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Features That Appeal to Our Northern Neighbors.

SHOWMAN'S RAPID RISE.

Shovelled Oats Ten Years Ago, Now Earns $26,000 a Year.

That amusement enterprises are the quickest avenues to wealth in New-York is shown by the success of Jack Shultheiser, who is at the head of the big country fair to be held in Madison Square Garden this week. Ten years ago, when Shultheiser came to Larchmont, he was a telegraph lineman looking for a job. He landed in town on a freight train and earned his first night's lodging with a shovel helping to unload a car of oats. Now he is clearing

JOHN SHULTHEISER.
Of Larchmont.

$26,000 a year from his various schemes. His firm manages fifty-two parks in the United States, including Fairyland at Paterson, N. J., and the Rye Beach Park, in Westchester County. The rental of Madison Square Garden costs him $1,000 a day.

Shultheiser got his first start in life through his acquaintance with the wealthy men of Larchmont. One of the men he met first was President Charles A. Singer of the New-York and Stamford Railway. Mr. Singer gave him the contract for all of the electrical work on the trolley line which extends from Larchmont to Stamford, and in a few years he made enough money to lease a park and go into business.

Two years ago Mr. Shultheiser took his wife and children to California, making the trip in a Pullman car. In the days when he was a lineman he had walked 1,700 miles and climbed every third telegraph pole from Omaha to Portland, Ore. He knew many of the station agents, conductors, brakemen and other employes of the Western railroads, and telegraphed ahead to them and had them meet him and have a drink with him in his private car.

Mr. Shultheiser is a member of the James S. Merritt and Frank Hardy Associations.

XMAS DINNERS FOR ALL.

Congressman Andrus Distributes 1,000 Boxes to Yonkers Poor.

For a month past men employed by Congressman John E. Andrus to look after the distribution of Christmas dinners have been hard at work looking up the names on the lists and preparing the boxes for distribution. Yesterday the distribution took place, and fifteen large trucks were kept going all day distributing Christmas cheer to the one thousand families which were found needy and deserving.

Each completed dinner weighed about eighty pounds. It consisted of a box of oatmeal, turnips, potatoes, celery, oranges, bananas, a box of candy and one of nuts, a turkey or a pair of chickens, and, in some cases, where the family was large, both chickens and turkey. The distributing trucks were each in charge of a man and a driver, who were furnished with a carefully prepared list of names and addresses where they were to deliver the dinners.

It will not be the fault of Congressman Andrus if every deserving family in Yonkers does not have a bounteous meal to-morrow. The work of preparation began two months ago, when letters were sent to every church, charity organization and charity worker in the city, asking them to submit lists of names of those who were really deserving.

This is the fifth year that Congressman Andrus has distributed Christmas dinners to the poor of Yonkers.

TO ENLARGE COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

Accommodation Monopolized by Trial of Streetcar Cases.

The lack of sufficient room at the county courthouse at White Plains is again being felt by the Board of Supervisors, who were deprived during the last week of a place in which to hold their sessions. For several days the members of the board, which is one of the oldest legislative bodies in the State, were compelled to stand about the hallways with their hands in their pockets and wait for the surrogate or grand jury to adjourn in order that they might use their chambers. The trouble seems to be that the courts of Westchester County are being monopolized to try accident cases brought against the New-York City street railways. There are hundreds of these cases on the calendar of the Supreme Court, and about two-thirds of the time is devoted to hearing them.

The supervisors last winter, at the time they were forced to give up their regular meeting room to the County Court, appointed a committee to build a $150,000 extension to the courthouse, but the committee was swept out of power at the election, before it had time to accomplish anything. At the meeting on last Tuesday Supervisor Benjamin Howe, of Mount Vernon, moved that a special committee of three be appointed to provide rooms for the meetings of the board. The matter came up again on last Wednesday, but, owing to the absence of Mr. Howe, it was made a special order for next Tuesday.

SEVENTH REGIMENT COUNTRY CLUB.

Westchester Club members belonging to the 7th Regiment met recently at the Wykagil Golf Club, at New-Rochelle, and formed a county organization. The speakers were Lieutenant George S. Towle, of Larchmont; Lieutenant Riesig, Mr. Clark, of Company G, and Mr. Scoble, of Company C. The souvenirs of the dinner were miniature tents. It was decided to have the association meet semi-annually. Every 7th Regiment man in the county will be eligible to membership.

JOHN H. STARIN FILES PROTEST.

John H. Starin has filed a protest with the assessors of New-Rochelle against the valuations placed by them on Glen Island. The assessors valued the property, which consists of about twenty acres of land, with buildings and piers, at $250,000. Mr. Starin, in his petition, which was filed by ex-Judge John J. Crennan, says that the valuations are unequal and unjust because, he alleges, they are bigger in proportion than the assessments of other property in the vicinity. Last year, when the assessors put Glen Island down for $250,000, Mr. Starin appealed to the Common Council, which reduced the assessment to $220,000. This year the assessors have taken no action on the protest except to place it on file.

DRILLING QUARTET OF BURGLARS.

Sheriff James S. Merritt had the members of his staff meet his at his office in White Plains yesterday, where he surprised them each with a Christmas gift. The Sheriff presented smoking jackets to the deputies, while the court officers and jailers received silver handled umbrellas and boxes of cigars. The Sheriff also remembered the seventy prisoners in the county jail to-day with a specially fine dinner and cigars. On New Year's Day there will be a celebration in the jail. An orchestra will furnish the music and a quartet of boys from Port Chester, educated by the Sheriff, will sing. Mr. Hill is drilling a quartet of burglars, who will also do some singing, while an Italian murderer from Peekskill, who was formerly a member of an orchestra, will play the piccolo.

OPPOSE 149TH-ST. PLAN.

TOO FAR FROM TRAVEL.

Bronx Residents Want Station in Lower Part of Borough.

The question of the site of the New-York Central's proposed main station north of the Harlem continues to arouse public interest in The Bronx. Such a station has been urged for several years as a clearing house for suburban traffic and to relieve the congestion at the Grand Central Station; but the demand for it became especially emphatic after the Park-ave. tunnel disaster of four years ago. Soon after this, William J. Wilgus, the company's chief engineer, in a published interview on its plan alluded to this station as among them, as did also Mayor Low in one of his public "talks" on rapid transit.

November 24, 1902, a committee from The Bronx received an audience before William H. Newman, president of the New-York Central. In the delegation were James L. Wells, Albert E. Davis, W. W. Niles, Olin J. Stephens, Joseph S. Woods, Alderman Behrman and Charles D. Steurer. Some of these urged 149th-st. as the proper site.

Mr. Newman informed them that while he was not at liberty to say where the station would be, he could say positively that it would not be at 149th-st. He said the company might establish a transfer station there, as they would at Kingsbridge, and wherever their lines crossed the city's rapid transit lines; his company was working in harmony with the Rapid Transit Commission and the Interborough Railroad.

This statement of President Newman's was taken as authoritative by the people of The Bronx. Considerable surprise has therefore been expressed at the recently published statements that the station would be at 149th-st., which seems to be borne out by the real estate purchases of the company west of Park-ave. from 149th to 144th-sts.

Some of the best informed students of the development of The Bronx express a decided opinion that it would be a mistake to place this station so far west of 3d-ave. as the New-York Central Railroad is at 149th-st., which, it is said, would be as though the Grand Central Station were within a few blocks of the Hudson River. Coupled with this statement that the station would be at 149th-st. is the further statement that its construction would result in the abolishment of the New-York Central's present Mott Haven or 138th-st. station. This is opposed vigorously by business men and property owners in the lower end of the borough. One of those who is probably as well posted as any man in The Bronx and who is known to be disinterested said:

It is an indisputable fact that 3d-ave. is the main artery of east side travel, has been since Colonial times and always will be. The distance is six times as great from the New-York Central to 3d-ave. at 149th-st. as it is at 138th-st.

The argument has been advanced that the 149th-st. location would be nearer to the theatre and shopping district of The Bronx. The only theatre in The Bronx is the Metropolis, at 3d-ave. and 142d-st., the proprietor of which is an ardent advocate of 138th-st. as the proper station site, because it is closer to his theatre than 149th-st. The shopping district of The Bronx is not east and west through 149th-st.; it is north and south along 3d-ave., and while the greatest development at present is at 149th and 150th-sts., it extends as far south as 140th-st., one of our largest and best department stores being at 143d-st. One Hundred and Forty-ninth-st., in the vicinity of the New-York Central Railroad, is no more developed than 138th-st. These are all existing facts, and they show that the 138th-st. station is as close to the theatre and shopping district as is the proposed 149th-st. site.

As to the probable future of the two streets. What is it that establishes the value of a crosstown thoroughfare? Is it not the great daily ebb and flow of humanity between homes and business? All of New-York's greatest crosstown thoroughfares have ferries at their river ends bringing tributary to them the great populous suburbs of New-Jersey and Long Island. At East 42d-st. is the ferry to Brooklyn; at West 42d-st. the ferry to Weehawken and the West Shore Railroad.

At 138th-st. is the ferry to Queens, the building statistics of which indicate a growth not unlike that of The Bronx, while at its westerly end it connects with the populous part of Harlem. It already has a crosstown surface line connecting with the 135th-st. west side elevated and the Lenox-ave. subway stations, and all north and south Manhattan surface lines, the 138th-st., New-York Central and the 2d and 3d-ave. "L" stations, as well as the New-Haven Railroad Port Morris station, and all Bronx surface lines, making it a logical shopping centre not only for The Bronx, but for Harlem and Queens Borough. At its easterly end are the great factories at Port Morris, employing thousands of hands, and the Port Morris market, to which the Long Island farmers bring their produce. One-hundred-and-thirty-eighth-st. is solidly built up from Alexander-ave. to Southern Boulevard. North and south of it, from Brook-ave. almost to Port Morris, there is a great building boom in progress.

At the easterly end of 149th-st. are the New-Haven freight yards, while at its westerly end it connects with 145th-st. in Manhattan. There is at present no crosstown surface line in operation along it; and Manhattan Island from there north narrows to about one-third of its width south of 125th-st., while its precipitous topography precludes the possibility of it ever sustaining a large population. The greater portion of 149th-st. is unbuilt. There is nothing to make it a crosstown shopping thoroughfare. Its only advantage over 138th-st. lies in the subway from 3d-ave. west—a temporary advantage.

Concerning the 149th-st. subway link, the chief engineer of the Rapid Transit Commission said, in a report on the proposed east side lines, that transfers "could be given at 149th-st. for the small proportion of travel that might desire to go from Bronx Park to the west side of Central Park. This would also permit the present Lenox-ave. line to become what it should be, namely, a line for purely Harlem travel, so that the residents of the Harlem district would be sure of finding seats."

While it is true that the direct East Side line is not yet in course of construction, it is certain that it will be, and that before the New-York Central station is finished. As the company is building for the future, it would seem most unwise to locate off to one side, where it will be necessary for all Bronx passengers to transfer to a crosstown line at 149th-st. to reach or depart from it, when, by extending its present 138th-st. station eastward, it will tap all existing main arteries of travel as well as the several proposed East Side subways.

Furthermore, at 138th-st. the station would be close to the Harlem River terminal of the New-Haven road with its projected Pennsylvania and Long Island connections, as well as the projected Port Chester and Westchester roads and to four bridges over the Harlem, across which can be brought direct to the Mott Haven station the 1st, 2d, 3d, Lexington and Madison-ave. surface lines.

OSSINING.

On Wednesday afternoon, December 27, at 5 o'clock, in St. Paul's Church, Miss Margaret Page, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Nelson P. Dame, will be married to William Coleman Worthington, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Y. Worthington, of Washington.

One of the pleasing incidents of the closing exercises at St. Augustine's Parochial School for the Christmas holidays was the unveiling of a picture of the Virgin and Child which had been given to the school by Mrs. John I. Kane and Mrs. Francis Larkin, jr., in memory of their sister, Mrs. Frederick Potter.

Among the deaths in this village during the last week were those of Miss Augusta Brush, daughter of the late A. A. Brush, formerly agent and warden at the prison, and Mrs. Mary Virginia Ellegood, wife of Seth G. Ellegood, secretary of the Sing Sing Savings Bank, and daughter of the late Marcus L. Cobb.

The Point Senasqua Rod and Reel Club has awarded the prizes for the best catches in the last season. The first prize was won by Winfield S. Smith, who had a 5 pound 11½ ounce bass to his credit. Benjamin C. Acker came second, with a 4 pound 6½ ounce fish, and Village Clerk Richard A. Ward was third, with a catch that weighed 2 pounds 10½ ounces.

Mrs. James T. Blandford, of State-st., and her grandson, James Blandford, have gone to Florida for the winter.

PEEKSKILL.

Courtlandt Lodge, No. 34, F. and A. M., held its 1,900th communication and 112th anniversary on Thursday evening. The affair was quiet and informal. The room was decorated with palms, ferns and potted plants. There were vocal and instrumental solos, quartet singing, short addresses by members of the lodge and the presentation by George E. Briggs of a large portrait of himself, framed in gilt. The portrait will be hung on the walls alongside that of James W. Husted, who was Grand Master many years ago.

The Peekskill Lodge, No. 744, B. P. O. E., celebrated its fourth anniversary last Monday night. There was an entertainment, followed by a dance. Three hundred men and women were present.

The steamer Emeline has ceased her trips between Haverstraw and Newburg, stopping at this place.

TO OWN WATERWORKS.

Mayor Brush of Mount Vernon Favors Municipal Ownership.

Mayor Edward F. Brush and leading citizens of Mount Vernon are advocating a municipal waterworks for that city. Their plan is to have the city take over the Interurban Water Company, which now supplies the residents of Mount Vernon and Mamaroneck and is capitalized at $1,500,000. For ten years the Mayor has been fighting this company and its predecessors to compel them to reduce their rates. The fight extended back to the time when the Mayor was a private citizen, and it has cost him thousands of dollars. Several years ago he prepared a bill looking toward municipal ownership, but it was defeated in the State Senate.

A meeting for the purpose of considering the purchase of the Interurban plant was held at the City Hall last week. It was attended by Mayor Brush, A. A. Lisman, of the Mount Vernon Trust Company; Joseph S. Wood, Charles Hill Wilson and other wealthy citizens. Mr. Tiffany, representing a bond company, was also present. At this meeting it was found that the city could not purchase the plant at the present time, because it is too near the debt limit to issue bonds, so it was proposed that the citizens interested in the movement should advance the money and hold the plant as trustees until a special bond issue could be authorized by the legislature. Another conference, it is said, will be held at an early date.

OF NORTH SIDE INTEREST.

The annual election of the North Side Board of Trade will take place Wednesday evening, December 27. The nominating committee, of which James L. Wells is chairman, has reported substantially the same ticket as last year, headed by Olin J. Stephens, except that Louis F. Haffen has been dropped from the head of the vice-presidents to the tail end of the list. There was a strong sentiment in the nominating committee in favor of dropping him from the ticket, owing to the grave charges of maladministration soon to be brought to trial, but it was deemed wise, pending a decision on these charges, to continue him among the list of vice-presidents out of respect to his office as president of the Borough of The Bronx. Charles D. Steurer was dropped from the executive committee and Wesley H. Trimmer substituted. Some curiosity is expressed as to whether Haffen will endeavor to pack the coming meeting, as he has that of other organizations, in an effort to secure the passage of laudatory resolutions concerning himself. The general opinion in The Bronx is that every time he resorts to such tactics he weakens his own standing before the community.

The following programme has been arranged for to-day's morning service at the Claremont Park Church, 167th-st. and Park-ave., of which the Rev. John C. Whiting is the pastor:

Voluntary, instrumental, Miss Lycander; Doxology, "Old Hundred," congregation standing; invocation by the pastor; Hymn No. 73, "O come, all ye faithful"; cornet solo, "Nazareth" (Gounod), Professor Thomas Zanetti; responsive reading, page 37, "The Promised Saviour"; pastor; ladies' trio, "Light of the World," Miss Hanisch, Miss Hinck and Mrs. Whiting; Scripture, "The Song of the Angels," Luke ii, 8-20; Hymn No. 72, "All praise to Thee"; notices and Christmas offering; offertory, cornet solo, "He shall feed His flock" (Handel's "Messiah"), Professor Zanetti; Hymn No. 78, "As with gladness men of old"; the Christmas sermon, by the pastor, "Glory, Peace and Good Will"; Hymn No. 75, "It came upon the midnight clear"; benediction; postlude, instrumental, Miss Lycander.

On Sunday evening the Bible school, numbering nearly two hundred members, Joseph R. Kee, superintendent, will conduct the service, which will include responsive exercises, recitations, songs by the school, solos and a brief address by the pastor on "The Young Folks' Christmas."

On Thursday evening, December 28, at 7:30 o'clock, the annual Bible school festival will be held. Santa Claus has been invited and expects to attend. The members of the school will present a programme of recitations, exercises and songs, and a merry time will be enjoyed. Home department members, cradle roll members and the parents of all are particularly requested to be present.

The Bronx Society of Arts and Science held its second regular monthly meeting at the Carnegie Library, in Tremont, on Thursday, and filled out its board of officers by electing Chancellor MacCracken of New-York University president and Principal John H. Denbigh of the Morris High School, Dr. Alfred T. Schauffler, Dr. Thomas Gaffney Taaffe and Professor Hornaday, of the Zoological Park, as vice-presidents. Dr. Taaffe and George Stonebridge were added to the society's council.

After the transaction of business the members and invited friends listened to Dr. Clarence H. Young lecture on "Greek Costumes as Revealed in Art and Literature."

The lecturer is professor of Greek at Columbia University, and for some time has been engaged in a profound study of the subject treated in his lecture. The interest and value of the text were added to by a collection of stereopticon pictures, and the professor also made use of a manikin to illustrate various modes of draping.

Dr. Young demonstrated that the old Greek costumes were naturally artistic and graceful, and were, moreover, comfortable, and the several modes of drapery were adapted to the various occupations of the wearers.

As the result of a petition signed by various Bronx merchants of 149th-st., 3d-ave. and Westchester-ave., the Union Railway Company has increased the number of cars on the Westchester-ave., West Farms, 3d-ave. and Webster-ave. lines for the holiday shopping season. The company has arranged, also, to run additional cars on the above lines hereafter on Saturday evenings.

The two thousand inmates of the New-York Catholic Protectory in Van Nest will observe Christmas Day with special religious and musical services, outdoor sports and a turkey dinner. A solemn high mass will be celebrated in the chapel early Monday morning, the celebrant being accompanied by two boy choirs and a string orchestra of thirty pieces. The dinner will be served in the afternoon. Then will follow the games and a programme of songs, monologues and dialogues, together with a concert by the Protectory Band. The programme will be brought to a close with the production of a play by the Protectory Dramatic Club.

The Williamsbridge Republican Club, which did such good work in the recent municipal election, electing two Republican aldermen from the district and reducing the Tammany majority cast for Assemblymen from twelve hundred to less than three hundred, has elected the following officers for 1906: President, John A. De Leyer; first vice-president, George E. Wetherby; secretary, Alexander U. Mayer; treasurer, Francis Shackell; financial secretary, Robert C. Burlando; sergeant-at-arms, Emil Pettinoti; executive committee, John Lynch, Hiland Briggs, Llewellyn Lewis, John H. McChristie, Ralph W. Greene, John Broudt, George H. Perkins, James Randolph, Arthur H. Wadick, Robert Wallace, John J. Knewitz and the executive member, president secretary and treasurer, ex officio. William S. Germain is the Republican leader of Williamsbridge and the remainder of the Annexed District.

WHITE PLAINS.

Mrs. E. B. Kear, of Yorktown, has gone to Saranac Lake, where she will spend the winter.

Several of the supervisors will inspect Sing Sing Prison on next Thursday as the guests of Mr. Johnson, the warden. This will be the first time in fifteen years that the State prison has been inspected by the Supervisors.

The White Plains Masonic lodge on Wednesday night elected Hugh B. Davies Worshipful Master; F. B. Van Kleeck, jr., Senior Warden; Irving N. Tompkins, Junior Warden; Richard Maney, Treasurer; W. W. Ford, Secretary, and E. B. Long, Trustee.

WESTCHESTER NOTES.

MOUNT VERNON.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jenkins, of No. 46 South 11th-ave., celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last night. Among the guests was the Rev. W. S. Coffey, who married Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins in old St. Paul's Church, East Chester. Mr. Jenkins is a retired builder.

The engagement is announced of Miss Gertrude Estelle Blatz, of Mount Vernon, to Herbert A. Cracaner, a young lawyer of New-York. The wedding will take place at the home of the bride on January 17.

The fourth annual dance and reception of the Nausicaa Basketball Club, of the Mount Vernon High School, will be held on Tuesday evening at the Alcazar.

A reception was given last week by Mrs. W. E. Wilkinson at her home, in Summit-ave. Mrs. Wilkinson was assisted in receiving by Mrs. F. M. S. Taylor, Mrs. G. B. Clark, Mrs. Henry Foulds and Mrs. E. W. Jones.

The annual dinner of the High School Congress is scheduled to take place in holiday week in New-York City. The following officers of the organization have the affair in charge: Lindon Lee, Franklin P. Buck, Earl Mills and Frank Almquist.

At the annual election of Hiawatha Lodge, F. and A. M., Theodore Taylor was elected Worshipful Master, Horace P. Hollister Senior Warden, Herman G. Preuss Junior Warden, Rolland B. Archer Treasurer and Harry Lowes Secretary.

The board of managers of the Mount Vernon Hospital will hold a reception at Willard Hall on New Year's Day from 8 to 10 p. m. They will be assisted in receiving by the officers of the woman's auxiliary to the hospital.

Company H, 1st Regiment, N. G. N. Y., held its third election to fill the office of captain on Friday evening. Major John E. Pruyn, of Yonkers, presided. Second Lieutenant John F. Fairchild was again elected captain over A. P. Delcambre by a vote of 32 to 13. At the second election Lieutenant Fairchild had a majority of five votes, but this was set aside by the State and a new election ordered.

George H. Brown, president of the East Chester Savings Bank, accompanied by Mrs. Brown, will depart on January 15 for California, where they expect to spend five or six weeks.

Miss Frances Danner Thomson, librarian, is spending the Christmas holidays at her home in Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gay expect to sail on January 6 for Greece, where they will spend the remainder of the winter and early spring.

Miss Nona Burnett Mills, eldest daughter of ex-Judge Isaac N. Mills, and Professor James Graham Harvey were married on Friday night at the home of the bride. The bridegroom is a member of the faculty of Williams College, and the ceremony was performed by the Rev. Henry Hopkins, of Williamstown, Mass. After a wedding trip Professor and Mrs. Harvey will reside in Williamstown.

YONKERS.

Miss Florence M. Sutherland was married to Richard L. Kempe on Tuesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Lowerre Point. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. William P. Bruce, of Yonkers, assisted by the Rev. Alfred Duncombe, of Manhasset, Long Island, an uncle of the bride. The maid of honor was Miss Jessie Sutherland, sister of the bride, and the bridesmaids were Miss Susie Haines, of this city, and Miss Katherine Sutherland, of East View. The bridegroom was attended by his brother, Sidney W. Kempe, of New-York. The couple have gone to Bermuda on their honeymoon, and on their return will live in New-York.

Phillipsburg Hall was opened on Tuesday evening with the annual charity ball in aid of St. John's Hospital. Von Baar was in charge of the two bands, one a string orchestra and the other a full military band. The hospital treasury will receive a substantial addition from the receipts. The ball committee consisted of Police Commissioner Edward K. Martin, Alexander S. Cochrane and G. Howard Chamberlain.

Congressman John E. Andrus and his secretary, Bernard Koch, are home from Washington for the holidays.

The presentation of flags to the public schools of Yonkers by the Grand Army posts, which was begun some time ago, was continued Tuesday evening, when School No. 12 received one. Both posts, together with the women's auxiliary, attended in a body.

Miss Maud E. Kautter and Walter F. Van Voorhis, both of Yonkers, were married on Wednesday by the Rev. Richard Hartley, of New-York. The bride was attended by Miss Arline A. Bennetts, and the best man was Adolph Kautter, jr. On their return from a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Van Voorhis will live in this city.

Cards are out announcing the marriage on New Year's Day of Miss Eleanor Aline Turner, of Malone, N. Y., to Arthur Dudley Lawrence, of Yonkers.

NEW-ROCHELLE.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick H. Allen and their five children returned last Sunday from France and are now at their home in Pelham Manor.

William Boyd, said to be the first police officer ever appointed in New-Rochelle, died on Tuesday. He was eighty-four years old.

The members of the New-Rochelle Yacht Club had a Christmas tree at the clubhouse last night. Commodore Waldorf was Santa Claus.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Shepherd, of this city, have been the guests of Mrs. W. T. Sampson, in Washington.

Dr. H. T. Foote, J. B. Ricketts and Paul Meyrowitz compose the committee of nominations for the annual election of the New-Rochelle Yacht Club. It is said that Commodore Gill and Vice-Commodore Gill will both be renominated.

There will be a Christmas service at the 10:30 o'clock high mass in St. Gabriel's Roman Catholic Church to-day. The boys' choir will sing in New-Rochelle for the first time the mass composed by Van Bree, choirmaster of the Antwerp Cathedral. The Rev. J. F. X. O'Connor, S. J., of Fordham University, will preach the Christmas sermon.

The wedding of Miss Florence M. Kracshaw, of Edgwood Park, to George E. Goodman, will take place on January 16 in St. Gabriel's Church. Mr. Goodman is a member of the New-Rochelle Rowing and Yacht clubs.

It is said that Colonel Henry H. Heert will soon become a resident of New-Rochelle. He was here last week and took an automobile ride over the city looking for a suitable house.

The members of the New-Rochelle Gun Club will give a clay pigeon shoot on New Year's Day.

LARCHMONT.

Mrs. Emma Herne, who has been travelling in Europe for several months, returned to Larchmont last week.

Mrs. E. W. Bodine has returned from Florida, where she has been spending a short vacation.

The members of the Larchmont Yacht Club will hold a clay pigeon trophy shoot on New Year's Day.

The nominating committee of the Horseshoe Harbor Club have selected the following ticket to be voted for on January 10 at the annual meeting in the Holland House: Commodore, W. A. Marble; vice-commodore, William Stuart Allen; secretary, Lewis G. Spence; treasurer, Leonard A. Winship; trustee, William Haigh.

Jack Baudoine celebrated his forty-third birthday anniversary last week by giving a dinner at his place at Orienta Point. The guests were Edward F. Murphy, E. G. Unitt, Frank V. Alexandre, A. Jackson Stone, A. Baudouine, Charles Geoghan, A. Waldron, W. J. Merrill, J. Carter and John F. Lovejoy.

Charles P. Tower, chairman of the regatta committee of the Larchmont Yacht Club, will start a yachting magazine early in January.

Mrs. Anna M. Weeks, widow of Nathaniel C. Weeks, died at her home in Mamaroneck on last Tuesday. Mrs. Weeks was the mother of Henry C. Weeks, who is identified with Republican politics in Rye and Albany.

The Frank Hardy Association held its annual session on Thursday night and re-elected Mayhew W. Bronson president.

RYE.

Miss Alice Moffat gave a bridge party last Saturday evening at her home on Boston Post Road. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Meeker, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Park, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Wyman, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Outram Sherman, Miss Carleton and others.

Lamar L. Fleming, who has been at a hospital in New-York City for several weeks, is getting better and hopes to be at home for the holidays.

William Gedney has sold his house in Milton Road to Frank P. Slavey, who will soon occupy it.

The football team from Heathcote Hall School has closed a successful season, in which they played fourteen games, of which they won eight, lost three and tied three.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Strebeigh last Saturday evening gave one of a series of bridge parties, to which many of her friends were invited.

H. Leslie Hotchkiss has begun the erection of a residence in Grand View-ave., in Rye Park. It will be ready for occupancy in the spring.

Mrs. William H. Parsons sailed last week for Europe, where she expects to remain most of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Corning have returned from Philadelphia, where they spent several days visiting friends.

Edward D. Douglass, of Apawamis-ave., had as a visitor this week his brother, Walter Douglass, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

John A. Gwynne and his daughter, Miss Mabel Gwynne, are back from a short visit to Chicago.

J. Mayhew Wainwright is entertaining his mother, Mrs. William H. Catlin.

Mrs. W. De Wolf Dimock is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Mary Chamberlain, who has just returned from a trip to Europe.

Wilbur F. Hendrix, cashier of the Rye National Bank, has been elected treasurer of Group 6, New-York State Bankers' Association.

MUSICAL COMMENT.

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when the programme will consist of Mozart's Quartet in E flat, Mr. Loeffler's Rhapsodies for viola, oboe and pianoforte and Beethoven's Quartet in E minor, op. 59, No. 2.

Advance announcements of sporadic concerts must be taken with many grains of allowance this year. Nearly every week some concert set down for one date is changed to another. The latest change is that of the first of Mr. Victor Beigel's concerts, which was announced a week ago for January 10, and is now announced for January 17. The programme will consist of classical songs from the fifteenth to the nineteenth century.

Programme of a recital of violin music and songs by Edwin Grasse and Mrs. Corinne Rider-Kelsey, with Mrs. Carl Hauser at the pianoforte, at Mendelssohn Hall on next Thursday afternoon:

Suite in E minor, for piano and violin (manuscript).
Edwin Grasse
Mr. Grasse and Mrs. Hauser.
Andante and Finale, from G minor concerto...Max Bruch
Mr. Grasse.
Songs:
"Heimliche Afforderung,"
"Das Rosenband,"
"Schlagende Herzen,"
.....Strauss
Mrs. Rider-Kelsey.
Romanze.....Sinding
Air Russes.....Wieniawski
Songs:
"Polly Willis".....Dr. Arne
"Long Ago".....McDowell
"The Lark Now Leaves His Watry Nest".....Parker
Mrs. Rider-Kelsey.
Danse Andalouse.....Sarasate
Mazourka.....Zavzycki
Humoresque.....Dvorak
Polonaise (manuscript).....Edwin Grasse
Mr. Grasse.

Sigismond Stojowski, professor of piano in the Institute of Musical Art, will give a recital in Mendelssohn Hall soon after his appearance there with the Boston Symphony Quartet on January 2.

Programme of Mme. Gadski's song recital in Carnegie Hall next Tuesday afternoon, beginning at 3 o'clock, Frank La Forge at the pianoforte:

Meine Liebe ist grün.....Brahms
Thy beaming eyes
The robin sings in the apple tree.....Edward MacDowell
Der Kleine Fritz.....C. M. v. Weber
An Irish Folk song.....Arthur Foote
Dichterliebe I and II.....Schumann
Loch Lomond.....Old Scotch
Erlkönig.....Schubert
Willkommen mein Wald
Für Musik
Im Herbst
Geheimnis
Liebchen ist da
Aus meinen grossen Schmerzen
Er ist gekommen.....Robert Franz
Die Bibel ist ein heilig Buch.....V. Chelius
Komm wir wandeln.....P. Cornelius
Der Kindes Gebet.....Max Reger
Waldseligkeit.....Conrad Ansorge
Traum durch die Dämmerung.....R. Strauss
Strampelchen.....E. Hildach
Ich fluchte mich in meine Klause
I love but thee.....F. La Forge
O, come with me in the summer night.....F. Van der Stucken

The next pair of Boston Symphony concerts will be given in Carnegie Hall on Thursday evening, January 11, and Saturday afternoon, January 13. On Thursday evening the solo artist will be Mr. Alfred Reisenauer, and on Saturday afternoon, Professor Willy Hess.

Berlioz is usually called a romantic, but he looked upon himself as a classic. In a letter of his, just published, he writes impetuously: "I am classical romantic? I have no idea what it means. By classical art, I mean an art that is young, strong and genuine, thoughtfully passionate, in love with beautiful forms, and perfectly free. And I call classical all that is original and great. Gluck and Beethoven are classics; they always said what they wanted to say, heedless of rules. Virgil and Shakespeare are classics. . . . Being classical, I live often with the gods, sometimes with thieves and devils, never with apes."

The first concert of chamber music of the new year will be that by the Boston Symphony Quartet in Mendelssohn Hall on Tuesday evening, January 2. The quartet (Professor Willy Hess and Messrs. Roth, Ferir and Warnke) will be assisted by Mr. Sigismond Stojowski, pianist, of the Institute of Musical Art, and by Messrs. Max Zach, viola, and Josef Keller, 'cello, of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Programme of Kubelik's concert at Carnegie Hall, to-day at 3 p. m.:

Concerto, G Minor.....Bruch
Kubelik.
Prelude, Op. 28, No. 17.....Chopin
Mazurka, Op. 68, No. 1.....Chopin
Traumes Wirren.....Schumann
Miss Agnes Gardner-Eyre.
Concerto, D Major.....Paganini
Kubelik.
Scherzo, E flat minor, Op. 4.....Brahms
Miss Agnes Gardner-Eyre.
Scavischer Tanz, No. 10.....Dvorak
Zephyr.....Hubay
Souvenir de Moscou.....Wieniawski
Kubelik.

The Oratorio Society's Christmastide performances of "The Messiah" for the last thirty years have employed so many of the best contemporary singers as soloists that even an abridged list of them affords a glimpse into New-York's musical history. At the Carnegie Hall concerts of next Wednesday afternoon and Thursday evening the soloists will be Mrs. Corinne Rider-Kelsey, soprano; Mme. Kirkby Lunn, contralto; George Hamlin, tenor, and David Bispham, barytone. Looking back over the Oratorio Society's "Messiah" programmes, one comes upon such names as the following: Sopranos, Miss Abbie Whinnery (1874), Miss Emma Thursby, Miss Minnie Hauk, Miss Lillian Bailey (1880), who became Mrs. Georg Henschel; Miss Henrietta Beebe, Mme. Schroeder-Hanfstaengl (1884), Mme. Lilli Lehmann (1885), Mme. Fursch-Madi (1887), Mrs. Sarah Baron Anderson, Miss Clementine De Vere, Mme. Lillian Nordica (1893), Mme. Lillian Blauvelt, Mme. Gadski and Mme. Suzanne Adams; contraltos, Miss Anna Drasdil (1874), Mme. Trebelli (1883), Miss Emily Winant, Miss Marianne Brandt (1885), Mrs. Carl Alves, Mme. Marie Ritter-Goetze, Mme. Louise Homer, Mme. Kirkby Lunn and Miss Janet Spencer; tenors, George Simpson (1874), Theodore J. Toedt, Whitney Mockridge (1885), William J. Lavin, Italo Campanini (1891), William H. Rieger, H. Evan Williams, Ellison Van Hoose, George Hamlin, Gregory Hart and Theodore Van Yorx; basses, A. E. Stoddard (1874), Franz Remmertz, Georg Henschel (1880), Max Heinrich, Joseph Standigl (1885), Emil Fischer, Dr. Carl Martin, Ericsson Bushnell, David Bispham (1893), Watkin Mills, F. Ffrangçon-Davies and Herbert Witherspoon. The Oratorio Society desires the public to know that every effort has been made to keep seats for "The Messiah" from falling into the hands of speculators, but the prompt purchase of tickets is the best way to avoid paying extra prices, as the house is invariably sold out for both concerts.

Mme. Emma Calvé will resume her concert tour in Chicago on New Year's night. Her managers have just arranged for a second appearance of the singer at Carnegie Hall. She will be heard here at a matinee on February 22 (Washington's Birthday), presenting a programme entirely different from the one she gave before. In the mean time Calvé will journey to the Pacific Coast, and will sing in all the principal cities of the West, Northwest and South. She is now said to be in the best of health and voice.

Victor Herbert and his orchestra will return to New-York for one performance only—a "Watch Night" concert, to be given at Carnegie Hall, Sunday, December 31. Beginning at 9:30 o'clock, the concert will end on the stroke of 12 with the ever popular "American Fantasy." Miss Maud Powell, violinist, has been engaged as the soloist. Her selections will be appropriate to the occasion. Members of the Mystic Shrine will attend with their wives.

Ted Marks has arranged to present Walter Damrosch and the entire New-York Symphony Orchestra and soloists in a New Year's Eve concert at the Hippodrome on Sunday night, December 31, at popular prices. The programme will be suitable for the occasion.

David Bispham, at his first recital in Mendelssohn Hall next Tuesday evening, will give this programme:

"An Old Christmas Lullaby".....Cornes
"Mad Tom".....Purcell
"To a Slumbering Child".....Cornelius
"Her Eyes".....Franz
"Somebody"
"Naebody".....Schumann
"The Monk".....Meyerbeer
"Oh, Lady, Leave Thy Silken Thread"
"When Is Life's Youth?"
"April, April!"
"Cherry-Ripe".....Eleanor Everett Theer
"The Dream of Little Rhys".....Welsh
"Kelly's Cat".....Irish
"Annie Laurie".....Scotch
"Young Richard".....English
"The Pipes of Pan".....Elgar
"Long Ago".....MacDowell
"Ring Out, Wild Bells".....Gounod

The third private meeting of the Manuscript Society will be held on Saturday evening, December 30, at 8:45 o'clock, at the National Arts Club.

The last of the popular concerts of the Irish Ladies' Choir of Dublin will take place at the Academy of Music this evening at 8:15 o'clock. Many of the simple Irish melodies, known throughout the world, will be heard. Among these are: "The Wearing of the Green," "Come Back to Erin," "O'Donnell Aboo," "Savourneen Dheelish," "The Ninepenny Fidil," "Shule Agra," "Rory O'More," the concert ending with "My Land" by the entire choir.

The Volpe Symphony Society will give three concerts at Carnegie Hall on January 4, February 22 and March 29. The orchestra is composed of young musicians, and the solo performers