D. K. E. IN THE SOUTH.

THEME OF DINNER HERE.

Three Hundred New York Members of Fraternity at Delmonico's.

Nearly three hundred members of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity of New York attended the dinner at Delmonico's last night given in honor of the "Dekes" of the Old South. President Frederick B. Jennings (Epsilon '72) was toastmaster, and with him at the main table were Dr. George Tucker Harrison, Virginia, '55; Surrogate Charles H. Beckett, Dartmouth, '81; Justice Vernon M. Davis, C. C. N. Y. '76; Stanley W. Dexter, Yale, '72; Hugh R. Garden, Virginia, '69; the Rev. Hester St. Clair, N. C. '88; Professor Carroll L. Maxcy, Williams, '89; Edwin A. Merritt, jr., Yale, '84; John J. McCook, Kenyon, '66, and John De Witt Warner, Cornell, '72.

Before introducing the speakers President Jennings said he was glad to see so many members of the fraternity at the dinner, notwithstanding the hard times and that the Civil War occasioned no bitterness between the "Dekes" of the North and those of the South. The toastmaster asking those present to drink to the health of President Roosevelt took occasion to say that while those present might not approve of the distinguished member's acts and utterances, still all present were with him in his loyalty to college tradition and the "Dekes."

Surrogate Beckett, the first speaker, relating Delta Kappa Epsilon's part in the Civil War, said:

Tell me the story of Delta Kappa Epsilon and I will write you the history of the Civil War. That war began when Brother Theodore Winthrop, of Phi (Yale), leading the Northern advance, was killed at Great Bethel, and that war did not end until, six weeks after Appomattox, Brother Philip Brent Spence, of Zeta (Princeton), was the last Confederate commander to surrender.

Our fraternity was founded in 1844, as a national order. Two of the fifteen founders were Southern men. Between April, 1847, and February, 1861, we established eleven chapters in the South; two of these survived the struggle. Four others have since been revived.

According to the fraternity historian, of major generals D. K. E. has eight (six Union and two Confedcrates); of brigadiers, thirty-one (twenty-five Union); of colonels, ninety-eight (about equally divided); of lieutenant colonels, 118; of majors, 170; of captains, 208, and of other staff officers, above five hundred. D. K. E. sent to the ranks more than fifteen hundred of her sons—60 per cent of all names on her rolls, nearly two-thirds of all the D. K. E.'s then living, and probably nine-tenths of all those then eligible for service.

Dr. George Tucker Harrison, ex-president of the Southern Club, who spoke next, among other things, said:

V. Dabney, or "Old V," as his friends affectionately called him, distinguished himself in the war between the states as a staff officer, especially when he served on the staff of General John B. Gordon. In civil life he was teacher, author and journalist. It was as a conversationalist, however, that he shone. One of his bon mots was on the occasion of "Tom" Dudley's third venture in matrimony. Some friend asked: "V, are you going to 'Tom' Dudley's wedding?" "Yes," was the quick response, "I always go."

"Tom" Dudley was one of the most gifted men I ever knew. As bishop, priest or orator, he displayed remarkable powers, and was an ornament to the Church. Pericles calls the distinguishing quality of the Athenians "a happy and gracious flexibility." "Tom" Dudley possessed this gift to a happy degree. Witness how happily he extricated himself from a dilemma. He was once caught by the test question propounded by a lady, when the bishop entered upon his duties as Bishop of the Diocese of Kentucky. The High and Low Church parties were each anxious to claim him as an adherent. The question asked the new Bishop was: "Bishop, are you High or Low?" The ready reply was: "Madame, I am High, Low, Jack and the Game."

Alas! they are both gone—V. Dabney and "Tom" Dudley—and the world is the poorer for their loss.

Assemblyman Merritt, who, like the others, had drunk in silence to the President of the United States, when called on told several witty stories. He said as a member of Phi Chapter, the parent organization, that an equal opportunity should be given to every man and that special privileges should not be granted those who represent great wealth or labor unions. In closing his address Assemblyman Merritt said:

This chapter desires to pay its tribute to that great son of Harvard who is to-day President of the United States, who has taken an official position higher than that of any man in the fraternity or that any may expect to take for some years to come.

I don't agree with all the things that anybody does, and I don't agree with all the things that I do myself. While I do not agree with all the things that the President has done or said, still I do honestly believe that he has honored himself, the fraternity and human nature by the honesty of his purpose, and the end alone must tell of the wisdom he has possessed.

The only way to get results is to keep at it everlastingly, and the spirit in which we must attack public and private problems must be like that of General Grant when at a critical time in the war he continued to order the "left flank forward."

The Rev. St. Clair Hester, president of D. K. E. Council, spoke on the "New South," and Edward H. Coy, the football player, who represented the Yale Chapter, said that the first convention of the fraternity since the Civil War would be held at Yale next November. He invited the Southern brethren at the dinner to see to it that delegates representing them be sent to that convention.

Colonel J. J. McCook was the last speaker. Before the dinner broke up President Jennings read a letter from Ambassador Reid, in which he expressed his regret at being unable to attend the dinner owing to his return to England.

JAPAN SEEKS INFORMATION HERE.

Wants to Know How the City Conducts Its Affairs.

Japan has asked the Finance Department of the city what information it can furnish on the administration of public charities, education, sanitation and finance. The letter reached Controller Metz's office yesterday from T. Fuonye and N. Nakagawa, secretaries. It is dated at Tokio, and is as follows:

On behalf of the bureau of local administration of the Department for Home Affairs of his imperial majesty's government, we venture to solicit from your office such documents at your disposal as may afford information on the following matters: (1) The history and present condition of the municipal systems and works of education, sanitation, charity and other public utilities; (2) the latest report of municipal finance; (3) the work of educational and charitable organizations and such other public utilities without your municipality, which are supported by private benefactors, and, if possible, a brief notice of their founders or chief benefactors.

The Controller's staff is at work preparing data and gathering documents to send to Japan.

BEQUEST OF $1,000 FROM MRS. SHAW.

Word from Boston, received yesterday by Secretary C. Loring Brace, of the Children's Aid Society, of this city, increased the permanent fund of the society by $1,000. This was in the form of a bequest from Mrs. Robert Gould Shaw, who died recently in Boston. Mrs. Shaw was the widow of Colonel Robert Gould Shaw, who commanded a negro regiment in the Civil War, and to whom the late Augustus St. Gaudens erected his famous memorial.

The trustees of the Children's Aid Society decided to treat the bequest as the nucleus of a fund to be kept exclusively for the aid of negro children at the Henrietta School for negro children, 63d street, near Tenth avenue.

DROWNED WOMAN IDENTIFIED.

The body of the woman found drowned on the Sound Beach at Mattituck, Long Island, on Wednesday was identified yesterday by Leon Brower, her husband, of Derby, Conn. He said that she had probably drowned herself on November 15, the day she left home. He says he has sought continually for his wife.

STAATS-ZEITUNG BUILDING SOLD.

Controller Metz sold for the city the Staats-Zeitung building, in Tryon Row, yesterday for $8,000, to Morris Sacks, a scrap iron dealer, of Maiden Lane. It will cost about $2,500 to remove the structure. The wreckers have ninety days to do this. The city bought the building and site at a cost of $1,650,000 for the bridge terminal and loop.

THREE-YEAR SENTENCE FOR BANKER.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 20.—Alexander B. Butt, cashier of the wrecked People's Bank, of Portsmouth, Va., pleaded guilty upon three of the twenty-two indictments made against him to-day, and after making restitution to the depositors to the extent of $47,000 on the total shortage of $252,666, was sentenced by Judge Bain to three years in the penitentiary and to pay a fine of $7,184.

J. E. SHERWIN ANNOUNCES SUSPENSION.

J. Edward Sherwin, of No. 74 Broadway, a trader on the Consolidated Stock Exchange, announced his suspension yesterday because of temporary inability to meet his Clearing House balances. Mr. Sherwin has few contracts outstanding among the members of the exchange, and the suspension is looked upon as unimportant.

COL. GUINDON SUICIDE.

President of Express Company Shoots Himself in Office.

First arranging carefully the papers in his desk, giving additional weight to the theory of his friends that the act was the well considered end of long depression over his business affairs, Colonel Eugene Whiting Guindon, president of Fuller's Express Company, shot himself in the right temple yesterday morning at his office, No. 188 Chambers street, dying instantly.

At the time of the suicide several officials and clerks were occupied at their desks within a few feet of Colonel Guindon, their backs toward him. The shot was their first intimation that any unusual mood possessed the president.

Colonel Guindon was sixty-seven years old. Thirty-five years ago he started the present business by forming a partnership with the late J. H. Berdan. They incorporated in 1901, with Colonel Guindon as president. He had suffered from asthma in recent years, and it was said yesterday at the Chambers street offices that he had frequently complained in the last few months of sleepless nights.

Upon arrival at his office yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock he chatted pleasantly with the cashier and one or two clerks. He had been absent several days, but that fact caused no comment, as it was not his custom to go to business regularly. He said nothing concerning his health, but was apparently feeling better than usual.

Shortly after 10 o'clock he called for a boy, by whom he dispatched a package of papers to Harry Thurston, his wife's nephew, manager of the Astor House. He then wrote a letter to his wife, in which he put some money. His watch he placed in an envelope, which he sealed. Then he deliberately took a revolver from his desk and fired one shot. He was dead before his associates could reach him.

Mr. Thurston said yesterday that he believed Colonel Guindon's suicide was prompted by incessant worry over certain business affairs, the exact nature of which he said he did not know. The note Mr. Thurston received from Colonel Guindon, which was written a few moments before the shooting, read: "Dear Harry: Take care of the R. J. Dean receiver matter." It was not disclosed what bearing the subject of the note might have had in prompting the act.

Colonel Guindon was a member of the Metropolitan Museum of Art and of the American Museum of Natural History. He served through the Civil War and was a member of the Old Guard. Mrs. Guindon, his second wife, was the widow of Flavius J. Allen, who for more than twenty-five years was proprietor of the Astor House, of which she is now the lessee. She and a daughter, Mrs. W. H. Duval, survive him.

For several years Colonel and Mrs. Guindon had lived at the Hotel Marie Antoinette.

CROWELL WARNS SNOW CONTRACTORS.

Penalty for Failure To Be Ready for Work To Be Enforced.

The Street Cleaning Department has warned all the contractors that there will be the strictest enforcement of the penalty clauses in the snow contracts. A penalty of $5 an hour is provided for in the case of failure of the contractor to have fifty men and twenty carts ready for work in each subsection within three hours of receiving orders to begin work and for every hour that such a force is not maintained after the work has begun. This penalty has not been enforced yet, but it is going to be, and the department expects better work as a result.

There is a good deal of dissatisfaction in the department at the contract system. Nearly two hundred men are detached from the regular force of the department during removal for checking purposes, and it is understood that Commissioner Crowell and all his deputies think that the work of removal would be done better and at least as cheaply if the city undertook the task itself.

It is felt that there has not been a sufficient test of the new system under the Bensel contract, but unless conditions improve it is likely that Commissioner Crowell will recommend a change to the Board of Estimate.

Extra men and carts are to be pressed into service to-day to clean up the frozen slush that is scattered over the city. This was the decision reached last night by Commissioner Crowell after he had taken an automobile trip late in the afternoon through the sections of the city from which most of the complaints came. He explained that in the recent storm, although the snowfall was more than three inches, the contractors were not called upon. This was because of the rain which immediately followed the snow. The rain did not clear away all the snow, but it meant a great saving to the city, since the two previous storms cost $450,000 for snow removal.

"The department's own men," said Mr. Crowell, "can handle what is left of the snow, although for some streets we will hire a few more men and carts."

WHITMORE WANTS EARLY TRIAL.

Theodore C. Whitmore, the Brooklyn motorman indicted for the murder of his wife, Lena, whose body was found in Lampblack Swamp, at Harrison, N. J., on December 26, pleaded not guilty before Judge Blair in the Hudson County General Sessions Court in Jersey City yesterday. He said he desired an early trial, and expressed his confidence at being able to prove his innocence.

DROEGE BEFORE BAR COMMITTEE.

Magistrate Otto H. Droege appeared yesterday before the grievance committee of the Bar Association to answer charges of irregular conduct in the night court and of having offered money to a reporter to suppress a story. The committee took up the investigation at the request of the Mayor, who unavailingly had asked the magistrate to resign. The committee did not issue a statement, but Moses H. Grossman, of No. 115 Broadway, counsel for the magistrate, said: "Magistrate Droege gave an account of what he had done and answered several questions. He promised to appear, if requested, at the meeting when it reconvenes at 4:30 o'clock next Thursday."

ORDER INTERNATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 20.—The railroad commission to-day ordered the International & Great Northern Railroad to make improvements costing over one million dollars, including new roadbeds on the main line between Palestine and Houston, and Spring and Fort Worth, and on the Columbia and Madisonville branches. New 75-pound steel rails on the main line are also ordered.

AND NOW A MATRIMONIAL TRUST.

Chicago, Feb. 20.—"The Tribune" says to-day that a gigantic matrimonial trust, embracing all "Cupid hunter" agencies, was unearthed in the federal grand jury room yesterday. Information leaked out that evidence had been secured positively proving the hundreds of "soul mate" bureaus operated in every section of the country were controlled by a Chicago and a New York man and possibly two other men.

COLONEL JOHN W. MARSHALL DEAD.

Colonel John W. Marshall, a veteran of the Civil War and an architect, died yesterday at his home, No. 207 West 17th street. He was seventy-one years old.

Colonel Marshall entered the volunteer army as a captain in Company D, 10th New York Infantry, at the outbreak of the Civil War. He became a major in the same regiment soon after, and for gallant and meritorious service was promoted to a lieutenant colonelcy and later became a colonel. He commanded the Third Brigade of the Third Division of the Second Army Corps in the engagement before Fredericksburg and served as colonel of a negro regiment for a short time in the war.

He was for many years superintendent of repair to federal buildings in New York City, and retired from the place in June, 1893, to take up his architectural work. He was a member of the Army and Navy Club. The funeral services will take place at his home on Sunday, at 3:30 p. m.

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HOKE SMITH, SAY "DRYS"

Presidential Boom Inflated at Southern Society Dinner.

Governor Hoke Smith of Georgia for the Presidency of the United States on the Prohibition ticket is the latest boom to strike New York. Mirabeau L. Towns, lawyer and poet, of Brooklyn, speaking for the "Crackers" at the Southern Society dinner at the Hotel Astor last night, launched the boom and the "Yellow Hammers," "Orioles," "Tarheels" and "Mossbacks" applauded the sentiment vigorously, while the "Moonshiners" and those from the Blue Grass State just sneered, and "with impunity," too.

The dinner, which was designated as a "Dixie dinner," was the first of the Southern Society at which women were among the diners, and, of course, each speaker had something chivalrous to say about them. The speakers were representatives of seven of the states whose sons comprise the membership of the society. Each spoke of his native state and thus it was that the "F. F. V.'s" learned how unimportant Virginia was compared with North Carolina, and the "Palmettos" were made to understand that the mortality rate in South Carolina from rattlesnake bites would be tremendous if it were not for the efficacious antidote made in Tennessee.

In fact, the speechmaking was like a joint meeting of the Boost Club and the Roast Club, for there was much of both of these elements evident. The schedule allowed speeches of only five minutes except in the case of Virginia, for whose eulogy the society allowed ten minutes. Hardly any of the speakers kept within the allotted time, for it took them that long to extol the beauty of the womanhood of their respective states. But Dr. John A. Wyeth, president of the society, observing the usurpation of time, said: "We are travelling on the Southern and, as usual, we are behind time." The unusual haste was on account of the dance that was to follow the dinner.

Dr. Wyeth spoke for Alabama. Then he announced the unavoidable absence of John Temple Graves, who was to have responded to "Georgia," and introduced Mirabeau L. Towns, who took his place. Mr. Towns extolled the glories of the Empire State of the South, of her great resources and proud history. "Her men," he said, "were brave, staid and sober," whereat there was some laughter. Thinking that the laughing had to do with his last characterization, Mr. Towns continued:

"They certainly are sober down there now since they have prohibition. Why Hoke Smith was elected Governor only on his promise that he would not take a drink within the borders of the state for two years, and these Prohibitionists, who are becoming so plentiful in this country, are going to make him their leader. With Roosevelt and Bryan running out the trusts, and Hoke Smith, with the Prohibitionists, chasing alcohol, there will be life in the land yet."

W. A. Barber, speaking for South Carolina, took up a remark by the toastmaster that that state had given much trouble and said:

"South Carolina has always done her part, sometimes first and always well, if she has given trouble. She also has always stood for the preservation of liberty and constitutional state sovereignty. And I might say that with the tendency for a greater centralization of power by the suggestion of the government ownership of railroads I would not be surprised if South Carolina would be the first to raise her voice and cast her vote against the slightest infringement of the sovereignty of the state and against what she believes to be the personal rights of her citizens."

Ex-Judge Charles F. Moore referred to all of the other states as colonies of Virginia and all their sons and daughters as children and grandchildren of that state. Kentucky was not represented by a speaker, but it was in song by Miss Bloomfield, who sang "My Old Kentucky Home." Miss Knowles sang "Down on the Suwanee River."

The musical feature was an important one, there being employed successively three orchestras, the first Brooks and Denton banjo septet, followed by a Viennese, then an Italian orchestra.

WATERSHED PATROL COST $2,500,000.

President Bensel Has No Fear of Clash with the Local Authorities.

John A. Bensel, president of the Board of Water Supply, said yesterday that the force of special policemen to patrol the city's watershed will cost about $2,500,000 a year. The patrolmen will receive $100 a month each.

The force will not only keep order in the watershed, but will do everything in its power to prevent contamination of the water. It is expected that 250 men will be appointed as soon as the Municipal Civil Service Commission passes on the application now pending to exempt the chief and deputy chief of the force from the civil service regulations and so permit the appointment of two retired army officers. Many of the special officers will be mounted.

The force is made necessary by the law which provides that the city must maintain order in its water supply zone. President Bensel said there was little likelihood of a clash between these men and the local authorities.

BISHOP LOSES CLAIM TO LAND.

Woman Gets Title to Property Left Brooklyn Prelate by Uncle's Widow.

A decision was given by the Court of Appeals on Wednesday in favor of Mary Fagan, of Brooklyn, in an action against Bishop McDonnell, of Brooklyn, to establish her right to certain property which was part of an estate valued at $200,000 left to the bishop by Mrs. Dalton, the second wife of Miss Fagan's uncle, Michael Dalton.

The property of which Miss Fagan was declared the legal owner is at No. 166 27th street, Brooklyn. It is valued at $4,500. Miss Fagan signed her name to the deeds of this property and three other parcels in 27th street which her uncle bought. He was devoted to her, and she believed that he bought this property for her.

At the sale she also signed blanks which Dalton took with him. It was these blanks which Miss Fagan was asked to sign transferring the property in question to the bishop after Mrs. Dalton died that started her to contest the bishop's claim to the property.

In affirming her claim to one parcel of land the Court of Appeals held that she was the legal owner of the title to the property and that the blanks meant nothing. It is declared likely that after this victory Miss Fagan's claim to the other three parcels of land, on which are flat dwellings, will be affirmed.

Bishop McDonnell will now be asked by the plaintiff's lawyers to surrender his claim to the property, and it is believed that he will do so. He has already declared that he wants the property only if it belongs to him.

Miss Fagan is forty years old. She says she depended on getting this property to support herself and her family.

"Letters from a New Congressman's Wife" will end in next Sunday's Tribune. The last is by no means the least of this clever series, and that is saying a great deal.

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MAY GIVE TERMS TO THOMAS TO-DAY.

Report that Creditors Will Grant Him Five Years' Extension.

It is said to be probable that the final report of the committee of creditors of E. R. Thomas will be submitted in complete form to-day at a general meeting. The various members of the sub-committees met informally yesterday, and several of them visited Mr. Thomas at his home, where he was confined with a cold.

The report as drafted is believed to contain recommendations not as favorable to Mr. Thomas as he desires. The committee has not decided on the fixed charges to be granted to Mr. Thomas, including his living expenses, but it was reported last night that this had been discussed late yesterday afternoon with Mr. Thomas in the efforts to reach an agreement.

The final report is said to provide that the control of the Western Ice Company shall pass to the committee of creditors, with full power to nominate a board of directors or sell the property if deemed advisable; that the control of the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society, held by Mr. Thomas, the stock of which is pledged, be transferred with full powers to a committee of banking creditors; that Mr. Thomas contribute $200,000 as an initial payment to his creditors, and that he turn over to trustees the income from his father's estate subject to fixed charges. On these conditions the creditors are said to be willing to make an extension of five years.

The creditors are said to be against making any fixed allowance for the maintenance of the Thomas stud farm in New Jersey, and he may have to surrender his fast horses to the committee. Mr. Thomas is said to be willing to promise to pay $100,000 a year for five years, when he believes that he will be able to settle every cent of his indebtedness. His attorneys are quoted as saying that the five-year extension may not be necessary, as under normal conditions they believe that Mr. Thomas can pay off everything in a year, including the debts of Maclay & Co.

BUSINESS TROUBLES.

The following petitions in bankruptcy were filed yesterday with the clerk of the United States District Court:

Voluntary, Waring Denham, No. 51 East 58th street; debts, $16,455; assets, $100; principal creditors, A. E. Edwards, $5,700, and D. F. Compton, $3,000.

Involuntary against Bonnie Berenson and David Cominsky, trading as the Houston Furniture Company, No. 370 East Houston street; creditors, Bronx Metal Bed Company, $533; Charles Volt, $160 and B. Bennan, $214; preferences alleged; Walter C. Low appointed receiver.

Involuntary, against Clark & Co., No. 100 Broadway; creditors, Leonard & McCay, $312; John H. McCay, $604, and William V. Kulp, $300; insolvency admitted.

The schedules of Michael H. Gillispie and William E. Walsh, composing the firm of Gillispie, Walsh & Gillispie, show debts of $334,167, of which $45,000 is secured. The assets amount to $51,943. The principal creditors are the Chelsea Exchange Bank, $20,000, secured; Gansevoort branch, Fourteenth Street Bank, $25,000, secured; Harris H. Euriss, $17,974; Levering & Garrigues, $8,870; J. H. Young Stone Company, $27,400; J. L. Hamilton & Sons, $52,630; A. Klabor & Son, $28,570; Lord Electric Company, $20,000; J. J. Delaney, $21,121. The assets consist of cash in possession of receiver, $12,000; notes, $559; supplies, $13,000, and property of an undetermined value. The bankrupt held the contract for the building of the new Police Headquarters building now in course of erection.

The schedules of Charles Wechselblatt, Sidney Wechselblatt and Louis Schechter, comprising the firm of Wechselblatt, Schechter & Co., show debts of $9,163 and assets of $5,700, consisting of stock in trade, $4,500, and machinery, $1,200. The principal creditor is the American Woollen Company, with a claim of $1,807.

Judgment for $32,220 has been entered against the Virginia Etna Lithia Spring Company, of No. 124 Water street, a New Jersey corporation, in favor of Agnes E. Peck, on thirty notes made by the company.

Lucius C. Rice, of Hartford, Conn., has been appointed receiver of the assets in this city of the Seward Rubber Company, a Connecticut corporation, by Justice Platzek, in proceedings brought by William Seward and Edgar L. Ropkins, stockholders, to dissolve the corporation. The assets in this city are valued at $8,000. The company has a capital stock of $200,000. Its plant is at Berlin, Conn. A receiver has been appointed for the company by the Connecticut courts. The company manufactures mechanical rubber goods.

WHAT IS GOING ON TO-DAY.

Sportsman's show, Madison Square Garden.

Free admission to the American Museum of Natural History and Zoological Gardens.

Edward Bradford Titchener on "Psychology," Columbia University, 4:10 p. m.

"Voters' festival," Cooper Union, evening.

Masquerade ball of the French Students, Grand Central Palace, evening.

Reception of the Non-Commissioned Officers' Association of the 13th Regiment, armory, Sumner and Putnam avenues, Brooklyn; evening.

Free lectures of the Board of Education, 8 p. m.—Wadleigh High School, 115th street, near Seventh avenue, Harry G. Paul, "James Russell Lowell" (illustrated); Public School 30, No. 224 East 88th street, Edward Russell Perry, "Yellowstone National Park" (illustrated); Public School 98, Dominick, Clarke and Broome streets, George E. Stonebridge, "Training of Our National Guard" (illustrated); Public School 40, No. 320 East 20th street, Victor C. Bell, "The Care of the Teeth" (illustrated); Public School 52, Broadway, Academy street and Vermilyea avenue, Inwood, Charles N. Thomas, "New Zealand" (illustrated); Public School 165, St. Nicholas avenue and 127th street, Mrs. Cornelia K. Hood, "The Legal Relation of Parent and Child" (illustrated); Public School 158, Avenue A, between 77th and 78th streets, Mrs. Minnie L. K. Salinger, "Henry IV"; Public School 150, Suffolk and Rivington streets, J. Russell Smith, "Story of a Piece of Board" (illustrated); West Side Neighborhood House, No. 501 West 50th street, Walter L. Bogart, "Folksongs"; Young Men's Benevolent Association, No. 311 East Broadway, Frederick A. Hatch, "From 1835 to 1850" (illustrated); Public School 2, 169th street and Third avenue, W. Wallace Kerr, "The Gasolene Automobile" (illustrated); Public School 8, Mosholu Parkway, Briggs and Bainbridge avenues, Bedford Park, Edward A. Ayers, "Mosquitoes" (illustrated); Public School 17, Fordham avenue, near Main street, City Island, Mrs. Nettie L. Beal, "Leonardo da Vinci" (illustrated); Public School 28, Anthony and Tremont avenues, Freeman P. Tower, "Game Fishes of the United States, Their Homes and Habits" (illustrated); Public School 32, 183d street, between Beaumont and Cambrelleng avenues, Ernest K. Coulter, "The Children's Court"; Public School 33, Jerome avenue, north of 184th street, Mrs. Louise S. Houghton, "Palestine, Ancient and Modern" (illustrated); Public School 36, Avenue C, between 8th and 9th streets, Unionport, Miss Minnie D. Kuhn, "Irish Life in Song and Story" (illustrated).

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MOTOR BOAT —AND— SPORTSMAN'S SHOW MADISON SQUARE GARDEN 10 A. M. TO 11 P. M. ADMISSION 50c.

ASTOR Broadway and 45th St. Evgs. 8:15. Last Matinee Saturday, 2:15. WED. MAT. PRICES 50c. to $1.50. LAST THREE TIMES. VIOLA ALLEN AS "IRENE WYCHERLY" NEXT TUESDAY. SEATS NOW SELLING. Wagenhals & Kemper Offer PAID IN FULL A New American Play by Eugene Walter.

DAVID BELASCO'S STUYVESANT West 44th Street, near B'way. TO-NIGHT 158TH TIME. Eve. 8:15. Mat. Sat. at 2. DAVID BELASCO presents DAVID WARFIELD in A GAY ARMY MAN. Next Mon. (Seats Selling).....The Music Master

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BLANEY'S LINCOLN SQ. B'way, 66th Street. Evgs. 8:15. Mat. To-morrow 2:15. EDNA MAY SPOONER in JANICE MEREDITH.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC. 14th St. & Irving Pl. —FOR TWO WEEKS ONLY— HENRY MILLER in THE GREAT DIVIDE. A Great Company, with EDITH WYNNE MATTHISON. Prices 25c. to $1.50. Mats. Wed. and Sat., 2. Eve. 8:15.

COLONIAL Mat. Daily. 25c. Nat. M. Wills, Wm. Courtleigh & Co., Rosie Lloyd, Davenport & Rankin, others.

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HAMMERSTEIN'S Ev. 25, 50, 75c., $1.00. DAILY MATS. A NIGHT IN THE SLUMS OF LONDON, BELLE BLANCHE, CLAYTON WHITE & MARIE STUART, LILY LENA; others.

MADISON SQ. THEATRE, 24th St. & B'y. Curtain at 8:45. Mats. Wed. and Sat., 2:10. Katherine Grey in The Worth of a Woman.

JOE WEBER'S Evenings 8:15. Mats. Wed. and Sat. 2:15. Wed. Mat., 50c.-$1.50. MUSIC HALL. B'way, 29th St. BURLESQUE OF THE MERRY WIDOW Permission Henry W. Savage.

THE DEWEY East 14th St. Ladies' Mat. To-day. YANKEE DOODLE GIRLS. Sunday Aft. and Eve. Concerts. AMATEUR NIGHT EVERY THURSDAY.

EDEN MUSEE WORLD IN WAX. GYPSY MUSIC. CINEMATOGRAPH Every Hour. Next Wk.—Quar. Century Anniversary.

Proposals.

PROPOSALS FOR PIECE GOODS.—DEPARTMENT OF the Interior, Office of Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C., February 5, 1908. Sealed proposals, plainly marked on the outside of the envelope: "Proposal for piece goods," and addressed to the "Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C.," will be received at the Indian Office until 2 o'clock p. m. of Tuesday, March 3, 1908, and then opened, for furnishing the Indian service with corduroy, cassimere, kersey, and khaki piece goods. Bids must be made out on Government blanks. Schedules giving all necessary information for bidders will be furnished on application to the Indian Office, Washington, D. C.; the U. S. Indian Warehouses at New York City, Chicago, Ill., St. Louis, Mo., and Omaha, Nebr. The Department reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or any part of any bid. F. E. LEUPP, Commissioner.

PROPOSALS FOR ENVELOPE ADDRESSING MACHINE.—Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., February 12, 1908.—Sealed proposals for furnishing and delivering one complete outfit for the mechanical addressing of envelopes will be received at this Department until 2 o'clock p. m., Friday, March 6, 1908, and then opened. Blank forms, specifications and other information furnished on application to the Forester, Forest Service, Washington, D. C. Envelopes containing proposals to be endorsed "Proposals for Envelope Addressing System," and addressed to JAMES WILSON, Secretary.

GOVERNOR'S ISLAND, N. Y. H., FEBRUARY 18, 1908.—Sealed proposals, in triplicate, will be received here until 10 A. M., March 19, 1908, for printing required at Department Headquarters during year ending June 30, 1909. Successful bidder will be equired to furnish plant and material. Work to be done on Governor's Island in building furnished by U. S., rent free. Right reserved to accept or reject any or all bids, or any part thereof. Information on application. Envelopes containing proposals should be marked "Proposals for Printing." JNO. W. PULLMAN, A. Q. M. G.

Amusements.

EMPIRE THEATRE. B'way & 40th St. Evgs. 8:20. Matinees Wed. and Sat., 2:15. LAST 2 WEEKS. In Her Greatest Triumph, MAUDE ADAMS THE JESTERS

HUDSON 44th St., near B'way. Evgs. 8:20. Mats. Wed. and Sat., 2:15. "Not even Mr. Mansfield at his best ever approached so near histrionic perfection."—Telegraph. OTIS SKINNER In a play after Balzac, by Paul M. Potter. THE HONOR OF THE FAMILY

GARRICK 35th St., near B'way. Evgs. 8:30. Mats. Wed. and Sat., 2:15. LAST 2 WEEKS. EDNA WALLACE HOPPER GEO. M. COHAN'S "50 MILES FROM BOSTON."

SAVOY 34th St., near B'way. Evgs. 8 sharp. Mats. Thurs. and Sat., 2:15. NEW YORK BIGGEST LAUGHING SUCCESS. 20 DAYS IN THE SHADE By PAUL M. POTTER. Preceding "20 Days in the Shade" THE IRISH NATIONAL THEATRE CO. in the Irish play by W. B. Yeats, A POT OF BROTH

CRITERION Theatre, B'way and 44th St., Evs. 8:15. Mats. Wed. and Sat., 2:15. MISS HOOK OF HOLLAND IS NOW MISS HOOK OF ALL N. Y.

KNICKERBOCKER. Broadway and 38th Street. Evenings 8:15. Matinees Wed. and Saturday, 2:15. VICTOR MOORE IN GEO. M. COHAN'S THE TALK OF NEW YORK.

LYCEUM THEATRE. Broadway & 45th, at 8:30. Mats. Thurs. & Sat., 2:15. THE THIEF KYRLE BELLEW and MARGARET ILLINGTON

LYCEUM THEATRE.....SPECIAL February 24. Prices 75c., $1, $1.50. BEATRICE HERFORD IN HER ORIGINAL MONOLOGUE.

MANHATTAN OPERA HOUSE. 34th St., near 8th Ave. TO-NIGHT at 8 (twelfth appearance) MME. TETRAZZINI—LUCIA DI LAMMERMOOR. Mlle. Severina; MM. Zenatello, Sammarco, Arimondi. Musical Director, Campanini. SAT. MAT. at 2—PELLEAS ET MELISANDE. MARY GARDEN, Gerville-Reache, Sigrist; MM. Dufranne, Perier, Arimondi, Crabbe. Musical Director, Campanini. SAT. NIGHT at 8 (popular prices, 75c.-$3)—SIBERIA. Mlles. Agostinelli, Trentini; MM. Zenatello, Sammarco, Crabbe, Cazauran, Gianoli-Galletti. Musical Director, Campanini. SUNDAY NIGHT at 8:30—Popular Campanini Concert (Cavalleria Rusticana). 50c.-$1.50. Soloists: Russ, De Cisneros, Jomelli, Zeppilli, Sigrist, Dalmores, Bassi, Dufranne, Crabbe. NEXT WEEK: MON.—LOUISE. MARY GARDEN, Mme. Bressler-Gianoli; MM. Dalmores, Gilibert. Musical Director, Campanini. WED.—DINORAH. MME. TETRAZZINI, Mlles. Trentini, Giaconia; MM. Ancona, Mugnoz, Daddi, Venturini. Musical Director, Campanini. THU.—PELLEAS ET MELISANDE. MARY GARDEN, Mlles. Gerville-Reache, Sigrist; MM. Dufranne, Perier, Arimondi, Crabbe. Musical Director, Campanini. SAT. MAT.—LUCIA DI LAMMERMOOR. MME. TETRAZZINI; MM. Zenatello, Sammarco, Arimondi. Musical Director, Campanini. SAT. NIGHT (pop.