SIX TEAMS TIED FOR LEAD.

BRETON AND DARRAGON, FRENCH TEAM LOSE ONE LAP.

McFarland and Maya Still the Favorites—Bedell Rendered Unconscious by a Spill, but Continues Later—Broken Rib the Cause of Kaser Quitting.

Sustained interest on the part of the public, in spite of a lack of incident on the track, was the most remarkable feature of the six-day cycle race at Madison Square Garden all day yesterday and most of the night. The situations in the race remained throughout the day as they were in the first hour of it, but a change came early this morning when Breton and Darragon, the French team, were lapped.

There were the same number of teams, eleven, and the same seven tied for first place at 10 o'clock in the evening as there were at 1 o'clock in the morning. Yet, afternoon and night, the big building was well filled with spectators. The visitors seem to be watching the string of men who circle about unceasingly as anxiously as the men watch one another, fearful all the time of some unexpected dash that will mean triumph for one team and disaster for the others. The spectators hang almost breathlessly on every sprint, expectant of the gain of a lap that will mark some one team as a winner.

The number of fruitless attempts to gain a lap show that it is next to impossible to steal one or to recover one that has been lost, yet the race is still young and the hope of being able to accomplish one or the other lives in every competitor except the two Germans, Doerflinger and Heller, who are hopelessly behind.

The recurring exhasting sprints continued last night and the score also continued to fall more and more behind the records. After a sprint comes reaction and the men simply poke about the track. The result in total distance covered is much less than if a moderate gait that could be maintained was adopted.

The result of the futful sprinting is the same as that which every one who uses a bicycle on the road for pleasure has experienced. Ten minutes at an eighteen-mile clip will use one up more than an hour at a twelve-mile pace and after the ten minutes the rider is pretty sure to drop back to an eight-mile gait for some time, so that in the hour the distance covered is greater if the rate of speed is uniform. At noon yesterday the contestants were 24½ miles behind the Miller and Waller record of 1899 and at 10 o'clock at night they were 38 miles and 9 laps behind. Unless the fierce sprinting and consequent baffing ceases and more even riding is done the men will not finish ahead of last year's figures, 2,555 miles 4 laps, as it seemed likely they would on Monday.

One contributory cause for the men falling behind the records is that the management introduces exhibition rides by Kramer, Michael, Bald, Elkes and others. During these events the six-day men leave the track and ride on the margin of flat floor inside. No laps gained during such periods are allowed, and the consequence is that some of the men stop and rest, while the others barely keep moving.

The second day of the race witnessed the introduction of the trainers' table at the trackside and of the tin bottle containing coffee or soup or water in the hands of a rider while on the track.

Yesterday the original favorites, McFarland and Maya, continued to show themselves as fresh and as fast as ever. They started more of the sprints than any other pair, but nothing was gained. George Leander, the Chicagoan, who has Floyd Krebs for a partner, began to be a favorite yesterday morning because of his fresh and cheerful manner and strong riding. He has avoided making pace as much as possible and has not been eager in leading the chase after runaways. He continued to ride strong last night and to grow in popularity. If his partner holds out the pair should be well up at the finish.

Shortly after 6 o'clock last night Peterson, the Swede, partner of Keegan, fell, and later in the evening he rode as if in distress. Turville, Butler's partner, also kicked his pedals in a tired fashion every time he came out.

A fortune teller's tent has been added to the county-fair features on the main floor, and trainers and bettors on the race find amusement trying to learn what the result on Saturday night will be. So far every team except the Frenchmen have been prophesied as winners.

The worst spill of the race happened yesterday afternoon, and John Bedell, who was in it, was carried from the track unconscious. Maya and Turville, the other two in the upset, were bruised and scraped, but remounted and continued. The spill was caused by Maya, the partner of McFarland. Maya and Leander had been leading a sprint, when Maya concluded to fall back and for that purpose pulled up the track. John Bedell was right behind him on the outside and as soon as Maya ran wide Bedell crashed into him. Both went down, and Turville, being too close behind to avoid them, went over them. The other riders pulled out and rode around the mess. Bedell remained unconscious for about five minutes. A physician attended him and a few hours later he was riding again. All the distance lost by the men was not counted against them.

It developed yesterday that Kaser had made a remarkable display of pluck by remaining in the race as long as he did. He rode sixteen hours with a broken rib and is now under a doctor's care in his quarters and cannot be removed. Kaser broke his rib early Monday morning, when he rode off the track and fell into an arena box. Last night he was plainly in a miserable condition and lost two laps before he concluded to give up. Just before he quit he complained of pains in the side, and once, as he passed the press box about midnight, he said in German to Margaret Gast, the century rider: "I never suffered so in my life as I am now."

The dropping out of Kaser was a piece of very sore luck to Gougoltz, who had a similar experience last year with Simar, who was forced to quit through illness when he and Gougoltz were with the leaders. Both last year and this Gougoltz was riding strong and seemed fit to last indefinitely when compelled to retire. For a couple of hours after Kaser quit this morning, Gougoltz was spouting a mixed volume of Gallic and American profanity in a fashion that would shock both a sailor and a volcano. He declared that he had come here confident of winning this year because Kaser had been tried and found to be a stayer.

The matter was made worse by the fact that there was no one with whom Gougoltz could pair and continue. After waiting four hours, which is the limit allowed by the rules, for some other team to break up so that he might get a partner, Gougoltz went across to his hotel and after storming around for an hour went to bed. Yesterday afternoon he busied himself helping the trainers look after his fellow countrymen, and Breton and Darragon seemed to be the better for his ministrations. Gougoltz says that next year he will bring an iron man for mate.

As every six-day race has to have its touch of romance, even if a rider is obliged to fall in love during the contest in order to provide it, so this one has its story of a competitor riding for prize money in order to marry and start housekeeping. Franz Krebs, the little German youth, is the sighing swain and the heroine is his affianced, Miss Augusta Schultz, both of Brooklyn. Krebs is only 20 years old and when not chasing cash prizes on a bicycle works as a bartender. Miss Schultz is a comely, auburn-haired German girl who evidently is wrapped up in her husband-elect. She attends the race every day and sits close to the rail where she can call to her lover. Krebs and his team mate, Barclay, have been a lap behind the leaders since early on Monday, but Krebs has promised his sweetheart that he surely will regain that lap and every time he comes out he makes a desperate effort to do so.

A laughable incident of the afternoon was made by Leander, who suddenly discovered one of the Frenchmen nearly half a lap ahead of him changing with his partner. Jumping to the conclusion that it was Breton and Darragon, Leander, without a second thought, jumped forward and began to sprint after them carrying the bunch behind him. The chase lasted a couple of miles, and during it Floyd Krebs relieved Leander and was in turn relieved by the big Thicagoan. No one had time or breath while the hunt was on to argue or remonstrate, though several knew what Leander and Krebs did not. No matter, as long as that pair kept up the sprint, the others were bound to follow or lose a lap. Finally Leander discovered for himself that the man he was chasing was not Breton, who is even with the leaders, but poor little Heller, whose team was then seventeen miles behind, and who was doing his best not to lose another lap. The laugh was on Leander and he swore disgustedly when he finally slowed and dismounted.

A report current to the effect that Barclay, the partner of Franz Krebs, was in poor condition and likely to quit at any time was declared to be unfounded both by his trainers and Barclay himself. Nothing about his riding in the early evening indicated that Barclay was weakening. Krebs made a touching appeal to him while they were changing in the afternoon so loud that those at the side of the track could hear, asking him to stay in and put forth every effort to regain the lost lap, and probably the story of Barclay getting weak was based on this incident.

The spectators were wondering all the afternoon and evening why Heller and Doerflinger, the eleventh team, were staying in the race when they were more than twenty miles behind. They are hanging on simply in the hope that one or more other teams will break up. Then they will be in the money, no matter how far they are behind, for there are ten purses.

Except for the spills the race was not exciting all day yesterday. There were the usual number of periodic sprints that were futile, but there was no change in the number of riders or in the relative positions of the leaders or in the relative position of any team, excepting Doerflinger and Heller, from morning until night. All day there were eleven teams contesting and seven pairs tied for first place. Notwithstanding this there was an astonishing big crowd on hand in the afternoon. It was greater than at any time on Monday night.

The score at midnight:

	Miles.	Laps.
Breton and Darragon	920	2
McFarland and Maya	920	2
Stinson and Moran	920	2
John Bedell and Menus Bedell	920	2
Newkirk and Jacobson	920	2
Butler and Turville	920	2
Leander and Floyd Krebs	920	1
Barclay and Franz Krebs	920	1
Keegan and Peterson	920	1
Galvin and Root	920	1
Doerflinger and Heller	896	2

The record for 48 hours is 966 miles 3 laps, made by Miller and Waller in 1899.

Score at 2 o'clock:

	Miles.	Laps.
Breton and Darragon	952	1
McFarland and Maya	952	1
Stinson and Moran	952	1
John Bedell and Menus Bedell	952	1
Newkirk and Jacobson	952	1
Butler and Turville	952	1
Leander and Floyd Krebs	952	1
Barclay and Franz Krebs	952	0
Keegan and Peterson	952	0
Galvin and Root	952	0
Doerflinger and Heller	925	5

At 2:10 A. M. Breton and Darragon were lapped.

WAR ON IN THE CITY HALL.

No Blood Spilled Yet, but Oh, What a Fuss Over a Little Coat of Plaster!

The strike, on Monday, of the seven plasterers employed at the City Hall came near resulting in an awful spilling of blood yesterday morning. The seven are on strike because they found out, when they went to work on Monday morning, that, some time on Sunday, Mathew Ryan, superintendent of the work and brother of one of the contractors, had taken the notion to try his hand at plastering and had covered about twenty feet of the cellar ceiling with a "scratch coat" of plaster, and the contractor wouldn't have it torn down.

A walking delegate of the union, giving his name as John J. Donovan, appeared at the City Hall yesterday morning and began holding earnest conversations with the carpenters and other laborers employed about the building. Mathew Ryan, suspecting that Donovan was trying to get mechanics in other trades to strike out of sympathy with the plasterers, ordered him out of the building. Donovan refused to go. What followed is told in two stories.

When the walking delegate refused to leave the building, according to one story, Ryan grabbed him by the throat, let for his jaw, landed and was about to land again, when Policeman Secor of the City Hall squad rushed up and separated the combatants.

Thereupon Ryan, according to the same story, demanded that Donovan be arrested as a trespasser and Donovan got back with a request that Ryan be arrested for assault.

The other story is that there was simply a war of words, which the policeman suggested be referred to Capt. Copeland of the City Hall station for arbitration. Whichever tale is true the Captain heard the case, and said he to Donovan:

"Under a recent decision of the Court of Appeals you were already a trespasser, and should have got out when you were told."

"But, Captain," interrupted Donovan, "the City Hall's a public building, and I've as much right there as this man or anybody else."

"Not under the circumstances," said the Captain. "According to a decision of the United States Circuit Court for the Southern District of Idaho, Ryan was in possession of those parts of the building that were being repaired, as soon as he received the contract for the work. He is liable—notice that I use the words liable rather than responsible—for any delays in the work and any damages that might accrue from such delays. He considered that you were interfering with the work of his men and had, therefore a right to eject you. If he didn't want you there he had a right to put you out anyway. Case dismissed."

Donovan appeared in the City Hall later and met the contractor to whom he uttered this ultimatum:

"If you don't tear off that plastering before next Thursday and take the strikers back, I'll see that all the mechanics on this work go on strike."

To this Ryan is reported to have replied "If you don't tear yourself away from here in damned short order, I'll throw you out in the park."

Donovan, remembering the rulings of the Court of Appeals and of the United States Circuit Court for the Southern District of Idaho, got out.

PEOPLE WIN IN LONG BRANCH.

Antagonists of Water Contract Elect Six of Seven Commissioners.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Dec. 9.—In the annual municipal election here to-day the People's ticket elected six out of seven Commissioners by majorities ranging from 150 to 250, which insures the reelection of Walter S. Reed at the organization of the board, which will take place on Thursday.

The main bone of contention was waged against the commissioners who two weeks ago granted an exclusive contract to the Tittem Water Water Company, of which ex-Senator Rufus Blodgett is president. The contract is held up on an application for a writ of certiorari, which will be heard on Saturday. Senator Blodgett expected to lard enough votes to renew the contract should the Supreme Court set the present contract aside on the grounds of irregularities.

Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Fund.

The Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society elected this board of directors at its annual meeting last night: Randolph Guggenheimer, Joseph N. Buttenweiser, Robert Lundsburgh, Louis Feigbert and Frederick Lewissohn.

President Samuel D. Levy announced that $22,000 of the proposed $75,000 contingent fund had been raised to meet the offered gift of $75,000 from the Lewissohn estate.

Death of William H. Tillinghast.

William H. Tillinghast, president of the Cherry Valley, Sharon and Albany Railroad and a member of the board of managers of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company, died yesterday at his home, 26 East Sixty-fourth street at the age of 77. He retired from active business some time ago, but remained a trustee of the Bank for Savings and a director in several railroads and trust companies, including the Metropolitan Trust Company. He was a member of the Metropolitan and Knickerbocker clubs, New England and Century associations and of several patriotic clubs and societies. He leaves a widow and Miss Louisa Stenton.

WILSON ASKS FOR $12,500,000,

AND HE'S GOING TO GET IT FOR PRINCETON, SAYS HE.

Alumni Cheer His Prophecy and Applaud the Declaration That No University Can Spend Millions So Beneficially—Feast in the New President's Honor.

Dr. Woodrow Wilson, the new president of Princeton University, at a dinner given in his honor at the Waldorf-Astoria last night by the alumni, outlined publicly for the first time his hopes for the extension of the university system at Princeton. Dr. Wilson made a masterly speech, to which the 500 old Princeton men present gave the greatest attention.

When Dr. Wilson said that not only did Princeton need $12,500,000 to carry out his ideas, but it meant to have that sum, there was a tremendous outburst of applause, and cries from all over the big dining room indicated that in his policy of extension President Wilson will have not only the moral but the material support of all the alumni of the big New Jersey university.

No Princeton dinner in years has equalled in numbers and enthusiasm the gathering of last night. The banquet hall was crowded to its utmost capacity and all through the dinner the place rang with the class cries of the alumni, the graybeards and baldheads of the early '70s being not one whit less vociferous than the youngsters of the late '90s. The dining room was draped with orange and black, and an orchestra played all the Princeton airs. A number of new songs, dedicated to President Wilson, were sung. Part of one, written to the tune of "Mr. Dooley," ran as follows:

> Her educated graduates
> Are Princeton's special pride
> To turn out just good business men
> Nassau has never tried,
> But tho' we all wear glasses,
> And look sadly undersized,
> We think in choosing Wilson
> That we showed our business head.
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> *Chorus.*
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> For Woodrow Wilson, Woodrow Wilson,
> He's one of us, a son of Nassau Hall,
> It's Woodrow Wilson, Woodrow Wilson,
> It's Wilson, Wilson, Wilson—that is all.

At the guest table with President Wilson were ex-President Francis L. Patton, President Tracy H. Harris of the Princeton Club, Henry E. Howland, representing Yale; Austen G. Fox, representing Harvard; George L. Rives, representing Columbia; James W. Alexander, Gen. Adna R. Chaffee, Col. Albert L. Mills, superintendent of the West Point Military Academy, Morris K. Jesup and a number of others.

Mr. Alexander as toastmaster used as a gavel the clapper of the bell on Nassau Hall, sent up for the occasion by the freshman class at Princeton. It is the duty of every freshman class at Princeton to steal the clapper of the bell on old Nassau, and the present class proved last night that it hadn't been remiss in this traditional duty. Mr. Alexander made a brief speech, saying in part:

> I was going to say to-night that the King is dead, long live the King, but I cannot, for here on the other side of me sits the ex-king, alive and not kicking. (Cheers for Dr. Patton.) Of our new president I want to say that he has spirit, brains, education and the support and respect of the alumni, to help him carry on his work. There is only one thing that he lacks and that is cash. Like all of us, he has heard of the man with the hoe, but what he wants to hear about is the man with the dough.
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> Now the minute Dr. Patton went to the Theological Seminary an old lady died, and left the seminary $2,000,000, which it didn't need any more than a dog needs two tails. It is astonishing—the small mortality among those with bequests for the college. But we announce to-night that we don't insist on people dying before they can give us any money. We are willing to take the demise and postpone the demise.

When President Wilson was introduced he was greeted with three rousing Princeton cheers. He talked at great length on the extension of the university system at Princeton, telling of his dream of the time when Princeton will have its graduate schools and rank with the greatest universities in the world. He went into the minutest details of his great ambition for Princeton and then said:

> Our dream is to transform the thoughtless boy into the thinking man. The trouble with the modern undergraduate is that he is a thoughtless boy. He is a boy who does a task because he is compelled to do it and because he does it that way his work counts for nothing at all. This youth is graduated on no achievement; he is graduated on a scale of residence.
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> It is not a part of my proposition to make the undergraduate work all the time, but I do propose to make him want to work all of the time, and I think there is a certain, infallible way to do this. Men must be examined on topics, not on text books. You must get your men inside of the subjects they are trying to get out.
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> It is our idea to transform the youngster doing tasks to the man doing thinking, and, gentlemen, I want to say to you that all of this costs money. To start our system will require two and a quarter million dollars. I hear some one whistling. Well, you must get over that whistle, because you must get used to these figures. We are going to get this money. I suspect that there are men here to-night who are going to give it to me.
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> To do the other things we have dreamed of it is going to take a great deal more money. I think I have reckoned it all out on a sound business basis, and the total that I have reached is $12,500,000. There is no university in the world that can make so small a sum of money go so far. There is no university which can turn this much money into so much good, red blood. (Applause.)
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> Princeton has ever been at the service of the nation, but it cannot stand in the service of the nation without knowledge. (Cheers and songs cannot give Princeton her reputation. Nothing will give her her reputation but the achievements of the men she graduates.

Other speakers were Dr. Patton, Judge Howland, Mr. Fox, Mr. Rives and Job Hedges.

S. I. DARRIN SEEKS DIVORCE.

Wife the Daughter of the Late Capt. Curran—Difference in Faith Blamed.

The suit of Sidney I. Darrin, proprietor of the Phoenix Stables at 305 West 128th street, for a divorce from his wife Mrs. Maud E. Darrin of 154 Fourth avenue, Brooklyn, comes up before Justice McLean in the Supreme Court to-day.

Darrin's wife is a daughter of ex-Police Captain Curran of Brooklyn, who died some years ago. The couple were married in 1897 at the residence of Mrs. Darrin's aunt in Brooklyn. He is 24 years old and his wife is 22.

After the marriage they went to live with his parents at 149 West Sixteenth street, but didn't get on well, because, Darrin says he is a Protestant and his wife a Catholic. He says she wanted to stay with her mother in Brooklyn and five months after the marriage she left him for good.

Darrin owns a number of fast horses including Lady Marks and Bell Boy. His father is Frank W. Darrin, who keeps a livery stable at 474 West 159th street.

Hanbury After Dady's Place.

Congressman Harry A. Hanbury called on Mayor Low yesterday to present himself as a candidate for Election Commissioner representing the borough of Brooklyn. Mr. Hanbury told the Mayor that the Republican organization of Kings would indorse him if the way was clear for his appointment.

Part of a Boy's Body Found.

The hips and legs of a boy supposed to have been about 12 years old were found floating in the river at the foot of Conover street, Brooklyn, late yesterday afternoon. Part of a pair of drawers were on the legs and a stocking was on the left foot. It is believed that the boy was drowned and that his body was mangled by a propeller.

Hepburn on Committee on Law's Delays.

ALBANY, Dec. 9.—Gov. Odell has appointed A. Barton Hepburn as one of the commission to examine into the cause of the delay in judicial proceedings in New York and Kings counties to fill the vacancy caused by the declination of William F. King.

Secretaryship for Charles A. Ball.

The New York State Commission to the St. Louis Exposition, of which E. H. Harriman is chairman, has appointed Charles A. Ball to be its secretary. Mr. Ball was for many years assistant secretary of the State Senate. He now [illegible] $2,500 a year.

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTIONS.

Combination Wins Boston School Fight—Mayor Hurley of Salem Defeated.

BOSTON, Dec. 9.—Boston and eighteen other Massachusetts cities held municipal elections to-day. In Boston there was no mayoralty election, but the School Board fight was bitter. The Public School Association candidates were also nominated by the Republicans and although the returns are not fully in at midnight, it is believed that the Association has elected nearly all the eight candidates.

Pershe, the Republican Street Commissioner was defeated for reelection by Edward H. Duane, Democrat. The two branches of the City Government are Democratic.

The greatest interest was manifested in the elections of Salem and Cambridge, where, in spite of the intense cold, a large vote was polled. The result in Cambridge was late in coming in and up to 12 o'clock only 14 of the 28 precincts had been heard from. These precincts gave Mayor McNamee a majority of 897 over Walter C. Wardwell the non-partisan candidate.

In Salem, Mayor Hurley was beaten by Joseph N. Peterson, a Republican, who was endorsed by every one opposed to "Hurleyism." Peterson had a plurality of 1,678 over Hurley. The city voted for license by 600, much to the astonishment of the old residents.

The cities of Chelsea, Lynn, Everett, Medford, Newton, Melrose, Fall River and Chicopee elected Republican Mayors. In Woburn and Beverly the Democrats were successful. Chelsea returned to the No-License column by a small majority.

SHADOW ON STROLLERS' FEAST.

Tom Reed Was to Have Been Chief Speaker at It—Their 16th Anniversary.

The Strollers gave a dinner at their clubhouse, 67 Madison avenue, last night, to celebrate the sixteenth anniversary of the founding of the club. The dinner was given in the miniature theatre on the second floor of the clubhouse. About one hundred and eighty members and guests sat down to it. A Hungarian band and an orchestra on the stage furnished the music.

Edward Fales Coward was the toastmaster. All of the speeches were in a humorous vein and were chiefly devoted to the glorification of the Strollers. Among those who spoke were Col. John Jacob Aster, Col. Franklin Bartlett, Col. A. Loudon Snowden, ex-Minister to Greece; ex-Postmaster-General Thomas L. James, Sheriff Dike of Brooklyn, John S. Wise and Lemuel Ely Quigg. Henry Grafton Chapman read a poem specially composed for the occasion.

A shadow was cast over the feast by the fact that ex-Speaker Thomas B. Reed was to have made the speech of the evening. His letter of acceptance telling of the enjoyment he expected to have at the dinner was received two weeks before his death.

Among those present last evening were Arthur Iselin, W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., Aman Jean, the French painter, Count Henry de Portes, Baron Andre de Nouflize, F. K. Pendleton, Eugene Van Schaick, A. Donaldson Smith, the African explorer, Bradish Johnson, Rupert Hughes, Maxwell Stevenson, Robert C. Watson, Jr., and Capt. De Witt Clinton Falls.

ABRUZZI TO COME HERE.

Cousin of the King Will Represent Italy at St. Louis Fair.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—A despatch to the *Chronicle* from Rome says that the Duke of the Abruzzi, the explorer, who is a cousin of King Victor Emmanuel, will represent Italy at the St. Louis Exposition.

Played a Piano Twenty-six Hours.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

TRIESTE, Dec. 9.—The pianist Bocia, in the presence of a jury of musicians and journalists, played on a piano for twenty-six hours consecutively, taking only two rests of ten minutes each. A medical examination at the close showed that his physical condition was not affected.

GOLD IN 1902 CENTS?

Sunday School Superintendent Inquires at Sub-Treasury.

A letter was received at the Sub-Treasury yesterday from a Sunday school superintendent, a resident of a Brooklyn suburb, asking if it was true that a lot of molten gold had been spilled into the copper which went into the 1902 cents. The writer said that he had heard that such was the fact and that the coppers were now worth 25 cents each.

The Sub-Treasury officers have answered the letter to the effect that they know of no such admixture at the mint, but that an unconfirmed report once had it that some gold had been spilled into the copper. They are wondering if the writer has been getting up a corner on cents through the Sunday school collections.

Students' Mission Conference Begins.

The first sessions of the three days' annual convention of the Episcopal Church Students' Missionary Association began yesterday in the General Theological Seminary in Chelsea Square. Most of the important colleges and universities of the United States and Canada are represented. The organization's object is to instil a missionary interest in Episcopal students.

John C. Horner for Speaker in New Jersey.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 9.—The Republican members of the next House of Assembly met at the State House to-day and agreed upon John C. Horner of Burlington for Speaker.

Toledo Firemen Killed and Injured.

TOLEDO, Dec. 9.—The factory portion of Keiper Bros. furniture plant was destroyed this evening. One fireman was killed and three mortally injured. Several others were hurt less seriously.

PSYCHIC IN INSANE PAVILION.

LILLIAN NORTON READS MINDS OF BYSTANDERS FOR THEM.

Discovers in the Mind of the Doctor Who Took Her There That He Knows He's Wrong About Her—Says That She Was a Pupil of Prof. Hyslop.

Lillian Norton, a strikingly handsome young woman, according to those who have seen her, was removed from her home at 9 West 112th street last night to the Bellevue Hospital insane pavilion. She said she was once a student of psychology under Dr. James H. Hyslop, professor of psychology at Columbia University, and she asserts that she possesses a "psychic influence."

She was taken to the hospital by Dr. Paul J. Werner of 222 West Forty-ninth street and was put in the pavilion for observation at the request of her sister, Miss Annie Norton of 38 Park avenue.

When she was brought into the reception room Dr. McClement was selected to make a superficial examination of the case. The minute he approached her Miss Norton said to him:

"Now, doctor, I'll tell you what you intend to ask me. It is this: 'Have you ever had any communication with spirits?'"

"That's right," said Dr. McClement, who then turned away abruptly to another case.

The young woman then said to Dr. Werner:

"You and my sister are mistaken as to my condition. You know you are, doctor, and you'll be sorry for it."

According to those present the young woman next turned to a reporter and a merchant who were there, the latter as a patient, and told them what the occupation of each was.

To the reporters Miss Norton said that she had studied psychology under Dr. Hyslop for some time and that he would guarantee her sanity. Dr. Hyslop, it was said last night, is at Woodstock, Vt. He resigned from Columbia three or four weeks ago on account of ill health.

Dr. Werner said last night that Miss Norton had done a good deal of writing and that she had overworked recently.

"She imagines she has a psychic influence," he said, "but I cannot discuss her case with propriety because her relatives are personal friends of mine. So far as I know she was not a student under Dr. Hyslop, but she is a highly accomplished young woman."

Miss Norton lived in an apartment with a sister at the 112th street address. It was said there last night that Lillian Norton was to all appearances a very dignified, well-balanced and religious woman. A woman who knows her said she and her sister had lived there several months and that they had few visitors.

DEMOCRATIC CLUB ELECTS.

Richard Croker Remains at the Head of the Governors.

John Fox was reelected President of the Democratic Club last night. The other officers chosen were Cord Meyer, first vice-president; Edward F. O'Dwyer, second vice-president; Theodore F. Haskell, treasurer; William E. Wyatt, secretary; Adrian T. Kiernan, corresponding secretary. The only change in the list was that Judge O'Dwyer was substituted for Lewis Nixon as second vice-president, while Mr. Nixon was elected to the board of governors to succeed Judge O'Dwyer. Richard Croker is still at the head of the governors.

House-Numbering Ordinance.

An effort was made yesterday by the Aldermen's Committee on Buildings to have adopted the long-pending ordinance providing for conspicuous numbering of houses in all the boroughs. Several members of the board objected and the matter was made a special order for the next meeting.

W. M. V. Hoffman on Hospital Board.

ALBANY, Dec. 9.—Gov. Odell has appointed William M. V. Hoffman of New York city to the vacancy on the Board of Visitation for the Manhattan State Hospital, caused by the resignation of Isaac H. Seligman.

Death of H. B. Moore of H. B. Kirk & Co.

Henry Francis Moore, vice-president of H. B. Kirk & Co., proprietors of Old Crow whiskey, died yesterday at his home, Crow's Nest, in Bayonne, in his fifty-ninth year.

Court of Appeals Decisions.

ALBANY, Dec. 9.—The Court of Appeals to-day handed down the following decisions:

Rhinelander, appellant, vs. Farmers' Loan and Trust Company; Fletscher, appellant, vs. same; Dewitt, respondent, vs. Providence Washington Insurance Company; Tiley, appellant, vs. Coyken dall; Mills, respondent, vs. Thomas Elevator Company; Heyser et al., appellant, vs. Peterson; Gensburg, respondent, vs. Von Seggern, president, &c., Great Western Turnpike Company, appellant, vs. Shafer; Kaiser, respondent, vs. Hamburg Bremen Fire Insurance Company; same vs. same; same vs. same; same vs. same; Hooker, appellant, vs. city of Rochester; Double, respondent, vs. Grand Lodge United Workmen of New York. Judgments affirmed, with costs.

In re opening of Ludlow street, &c.: Order affirmed with costs. McGowan and another, appellants, vs. Peterson Farrell, appellant, vs. city of Middletown. Judgments reversed, new trials granted, costs to abide event.

New York Milk Products Company, respondent, of New York, vs. Damon et al.; New York and New Haven Automatic Sprinkler Company, respondent, vs. Andrews. Orders affirmed and judgment absolute ordered for plaintiffs on stipulation, with costs.

In re Killian vs. O'Reilly: Order reversed and proceedings remitted to Surrogate for further action, costs to abide event.

In re transfer tax on property of Jones: Order reversed, and that of Surrogate affirmed, with costs to appellant in all courts.

Simone, administratrix, appellant, vs. Kirk et al.: Order reversed and judgment of trial term affirmed, with costs.

Hurley and another, appellants, vs. Brown. Motion to show cause, &c., granted upon condition that within five days the appellant pays the taxable costs of the action, including argument fee in this court to respondents' attorneys. If not paid within that period the motion is denied, with costs.

Zapf, appellant, vs. Carter. Motion to dismiss appeal denied, $10 costs.

In re application of Greenwich Electric Railway Company, appellant, vs. Greenwich Electric Railroad Company and another. Motion for reargument denied, $10 costs.

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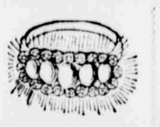

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