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Medium Weight Comfortables, Silkoline covered, filled with white cotton, tufted, exquisite designs:
Size 72x72 inches . . . . . 98c. each
Size 72x78 inches $1.25 and $1.50 each
We certainly give splendid values in Comfortables. See the above values.

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It's Our Annual February Shoe Sale.

Matthews' low prices for Shoes are remarkable the year around—reliable Shoes any day for less money than anywhere else is always a fact here. But the sale that begins to-morrow will bear out the statement of

A Saving of a Dollar and a Half and More.

All are well made, perfect fitting and warranted same as regular stock, except the patent leather Shoes.

A great throng waits for this event each year and will take prompt advantage of these low prices.

For Women.

$3.00 and $3.50 Shoes, $1.65 a Pair.

Only 900 pairs of these Shoes, made of patent leather, vici kid, velour and box calfskin; made on the newest lasts and the toe shapes are the very best; full round and medium toes, with kid or patent leather tips, soles are hand welted and McKay sewed, with close extension edges. Sizes are 2½ to 7; widths, B, C, D and E. Remember these Shoes sell regularly at $3.00 and $3.50 a pair.

Men's Shoes.

Bates' $3.50 Shoes, $2.25 a Pair.

More than one-half the men of Brooklyn probably wear a Bates Shoe and pay from $3.50 a pair up for them. For style, service and comfort there are no better Shoes made to-day. We have about 800 pairs of men's fine vici kid lace Shoes, with hand welted soles, close extension edges; soles are of good walking weight; toes are the new London or full round; low flat heels; these are swell Shoes either for walking or dress wear, and at the price the best bargain of the year; sizes are 6 to 10; widths, C, D and E.

Women's Vici and Glazed Kid, $1.95.

Values up to $4.00 a pair. These Shoes are one of those better-than-expected surprises we are famous for—snappy, up-to-date styles. Full round, opera and English toes, with patent leather tips, Goodyear welted and McKay sewed extension soles, of good weight and just right for present wear. Sizes are 2½ to 7; widths, B, C, D and E.

We have made ample arrangements for close attention and quick service to all.

$1.98 a Pair Men's Velour and Kangaroo Calf

Values Range Up to $3.00 a Pair.

Lace, full round and medium toe shapes, heavy double and triple soles, some all leather lined, waterproof, among the lot; soles are Goodyear welted and McKay sewed; durable, serviceable, good-looking Shoes, which will wear till you get tired of them; sizes 6 to 11; widths, D, E and EE.

ABRAHAM AND STRAUS
BROOKLYN.

Six Hundred Trunks Under Price.

One of the most successful Trunk makers in the country wants to move his factory—and cash is a great deal simpler to move than Trunks. So, after a bit of thinking, he has accepted our offer, which brings here six hundred strong, practical, handsome Trunks for the smallest prices such Trunks have ever cost. Great news if you are planning a Southern trip or a trip abroad—there are some splendid steamer Trunks in the collection. Great news even if you won't need the Trunk until next Summer. We print a list; but there are many little lots not spoken of. Not sent C. O. D.:

Lot No. 1. Brown waterproof canvas covered Traveling Trunks, steel clamps, hardwood protecting cleats; good, secure lock; strong bolts and hinges, deep compartment tray with lap cover:

Sizes in inches:	28	30	32	34	36	38	40
Regular prices	$4.28	$4.50	$4.75	$5.00	$5.25	$5.35	$5.75
Sale price	$2.98	$3.29	$3.69	$3.98	$4.39	$4.69	$4.89

Lot No. 2 are brass clamped, have two straps on outside; is braced and fitted with strong, serviceable materials; the lining is linen:

Sizes in inches:	28	30	32	34	36	38	40
Regular prices	$5.25	$5.50	$5.75	$6.00	$6.25	$6.50	$6.75
Sale prices	$3.90	$4.19	$4.49	$4.69	$4.98	$5.39	$5.69

Lot No. 3. Heavy duck covering, handsome brass clasps, lock, bolts, corner pieces and dowels; hardwood slats, highly finished; two russet leather straps and leather corner binding:

Sizes in inches:	28	30	32	34	36	38	40
Regular prices	$7.75	$8.25	$8.75	$9.25	$9.75	$10.25	$10.75
Sale prices	$5.98	$6.48	$6.98	$7.48	$7.98	$8.48	$8.98

Lot No. 4 are Trunks that represent high class workmanship, and they show it, too. All important protecting appliances are riveted to the body; there are two trays, one for skirts and one covered and divided deep top tray.

Sizes in inches:	32	34	36	38	40
Regular prices	$14.24	$14.79	$15.24	$15.79	16.24
Sale prices	$9.98	$10.47	$10.98	$11.48	$11.98

There are also Skirt, Hat and Steamer Trunks.

Lot No. 5. Handsome brown duck covered Steamer Trunks, leather corner binding and two leather straps; dowels, bolts, clamps and locks of heavy brass:

Sizes in inches:	32	34	36	38	40
Regular prices	$4.95	$5.24	$5.49	$5.74	$5.99
Sale prices	$3.60	$3.80	$4.00	$4.20	$4.40

Basement, East Building.

Boys' Spring Suits---$2.95.

$5.00 VALUES, all but 14 Suits, which are worth $4. A month from now you will have to pay those prices for such Suits.

Buying a bit ahead of the season has its advantages sometimes—and this is an occasion when the prudent mother can fix her boy up smartly for the Spring and save a dollar or two at the same time.

Suits are made of fine woolen cheviots in neat mixtures. New style single breasted coats with long lapels, wide shoulders and shapely back. Trousers finished with belt loops and with patent leather belt. Some double breasted Suits in the lot also, sizes 7 to 15 years—all at $2.95

Second floor, rear, East Building.

Men's $3.50 Shoes---$2.48.

The average store gets $3.50 for these Shoes very readily—but we helped the maker out of an overstock, and got a price concession that makes it possible by close figuring to sell them to-morrow for $2.48.

Wax and box calf and vici kid—the latter kid lined. Well made Shoes with Goodyear welted soles, extension edges and military heels. A shapely last. Perhaps the best Shoes ever sold anywhere for $2.48

Second floor, rear, East Building.

A Good Time to Get Reupholstering Done.

Two reasons. *First*—We are taking orders at specially small prices because we want to keep our organization of experts busy until the Spring rush begins. *Second*—There are some notable bargains in Upholstery stuffs.

We do the best work that can be done—you will find proof of that in the way it wears. A postal card will bring a man to estimate on your work. These hints of very practical savings:

50 inch domestic Tapestry in a choice line of colors, 70c. quality, at . . . . . 45c. a yard
50 inch imported Tapestry, in floral and Oriental designs, $1.45 quality, at . . . . . 89c. a yard
2,500 yards of Cretonne, 36 inches wide, value 15c., at . . . . . 9c. a yard
100 four fold Japanese Screens, black with heavy gold embroidery, value $3.50, at . . . . . $2.65 each

Lace Curtains.

White Irish Point Curtains, Point de Paris effects . . . $3.95, $4.65 and $5.95 a pair
White Nottingham Curtains . . . . . 95c., $1.29 and $1.69 a pair
American made Arabian Curtains . . . . . $4.69 and $6.69 a pair
Ruffled Renaissance bobbinet Curtains, 3 yards long . . . . . $1.29 a pair

Third floor, front and centre, Central Building.

THE NEWS OF BROOKLYN.

A SOUTHERNER'S COMMENT ON THE OBJECTIONS TO THE COLORED BRANCH, Y. W. C. A.

A Librarian's Opinion of One of Crawford's Books—Plans for Carnegie Libraries—Weddings of the Week.

BROOKLYN SOCIAL WORLD

The wedding of Miss Harriette Burr Blake, daughter of Mrs. Frances B. Blake, of Yonkers, and Frederick Van Duzer Longacre took place on Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride's uncle, General Alfred C. Barnes, No. 114 Pierrepont-st. The ceremony was performed by the father of the bridegroom, the Rev. Dr. Andrew Longacre, of Manhattan, a retired clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Miss Amy Blake, sister of the bride, acted as maid of honor. The best man was Fritz Blake, brother of the bride. The guests were received at the reception following the ceremony by Mrs. Emilie Barnes Turner.

Announcement is made of the engagement of Sidney Kirkman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander S. Kirkman, of St. James Place, and Miss May L. Evans, of Plainfield, N. J.

The wedding of Miss Grace E. Hampson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Hampson, of Carroll-st., and Marcus B. Waterman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Waterman, of Lefferts Place, will take place on April 14, in the South Congregational Church.

The engagement is announced of Miss Louise R. Sproule, daughter of Mrs. Adam Sproule, of Park Place, and Nathaniel S. Corwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Seth M. Corwin, of Greenport.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Marjorie L. Prentiss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Prentiss, at present a senior at Vassar, and Edward R. Tinker, a graduate of Williams College.

Four subscription dances have been arranged to take place in the new clubhouse of the Ridge Club, of Bay Ridge. The first will come off on Wednesday evening, and the following dates are February 24, March 24 and April 15.

The Bachelors' and Spinsters' ball will take place on Tuesday evening, in the Pouch Gallery. Among the members of the committee are Frederick M. Butler, William R. Simons and Herbert C. Zellhoefer.

The wedding of Miss Anita Simonson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Simonson, of President-st., and Charles L. Schenck will take place on the evening of Tuesday, February 24, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Spencer, No. 500 Clinton-ave. Only members of the two families will be present at the ceremony, which will be followed by a small reception.

The marriage is announced of Miss Caroline B. Blydenburgh and Jay J. Donnelly on February 22 in the Bushwick Avenue Baptist Church. Miss Blydenburgh is related to the Blydenburgh family, who were among the pioneer settlers of Long Island, and is the eldest daughter of W. I. Blydenburgh, well known in fraternal and benevolent orders. Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly will spend their honeymoon in the Bermuda Islands.

Mrs. M. L. Jepson, of Flatbush, announces the engagement of her youngest daughter, Myra Belle Jepson, to William Albert Einhaus, of McDonough-st., Brooklyn.

The patronesses of the Polytechnic Alumni Ball on the evening of February 23 are Mrs. Henry Sanger Snow, Mrs. Samuel B. Duryea, Mrs. J. Henry Dick, Mrs. Thomas H. Troy and Mrs. William H. Nichols. About two thousand invitations will be issued.

The patronesses of the Assembly Ball on Wednesday evening, in the Art Rooms, in Montague-st., were Mrs. Edward H. Litchfield, Mrs. A. A. Low and Mrs. James L. Morgan. Among those present were Mrs. Timothy L. Woodruff, Mrs. Almet F. Jenks, Miss Annabelle Van Nostrand, daughter of Mrs. Gardiner Van Nostrand, of Manhattan; Miss Eugenie G. Watson, of Columbus, Ohio; Miss Mary C. Maxwell, Miss Madeline Litchfield, Miss Marion Low, General Alfred C. Barnes, A. Victor Barnes, Mrs. Emilie B. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Chauncey, the Misses Chauncey, Mr. and Mrs. Simeon B. Chittenden, Miss Chittenden, Simeon B. Chittenden, jr., Colonel Norman S. Dike and John F. Talmage.

Announcement is made of the engagement of Miss Bessie C. Wilson, daughter of Mrs. John J. Wilson, of McDonough-st., and George J. Morgan.

The third Bensonhurst Subscription Dance will take place on Wednesday evening at Supper's Inn, Cropsey-ave., Bath Beach.

Mrs. Sarah Dickenson and Miss Annie Spicer, of South Oxford-st., are spending the winter travelling in California.

The wedding of Miss Susie E. Walton and Hugo Jahn, son of August Jahn, took place on Tuesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, No. 700 Greene-ave. Miss Mildred G. Roth acted as maid of honor, and Miss Lillian S. Walton was flower girl. Allan C. James was best man.

Both of the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. William Henderson will be married on Wednesday evening, February 25, at their home, No. 455 Gates-ave. Miss Josie Henderson will be married to J. Edward Sundstrom, and Miss Susie Henderson will become the bride of Frank Herrick.

Ralph Kissam Shepard, son of Dr. and Mrs. Charles H. Shepard, of Columbia Heights, married in Derby, Conn., Miss Nelie Comstock Church, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Atwater Church, of that city, at Miss Church's home. The maid of honor was Miss Mai Church, sister of the bride. Eliot Vail Shepard, brother of the bridegroom, was best man, and the ushers were John Henry House, jr., of Manhattan, and George Gilbert Mullings, of Waterbury. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. E. C. Fellowes, pastor of the Second Congregational Church, of Derby.

GOSSIP OF THE BOROUGH.

A Southerner, now a prominent business man in this city, who takes an active interest in the mission work of the Baptist denomination, particularly in all that is done for the colored people, was moved to express his views the other day on the attitude taken by Northerners toward the negro. His remarks were called forth by the fact that the residents in Lafayette-ave., between Bedford and Nostrand aves., had risen up in arms against the proposition to establish in the block a branch of the Young Women's Christian Association. "Now, that shows the difference between what the Northerners practise and what they preach," he said. "They declare that the colored man is in every respect the social equal of the white man, but when it comes to treating him as such they do not carry out their theories. Now, personally, I have a very warm feeling for the colored man. He is faithful and usually self-respecting, and makes a good citizen, and yet what do our philanthropic and charitable organizations do for the colored people in this city? This effort on the part of the Young Women's Christian Association is one of the first of its kind of which I am aware, and yet the association finds itself hampered at the outset. Our denomination gives largely to missions for Italians, Swedes and other foreigners in this city and sends considerable money South for work among the negroes there. But why is not some of this money used in our negro settlements in New-York? Assuredly there is as much congestion and poverty and ignorance among them as among any other class, and they would repay any attention to elevate their condition in a much more satisfactory way than do many of the foreigners."

A fashionably dressed young girl the other afternoon asked the severe looking attendant at one of the branches of the Brooklyn Public Library for F. Marion Crawford's "In the Palace of the King." The attendant asked the young girl how old she was, and when she replied that she was sixteen, the attendant solemnly remarked, "I'm afraid this book is too serious for you."

The young girl, who is accomplished, and had recently taken from the library and enjoyed George Eliot's "Romola" and "Mill on the Floss," and had even found interest in so serious a work as "Daniel Deronda," was first astonished, then amused and finally indignant, but she got the book. A bystander who witnessed the incident wondered what in the mind of the attendant, this romance of Marion Crawford's was classed with.

The plans for the first five buildings in the scheme of Andrew Carnegie to endow the Brooklyn Public Library with twenty branches were completed recently. The Carnegie committee—comprising David A. Boody, Daniel W. McWilliams, R. Ross Appleton and John W. Devoy—has found that the lower price of land in Brooklyn has given it an opportunity which was not possible in Manhattan to erect library buildings with sufficient space around them for architectural beauty on all sides, as well as an amount of light that seems suburban rather than urban. The first five buildings are accordingly designed as model ones in every particular. The committee has borne in mind the suggestions made to it by A. D. F. Hamlin, the consulting architect, that the question of the wisest procedure for obtaining the designs and selecting the architects of the proposed Carnegie libraries in Brooklyn concerns chiefly three classes of interest: Those of the libraries themselves; those of the general public, and those of the architectural profession. Mr. Hamlin urged it was plain that whatever architectural solution of the problem best served the needs of the library served also to the same extent the people who used it and the community of which they were a part, but that in the matter of æsthetic beauty the general public had also an interest independent of the library itself.

The large, old-fashioned building occupied formerly as the Inebriates' Home, which for many years has been a landmark in Bay Ridge, is soon to be torn down, and in its place is to be built an imposing building, which is to be used as a convent and chapel by the Sisters of the Visitation. The home occupies two blocks of ground, bounded by First and Second aves., and Eighty-ninth and Ninety-first sts., which have been purchased by the Sisters. The home was managed by a private corporation, and many men whose names are well known have spent "vacations" there under assumed names. The immense grounds gave opportunity for the patients to have exercise without any publicity. They will afford the same privacy and seclusion for the Sisters and their pupils in the convent. There is a small lake that is one of the features of the property, which is also heavily wooded.

THE NEW FRIENDS' CHURCH.

Improvement in Meeting House at Lafayette and Washington Aves.

One of the most recent examples of the trend of the times away from the severe toward that which is more liberal is seen in the treatment of the old Quaker meeting house, the Friends' Church, at Lafayette and Washington aves., which will be opened again to-day after undergoing extensive alterations and decorations. Formerly the meeting house was a plain brick structure, with not a line to break the monotony of its exterior. Now it has been changed into an attractive building of the Byzantine type. Dark red Lake Superior sandstone has been used in the construction of a portico, the six pillars of which add an appearance of strength as well as grace to the building. On account of the cold weather this work will not be completed for a week or so.

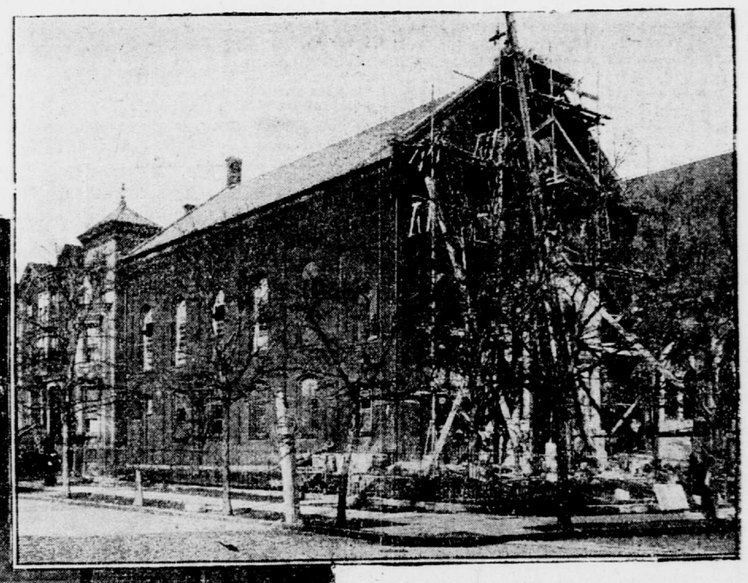
But it is inside that the most marvellous changes have been made. Bare, whitewashed walls and hard, straight backed benches have been given up for fresco work, polished wood panels and modern pews with comfortable cushions.

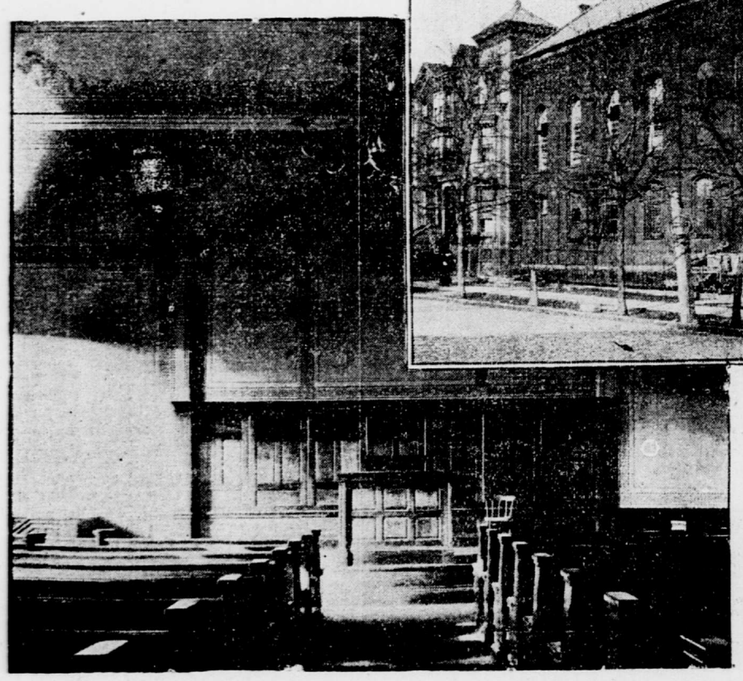
The Rev. Amos Sanders, pastor of the Friends' Church, sees nothing startling in the changes.

"The necessity for a great many of the old Quaker customs and traditions has disappeared, and for that reason they have died out," he said yesterday. "There have been changes in all denominations. Twenty-five years ago when Dr. Cuyler, the Presbyterian minister, allowed a woman to occupy his pulpit it raised a great hue and cry. To-day there are women preachers in every State in the Union."

Dr. Rufus M. Jones, of Philadelphia, Editor of "The American Friend," will speak at the services this morning. In the evening the Rev. James Wood, of Mount Kisco, will speak.

FRIENDS' MEETING HOUSE.
At Lafayette and Washington aves., Brooklyn.





REMODELED MEETING ROOM IN THE FRIENDS' MEETING HOUSE.

PACKER ALUMNÆ PLAN ADDITION.

The alumnæ of Packer Institute, in Joralemon-st., propose to raise the necessary funds to make a new addition to the present building. The alumnæ association of the institute owns the adjoining ground, on which is an old house, which has been used for years as a school. It will be razed and a new wing added to the institute. While the association owns the land, it has not yet obtained the necessary money for building purposes, and with that end in view the classes that have been graduated since Packer was incorporated are giving dances and other entertainments.

A jubilee is being planned for the fiftieth anniversary of the institute next month, and all the money raised by the alumnæ is being put into one jubilee fund, which is to be devoted to the new building. A considerable sum has already been raised.

HEARING ON ASSAULT CHARGE.

Magistrate Reserves Decision in Case of Teacher Accused of Beating Boy.

Magistrate Naumer reserved decision yesterday after a hearing in the Gates-ave. court, Brooklyn, on the charge of assault preferred by Mrs. Annie Smith, of No. 971 Herkimer-st., against Miss Florence L. Murray, teacher in Public School No. 28, who, Mrs. Smith alleges, beat her boy, Philip, eight years old, so badly on the morning of January 23 as to produce concussion of the brain.

The boy declared that Miss Murray took him out of the room because he did not put his pencil down in time, and that when he was in the hall she struck his head twice against the wall. He said he walked back into the classroom, and, feeling ill, rested his head on the desk in front of him until classes were dismissed, when he went home and told his mother. She called Dr. E. M. Rich, of No. 711 Herkimer-st.

Dr. Rich testified that he found the boy delirious, and, in his opinion, suffering from concussion of the brain. He thought the boy was all right yesterday.

Miss Murray said she was seated in the back row of seats next to Philip, who persisted in shaking the desk while she was writing. Miss Herne, the regular teacher, to whom Miss Murray is an assistant, asked the boy to stop, but he continued the annoyance. Miss Murray told Philip she was going to take him to the principal, but he didn't want to go. She declared that she simply talked to the boy in the corridor and took him back again into the classroom. He went on with his arithmetic and did not lay his head on the desk while she was in the room. She did not see anything the matter with him when he went from school with the rest of the boys. She had simply placed her hand on his shoulder and kept him in the corridor about two minutes.

ALLEGED GAMBLERS TRIED.

On the application for writs of habeas corpus for the discharge of nine alleged gamblers, who were held on Friday by Magistrate O'Reilly, in the Lee-ave. court for the grand jury, Justice Gaynor listened to argument yesterday in the Supreme Court, Special Term, Brooklyn. The men were charged with conducting a poolroom at No. 44 Grand-st., Brooklyn, and another known as the "Bedford Club," at Bedford-ave. and South Eighth-st., that borough.

Counsel urged that the defendants were charged with violating Section 351 of the Penal Code, which prohibited poolselling or the registering of bets or pools on horse races, but that there was no evidence against the defendants in either case. A peculiarity of each case was that the man or men with whom the alleged bets were made were not arrested. The mere bet, it was asserted, was not a violation of the section of the code any more than was a bet made on the result of an election.

Justice Gaynor remarked that the evidence was certainly meagre, but reserved decision.

MUSIC CONCERNS MERGE.

The music concerns of F. H. Chandler, at No. 433 Fulton-st., and Charles W. Held & Co., at Fulton and Johnson sts., have been merged and a stock company formed, which is to be known as the Chandler & Held Piano Company. The new concern will occupy quarters in the Knickerbocker Building, at Fulton and Jay sts.

GOING TO REFORM.

From the Chicago Tribune.

Young McSquillop, who has the courage of a lion and the physical proportions of a half grown gazelle, joined with a fiery temper that brooks no insult, is the hero of a hundred fights, in some of which he has come off with flying colors, but in more of which he has suffered grievous bodily injury.

He came in the other day from his latest battle. He had gone against a man twice his size, who had called him a liar.

Both eyes were in mourning, his nose was as big as two ordinary noses, his front teeth were gone, one ear was hanging loose, his hat was missing and his coat was ripped up the back.

"Boys," he said to the other boarders, "I'm going to quit this thing of slugging every cheap bully that insults me. There's nothing in it."

THEATRICAL INCIDENTS.

Continued from third page.

an undisputed majority of the Broadway playhouses in its possession. This week's list is as follows, with Thurday matinees the rule:

Wallack's—"The Sultan of Sulu."
Daly's—"The Billionaire."
Academy—"Florodora."
Broadway—"The Silver Slipper."
Casino—"A Chinese Honeymoon."
Knickerbocker—"Mr. Blue Beard."
Majestic—"The Wizard of Oz."
Weber & Fields's—"Twirly Whirly" and "The Stickiness of Gelatine."
New-York—"When Johnny Comes Marching Home," the last week.
Herald Square—"Mr. Pickwick," with De Wolf Hopper and Digby Bell.

Of these musical comedies "The Sultan of Sulu" has far and away the brightest and most noteworthy book, "A Chinese Honeymoon" and "Florodora" the brightest music. "The Wizard of Oz" (which is filling the Majestic every night) the most pleasing effects of light, costumes and spectacle, and "Mr. Blue Beard" the most lavish and expensive attempts to dazzle the spectator into a belief that he is beholding something beautiful and worth while. And you can fool enough of the people all of the time to fill a theatre. Miss Katie Barry and Frank Moulan divide the honors for legitimate comedy work.

THE NAVY LEAGUE.

Newly Organized Body Is to Further Interest Among the People.

Most of the leading nations have for years had what are known as navy leagues, popular organizations of non-partisan and non-political character, exclusively created to inform people on naval affairs by means of lectures, literature and periodicals, the monthly journal being free to members. In each case the object is to increase the naval establishment in size or efficiency, or both, and the interest and knowledge of people in it. The league in England is about eight years old, and has over one thousand branches, all subject to the parent league in London. It distributes a large amount of literature, has an active propaganda throughout England and all her colonies, and is rapidly increasing in numbers and influence. The leagues of France, Italy and Belgium are not so large or active, but the league of Germany has gone beyond all in growth of members and in efficiency, considering the short space of time since its organization. The league of Germany was started four years ago, and in 1901 it added over three hundred thousand members and distributed over five million pieces of literature on naval subjects.

The "Navy League of the United States" has just been incorporated as a result of the efforts of a few public spirited citizens, among whom are Benjamin F. Tracy, ex-Secretary of the Navy, as president, and William McAdoo, ex-Assistant Secretary of the Navy, as vice-president, while the list of honorary vice-presidents includes leading men throughout the country interested in maritime matters. It is intended that this organization shall help to voice popular opinion on naval subjects.

The first article of the constitution declares that it is non-partisan, and that its name and influence shall never be used politically. The second article declares that no officer of the United States Navy and no member of Congress, while serving as such, shall be eligible to membership in the league. Article 3 says the object and purpose of the league shall be to spread before the people the condition of the naval forces and equipment of the United States, and to awaken public interest and co-operation in all matters tending to aid, improve and develop their efficiency. The league therefore will express the united sentiment of the people on naval matters and of the means that should be taken "to aid, improve and develop the whole naval establishment."

For one dollar a certificate of membership and "The Navy League Journal" for one year will be sent to all members. All dues and gifts will be devoted to carrying out the objects of the league. Every man, woman and child is eligible to membership.

The secretary is George B. Satterlee, No. 52 Broadway, New-York, to whom all communications should be addressed. The treasurer is Allen S. Apgar, vice-president and cashier Merchants' Exchange National Bank, No. 257 Broadway, New-York, which is the depository of the league. Checks or money orders should be made payable to the "Navy League of the United States."

Applications from many parts of the country are coming from those desiring to establish branches in their localities. Others similarly disposed should apply to the secretary, who will be glad to furnish the requisite information.

Other officers are as follows:

General Counsel—Herbert L. Satterlee, No. 120 Broadway, New-York.

Incorporators—Captain J. W. Miller, late U. S. N.; Jarvis B. Edson, late U. S. N.; Herbert L. Satterlee, Washington Irving, Jennings S. Cox.

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GRANDFATHER INVENTED GOLD PEN.

From the Philadelphia Record.

Dr. Isaac George Reed died last week in the Manhattan State Hospital for the Insane on Ward's Island. He was born in Philadelphia sixty-seven years ago, the eldest child of Isaac George Reed, who had the second largest fortune in Philadelphia, and whose father invented the gold pen. Young Reed was graduated as a doctor and a lawyer from the professional schools of the University of Pennsylvania and as a minister from the Bordentown Theological Seminary.

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Lieutenant David Lowenbein, of Company F, 22d Regiment, has been unanimously elected captain, vice Bennett, resigned. Captain Lowenbein first joined Company F on October 5, 1889, and has served in the company as private, corporal, sergeant, second lieutenant and first lieutenant. In the war with Spain he served with the regiment in the United States service. Arrangements have been made for elaborate decorations in the armory next Wednesday night, when the non-commissioned officers hold their annual ball. Corporal Cary B. Fish, of Company D, has won the silver cup offered by ex-Lieutenant James O'Neil, for recruiting. Officers have been elected in the regimental rifle club as follows: Captain Barber, Company K, first vice-president; Lieutenant Sheridan, Company A, second vice-president, Sergeant Weindel, Company H, secretary; Lieutenant Stevens, Company C, treasurer. Privates Hammerslaugh and Manns, of Company H, have been promoted corporals.

General George Moore Smith will review the 47th Regiment on February 24. The veteran association of the regiment will hold its annual dinner at the Hanover Club, Brooklyn, on February 26, and General Chaffee will be among the special guests. Sergeant Major and ex-Captain J. B. Christoffel has resigned his position as armorer, and Ordnance Sergeant George W. Lent has been appointed in his stead.

The first review of the 69th Regiment this season will be held on next Thursday night, by Major General Roe. At this time the adjutant general's trophy, won by the regimental rifle team at Creedmoor last fall, will be presented as well as long service medals. Company I will hold a progressive euchre and dance on February 24.

Teams of ten men each, in the 12th Regiment will shoot a match next Tuesday night, for the Leonard trophy, in the armory range. Colonel A. L. Mills, U. S. A., superintendent of the Military Academy, will review the regiment at the armory on next Wednesday night. The junior rifle team of Company B has won the rifle contest for the Riker trophy, and their prowess caused a big surprise, winning as they did from all the crack teams in the regiment. The team was composed of Captain Burr, Corporal Wehrlen, Corporal Takajian, Private Van Heusen and Sergeant Coghlan. The score was 213 points. Company B has lost one of its oldest and most valuable members in the honorable discharge of Sergeant Charles Matthias, who has served continuously for nearly fourteen years, and was with the regiment in the United States service in the Spanish War.

The Veteran Association of the 7th Regiment is reported to be in a prosperous condition, with balances in the several funds as follows: Benevolent fund, $13,686 75; reserve fund, $3,792 31; general fund, $285 60; total, $17,774 66.

Major General Roe will review the 13th Regiment on Thursday evening, February 26. Drills by battalion will be held to-morrow, Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

A GERMAN AMBULANCE TRAIN.

From The Medical Record.

Although it is impossible altogether to prevent railway accidents it seems, at least, that something can be done to relieve the sufferings of those who have been injured. Both in America and in Germany ambulance trains are now in use, which are kept ever ready to be sent out for the purpose of affording speedy relief to the maimed. The train, so far as its narrow limits permit, is as admirably equipped as any modern hospital; its operating room is fitted up with an operating table, with all the necessary appliances of antiseptic surgery. The ward of this hospital on wheels has eight removable beds, which can be used as litters, if need be. Reclining chairs complete the furniture of the ward. Every German railroad has a certain number of these ambulance trains, the road being divided into sections, and a train assigned to each. Trains are always side-tracked at a station, ready to be sent out. As soon as news of an accident is received, the water tanks are filled, and the railroad surgeons—who live in the vicinity of the stations—are called by telephone. Even the fast limited trains must give way to the surgeons, and are side-tracked in order that the ambulance may speed to the scene of the accident. The admirable system which has been devised renders it possible for the surgeons to reach the injured within half an hour after they have been informed of the accident.