible to approximate the sum to be distributed in the next few months, but it will run into millions. This money will fall to men of all classes, as sugar stocks are widely distributed.

BIG FIRE IN APALACHICOLA.

THREE BLOCKS IN THE FLORIDA TOWN BURNED IN THREE HOURS.

Apalachicola, Fla., May 26.—A disastrous fire broke out in the house of Mrs. Broughton about noon Friday. It spread to the Methodist Church, and from there to the business portion of the town. In less than three hours three blocks were entirely consumed. The following is a partial report of the losses: The Methodist Church, the residences of Mrs. Broughton and Dr. Willis Hicks, offices of J. H. Lovett & Co., the store of Patton & Hall and all intervening shops to R. Collins's store at Centre and Market sts.

The fire crossed Market-st. to the buildings occupied by Drs. Alexander Hoffman, Moore and Willis Hicks, Messrs. Murat, Hendry & Rice, A. H. Hopp, E. A. Flateur & Co., Dr. Rush Lichenfelt, A. H. Gendberg, the home of J. S. Hitchcock, "The Times" office, John Cook's bar and adjacent buildings. From here the fire leaped across Centre-st., and consumed everything from the Central Hotel to the icehouse on the wharf. Everything on the waterfront from the telegraph office to Roge & Sons' place, in Water-st., was consumed. The Custom House was consumed, and very few of the records were saved. The splendid armory, recently built at a cost of $18,000, also was destroyed. At present it is impossible to estimate the losses.

WITHERBEE WILL NOT BE NAMED.

SENATOR PLATT SAYS IT IS SETTLED THAT HE WILL NOT SUCCEED QUIGG.

Senator Platt yesterday talked with several of the district leaders about the choice of a successor to L. E. Quigg as president of the Republican County Committee. A few names of prominent Republicans in the city were mentioned, but there was no agreement upon any one. At the Fifth Avenue Hotel last night Senator Platt said:

There has been no decision as to Mr. Quigg's successor, and there will be no decision until Mr. Odell gets back to the city. I talked with Frank S. Witherbee to-day, and he said he would be glad to accept the place, only he did not want to change his voting residence from Essex County. It is settled that Mr. Witherbee will not be president of the County Committee. I think there will be a choice before the end of next week.

Chairman Odell of the Republican State Committee is expected to return from California before the end of the week. His advice will be sought as to a solution of the County Committee problem as soon as he returns.

FOR NATIONAL HEALTH COMMISSION.

SECRETARY GARDNER THINKS SPOONER BILL SHOULD PASS AT ONCE.

F. S. Gardner, secretary of the New-York Board of Trade and Transportation, said yesterday that it would be unconstitutional for the United States Government to extend the quarantine powers of the Marine Hospital Service within any State without the consent of that State. Since the appearance of the bubonic plague in San Francisco, he said, there has arisen the question of extending the scope of the Marine Hospital Service in harmony with State institutions. Mr. Gardner gave his views on the needs of the situation as follows:

The need of the country is a broad and comprehensive system which, under the direction of the central Government, will everywhere labor to bring about conditions unfavorable to the propagation and spread of disease. With proper preparation of this kind the country will be better able to resist the advance of the bubonic plague, yellow fever, cholera or leprosy than with the most effective coast, border and interstate quarantine that can be conceived.

Such a rational system is provided in the Spooner bill, creating a National Health Commission. And not so important, after all is said, is either the plague, cholera or yellow fever, as the preventable diseases which are native in the United States, viz., tuberculosis, diphtheria and typhoid fever, because these three diseases destroy in this country over one hundred and fifty thousand lives annually.

The rational and effective system provided for in the Spooner bill has practically no opposition outside of Congress, where opposition is made and nurtured by Surgeon-General Wyman, the efficient head of the Marine Hospital Service. It is said Surgeon-General Wyman wishes to be supreme in all National health matters. Under the Spooner bill his relations to coast or border quarantine would not be changed, but in all interior health affairs a co-ordinate if not superior power would be created, and General Wyman's pride would be injured. General Wyman is continuously in Washington. His social position places him in intimate relations with the Senators and their families, and likewise all influential members of the lower house and with officers of the Government and Army. He has personal qualities which strengthen his position and increase his advantages over the advocates of the Spooner bill. Hence, he has been able up to this time to defeat all efforts made to secure the adoption of the more rational and effective system. If General Wyman's opposition should be removed, the Spooner bill would pass within a week.

POLICE TAKEN OFF ST. LOUIS CARS.

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARIES CAUSED TRAVEL ON LINES OF TRANSIT COMPANY TO STOP.

St. Louis, May 26.—Cars were running on most of the lines of the St. Louis Transit Company in the early hours to-day, but were taken off after 10 o'clock, the police, who had been guarding them, having been assigned for duty at the Democratic primaries by the Board of Police Commissioners. In consequence of the Commissioners' action the transit officials decided to take the cars off in the absence of police protection. Harry Potts, a striking motorman, who was one of the three men wounded in yesterday's shooting, died to-day.

Executive officers of the labor unions in St. Louis have resolved to call on all National and international unions in the country to send representatives here to assist in carrying on the struggle which, they say, is against organized labor. It also has been decided to ask the officers of the American Federation of Labor to send out an appeal to all the union workers in America for financial aid.

A telegram recently sent to the Speaker of the House of Representatives in opposition to the St. Louis World's Fair bill purporting to come from organized labor, was repudiated by S. W. Steinbiss, general secretary treasurer of the National Building Trades Council. By order of the General Executive Board he telegraphed Speaker Henderson that the telegram mentioned did not voice organized labor and asked speedy, favorable action on the bill in the name of the National Building Trades Council of America.

THE WEEK IN REALTY.

TRANSACTIONS INDICATE A DEMAND FOR BETTER CLASS OF PROPERTY—MARKET ENCOURAGING.

A résumé of the week's transactions in the real estate market, both in the auction rooms and as reported from the brokers' offices, presents, in the varied character of the dealings and in the evidences of a healthy, though conservative, demand for the better class of property, a condition which, while not in any sense bordering on pronounced activity, should be highly encouraging to owners and investors.

Throughout the spring months there has been an excellent demand for the better class of modern private dwelling houses, and few if any of the many new residential properties equipped with up to date improvements have gone begging. Particularly has this been the case on the East Side, between Fiftieth and Seventy-fifth sts. and Fifth and Park aves. Another of the five story American basement dwelling houses built by Charles Buek on the old Columbia College site was reported sold last week, while several others in the group of fourteen being erected by this builder have been sold from the plans. Of the four houses on the same plot fronting in Madison-ave. and Fiftieth-st., under construction by the Farleys, three have been sold at favorable figures. Several new houses recently completed in the Fifties and Sixties have found a ready sale, while many more are undergoing extensive alterations or entire reconstruction for their owners. An unusually successful operation by two builders, notwithstanding the fact that there has been considerable delay in the completion of the houses, is that at the southeast corner of Park-ave. and Sixty-fifth-st., where two builders have erected eleven five story American basement dwelling houses. Only one of the group now remains unsold, and excellent prices were obtained from the purchasers of the others.

Constantly increasing values have been established during the last two years for the narrow strip of desirable residential property bordering on Fifth-ave. in the Seventies and Eighties. The most recent purchase in this section is that of Joseph Pulitzer, on the north side of Seventy-third-st. Mr. Pulitzer has secured as a plot for his new house the dwelling houses running from No. 7 to 15 East Seventy-third-st., covering a plot 98 by 100 feet. It was learned this week that for the smallest house in this row, it having a frontage of only 16 feet and 6 inches, $50,000, or more than $3,000 a front foot, was paid, this being practically the figure for the lot, as all the present structures will be torn down. The large and rapid increase in values in this neighborhood can readily be realized when it is recalled that less than two years ago a substantial 25-foot house in Seventy-fourth-st., almost directly in the rear of the Seventy-third-st. house mentioned, was sold for about $45,000, or less than $2,000 a front foot.

Another encouraging feature of the realty market well worthy of consideration by the conservative investor is the apparently unlimited success which the new bachelor apartment houses and family hotels in the section below Fifty-ninth-st. are meeting. These houses are now to be found in the most desirable places in almost every street from Twenty-seventh-st. to Forty-fifth-st., either filled with tenants or in the course of construction. So great is the demand for this class of apartments on the part of bachelors and small families who desire to avoid the cares of housekeeping, that so far the demand is much in excess of the supply, despite the many buildings now in course of construction. As an example of the ease with which tenants are found for these apartments the experience of the owner of a family hotel in Forty-fourth-st., to be completed about September 1, may be given. While the staircases are not yet all in and persons desiring to inspect the rooms on the upper floors are compelled to mount to the top of the house part way by ladders, so great has been the inquiry for apartments in this building that a renting office has been opened on the first floor, and several of the most desirable suites of rooms have been rented on two and three year leases from October 1.

This experience has been duplicated in many instances among the real estate agents having charge of this class of property, and vacancies are rare in any of the modern buildings. The confidence with which Arthur W. Eager, for two years the manager of the Schuyler apartment hotel at Nos. 59 and 61 West Forty-fifth-st., regards this class of investment property is shown in his purchase, as announced last week, of this property from the Imperial Realty Company. The house covers a plot 37 feet 6 inches front by 100 feet deep, and is nine stories high. Mr. Eager has also leased for twenty-one years, from October 1, 1901, at $8,000 a year net, from G. C. and C. J. Webber, the new building to be erected at No. 63, adjoining the Schuyler, which will be nine and one-half stories high, of fireproof construction, and will conform in exterior design to that of the Schuyler.

Even the much maligned West Side residential section has had its share of general activity in the last few months, which may or may not be accounted for by the incessant rapid transit talk, while The Bronx has shown unmistakable signs of active operations. The price of building materials is now considerably lower than it has been for the last year, and the builders are looking forward with little concern to the operations for the coming year.

In fact, the entire aspect of the realty market, with few exceptions, is most encouraging. One of the exceptions which seems to be responsible for much of the uncertainty with which some investors regard the market is the question of taxation. Furthermore, it may be noted in this connection that the pessimistic utterances of a prominent official in the city's Tax Department regarding the probable increase in the rate, as attributed to him in the newspapers, despite the fact that he denied the report subsequently, do not tend to help matters any. At the present values prevailing for the best class of improved realty on Manhattan Island, owners and investors have little cause for anxiety on account of the tax rate.

THE RECORD OF SALES.

Mary M. Davidson has sold to the Nineteenth Ward Bank the five story stone front building, 50.2½x99, at the northeast corner of Third-ave. and Fifty-seventh-st., for $150,000.

R. Wilmarth Appleton has sold for Louisa Schermerhorn Thomas the five story American basement dwelling house No. 307 West Second-st. for about $50,000.

C. A. DuBois has sold for P. J. Lynch to John B. Davids the three story and basement dwelling house No. 540 West One-hundred-and-fortieth-st.

Simon Adler has sold the two five story tenement buildings, 25x100 each, Nos. 413 and 415 East Fifty-third-st., for $43,500.

The Imperial Realty Company has sold to Arthur W. Eager the nine story brick and stone apartment building, 37.6x100, Nos. 59 and 61 West Forty-fifth-st.

Porter & Co. have sold for A. D. Jarvis the five story business building, 17.6x77, No. 91 Greene-st., for about $40,000.

Mrs. C. D. Mathews has bought from C. P. Marsh No. 30 West Fifty-seventh-st., a four story dwelling house, on lot 25x100.5.

Edward Griffith has bought from Louise Schermerhorn Thomson, at $34,500, No. 307 West Seventy-second-st., a five story stone dwelling house, on lot 17x102.2. The price is perhaps the lowest ever accepted for a house on this street. The buyer has already been offered a loan of $35,000.

Alfred Newman has bought No. 244 East Fifty-eighth-st., a three story dwelling house.

Henry Kaufman has bought No. 148 East Eighty-third-st., old building, lot 25.6x102.3.

Charles and John B. Murphy have sold Nos. 309 and 311 East Seventy-eighth-st., two five story tenement buildings.

August M. Bruggeman has sold to the Congregation of Poel Zadek Nos. 126 and 128 Forsyth-st., a plot 50x100.5.

BROOKLYN GIRL IN STAGE HOLD UP.

MISS ADELE WALTON ROBBED OF $50 IN THE YOSEMITE VALLEY.

It was learned in Brooklyn yesterday that Miss Adele Walton, the daughter of John J. Walton, of No. 106 Willow-st., that borough, was a passenger in the stage coach which was held up and robbed by a lone highwayman while passing through the Yosemite Valley two weeks ago.

Miss Walton left Brooklyn for the West on April 18. After a visit of several days in Berkeley, Cal., she started on a trip through the Yosemite Valley, accompanied by Warren Olney, of Berkeley.

When the stage coach was held up Miss Walton, who was badly frightened, remained inside. The robber kindly permitted her to keep her seat, but demanded her money. She gave up her purse, which contained $50. He then turned his attention to the other passengers, all of whom had got out of the stage.

CITY CHILDREN ON A FARM.

The Friendly Aid Society wants $500 to run its new farm this summer. The farm is on the Sound, a little beyond Stamford, Conn., and includes fifteen acres, a house, a barn, etc., and was used by the society for the first time last summer to give pleasant vacations to twenty women, three infants, fifteen grown girls and eighty-eight children of both sexes. In the eighth annual report of the society, just issued, the chairman of the Farm Committee says: "The importance of our work cannot be overestimated. One realizes its imperativeness, perhaps, from overhearing a few chance remarks of the children: 'Oh, teacher, look at de cow!' applied to the innocent little pet lamb tethered in the dooryard. 'Hey, Johnnie, let's go play in the sewer!' and this about the clearest of little crystal brooks! Surely their vocabularies need enlarging!" The officers of the Friendly Aid Society are: President, Warren N. Goddard; vice-presidents, Miss J. F. Tuckerman, Robert C. Cornell and Horace J. Hayden; secretary, Miss Edith Kendall; treasurer (to whom all checks should be made payable), E. Bayard Halsted, No. 100 Bleecker-st.

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CONVICTED OF MURDER IN FIRST DEGREE.

JURY FINDS AGAINST MAN CHARGED WITH KILLING RED BANK POLICEMAN.

Freehold, N. J., May 26 (Special).—The jury in the case of William Bullock, colored, charged with murdering Policeman James Walsh at Red Bank on November 13 last, came in at 10:45 o'clock this morning with a verdict of murder in the first degree. The verdict was a complete surprise to every one, as the jury had been out since midnight on Thursday, and it was supposed they would disagree. Bullock took the verdict calmly. He was immediately sentenced by Justice Collins to be hanged here on Friday, July 13.

This ends Bullock's third trial on this charge. His case is one of the most remarkable in the history of the county. At the first trial he was convicted and sentenced to be hanged. His defence was that he shot Walsh in self-defence in resisting an illegal arrest. Then a new trial was granted on the ground of newly discovered evidence, but the jury disagreed, standing nine for second degree and three for first degree.

DINNER FOR A CONGRESS COMMITTEE.

The members of the Congress Committee on Rivers and Harbors have been investigating navigation on the Passaic as far as Paterson, and the Paterson Committee on Navigation were dined last night at the Engineers' Club in West Thirty-first-st. by W. S. Ackerman, a member of the club and resident of Paterson. The dinner was informal, and no speeches were made. The chairman of the Congress Committee is Theodore E. Burton, of Ohio. Congressman John F. Stewart, of the Vth New-Jersey District, has been agitating the opening of the Passaic to Paterson, and he also was at the dinner. The plan of the committee which will be placed before the House was discussed last night. The only obstruction now in the Passaic is the Dundee Dam, and it is proposed to have a lock 40 feet wide, 400 feet long and 10 feet deep, which can be built at no great expense and will give the desired change.

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P.M.—Sandy Hook 6:43 | Gov. Island 7:15 | Hell Gate 9:04

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TO-DAY.

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New-York	Soutnampton, May 19	American
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Island	Stettin, May 9	Scand-Am