Little Men & Little Women

How to Win a Prize

Contest No. 1 (Letter Puzzle).—Choice of a sterling silver Tribune badge, a set of battleship postcards, an interesting book, a gold filled belt pin, a box of water color paints, a gold filled tie clasp or a modelling outfit for the neatest and best three answers.

Contest No. 2 (Things to Think About)—You may solve any two of the four puzzles that you like, and for the neatest and best two answers we offer the choice of the same prizes as in Contest No. 1.

Contest No. 3 (Our Letter Box)—A prize of $1 is given for every letter printed under this heading. The letter may contain incidents in your life, anecdotes of pets, novel school experiences, things seen in travel or made-up stories. These stories must be original and must be written on one side of the paper. Letters entitled to the prize of $1 are often crowded out for lack of space in the week in which they are received, but if such is the case they always appear in the page later.

Contest No. 4 (Honor List)—A set of four little books, containing stories of adventure in Bugville, will be given to every little man or little woman whose name appears five times in the honor list, counting from June 11, the date when this contest was announced. Watch the honor list and keep the date when your name appears. When you have five dates send them to the office of Little Men and Little Women and the books will be forwarded to you.

In sending answers to puzzles it is not necessary to send a letter with them. Use, if you can, paper of the ordinary letter size and write your name, address, age and choice of prize in the upper right hand corner of the first page. If sending any drawing or returning a cut-out, attach it to the paper bearing your name, etc.

Address letters to Little Men and Little Women, New-York Tribune, New York. If you address them simply to The Tribune they will go to some other department and may not reach the office of Little Men and Little Women in time to be entered in the contest.

Age and neatness are considered in awarding prizes.

The contest closes on February 22.

Dear Editor: Saturday evening at 8 o'clock I received your check for $1, and thank you very, very much for it. I needed the dollar, as my papa's birthday was Sunday, and I bought him four nice ties with it. Thanking you once more for the check, and hoping I have some more luck in the future and your paper luck forever, I remain, with thanks, a reader and contestant.

MARGARET KIRSHHOCH.
No. 160 East 7th street, New York.

Things to Think About

RIDDLEMEREE.

My first is in water, but never in ice;
My second's in barley, but never in rice;
My third is in slipper, but never in boot;
My fourth is in radish, but never in root;
My fifth is in quiver, but never in bow,
My sixth is in pigeon, but never in crow;
My seventh's in herring, but never in bass;
My eighth is in heather, but never in grass;
My ninth is in ocean, but never in sea;
My tenth is in onion, but never in pea.
My whole is the name of a man you all know—
He was born in this month many long years ago.

WORD PUZZLE.

In the name of a sharp tool one is likely to hear a good deal about on the 22d of February, find ten words meaning as follows:

One, a head covering; 2, what the mother bird expects her eggs to do when she sits on them; 3, a covering of reeds, flags, straw or similar material, arranged, as on a roof, so as to shed water; 4, to defraud in a bargain; 5, to talk familiarly; 6, an animal often chosen as a pet; 7, the opposite of cold; 8, dull, continued pain; 9, an article, and, 10, to instruct.

WORD SQUARE.

1. A flat, flexible strip of any material used for binding.
2. To affirm.
3. The river on which the capital of Russia is situated.
4. To pull along.

TRIANGLE.

1. The part of milk from which butter is made.
2. A tear.
3. A termination.
4. A preposition.
5. One thousand.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLES.

LETTER PUZZLE.

Abraham Lincoln.

CROSS DIAMOND.

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NUMERICAL ENIGMA.

Shun, hay, kin, I, a, Yuan-Shih-kai.

WORD SQUARE.

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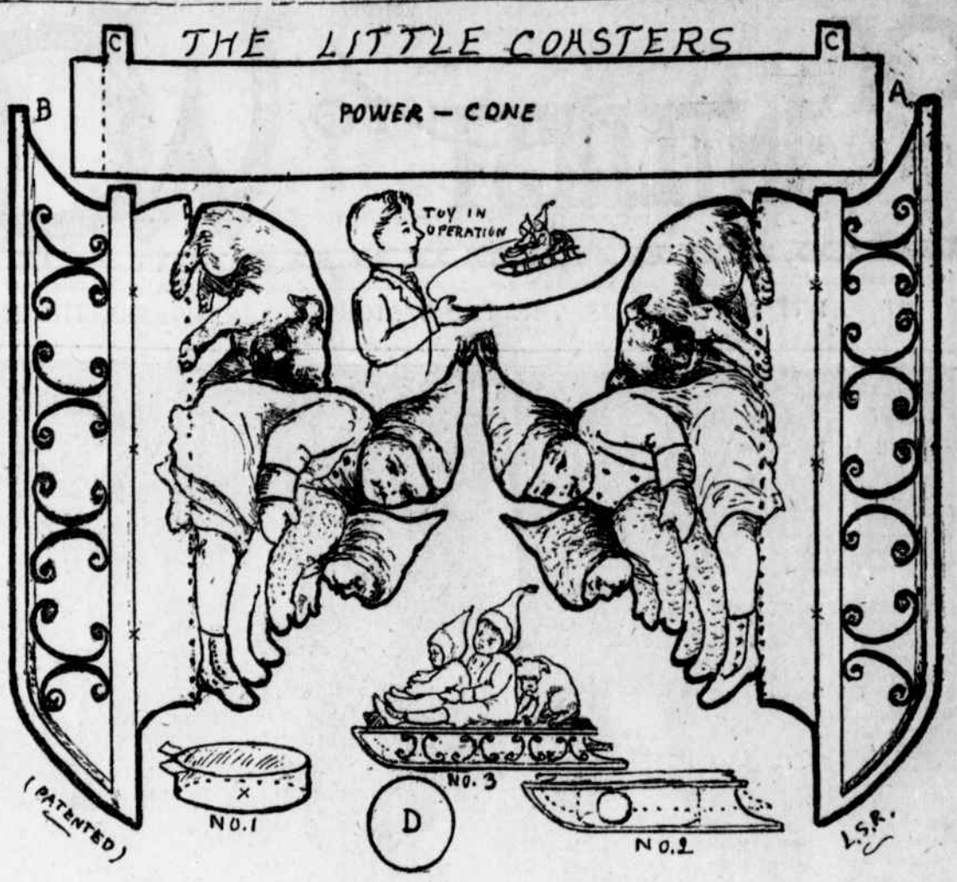
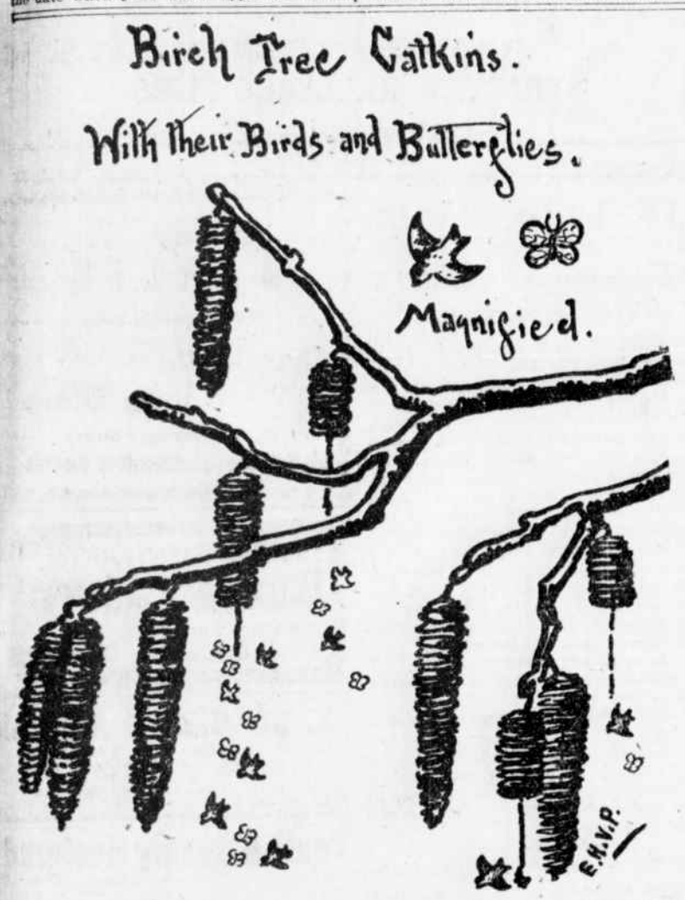


Cut out both sections of the sleigh and its occupants, following the outside black lines, fold together and paste down to the dotted line that runs along the seat of the sleigh. Bend the seat upward at this line, crease sharply and bend down the runners at either side, at the line marked x x x. Flatten out the two parts of the seat, and you will see the figures sitting on the sled as natural as life. Set the runners at right angles with the seat and the sleigh will be all ready for the power, which is to make it go. Cut out the power cone and paste end A over end B up to the dotted line. Now bend out the two little tabs C C at right angles with the power cone, press the cone into a slightly oval shape as shown in No. 1 to make it narrow enough to fit between the runners of the sleigh, as in No. 2, and paste it in position. Now get a box cover or tray, place the sleigh upon it, put a marble of the size indicated in D inside the power cone, tilt the tray in various directions and you can have a great deal of fun watching the little coasters on days when you can't go coasting yourself. The sled will glide about on the tray as gayly as if it were a snowclad slope, and the little girl and the baby will look as happy as you do when you go coasting. Towser perhaps won't like it so much, as he is afraid of slipping off every minute.



Little men and women who live in the country and like to look for strange things in the woods can find there these days the most wonderful fairy birds and butterflies. They can—that is, if they know where to look for them. The place to look is on the branches of the white birch, where they hang, many hundreds of them together, in tiny cages, waiting for friendly breezes to release them. The cages are the catkins of the birch, the brown and hardened cases of the blooms of last year, and the tiny seeds, under the magnifying glass, or even without it, are seen to be perfect butterflies in miniature, with four spreading pale yellow gauzelike wings and fragile antennæ. The between scales take the form of little gray and brown birds, with heads and tails and outspread wings tipped with black, all gayly fluttering and flying through the air when released from their hanging cages, as if they were truly alive in some fairy kingdom in the Land of Liliput. Shaken upon the snow, the form of these little winged things is clearly seen, while if taken within doors and dropped a few at a time upon a piece of pale blue paper they will seem quite at home in their sky world, veritable "Little Brothers of the Air."

Our Letter Box

THE DEW DROP INN.

Dear Little Men and Little Women: I want to tell you about the playhouse which father and my brothers built in our garden the summer before last. We named it the Dew Drop Inn. The Dew Drop Inn will hold as many as ten children at once. It has three large windows and one door. One of the windows looks right into our vegetable garden, and in the summer when the corn is up the view is very pretty from that window.

The little house is all shingled from top to bottom. The walls inside are papered with a heavy rose colored wrapping paper. There is brown linoleum on the floor. In winter the Dew Drop Inn is heated with an oil heater. We also have a small oil cook stove. The furniture is made of old boxes. There is a table, three chairs, a window seat, a bookcase, a dish rack and a footstool.

One Saturday last winter Ella and Susie and I took our pails of warm water, our scrub brushes and our soap and went out to our playhouse. We first scrubbed the floor and cleaned the walls. Then we tacked up pictures and we dusted the furniture. We each made a pair of curtains and we each hemmed a dish towel. We then hung up our curtains, and started to go home as it was getting dark outside, when Ella said: "Oh, I wish we all could have tea out here to-morrow; let's tease our mothers to let us come and each one bring their own materials. We will cook everything right here." We all liked the idea and our mothers all consented. What a supper we did have! We had tea, to be sociable, although most of it watered the fern before we were through. We had cornstarch pudding which tasted as if it had been flavored with kerosene oil, fudge which would not harden, and some ginger cakes and preserved peaches which our mothers sent us, knowing we would give them a hearty welcome. After our tea we washed up the dishes and put them away. Then we took turns in reading a story from our Sunday school paper.

We still enjoy our Dew Drop Inn, and we like it much better than if it had been bought for us.

SHEILA M. GROSS (aged 12.)
No. 228 State street, Flushing, Long Island.

IN THE MONKEY HOUSE.

Dear Little Men and Little Women: I have visited the Bronx Park Zoo many times and have been in the monkey house. No one who goes in there wants to come out very soon. The queer antics of the monkeys amuse people very much.

One day my brother and I went in at about feeding time. The monkeys grew excited when they saw the keeper, because he had the food. In the first cage there was a baboon. In the second there were two monkeys. One of these was looking through the small window in the door that separated their cage from that of the babcon. The baboon, seeing him, rushed for the door and stuck it at full speed. The monkey was so surprised that he fell over backward.

In another cage a large monkey was having trouble. Somehow his swing had been caught on a hook. He could not loosen it. Then he sat down, scratched his head and thought. At last he got up and unhooked it and swung. He then put in on the hook and took it off again, looking around as if to say, "I can do it now."

MILTON PFLOMM (aged 14).
No. 1829 Topping avenue, New York.

ADVENTURE WITH A GHOST.

Dear Little Men and Little Women: A girl friend of mine wanted me to go to her aunt's to spend the day. My mother consented, and we saddled our horses and started early, in order to have a long day's visit.

It was about three miles and we arrived at 8:45 a. m. We found Mrs. Brown standing at the door, ready to greet us, with a package in each hand. The one in her right hand she gave to Bessie and the other to me. I hastily opened mine and found a pasteboard box, and so did Bessie. Mrs. Brown told us if we opened the boxes something would happen. This aroused our curiosity, and as soon as she left the room we opened them and out jumped two paper mice in our faces. At this we screamed so loudly that she came running in. When she found what had happened she laughed until she smelt her bread burning. When dinner was ready we sat down to a table of goodies and ate until we wanted no more.

After dinner was over we played games until late in the afternoon. Mrs. Brown then took us to an apple, peach and pear orchard, and there we stayed until dusk; then we saddled our horses and started for home. After we had gone a mile it began to get dark, and when we came to a fork in the road we did not know which way to go. Bessie decided that the road to the right was the one that led home. We had gone but a mile when, the moon being risen, we saw a graveyard, and we knew we were on the right road, for I had passed it before. By the gate stood something white, which we took to be a ghost. I was shaking with fright, for I knew I must pass by it. I struck it with my whip and it jumped back. Then I saw it was only a white cow. When we reached home we found our parents uneasy, and when we told them our story they were very much amused.

CLARA BELLE KINCHELOE (aged 13).
Hardinsburg, Ky.

LAST WEEK'S PRIZE WINNERS.

Things To Think About.—The three prize winners and their prizes are Herbert F. Adams, aged ten, No. 239 Grand street, Jersey City, N. J., a modelling outfit; Mabel Backman, aged fourteen, No. 379 Kosciusko street, Brooklyn, a gold-filled belt pin, and James Gordon Strang, aged nine, No. 921 St. Nicholas avenue, New York, an interesting book.

Our Letter Box.—See letters by prize winners.

Honor List.—Prize, "Adventures in Bugland," for having names on honor list five times: Roger G. Franklin, No. 44 Elmhurst avenue, Elmhurst, Long Island; Pemberton Harris, No. 631 Amsterdam avenue, New York; Frederick Heinsohn, No. 442 South Fourth avenue, Mount Vernon, N. Y., and Frances Reckhart, No. 500 West 35th street, New York.

HONOR LIST.

1, Theodore H. Ames; 2, Wyllys P. Ames; 3, Cameron Anderson; 4, Frances E. Bartlett; 5, John W. Bennett, jr.; 6, Mary C. Bennett; 7, Mary Bennick; 8, Alice Stiles Bennet; 9, Mary Burdick; 10, Caroline Benton; 11, Elizabeth Benton; 12, Herbert M. Bingham, jr.; 13, Jean Black; 14, Albert Bogart; 15, Frances B. Brooks; 16, Josephine Chamberlain; 17, Dayton Clarke; 18, Donald Coleman; 19, Irene Coleman; 20, Ruth Dillenback; 21, Everett F. Gidley; 22, Christian Eidt; 23, Roger G. Franklin; 24, Alfred Gressman; 25, Abigail Harris; 26, Pemberton Harris; 27, Helene K. Hottenroth; 28, Sybil James; 29, Charlotte Knecht; 30, Evelyn Kohlhepp; 31, Helen Lawrence; 32, Gladys M. Lutz; 33, E. McCann; 34, Helen McDonald; 35, Cora Marcuse; 36, Hedvig Muller; 37, Ralph D. Neubrand; 38, Constance Otto; 39, Mabel Richards; 40, Harold Roegner; 41, Ethel Sanford; 42, Rose Seitz; 43, Ella Selfridge; 44, Kathleen Sharp; 45, Stephen Sill; 46, Viola B. Smith; 47, Herbert Street; 48, Minnie E. Talbot; 49, Helen M. Turner; 50, Walter Uhlmann.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Dear Editor: Thank you very much for the interesting book. I was delighted to get it. It is the first prize I have ever won. Your little reader,

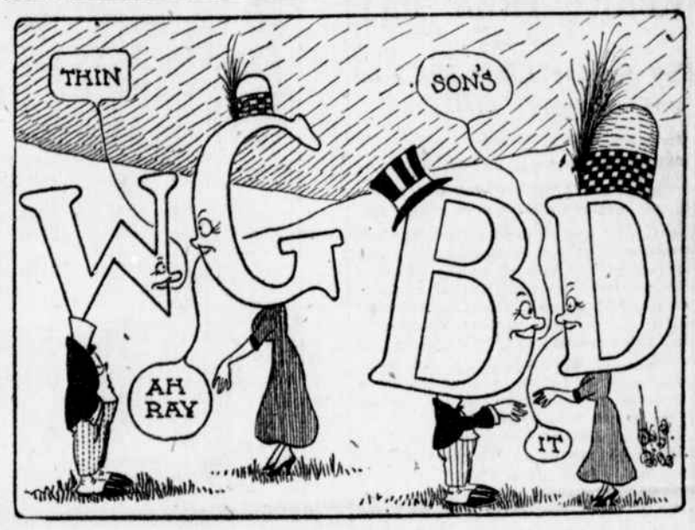
SYBIL JAMES.
No. 81 Prospect avenue, Montclair, N. J.

Dear Editor: I received your check last night as the prize for my story, and wish to thank you very much for it. It is the first prize I have ever won, so it was a pleasant surprise to me when I received it. Thanking you again, I am yours sincerely,

THOMAS STOKES.
Little Falls, N. J.

Dear Editor: I thank you very much for the check I received for my story. It was the first I ever won. Yours truly,

WILLIAM H. ROBINSON.
No. 913 Eighth avenue, New York.



LETTER PUZZLE.

In the above picture you will see two gentlemen letters and two lady letters, talking very eagerly about a party they all intend to go to during the week. Letters do not talk like human beings, although they use the same words. You probably won't be able to make much out of their conversation, but if you will combine all the letters in the words they are saying with the letters that are doing the talking, and form them into two words, you will be able to find out what party they are going to.

What is it?

Some News Notes of Interest Gathered from Various Points in Westchester County

William C. Clark, of Mount Vernon, who is the State Transfer Tax Appraiser in Westchester County, has just completed his third term in office, and during that period he has appraised estates of more than a thousand decedents, which aggregate in value more than $30,000,000. The largest estate which came to his official attention was that of Eva S. Cochran, of Yonkers, who left more than $8,000,000. On Thursday Mr. Clark filed with Surrogate Millard at White Plains reports in twelve estates, aggregating in value $249,910, as follows: Estate of Annie Leahan, of Bridgeport, Conn., $476; Harry M. Ripley, of Ossining, $10,706; James L. Valentine, of Yonkers, $4,559; James Datton, of New Rochelle, $769; George Campbell, of East Chester, $5,617; Alexander Boyd, of Peekskill, $92,571; Harry T. Arnold, of Mount Vernon, $2,458; P. B. Davis, of Rye, $34,242; James H. Williams, of Bedford, $15,289; Emma J. Washburn, of Ossining, $18,746, and amended reports in the estates of Fritz Dickel, of Scarsdale, $4,860, and Albert Williamson, of Bedford, $23,413.

The White Plains Civic Club will hold a meeting on March 14, when the system of village accounts will be discussed. Among the speakers at that time will be ex-Controller Metz of New York and ex-Controller E. P. Griffing of New Rochelle.

At a meeting held by the club during the week Supervisor Frederick Merritt, of New Rochelle, chairman of a special committee on taxation, told how the committee was at work on a plan to have one tax for every piece of property and a central bureau for the collection of all taxes. Mr. Merritt asserted that $50,000,000 worth of property in Westchester County was exempt from taxation. He added: "I consider the system of assessment and taxation in the county indefensible. It is the present plan of the committee to draft a bill providing for the appointment of three commissioners of taxation and assessment. These commissioners are to be appointed by the Board of Supervisors and are to have full control of the assessments, equalizations and collection of taxes. There seems to be no good reason why the people of North Salem should not be interested in the pro rata payments of taxes as well as the people of the cities of Yonkers, Mount Vernon and New Rochelle and other large municipalities. It is proposed, among other things, to prepare an assessment map of all the property in the county in places where there are no maps at present. It is impossible to estimate the amount of property in this county that has escaped taxation because it has been left off the assessment roll, and the preparation of such maps would cure this evil."

The fifty-sixth anniversary of Clinton Hook and Ladder Company, of Mount Vernon, was celebrated on Monday evening. This company, which was founded on February 12, 1856, is regarded as the crack company of the Mount Vernon volunteer fire department. It was on January 22, 1856, that the then village board of Mount Vernon decided to purchase a hook and ladder apparatus for the protection of property. The money was levied that year on February 1, and the village board appointed a number of citizens as active firemen. The first foreman of the company was Drake P. Dodd, and his assistant foreman was James O. Hunt. The village trustees who authorized the purchase of the truck were Cornelius Cooper, president; William Baxton, Richard Atkinson, Joseph Y. Marz, John Q. Butler and L. McClellan, village clerk. Mr. Atkinson, who has written the history of the company, says that after the truck was purchased the company was formally organized on Lincoln's birthday, February 12, 1856, at the place known as Biggen's carpenter shop, in South Third avenue, between 3d and 4th streets. The members decided then to name the company Clinton, after the Clinton Engine Company No. 41, of New York City, this company having been named after Governor Clinton of this state.

Every year a number of taxpayers of New Rochelle fight their assessments on the ground that they are excessive. So far writs of certiorari have been granted by Justice Mills on the applications of Herman Kallenberg, jr.; G. H. Blume, Leopold Loevin and Ellen H. Magnusson. These taxpayers ask that the court review the assessments with a view of seeking a reduction.

Frederick R. Rich, of Mount Vernon, a brother of Justice Rich, of the Supreme Court, has filed his report as referee in the examination of the accounts of J. Addison Young, of New Rochelle, as receiver of the Westchester Electric Railway Company. He finds that the total credits on hand December 31, 1911, were $740,374 64 and the cash on hand $42,256 92.

Alderman Stuart F. Douglas, of New Rochelle, has two little kittens which know a thing or two, and especially how to get on the right side of their friends for their own comfort. The cat family was numerous until a few weeks ago at the Douglas home, when the mother and three kittens disappeared. Left without any kin, the two orphans had to shift for themselves at night. One night this week the alderman missed them and later found them huddled in little furry balls in the hen roost. Now every night they sleep with two big hens, who are acting as their guardians at night time, while in the day time kittens and hens are always together.

Several companies are now looking for factory sites in New Rochelle, as well as Port Chester. New Rochelle has broken its rule of barring factories and is now anxious to have large concerns settle in that city, while the Business Men's Association of Port Chester is also working actively with the same end in view. During the week the latter organization has received two applications from concerns that desire to come there if desirable sites can be found. One company desires to erect a building to cost $50,000, which will employ 150 hands at the outset.

One of the good deeds of Justice Martin J. Keogh, of the Supreme Court, in addition to founding the People's Forum, was his organization of the Westchester Legal Aid Society. This society has among its members prominent lawyers in the county and any persons desiring legal aid or advice who are too poor to employ a lawyer may receive advice and have their legal rights enforced by the society free of all charge and expense of any kind by addressing the society at its New Rochelle office.

Among the non-resident applicants for membership in the Republican Club of New York City are Sidney C. Borg, a banker, of Irvington, and William Lane Jason, of White Plains.

President Jerome A. Peck, of Port Chester, who is the president of the Westchester County Bar Association, has appointed Charles Phillip Easton, of Yonkers; Wilson Brown, jr., of White Plains; Joseph Wood, of Mount Vernon; J. Addison Young, of New Rochelle; Frank V. Millard, of Tarrytown, and William D. Sawyer, of New Rochelle, as members of the new dinner committee of the association. This committee is now arranging for the annual dinner, which will be held in Manhattan in April.

Work will soon be started on a nurses' home which is to be built at the new United Hospital, now under the course of erection on the old George R. Read estate in the Boston Post Road, between Rye and Port Chester. The home will cost about $25,000 and will be known as the Macy Nurses' Home. It is the gift of Mrs. William Kingsland, Mrs. Walter Ladd and V. Everit Macy.

It is now believed that the members of the New Rochelle Yacht Club will purchase Harrison Island, in Echo Bay, where the clubhouse is situated, from Adrian Iselin, jr. Mr. Iselin has agreed to sell the property, payable $5,000 on the delivery of the deed and $15,000 mortgage, payable in five years.

Thomas Simpson, president of the White Plains Hospital Association, has announced the appointment of the following committees for the current year: Colonel A. B. Crane, chairman; John Newland, David Cromwell, Felix M. Warburg, John J. Brown, W. Reynolds Brown, William Mulgoon, Henry R. Barrett and George T. Burling, on finance; Ambrose F. McCabe, chairman; John Newland, Robert C. Bromm, Philip B. Parker and Thomas C. Edmonds, on the executive committee.

Lieutenant B. F. Bell, who is at the head of the formation of the seventh division of the first battalion of the Naval Militia in Westchester, which has it headquarters at New Rochelle, is working hard to get additional recruits. The division has been officially mustered in and drills are now being held every Thursday night. The membership includes residents of Mount Vernon, New Rochelle and Port Chester.

Mayor Frederick Waldorf of New Rochelle is now a member of the Huckleberry Indians, which is a branch of the New York Athletic Club. He has been invited to make an address at the annual dinner of the Indians, which will be held on March 2.

Now that the Appellate Division has reversed the decision of the lower court granting judgment to John O'Brien and others against the New York Central Railroad Company for damages because the company placed an obstruction in front of the O'Brien property in changing the route of the Harlem division, at West Mount Vernon, it is believed that the suit will be settled. The plaintiffs sued for $200,000, alleging that the company in filling in for the route of its new four-track electric system raised an embankment alongside the property so that access to the land was cut off. Former City Judge Thomas A. McKennell, of Mount Vernon, is counsel for the plaintiffs.

Work has already been started to prepare the site of the new casino, which is to be erected on Manursing Island, in the Sound, where a residential colony is to be established by prominent residents of Rye. The contract for the building, as well as the erection of a number of modern bathhouses, has been awarded to the Daniel H. Beary Company. The main building will be 35 by 50 feet, two stories in height, and on each end will be twenty-five bathhouses. The clubrooms will be on the first floor, and on the upper floor will be rooms for the manager and family. The cost of this work alone will be about $15,000. It is also expected that a large clubhouse and a number of villas will be erected on the island, which has an unobstructed view of Long Island Sound.

ST. AUGUSTINE.

St. Augustine, Fla., Feb. 17.—St. Augustine is enjoying its usual good weather, so with out-of-door sports, social affairs and varied amusements, the cosmopolitan crowd that visits this resort is well entertained.

The George Washington Charity Ball of the coming week is to be given by the Alcazar management in the Casino Thursday evening as a hospital benefit. Elaborate preparations are under way, and, besides the regular programme, there will be a plantation reel, a minuet and Oriental dances in quaint and picturesque costumes. This annual function is always anticipated by the cottage and villa colony and the guests from all the hotels attend.

Mrs. O. C. Fuller, of Milwaukee, who, with her family, is at the Alcazar for the season, gave a large bridge tea Wednesday afternoon, which proved one of the pleasantest affairs of the winter.

A party of New Yorkers at the Ponce de Leon includes Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Juilliard and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wheeler, who arrived in their private car.

Charles Clark and family, of New York, who are cruising in the North Wind, spent several days in St. Augustine.

BRONXVILLE.

The White Plains Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, of which Mrs. Philip B. Parker is regent, and Miss Taylor secretary, entertained a number of guests prominent in the society and club life in the private ballroom of the Hotel Gramatan, Lawrence Park, Bronxville, last Tuesday. Among those entertained were Mrs. Joseph F. Wood, state regent; Mrs. Herron Crossman, president of the Patriotic Women of America; Mrs. William Cumming Story, regent of the Manhattan Chapter; Mrs. Queck-Berner, regent of the Nathaniel Woodhull Chapter, and Mrs. Sylvanus Purdy, president of the New Century Club, White Plains.

A subscription song recital was given by Mr. and Mrs. Walden Laskey last Monday night to 150 guests in the grand ballroom of the Hotel Gramatan.

ORMOND BEACH.

Ormond Beach, Fla., Feb. 17.—The season at Ormond Hotel may be said to have reached its height, and it has reached that stage fully two weeks earlier than in any former year. The tourist, leaving the snow and ice of the North and Northwest, finds here blue skies and clear sunshine, with weather like a "fair day in June." He finds all sorts of outdoor sports being indulged in freely, from the rollcall of the saddle horses for the riders on the trails to tennis, croquet, motor riding, driving, games of water polo and diving in the swimming pool, bathing in the surf and, last of all, a most interesting golf course of wonderful beauty to play on.

Mrs. Robert Pennington, accompanied by Mrs. E. M. L'Engle, of Jacksonville, Fla., are at the Ormond. They are to be joined later by Mr. L'Engle and Mr. Pennington, who are coming for a few days at golf.

H. W. Peters, Miss Ella C. Peters and Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Beardsley, of St. Louis, are registered at the Ormond.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Chamberlain and Mr. and Mrs. Roy F. Chamberlain, of Boston, are spending a few days at the Ormond. This is their return visit.

OLD POINT COMFORT.

Old Point Comfort, Va., Feb. 17.—There is so much going on at Old Point and the Hotel Chamberlin these days that it is hard for the guest to decide which invitation to accept first, for the days are all too short to attend the many dinners, teas and luncheons. What with the double launching of the two revenue cutters, the Miami and the Unalga, at the Newport News shipyards the presence at the hotel of Franklin MacVeagh, Secretary of the Treasury, many Congressmen and their wives and buds of Washington society as well as the coming into Hampton Roads Tuesday of the flagship Washington, of the fifth division of the Atlantic fleet, there has been a constant whirl of excitement and as a result this place is most lively.

A 'cross-country ride was enjoyed on Tuesday afternoon by Miss Aida Cunningham and Miss Olive Kennedy, of New York, and Lieutenant Joseph W. McNeal and Lieutenant John L. Homer.

Recent New York arrivals at the Hotel Chamberlin are James Sutherland, Mrs. Wilber F. Herbert, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Kenyon, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Lash, Harry D. Nims, G. M. Chaffee, James B. Millward, C. R. Butler, E. A. Dannerberg, Archibald N. Milne, William P. Clyde, Marshall H. Rank, Miss May V. Leonard, Miss S. H. Gray, Miss Katherine Martin, Angus Hopkins, M. F. Dennis, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Darling, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Russell, F. H. Shipman, C. Belknap, Louis J. Anger, W. V. Hoops, A. C. Anger, Edward F. Gray, Gerald Hall Gray, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Stevens, Miss F. C. Sinnott, Miss Edna McGuirk, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Teele, Mrs. W. F. Herbert and Frederick D. Herbert.

Musical Notes and Comments—Continued from the Opposite Page

tract with Otto A. Hauerbach, who will write the book and lyrics of Mlle. Emma Trentini's new opera for next season. Mr. Hauerbach is well known throughout the country as the author of "The Three Twins," "Madame Sherry," "Dr. De Luxe" and other Broadway successes.

Mlle. Trentini will open in Syracuse on October 7.

MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENTS.

Theodora Ursula Irvine, reader, of Carnegie Hall, took the place of Alfred Tennyson Dickens in an evening of Dickens readings before the Federation of Women's Clubs in Kingston, N. Y., on Saturday night, February 10, giving a talk on the life of Dickens and then reading "Fanny Squeers's Tea Party," "Dick Swiveller and the Marchioness," "Gradgrind on Facts," "David Copperfield's Proposal" and the scene between Tulkington and Mlle. Hortense in "Bleak House." They gave the reader a cordial reception, making her feel that the substitution was not a failure. Alfred Tennyson Dickens was to have lectured in Kingston on his father's life the night he was stricken. Miss Irvine will give "The Passing of the Third Floor Back" at the Waldorf-Astoria on Friday evening, March 1.

The second educational concert by the faculty of the New York Conservatory of Northern Music, Miss Inga Hoegsbro, director, will take place this afternoon at No. 15 East 38th street.

Miss Betty Askenasy is to give a musical and reception this afternoon at her studio, No. 128 West 82d street. Mme. Anna Arnaud, formerly of the Metropolitan Opera Company, is to sing a number of songs, including two from "Carmen"; Frederick Vaska is to play several selections on the 'cello, and, with Miss Askenasy, Grieg's Sonata for piano and 'cello; and three of Miss Askenasy's pupils will play numbers on the piano. About one hundred invitations have been issued.

The McIntyre Trio, Joseph McIntyre, pianist; Paul Kefer, 'cellist; Bonarios Grimson, violinist, with assisting vocal artists, will give three chamber music concerts on the following evenings: February 27, at Mrs. William Hamilton Harris's, No. 140 West 57th street; March 12, at Mrs. James Belden Gere's, No. 15 West 67th street, and March 26, at Mrs. George Caspar Pennell's, No. 318 West 104th street.

Under the direction of John Bland, tenor soloist and choirmaster of Calvary Episcopal Church, there will be a service of lights and candle procession this evening, at which time the anthems will be given, "Hallelujah Chorus," Beethoven; "O'er the Cradle," old Breton melody; "Hail! Gladdening Light," Martin; "Blessed Jesu," Dvorak; "Fierce Was the Wild Billow," Noble; "Crossing the Bar," Rutenbar; "How Blest Are They," Tschaikowsky, and the Good Friday music from "Parsifal." The full choir of forty-five men and boys will be accompanied by organ, trumpets and drums.

Max Jacobs's last quartet concert will take place next Tuesday evening at the Hotel Astor. On February 29 the quartet will appear at a concert in aid of the Washington Heights Hospital.

To-night Louis Arthur Russell will give his annual rendition of Mendelssohn's "St. Paul" with the memorial choir. Mmes. Jessie Marshall and Orrie Taylor and Messrs. Samuel Craig and Alexander Whyte will be the soloists.

A song recital by Miss Beatrice McCue, contralto, assisted by Roland Eduard Meyer, violinist, with Mrs. Julia R. Waixel at the piano, was given at the home of Mrs. R. C. Penfield, No. 236 Riverside Drive, on February 9.

This Sunday evening at 8 o'clock, at the Church of the Divine Paternity, Central Park West and 76th street, the choir will sing part of Mendelssohn's oratorio of "Elijah." A fifteen-minute organ prelude will precede the service. The first of the annual series of five Lenten organ recitals will be given on Thursday, February 29, at 4 o'clock. J. Warren Andrews is the organist and choirmaster.

Amy Grant will give "Parsifal" at the Orange Woman's Club on February 29 at the Chaminade Club, Providence, on March 7.

AT MUSIC STUDIOS.

Miss Hilda Wierum, soprano, pupil of Mme. Hervor Torpadie, sang two groups of German and English songs at the Cercle Franco-American on the evening of February 7. Woodruff Rogers played the accompaniments.

S. C. Bennett will soon give a series of musicals on Sunday afternoons in his studio, in the Metropolitan Opera House Building. Miss Helen Van Cleaf, a talented pupil, will sing at the opening musical, with Miss Viola Archer and Charles Delmont. Miss Archer is a professional singer in concert and opera. Mr. Delmont is choir director at the Washington Heights Methodist Episcopal Church.

A few of the voice and piano pupils of Mrs. Harriet M. Dwight gave a recital in her studio, in Carnegie Hall, Saturday afternoon, February 10. Their singing and playing showed their teacher's careful training in voice and piano work.

Arnold N. de Levinski, concert pianist, composer and teacher, who is well known here and abroad, has decided to locate permanently in this city, and has opened a studio at No. 2 West 88th street for the teaching of piano, harmony and concert coaching. Aside from his ability as a pianist and teacher, he is a composer whose compositions have made an impression upon music lovers. Mr. Levinski has a letter from the celebrated Felix Motti indorsing him as an artist and teacher.

The "at home" which was held on February 12 at Mme. Bell Ranske's studio was enjoyed by a large assemblage. The musical programme was devoted to Herr L. Hintze's compositions. Several of his songs were given, the following being encored: "All the World Is Bright To-day," "Song of the Bachelor Beggar," sung by Avory Belvor, and "Frühling," sung by Mme. Bell Ranske. Herr Hintze played his own serenade and bolero and minuet for the violin and piano.

A demonstration of single and double (professional style) ragtime piano playing will be given at the studio of Edward R. Winn, 425 Miller Building, No. 1931 Broadway, on the evening of Tuesday, February 27, from 7 to 10 o'clock. Mr. Winn will explain to any one interested the simplicity of his system of practical keyboard harmony, enabling the pianist to accompany and harmonize any melody either by note at sight or ear.