OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

FOR A WOMAN'S COURT

City "Fed" Committee Explains Why One Is Needed.

What many women believe to be a long step toward the establishment of a separate court for women was taken yesterday, when a delegation led by Mrs. Gabrielle Stewart Mulliner, chairman of the legislative committee of the New York State Federation of Women's Clubs, had a chance to explain the need for one to the Page Commission, appointed by Governor Hughes to inquire into the local inferior courts. The hearing was held at City Hall.

"The city should eerct a new courthouse, with detention rooms and a prison, to which all women arrested should be taken," said Mrs. Mulliner. "The officers should be women, and where the prisoner is arrested for disorderly conduct there should be a physical examination by a woman physician."

Mrs. Mulliner said she thought the present system of dealing with prostitute women very ineffective. In answer to questions by Julius M. Meyer, attorney for the commission, she declared that she had known women discharged from the night court to leave to keep appointments with men made right there in the court; that women fined and released would be brought up frequently in the day court a few hours later for a similar offence.

"Women convicted of the social evil," she said, "must be regarded in one of two ways. Either they are criminals—in which case they should be put where they cannot depredate—or they are pursuing work they must do to earn their living."

"You believe the present method of dealing with them a mere makeshift?" suggested Assemblyman James A. Francis.

"I do," said Mrs. Mulliner. She added that many women on the street were there because they had no chance in the world—had been brought up to do nothing; and she believed that, in connection with a woman's court, there should be a plan for teaching a useful trade to every woman sentenced for a long enough time to admit of it.

"No woman prostitute," she said at another point in the proceedings, "should be allowed bail till she comes before the judge."

"Why, that is putting the offence on a par with homicide," said Chairman Alfred R. Page.

"It is worse than homicide," said Mrs. Mulliner. "Still, though a woman criminal should be treated as a criminal, primarily she is a woman. I don't want to talk sentiment, but the object of the law is to uplift, and I believe that object can best be attained in the case of women by segregating them in a court of their own, by letting them feel that the law has that much consideration for them, and sparing them the degradation of coming into a general court. This is especially important in the cases of minor offences and of young girls. A woman arrested for drunkenness—perhaps her first offence—could in a building such as I have described, in a clean cell, in charge of women officers, be sobered up and put into condition to return to her home.

"This whole thing seems to me a question not of sentiment, but of expediency. The city must bear the expense of caring for women offenders. It would cost no more to segregate them. Of course, the woman's court would deal only with the so-called minor offences. Women accused of felonies would be tried in a higher court. Domestic relations cases should be tried in civil courts. Non-support on the part of a husband is a breach of contract, and should be treated as such."

Miss Alice C. Smith, head probation officer of New York City, said she believed a woman's court would be "a long step toward progress."

"Women prisoners then," she said, "could be given decent and humane treatment, impossible under the present system. I believe the people in charge of the places of detention now do their best, but our prisons are poor excuses for housing people. In the night court I feel that we have gone back a step. Old offenders and girls are brought together, and the older women will advise the girls, 'Pay your fine and go out again.' The courts are not conducted with dignity. The rooms are too small. Prisoners must stand in line till they are exhausted. Sending prisoners to the workhouse is largely a farce, because there is no co-operation between the magistrates and the workhouse."

Mrs. Rose W. Chapman, national superintendent of the purity department of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, put the question of a woman's court on grounds of national expediency.

"It is difficult," she said, "to persuade a woman who has started on the downward path that she can reform and live a right life, or that other people believe she can. To give her a woman's court—protect her from the necessity of appearing in a room crowded with men—would, I think, make her feel that the law was ready to give her a helping hand."

Mrs. Cornelia K. Hood, formerly connected with the Legal Aid Society in Brooklyn, testified that conditions in some New York courts, among others the Jefferson Market court, were "a shame and a disgrace"—wholly inadequate to the accommodation of prisoners. "I have seen women packed so close together in the pen," she said, "that there wasn't room for them to sit down. Then some of our magistrates, machine appointed politicians, have no feeling for women, and no honor. In a case between a wife and a cruel or a delinquent husband the magistrate's very contempt for women makes it impossible for him to be just to the wife."

THURSDAY A DAY OF PRAYER.

A day of prayer will be observed by the Council of Women for Home Missions next Thursday, from 10:30 to 1 o'clock, in the chapel of the Methodist Book Concern, No. 150 Fifth avenue.

The morning will be divided into several periods, Mrs. R. S. MacArthur having charge of the period for the Baptist missions, Mrs. Newell Dwight Hillis for the Congregationalists, Mrs. Fred Smith Bennett for the Reformed Church, and Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, of the Methodist Episcopal denomination, vice-president of the council, will preside over the general exercises.

The Council of Women for Home Missions is a new interdenominational organization, composed of nine representatives elected from each of the various women's home missionary societies throughout the country. Thus far eight denominations have united, and others expect soon to elect representatives.

The purpose of the council is to provide mission literature for interdenominational use, to arrange a service for a day of prayer to be used by all denominations, to care for home mission interests in schools and colleges, and in general to promote fellowship and co-operation among women's mission boards and societies. It will act in an advisory capacity to all summer conferences of home mission women, of which there are now four—at Northfield, Mass.; Winona Lake, Ind.; Boulder, Col., and Mount Hermon, Cal.

GIVEN TO SCRATCHING.

Women Coy and Uncertain at the Polls, Mrs. Philip Lydig's Guests Hear.

The Equal Franchise League heard yesterday afternoon that women at the polls were as "uncertain, coy and hard to please" as they are reputed to be in the other relations of life. The leaguers were having a meeting at the home of Mrs. Philip Lydig, No. 38 East 52d street, and the Rev. Anna Garlin Spencer was explaining to them why other people didn't want them to vote.

"Politicians object to the extension of the franchise to women," said Mrs. Spencer, "because no one can ever tell how they are going to vote. In short, their votes cannot be delivered. Wherever they vote they have evinced an indomitable determination to 'scratch.' Hence they have introduced delightful and salutary uncertainty into politics. You may count upon their not voting—as our friends the enemy have admitted—for saloonkeepers or drunkards or any man who is allied for profit with the social evil—but you can't tell who they will vote for; and, whether they always vote wisely or not, this is a distinct and valuable contribution that women have made to politics."

"I suppose you don't expect the millennium when women vote," said Miss Mary Garrett Hay, when the time came for questions. "I don't, and I am not asking for a vote for that reason. Miss Anthony used to say that women ought to have votes, even if it made things worse, simply as a matter of justice."

"That is a good basic principle," answered Mrs. Spencer, "but utility makes a stronger appeal to most people than abstract justice. Few deny the justice of giving women an equal voice with men in the direction of public affairs, but they don't see the use of it."

Before the meeting adjourned Mrs. Gabrielle Stewart Mulliner came in from the hearing on the proposed woman's court before the Page commission, and at Mrs. Lydig's request told the audience about the triumph which she believes the women have scored.

The Equal Franchise League expects to send a delegation to Albany for the woman suffrage hearing on March 23, and will hold a council of war in a few days for the purpose of selecting representatives.

Mrs. Clarence Mackay, the president of the league, was not present yesterday, as she was detained by the illness of her daughter, who is, however, much better.

TREAT AT THE FORUM.

Was It Clothes or Finances That Made United States Treasurer Late?

What the United States Treasurer, Charles H. Treat, was doing between 11 o'clock and 11:45 yesterday morning has not been made public, but the members of the Woman's Forum have reached a conclusion that matters much more weighty than the national finances were occupying his mind. When Mr. Treat, who was to have addressed the Forum, at No. 17 West 44th street, and had particularly asked that he might be allowed to come early, did not appear, the president, Miss Helen Varick Boswell, said she supposed he couldn't make up his mind what to wear. He had telephoned her in great agitation the night before, she said, to know what sort of a toilet he was expected to make, and she had told him that, as he had to take a train at 1 o'clock, they would let him come in a business suit. But, apparently, he was still "agitated." The minutes fled and still no United States Treasurer. The Forum telephoned wildly around town, but he was not to be located, and they had just given him up when, at 11:45, he appeared quite irreproachably garbed in a black cutaway coat, dark grey invisibly striped trousers, a white vest with black dots and a grey four-in-hand scarf.

The Forum was quite satisfied with his appearance, and he added to the favorable impression he had created by saying he hoped that the power of women would increase to any extent that they might desire. The Forum took this to mean votes and applauded.

"Tell us about the Treasury," suggested Miss Boswell. "Is the new Secretary going to have as bad a time as some of the newspapers say?"

"The problem is not serious," answered Mr. Treat; "as soon as the tariff is settled revenue will gush forth. Our resources are ample, and when the American people get busy profits and revenue will come. The only problem that the new Secretary will have to face will be that of utilizing the credit of the government to the best advantage during the interim."

News of the Markets

FRUITS.

The middle of this week found a dearth of imported hothouse grapes in the city, and consequently when a shipment arrived from Antwerp on Thursday afternoon, consigned to one of the big wholesale importing firms at Washington Market, there was a rush for this fruit by the retailers, and also by the big hotels and restaurants. The price a pound is $1 25. Local Malaga grapes are selling at 25 cents a pound. The first of the early spring fruits have just come in from the West Indies; they include sour sop, quite a different variety from sweet sop, at 35 cents apiece; sappodilla, shaped somewhat like a pear and light brown in color, at 75 cents a dozen, and custard apples, dark green and hanging from a stem, at 25 cents each. South African plums are $2 a dozen, nectarines and peaches $3 50 a dozen and apricots $2 a dozen. Ordinary Spitzenberg apples are 75 cents to $1 a dozen; there are some beautiful Spitzenbergs just coming in at $6 a box of fifty, many of which weigh a pound and a quarter each. Newton pippins are 75 cents a dozen, Anjou pears 75 cents to $1 25 a dozen, Forells $1 a dozen. Japanese kumquats, 25 cents a quart, and grape fruit, two for 25 cents. Persimmons are 60 and 75 cents a dozen, mangoes three for a quarter, Singapore sugar pines 25 cents each and Florida pines 35 cents apiece. Strawberries are 75 cents to $1 25 a box; oranges are 50 to 75 cents a dozen, Kings $1 a dozen and tangerines 40 cents a dozen. California lemons are 35 cents a dozen.

VEGETABLES.

Hothouse cucumbers are 25 cents each, lettuce is 15 cents a head, cauliflower 25 cents, cabbage 15 cents. California artichokes are 20 cents and eggplants 25 cents each. Green kale is 15 cents a half peck, okra 15 cents a dozen, chives 10 cents a bunch, spinach 25 cents a half peck, Southern spinach 20 cents a half peck. Rhubarb is 10 cents a bunch, endive 35 cents a pound, celery 25 cents a small bunch, mint 10 cents a bunch and California green asparagus 75 cents a small bunch. Mushrooms are 50 cents a pound, green peppers 10 cents each. Cuban tomatoes are 25 cents and hothouse tomatoes 45 cents a pound. Leeks are 5 cents and beets 10 cents a bunch, yellow turnips are 5 cents apiece, cooking apples are 15 cents a quart and cranberries are 25 cents a quart. Spring onions are 10 cents a quart, pickling onions 20 cents, parsnips 25 cents a dozen, carrots 10 cents a bunch, string beans 25 cents a quart, wax beans also 25 cents, Lima beans 50 cents, Brussels sprouts 25 cents, sweet potatoes 15 cents, Bermudas 15 cents, old potatoes 5 cents, green peas 40 cents a quart and white turnips 10 cents a bunch.

BUTTER AND POULTRY.

Butter, at 34 cents a pound and eggs at 38 cents a dozen for the best and 32 cents for the lower grade, remain the same as last week.

Turkeys are 30 cents a pound, capons also 30 cents; roasting chickens 25 cents, fowl 18 cents, geese 22 cents and ducks 25 cents a pound. Guinea fowl are $1 each, stall fed pigeons 10 cents each and squabs 30 cents each.

FISH.

The most sought after fish in the markets at present are the roe shad at $1 50 and the buck shad at 65 to 75 cents each. California salmon remain at 25 cents a pound, Spanish mackerel are the same price, halibut are up to 20 cents again and smelts are back to 18 cents a pound; red snapper, sheepshead and sea bass are 15 cents a pound, cod 12 cents, haddock 10 cents and flounders 8 cents a pound. Lobsters are 25 cents a pound. Fresh water fish are a little cheaper; whitefish are 20 cents, yellow pike 20 cents, yellow perch 15 cents and carps 8 to 10 cents a pound.

MEATS.

Meat prices are about the same as last week, but they are still expected to rise. Hind saddles of lamb are 17 cents, racks 26 cents, chucks 10 cents, fore saddles 14 cents, legs 18 cents and shoulders 10 cents a pound. Saddles of veal are 17 cents, legs 20 cents, shoulders 14 cents and loins of veal 18 cents a pound.

WEST END EXCHANGE AND INDUSTRIAL UNION, 167-169 West 74th St.

Endowments and annual contributions needed to help fulfil the noble mission of the Exchange—the aiding of women to self-support and relieving the necessities of many a home. Christmas sale at the Exchange, embroideries, paintings, laces and novelties of every description. Address Mrs. Walter Geer, president; Mrs. T. E. Hardenbergh, first vice-president; Mrs. E. F. Tyson, second vice-president; Miss J. H. Dill, recording secretary; Mrs. J. T. Dunnell, corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. S. Spencer, treasurer.

CHURCH AND RELIGIOUS NEWS AND NOTES

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL MINISTERS WILL APPEAL FOR A STRICTER OBSERVANCE OF LENT.

Bishops and ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church throughout the country, and especially in New York City, are beginning to take a serious view of what some of them term "the growing disregard of observance of the Lenten season." Pastors of some of the churches in this city intend making earnest appeals to their congregations for a stricter observance of the season, and will, in some instances, at least, appeal to them to give up many of the smaller entertainments and amusements which they know have been planned for it.

Ash Wednesday comes this year on the 24th of this month. It will be marked by the usual number of services in the various churches, and from then until Easter there will be daily services in most of the churches and chapels.

Said one New York minister: "I intend making every effort to get the members of my congregation to realize that the Lenten season is one for prayer and fasting, not one for amusements and frivolities. I think it high time for Protestant Episcopalians to realize that this season should be observed with all the solemnity and earnestness that it was some fifty years ago. In my opinion—and I believe it is the opinion of the great majority of the ministers of our Church in this diocese—we are drifting far afield from old customs. To-day many of the younger members of the Church hardly know when Ash Wednesday comes."

Several days ago four ministers met and discussed possible means of arousing their congregations to a stricter observance of Lent, and it is possible that they may appeal to Bishop Greer to help them in their efforts.

SAGE ENDOWMENT FUND.

Bible Society Making Every Effort to Secure It.

The American Bible Society is bending every effort to take advantage of Mrs. Russell Sage's offer and secure a permanent endowment fund of $1,000,000. Mrs. Sage offers to give one-half of this sum if the society is able to secure from others the other half.

The offer was first made with the condition that it must be accepted at the end of 1908. The society was unable to secure promises of half a million dollars by that time, and the offer was extended for one year.

It is now announced by the society that up to the present time it has secured gifts and promises aggregating $127,208, which leaves a balance of $372,792 to be secured during this year. In view of the fact that the amount already secured was the result of about three months' effort, the society's officials entertain the hope that they will be able to meet Mrs. Sage's conditions this year.

Effort is now being made through all the society's agencies to secure popular subscriptions for the endowment fund. Its life members are being appealed to, auxiliary societies are being asked to raise specific sums, and it is also hoped to secure $200,000 of the total in gifts of $1,000 and more. One gift of $25,000 has been announced. Agencies of the society in Atlanta, Chicago, Richmond, Va.; Denver, San Francisco, Dallas, Tex., and New York City are centres of the money raising activity.

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE.

Reformed Churches Will Hold Their Ninth Council Here.

What promises to be one of the most notable of the religious gatherings of the year will be the ninth council of the Alliance of Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian system, to be held in New York during the ten days beginning June 15. The alliance is a federation of the denominations using the Presbyterian system of church government and it embraces between eighty and one hundred religious bodies all over the world. Its councils are held alternately in Europe and America, the eighth council having been held in Liverpool, England, in 1904.

In the New York gathering in June will be representatives not only from American bodies but also from denominations of Great Britain and Ireland, the Continent of Europe, Australia and Asia, so that several hundred leaders will be in attendance during the ten days. The John Calvin anniversary will be especially observed by the council for the larger part of three days, according to the programme, being given over to a discussion of Calvin's life, work and doctrines.

The programme has been prepared by a committee of what is known as the Western section of the alliance, that is, the American section, and it was approved by the section a few days ago. Speakers have not yet been announced, but topics for all the sessions have been decided upon.

These include "Preparation for the Ministry," "The Work of Women in the Church," "Christological Questions," "Apologetic Problems," including the higher criticism; "Public Education," "Foreign Missions," "Home Missions," "Marriage and Divorce," "Sabbath Observance," "Temperance," "Church Union," "Immigration," "City Evangelization," "Lay Preachers," "The Brotherhoods," and "Settlement Work."

In addition to the stated addresses, there will be heard reports from standing committees on various forms of church and denominatial work, and discussion of and action on these reports constitute an important part of the work of the council. Both the Eastern (European) and Western (American) sections of the alliance will present reports to the council, covering the progress of the churches during the five years since the Liverpool council.

NEW ROMAN CATHOLIC SOCIETY.

The Organization of One at Winchester Is Considered Significant.

The Catholic Laymen's Society is the latest organization to be added to the growing number of lay activities in the churches. The new society is indirectly an outgrowth of work of the Paulist Fathers, who have headquarters in New York, but is itself located at Winchester, Tenn., where the Paulists have one of their missionary houses. The society is partly a business one and partly a religious one. In the main it follows work along similar lines to that of the Protestant Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip.

There come to Winchester each spring a number of settlers. Some purchase farms, others rent.

The Catholic Laymen's Society of Winchester undertakes to look after the interests of the newcomers in securing the right locations at the right prices, and it also gives them cordial invitations to become connected with the local parish. Adjacent to the church is a school, under the direction of Dominican Sisters, in which tuition to the children of Catholic parents is free. The new society also seeks to bring the value of the school to the attention of the new settlers.

It is said that the present laymen's movement, in which the men of the churches are undertaking definite work for church extension and church benevolence, has not yet taken hold in Catholic circles as it has in Protestant, so that the Catholic Laymen's Society of Winchester is considered to be significant.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON COURSES.

The Work of the Lesson Committee of the International Association Progressing.

Outlines have just been issued by the lesson committee of the International Sunday School Association, which indicate the progress being made by the committee in its work of preparation of lesson courses in sympathy with modern educational science. The work of the committee is said to be far from completion, but its general scheme has the approval of a majority of Sunday school leaders, most of whom hold, however, that few schools are yet ready for the introduction of the complete plan. The hope is expressed that the schools will gradually adapt themselves to the new methods.

The lesson committee is planning courses for six grades. The lowest is for children under six years. Following it are primary, junior, intermediate, senior and advanced grades, the latter being designed for students over twenty-one years of age. The plan proposes to provide a religious education which will follow in its principal methods the general plan of public school instruction, so that the child who begins at the bottom and goes through all the courses would attain, as a young man or woman, a comprehensive Biblical knowledge.

At the present time the committee has announced the outlines for the first year's lessons in the first three grades. The lowest will consist in large part of groups of stories to be told to the children by the teacher, based upon passages in the Bible. The primary course is a topical one, using Scriptural texts and passages for illustration. The junior course is not unlike the present international lessons. It is to be so planned that in four years (ages six to ten) the children will receive a general survey of the whole Bible.

It is said that all over the country the Sunday schools are rapidly being graded, and that these new international lessons will receive a very general acceptance.

NO TRINITY STATEMENT.

Corporation Officials Will Talk No More Until After Hearing.

No statement of any sort will be forthcoming from Trinity Corporation in regard to their difficulties with St. John's Chapel, in Varick street, until after the hearing on March 1, when William H. Hamilton and Judge Charles H. Beckett, counsel for St. John's, will endeavor to prove to the Supreme Court that the present temporary injunction should be made permanent.

Counsel for Trinity, Flamen B. Candler and Colonel William Jay, clerk of the vestry, have decided, it is understood, that any sort of statement in regard to the case while the injunction restrains them from interfering with St. John's might be construed by the court into an indirect violation of the terms of the injunction, since it might influence public opinion.

Meanwhile Trinity is spending at the rate of $30,000 a year to support St. John's for one month more than was intended. Two Trinity charter revoking bills are in the Legislature now, and it is said that if the injunction had been returned at the time set, the bills would not have been introduced. This is from Trinity's point of view.

GENERAL ITEMS OF THE WEEK.

Robert Watchorn, Commissioner of Immigration, will speak at the Bedford branch of the Young Men's Christian Association, Bedford avenue and Monroe street, Brooklyn, to-morrow afternoon. His subject will be "The American via Ellis Island."

At the Church of the Ascension, Fifth avenue and 10th street, the Rev. Percy Stickney Grant, rector, the services to-morrow will be as follows: Morning service at 11 o'clock, with sermon by the rector; at 4 p. m. Gounod's "Gallia" will be sung, and the Rev. Walter E. Clifton Smith will preach. At 8 p. m. Alexander Irvine will speak on "The New Conscience in Politics."

Professor I. T. Headland, of Peking University, will speak on "China's Sudden Waking from Three Thousand Years of Sleep" to-morrow, at 3:45 p. m., at the 23d street branch of the Young Men's Christian Association. Professor Headland is intimately acquainted with the royal household of China.

The Rev. T. R. Slicer will preach to-morrow morning at All Souls' Church, Fourth avenue and 30th street, on "Religion and Life."

The subject of the lesson-sermon in the Christian Science churches to-morrow will be "Mind," and the golden text: "Be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God" (Romans xii, 2).

The New Thought Church will hold service to-morrow at 11 a. m. in Belasco's Theatre. Julia Seton Sears will speak on "How to Create in Consciousness."

At the religion and health class the Rev. Frederick Preston will continue the series on "Christian Re-education." In an introduction he will review "Why Worry?" by Dr. G. L. Walton.

The Ladies' Sewing Society of the North Presbyterian Church, No. 525 West 153th street, will hold a "Washington Evening" on Monday.

At the Scotch Presbyterian Church, 96th street and Central Park West, the pastor, the Rev. David G. Wylie, will conduct the services and preach at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. At the morning service, Dr. Wylie's subject will be "A Harp That Has Made Music for Three Thousand Years," and at 8 p. m. on "Washington, the Christian Patriot."

At the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church Dr. Stevenson will preach at 11 a. m. Beginning to-morrow afternoon, the Rev. F. L. Patton, president of the Princeton Theological Seminary, will give a series of four discourses on "Authority in Religion." This will be discussed under the following topics: "Authority of the Bible," "Authority of the Church," "Authority of Christ," "Authority of the Reason." The Rev. John McDowell, pastor of the Park Presbyterian Church at Newark, N. J., will speak at the evangelistic services in the evening. The male quartet will sing.

The Rev. Peter B. Guernsey will preach, both morning and evening, at the First Baptist Church to-morrow.

Dr. Luther Gulick, president of the National Playgrounds Association, will address the Good Citizenship class to-morrow, at 12:30 o'clock. Subject: "Leisure the Chief Problem of Morals." The public is cordially invited.

At the Metropolitan Temple the pastor, the Rev. John Wesley Hill, will occupy the pulpit morning and evening. In the morning he will speak on "The Right Grip" and in the evening on "The Theatre Question in New York." There will be special vocal and instrumental music morning and evening.

Rabbi Magnes will lecture on "Counter Reformation in Judaism" at the Temple Emanu-El to-morrow.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise will preach to-morrow morning at 11:15 at the Free Synagogue, 81st street, near Amsterdam avenue, on "Justice and the Law." The fourth of the Round Table Conferences on the general theme "Problems of Social Service" will be held at the synagogue Tuesday evening, February 23, at which Rabbi Sidney E. Goldstein will lead the discussion on "The Widow and the Orphan: Agencies and Institutions."

Professor Josiah Royce, of Harvard, will address the Ethical Society at Carnegie Hall to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock. His subject will be "The Ethics of Loyalty."

Dr. Mackenzie, pastor of the Rutgers Presbyterian Church, Broadway and 73d street, will preach in the morning on "Christ's First Message to Men" and in the evening on "Professor Nicodemus and His Religion."

The chairman of the national prohibition committee, the Hon. Oliver W. Stewart, and a member of the Illinois Legislature will discuss "Saloon versus Manhood in Business" at the free men's meeting of the West Side Young Men's Christian Association in the auditorium, No. 320 West 57th street, to-morrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Services at Temple Beth-El to-morrow at 11 a. m. Dr. Samuel Schulman will speak on "Things that Separate and Those that Unite Men."

At the Marble Collegiate Church "The Tragedy of Success" is the subject on which the Rev. Dr. David James Burrell, the pastor, will preach in the morning, and at night his subject will be "Our Anchor Holds!" Printed copies of Dr. Burrell's sermon preached last Sunday morning, entitled "The Survival of the Unfittest," will be gratuitously distributed at the evening service.

Dr. Robert Stuart MacArthur's themes at Calvary Baptist Church, West 57th street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, will be "Christianity and America" at 11 o'clock to-morrow, and at 8 "Christ and the Publican."

The pastor of St. Andrew's Methodist Episcopal Church, 76th street, west of Columbus avenue, will occupy the pulpit morning and evening. The evening theme will be "A Hard Word to Read." On Thursday evening the women of the church will give a supper in the parlors.

"A Powerful Preacher" will be the subject of Dr. George P. Eckman's sermon to-morrow evening in St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church, West End avenue and 86th street. His morning subject will be "Divinely Endowed."

Dr. Charles L. Goodell, pastor of Calvary Methodist Church, 129th street and Seventh avenue, is chaplain of the Empire State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, will preach the annual sermon to-morrow evening.

On Washington's Birthday the Lutheran Young People's Society of greater New York holds its annual meeting in St. Matthew's Church, Broome and Elizabeth streets. Sessions will start at 10 o'clock in the morning and continue, except for the noon hour recess, to the evening. Papers relating to the young people's work will be read by the Rev. J. C. Strasen, of Middletown, Conn., and the Rev. J. H. C. Fritz, of Brooklyn. Short discourses will be given by the district chairman and leaders in the Lutheran Young People's Society.

AGAINST WASHINGTON SQUARE SITE.

Board of Estimate Disapproves Plan to Build New Courthouse There.

The third recommendation of the Courthouse Commission to select a site for a new courthouse, which has been at work for the last five years, was disapproved yesterday by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. The commission reported in favor of putting the new building in Washington Square Park and then increase the park area by buying an adjoining plot equivalent to the size of the courthouse site. Mayor McClellan refrained from voting yesterday because he lives in Washington Square.

The first two sites recommended were on Union Square. The last recommendation was referred to a special committee, of which President McGowan was chairman, and it unanimously recommended that the Washington Square site be rejected.

In its report the committee declared that Washington Square should be retained as it is at present, noting that if any part of it were taken, an equal area would have to be acquired elsewhere, which would involve a large expenditure of money. It was noted further that the proposed site was remote and inaccessible from the Hall of Records, where court records were kept. While recognizing the need of courthouse accommodations, the committee recommended that the proposed site should be rejected, and this was done.

RAILROAD EARNINGS.

COLORADO SOUTHERN.

	1909.	1908.	1907.
Second week in Feb...	$297,326	$237,641	$223,669
July 1 to Feb. 15.....	9,981,598	9,672,607	7,473,328

DULUTH, SOUTH SHORE & ATLANTIC.

Second week in Feb...	$46,827	$47,470	$38,729
July 1 to Feb. 14.....	1,720,165	2,059,434	1,364,493

IOWA CENTRAL.

Second week in Feb...	$47,872	$56,446	$49,729
July 1 to Feb. 14.....	1,840,924	1,986,902	1,570,279

MINERAL RANGE.

Second week in Feb...	$15,219	$14,948	$17,391
July 1 to Feb. 14.....	522,472	506,239	472,481

MINNEAPOLIS & ST. LOUIS.

Second week in Feb...	$75,036	$61,319	$58,729
July 1 to Feb. 14.....	2,684,374	2,566,762	2,394,119

RIO GRANDE SOUTHERN.

Second week in Feb...	$7,813	$7,328	$9,921
July 1 to Feb. 14.....	371,891	387,530	364,923

SOUTHERN.

Number of miles.....	7,016	7,009	7,668
Second week in Feb...	$973,724	$861,964	$1,031,963
July 1 to Feb. 14.....	23,047,274	24,452,683	33,203,123

TEXAS & PACIFIC.

Second week in Feb...	$267,284	$253,373	$298,149
July 1 to Feb. 14.....	9,601,585	10,032,189	8,245,147

CHICAGO & ALTON.

	1909.	1908.	Changes.
Second week in Feb..	$245,798	$249,732	Inc. $16,066
July 1 to Feb. 14.....	8,138,866	7,580,291	Inc. 558,575

Religious Notices.

20 cents a line.

THE MIDDLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH, 2d ave. and 7th st. Rev. JOHN G. FAGG, D. D., Minister, will preach at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

THE MARBLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH, 5th ave. and 29th st. Rev. DAVID JAS. BURRELL, D. D., Minister, will preach at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Morning: "The Tragedy of Success." Evening: "Our Anchor Holds."

THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS, 5th ave. and 48th st. Rev. HARVEY CLEMENTS, of Schenectady, N. Y., will preach at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

THE WEST END COLLEGIATE CHURCH, West End ave. and 77th st. Rev. HENRY EVERTSON COBB, D. D., Minister, will preach at 11 a. m. At 8 p. m., the Hon. OLIVER W. STEWART will speak on "The Christian View of the Temperance Problem."

Madison Sq. Presbyterian Church, Madison ave. and 24th st. Rev. C. H. PARKHURST, D. D., Pastor. Rev. GEORGE R. MONTGOMERY, Assistant Minister. Sabbath services, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. The Pastor will preach in the morning. Mr. MONTGOMERY in the evening. Bible School, with classes for adults, 10 a. m., and children, 11 a. m. A fifteen-minute service is held daily, except Saturdays and holidays, in the auditorium of the church, beginning AT 12:10 O'CLOCK. A brief organ recital before each service.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH (Unitarian), 34th st., cor. Park ave. Ministers: REV. ROBERT COLLYER, Lit. D. REV. JOHN HAYNES HOLMES. 10 A. M.—Sunday School and Bible Class. 11 A. M.—Kindergarten Department. 11 A. M.....MORNING SERVICE. REV. JOHN HAYNES HOLMES will preach the fifth of his series of sermons on Evolution. Subject: "EVOLUTION AND THE PROBLEM OF MAN." 12:30 P. M., Good Citizenship Class. Address by Dr. LUTHER GULICK, Pres. of the Play Grounds Association, on "LEISURE THE PROBLEM OF MORALS."

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, Fifth Avenue and 55th St. Rev. J. ROSS STEVENSON, D. D. Rev. EDWIN F. HALLENBECK, D. D., } Ministers. Dr. STEVENSON preaches at 11 A. M. Rev. FRANCIS L. PATTON, D. D., at 4 P. M. Rev. JOHN M'DOWELL, D. D., at 8 P. M. Bible School at 9:30 A. M. Men's Bible Class at 10 A. M. Midweek service Wednesday 8:15 P. M. A cordial welcome for all.

Madison Avenue Baptist Church, MADISON AVENUE, COR. 31ST STREET. CHARLES A. EATON, D. D., Pastor. 11 A. M.—Sermon by Dr. H. L. MOREHOUSE. 8 P. M.—Dr. EATON will preach on "Why the Churches of New York Have the Greatest Opportunity in America." Bible School, with Men's Bible Class taught by Mr. S. B. Heckman, Ph. D., 9:45 A. M. STRANGERS CORDIALLY INVITED.

BRICK CHURCH, Fifth avenue and Thirty-seventh street. Ministers: } Rev. WILLIAM R. RICHARDS, D. D. Rev. ROBERT DAVIS. Dr. Richards will preach at 11 o'clock, and at VESPER SERVICE at 4. Mr. Davis will preach at EVENING SERVICE at 8. SEATS FREE. Bible School and Classes, 9:45 a. m. MEN'S CLASS, taught by DR. FAGNANI. Wednesday Service, 8 p. m.; Friday, 5 p. m.

Madison Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, corner 60th st. Rev. Wallace MacMullen, D. D., Pastor. 11 a. m., preaching by REV. J. A. PATTERSON, STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE. 8 p. m., preaching by the Pastor. Bible School at 9:45 a. m. Midweek Prayer Service Wednesday at 8 p. m.

St. George's Church, Stuyvesant Square and 16th St. Rev. HUGH BIRCKHEAD, Rector. 11 A. M.—Morning Prayer and Sermon. 8 P. M.—Evening Prayer and Sermon. The Rector will preach at morning service. ALL SEATS FREE.

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, West 57th st., between Broadway and 7th ave. Rev. WILTON MERLE SMITH, D. D., Pastor. Rev. GEORGE H. SMYTH, Jr., Assistant. Dr. SMITH preaches at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Evening subject, Feb'y 21st. "GEORGE WASHINGTON, THE ARISTOCRAT." Sunday School, 3 p. m. Young People's meeting, Sabbath, 9:45 a. m. Devotional meeting Wednesday evening at 8. All welcome.

St. Bartholomew's Church, Madison ave., corner 44th st. 8:30 and 11 a. m. (Preacher, Rev. R. S. W. WOOD). 4 p. m.—Special Service for Sons of the Revolution. 8 p. m.—Orient Circle (16 East 44th st). Rev. SYDNEY N. USSHER. Ash Wednesday, Feb. 24th, services 8:30, 10:30 and 12:05.

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First Baptist Church, Broadway and 79th Street. Pastor, I. M. HALDEMAN. Services 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. The Reverend PETER B. GUERNSEY WILL PREACH MORNING AND EVENING.

Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church, 120th Street and Seventh Avenue. Rev. CHARLES L. GOODELL, D. D., Pastor. 10:45 a. m., preaching by the Pastor; 7:45 p. m., the Pastor, as Chaplain of the Empire State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, will preach the Annual Sermon.

Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, 4 West 46th Street. The Rev. C. F. AKED, D. D., will preach to-morrow, morning and evening. Services at 11 and 8 o'clock. Sunday School, morning at 9:30. YOUNG MEN'S AND YOUNG WOMEN'S CLASSES.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, 5th ave. and 10th st. Rev. PERCY STICKNEY GRANT, Rector. 11 a. m., morning service and sermon (Rector). 4 p. m., Gounod's "Gallia." Rev. WALTER E. CLIFTON SMITH will preach. 8 p. m., Mr. ALEXANDER IRVINE Speaker. Subject: "The New Conscience in Politics."

CHURCH OF THE DIVINE PATERNITY, Central Park West and 76th st. Rev. FRANK OLIVER HALL, D. D., Pastor, will preach 11 a. m.; subject, "A Season for the Soul." Vesper Service, 4:30 p. m. Special music. Address by Dr. HALL on "AFFIRMATION OF LIBERALISM": I.—"GOD OUR FATHER."

Fourth Presbyterian Church, West End ave. and 91st st. Edgar Whitaker Work, D.D., Pastor. 11 a. m.—"Conversion of Saul of Tarsus." 8 p. m.—"Salvation of the Average Man."

Madison Ave. Presbyterian Church, Northeast corner of 73d street. HENRY SLOANE COFFIN, WM. RAYMOND JELLIFFE, } Ministers. Public worship at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Dr. COFFIN will preach.

North Presbyterian Church, 155th St., bet. Broadway and Amsterdam Avenue. Rev. JOHN R. MACKAY, Ph. D., Pastor. 11 a. m.—"Supreme Moments." 8 p. m.—"Value of Different Experiences."

CHURCH OF ZION AND ST. TIMOTHY, 334 West 57th st. Rev. HENRY LUBECK, D. C. L., Rector. Holy Communion, 8 a. m. Morning Prayer, preacher, the Rector, 11 a. m. Choral service, preacher, Rev. DR. RUSHTON, 4 p. m. Ash Wednesday: Morning service, preacher, Rev. DR. T. J. LACEY, 11 a. m. Evening service, preacher, Rev. W. MONTAGUE GEER, 8 p. m.

Saint Andrew's Church, 76th st., west of Columbus ave. GEORGE CLARKE PECK, D. D., Minister. Worship, with Sermon, 11 and 8. Evening, "A Hard Word