"PARSIFAL" SOOTHES HARLEM

DRAMA WITH A SARDOU FLAVOR AT THE WEST END.

Called a "Solemn Miracle Play" by the Adapter—New Characters in It and a Cave of Spiders That Would Thrill Frau Wagner—Music Defies Conried.

There were no fanfares sounded in front of the West End Theatre last night for the first performance of "Parsifal" in Harlem. Yet this event might have been celebrated with some such significant brass music. It was the Newark (N. J.) dramatic version that was presented by a company headed by Una Abell-Brinker.

Marie Doran perpetrated the work, which is a solemn mixture of Wagner, Sardou, Belasco and Julian Mitchell. There is a torture scene in the "Tosca"-Belasco manner and a terrifying cave of spiders in Act IV. which thrills those who have not seen "Babes in Toyland."

To show how freely the librettist (?) has handled her material it is only necessary to relate that in Act I. *Kundry* cruelly tempts the sick King and—shame on him! he trembles at the sight of her Seven Sutherland Sisters tresses. An awful witch is this American *Kundry*. She mocks poor old *Amfortas* on his illness—which is not in good taste, to say the least.

But he escapes by quoting from the Scriptures a genuine full fledged Sunday school mouth filling injunction.

Klingsor appears in Act I., after a dark change, and, like *Zamiel* in "Freischütz," defies the entire Graal gang. It is a queer lot.

Gurnemanz is a physician and the swan does not appear. A beggar, *Balso* by name, and his daughter *Lexia* come on, to the stupefaction of the few Wagnerians in the audience, and worry *Klingsor* very much by their behavior. They, too, trust in God and throw the Bible at the head of their enemy.

And *Parsifal*—he "stands upon a mossy bank and smiles," as some remarked. With a make-up suggesting the *Shepherd King* and *Siegfried*, he was impersonated by Thurlow Bergen. The temptation scene was not as torrid as the atmosphere in the theatre, though the electric fans worked hard. Mr. Bergen caught *Klingsor's* spear with great confidence—no wires for him! Miss Brinker spoke distinctly. Ethel Browning scored a neat hit; but the real joy of the evening was the music.

It would have made Cosima Wagner leave Bayreuth. The prelude, so-called, lasted so long that the audience clapped and hissed in its impatience. No wonder! About half the score, played in a topsy-turvy manner, was given before the curtain rose.

Perhaps in this way the Musical Dis-Union was getting even with Herr Conried. To further deepen this impression the libretto of the Metropolitan Opera House version was sold in the lobby, with Charles Henry Meltzer's preface and all, for 10 cents. "Parsifal" has conquered Harlem.

"THE SOUTHERNERS" PLAYED.

A Conglomeration of Dancing, Vaudeville Fun and Acrobatics.

At the New York Theatre last night a large assemblage of actors, actresses and their admirers attended the first performance of "The Southerners," which the authors, with well planned mystery, called a "study in black and white." It was a study to classify this production. However, it may, without impropriety, be called a summer show. It does not mean anything at all, and that proves that it is intended to appeal to intellects frizzled in the frying pan of a New York summer season.

In one respect "The Southerners" is original. It has a prologue of which the action takes place fifty years after that of the piece itself. It has also at least four new lines. One of them is allotted to an Irish comedian and causes him to describe a tall young woman as "the coolest place of amusement in the city." This is the spiciest line in the play. There is a plot, but it is thinner than this line. Plots are regarded as immodest in summer shows. For the rest, "The Southerners" consists of songs of the music hall variety, sidewalk conversations, acrobatic dances and strenuous ensembles of the kind which do not require the name of Lederer on the programme to tell the passerby whence they came.

There is a large and industrious company of singers, dancers, ground and lofty comedians, Ethiopian "slumminaders," as Dan Bryant used to call them, and show girls. There is a chorus of more than thirty colored people, and they carry about with them more barber shop chords and inversions of harmony than any professor in a musical conservatory could name. The old fashioned costumes make the piece look like "Beau Brummel" gone mad, and the modern slang sits on the whole thing like an intoxicated prophecy. Many of the jokes are older than the time of the piece, 1830, and every composer from Antonin Dvorak to Oscar Hammerstein has suggested thematic ideas to Will Marion Cook, who wrote the music.

The book is by Will Mercer and Richard Grant, and surely no other authors could have written so many cues for colored lights. Some of the brightest luminaries of the vaudeville heavens are in the cast. There are Junie McCree as an Irish boy, Albert Hart as a planter, Eddie Leonard as a colored dandy, Elfie Fay as a Southern girl with Irish disguises and other trimmings, Vinie Daly as a mulatto girl with cartwheel dances, and a host of other honest sons and daughters of Thespian toil. They all work hard, and in warm weather certainly earn their salaries. Many people will find a world of amusement in this production. Those who are troubled with thinking apparatus should have it checked before entering the house.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

Funeral of Joseph Humphreys—Mrs. Felix Morris Back on the Stage—Other News.

The funeral of Joseph Humphreys, Charles Frohman's stage manager, will be held this morning from his late home at Larchmont. The pallbearers will be William Harris, Julius Cahn, William Furst, E. G. Unitt, Wells Hawkes, Robert M. Eberle, W. G. Smyth and Sam Meyers.

Ten-year-old Edith Taliaferro is the youngest Shakespearian actress on the American stage. She is *Puck* in Ben Greet's production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

Manager Charles Burnham of Wallack's is getting up a memento to remind theatregoers of the long run of "The County Chairman." It will be a booklet containing pictures.

Mrs. Felix Morris, widow of the actor, reappeared on the stage last night at the Savoy Theatre. She played *Madame Laberge* in "Tit for Tat," replacing Miss Helen Tracy.

Robert Loraine and his company appeared at Keith's yesterday in a new one act play, "A Little Tragedy at Tientsin," by Frances Aymar Mathews, author of "Pretty Peggy."

Henry G. Sommers has secured the dramatic rights for Charles N. and Alice Muriel Williamson's novel "The Lightning Conductor," and it will be made into a play for next season.

HELPING OUT "YOURS MERRILY"

John R. Rogers's Friends Hope to Start Him Going Again Next Friday.

The testimonial benefit for "Yours Merrily," John R. Rogers, has been arranged by Manager Fred. C. Whitney to take place at the Lyric Theatre next Friday afternoon, the anniversary of the thirty-fifth year of "Yours Merrily" as a theatrical manager, star discoverer and promoter of new notions in all corners of the world. It is planned to set Mr. Rogers on his feet again among the stars. Every theatrical scintillator in town will help the movement, so an unusually brilliant programme has been arranged, in which everybody from Clara Morris to Lew Fields and "The Great Lafayette" will figure.

SAY HAINES IS NOT SINCERE.

Swanstrom and President of New Bergh Society Attack the Old One.

Seventy-five persons, mostly women, attended a meeting of the Henry Bergh Humane Society in Memorial Hall, Schermerhorn street, Brooklyn, last night. Former President of the Borough J. Edward Swanstrom presided and said the new society intended to be an efficient agency in suppressing cruelty to animals, which, he said, the society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals no longer attempted to be.

David Belais, president of the new society, said he wanted to defend himself from the attacks of President Haines of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

"Mr. Haines," he said," published the fact that the organizers of this new society were discharged employees of his society. My wife and myself started this society and we were never employed by Mr. Haines's society. He also says that 'disgruntled members of his society' are now in this society. This is inconsistent, as every one knows that members of his society have no voice in the management of its affairs. We offered Mr. Haines this platform to make good his statement, but he has failed to put in an appearance."

Mr. Belais then told of many cases of cruelty to animals to which the attention of Mr. Haines's society had been called, but to which it had failed to attend. He said that Mr. Haines had said that his society had about one hundred and forty agents in its employ.

"The truth is," said Mr. Belais, "that the society has only about eight agents, and if they get all told $10,000 a year it is a very good sum. The income of the society last year was $196,000. We do not attack the society, but we do attack its methods."

Another meeting of the society will be held to-night at the Nevada, Broadway and Seventieth street, Manhattan.

$100,000 FOR EMPLOYEES.

American Smelting and Refining Company Sharing Surplus Profits.

The American Smelting and Refining Company, through one of its officers, stated yesterday that within a few days it will divide among its most valued employees something more than $100,000. This is in accordance with a profit sharing plan which the company worked out some time ago.

According to that plan, when and after the earnings of the company exceeded $7,500,000 annually, a certain percentage of the earnings was to be divided among the company's managers, superintendents, assistant superintendents, foremen and assistant foremen, chemists and assayers, the profit sharers to be selected by the company's executive committee. No one who has not been in the employ of the company for at least a year may participate.

The selections will be made from among the employees who have done the best work for the company during the time of their employment. It could not be learned definitely what the company's earnings for its fiscal year were, but it is known that 22.5 per cent. of the net earnings above $7,500,000 will be divided among the employees. It was said that this amount would be about $100,000.

The company also caused the announcement to be made that it has called in $191,000 of the Pueblo Smelting and Refining Company's 6 per cent. bonds, due in 1913. The money to pay for these bonds the company is now lending at 2 per cent. and the board of directors concluded that they could make their money earn more by paying the bonds of one of their subsidiary companies.

PRESSES BASEBALL CHARGE.

District Attorney Says Justice Gaynor Has Not Settled Sunday Game Question.

The examination in the cases of Charles Bartlett and John F. Mack, who were arrested for violation of the Sunday law for playing in a baseball game between the Brighton and Newburg clubs on the Saratoga avenue grounds, Brooklyn, on Sunday, May 15, took place yesterday, before Magistrate Higginbotham, in the Adams street court. The prosecution was conducted by District Attorney Clarke. He showed that the purchase of a score card for 15 cents was necessary to secure admission, that much noise attended the game and that a religious meeting in the neighborhood was disturbed.

In opposing the motion for a dismissal of the complaint Mr. Clark said:

"It may appear puritanical for me to press this case, but the law has been violated, and many people have called at my office and complained of the games. The law forbids ball playing on Sunday, and it has been violated in this case. It is my duty to see that the law is inforced. If the law is a bad one, the way to get rid of it is to enforce it strictly."

Mr. Clarke said that in his recent opinion Justice Gaynor had not decided the question of Sunday ball playing.

Magistrate Higginbotham directed opposing counsel to submit briefs on Friday.

ADMIT BANKRUPTCY.

Floyd, Crawford & Co. Propose to Hurry Through It and Resume.

Floyd, Crawford & Co., stock brokers, of 25 Broad street, against whom a creditors' petition in bankruptcy was filed on May 11, have decided to allow the bankruptcy proceedings to take the usual course. Joseph C. Lenney, their attorney, filed, yesterday, their answer to the petition, in which they admit that they are unable to pay their debts in full and aver that they should be declared bankrupts. They are to have access to their books to prepare schedules, and their lawyer says that 51 per cent. of the creditors have accepted the offer of 10 per cent. in cash and the rest in nine notes, each for 10 per cent., payable one, two, four, eight, twelve, sixteen, twenty, twenty-four and twenty-eight months after date. When they get through bankruptcy they propose to resume business.

They represented to the Court that their plant, at the time the firm was thrown into involuntary bankruptcy, was worth $250,000, that the rentals of their wires had been paid for one year in advance and that some of the large creditors, in order to aid them to resume business, have offered to pay the rental for one month of the private wire running between New York and Chicago, the annual rental of which is $16,000.

ICE CREAM WITH THE PLAY.

The Press Agent Promises Something Luscious With Elizabeth Tyree.

Ice cream in cups will be served to the audience at the Savoy Theatre to-night, the press agent says. Elizabeth Tyree, who is playing there in "Tit for Tat," will give a souvenir performance to-night. The play has now lasted four weeks.

Ysaye Asked to Conduct Philharmonic.

Ysaye, the violinist, who is coming here next fall, has been invited to conduct the Philharmonic Society's concerts on Dec. 16 and 17. The invitation has been cabled to him and he will probably accept. While here Ysaye will play at the Berkeley Theatre, formerly the Vaudeville.

Wu Ting-fang's Son Valedictorian.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., May 23.—Chao Chu, son of the former Chinese Minister, Wu Ting-fang, now vice-president of the Foreign Board at Pekin, was graduated to-day with the highest honors in a class of thirty-one. He will be the valedictorian. Chao Chu has been here for two years in the High School and he contemplates returning to China for a visit before he takes up a college course either in this country or in England.

MEN MAY BE MOTHERS NOW.

THE MOTHERS' CLUB DECREES IT, BUT THEY MAY NOT VOTE.

They're Not Bad to Have at Home, Mrs. Lillie Devereux Blake Admits—We're Willing to Take Good Dollars From Good Men, Says the President—Step Up!

Arrayed in their best bibs and tuckers and armed with typewritten speeches, the members of the Mothers' Club of New York city met in Tuxedo Hall yesterday afternoon and revised its constitution so that mere man may be elevated to motherhood at the rate of $2 per mother. There was only one man Mother present to witness the opening of this new field of labor for his sex.

The crowded meeting was called to order by Mrs. Olmon Hensley, who is president of the Mothers' Club and has five children of her own. Mrs. Hensley called for "unfinished business."

"Ladies, I wish to submit Article III., chapter 2, membership, as revised," a deep contralto began in the silence. "Any man in sympathy with the purposes of this organization may become an associate member and shall be entitled to attend meetings and receive copies of documents issued by this organization."

Long and loud did the Mothers applaud.

Mrs. Silas Leveridge asked in horror stricken tones if it wasn't inconsistent with the name "Mothers' Club" to admit men.

"Oh, no indeed," reassured Mrs. Lillie Devereux Blake, raising her violet bonnet very high; "we stand for men. We like men and they're not bad to have at home."

"But," began Mrs. Leveridge, "just suppose it were to happen that a man——"

"I would like to ask," interrupted Mrs. Hensley, "will the men Mothers be allowed to vote?"

"No!" came the emphatic answer. "No, indeed."

"But just suppose," began a member, "that a man should be elected——"

"To office?" finished a horrified chorus.

"No," said Mrs. Blake, "they're to be associate members, but they cannot vote."

"We're willing to take the good dollars of the men if they're good men," explained the president with a wave of a peek-a-boo net sleeve. "We're perfectly willing to admit to our ranks men who want to further our interests and the interests we represent."

Then the revised constitution was adopted and the Mothers talked about correcting other mothers' children and reforms on the East Side and in the Board of Education. The day closed with an address by Mrs. Harry Hastings, who spoke of the Hoboken horror and offered the opinion that "the fault is always with the parents. We ought to know where our children are every hour of the day."

"Where are yours now?" asked a visitor in the back of the hall. "Where are all the children of these mothers?"

"We haven't all got children. The Mothers' Club is not exclusively for mothers. We aim to do things for the world," was the Delphic response.

The female Mothers will initiate men Mothers on June 6.

FATAL SHOT FOR GIRL'S SAKE.

Both Parties to Italian Feud Were Married Men.

Giovanni Esposito, 45 years old, of 124 Macdougal street, was shot and mortally wounded last night by Salvatori Venditella of 91 Mulberry street.

The police were told that both men, although married, were in love with a young Italian girl, and had quarreled frequently. Last night Venditella went to Macdougal street hunting for Esposito. The two met in front of 110. A fist fight followed. Venditella suddenly drew a pistol and fired at close range. The bullet struck Esposito in the left breast, was deflected by a rib, and ploughed its way through the man's stomach.

Venditella took to his heels, throwing the revolver into the basement of a drug store at No. 123, where the police found it. He was chased by Patrolmen Lang and Carroll and a mob of excited Italians and caught in an alley a dozen blocks from the scene of the shooting.

At St. Vincent's Hospital it was said Esporito would die. Venditella was brought in by the police. Esposito raised himself in bed, pointed his finger at Venditella and cried:

"That's the man. He shot me for revenge."

WHITNEY MANSION IN NEW HANDS

Transferred With Its Furnishings to James H. Smith—A Few Pictures Saved.

The Whitney mansion, at the northeast corner of Fifth avenue and Sixty-eighth street, recently purchased from the estate of William C. Whitney by James Henry Smith, was formally transferred to Mr. Smith yesterday. Thomas J. Regan, the late Mr. Whitney's secretary, now agent of the Whitney estate, made the transfer.

Mr. Smith buys practically the entire furnishings of the house. Harry Payne Whitney, Miss Dorothy Whitney and other members of the family retain a few of the paintings and art objects of which their father was especially fond. These were removed yesterday. For the servants, many of whom had been long associated with the family, it was a decidedly melancholy occasion.

Miss Whitney has gone to Roslyn, L. I., where she will make her home with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney. They will go abroad soon, with Mr. and Mrs. Almeric Hugh Paget.

CHARITY WORKER AT BELLEVUE.

Mrs. del Drago, Befriended by Mrs. Gould, in Psychopathic Ward.

Eleanor del Drago of 230 East 110th street, known in philanthropic circles a few years ago through her association with Mrs. Salome Foster, "the Tombs angel," was put in the Bellevue psychopathic ward yesterday. She will remain until Thursday, when she will sail for her old home in Marseilles, France, on La Savoie.

She has recently been a patient in Bellevue and Mrs. George Gould, who has been aiding her in charitable work in Harlem's Little Italy, visited her there and gave her money for her passage to Europe.

After she was discharged from Bellevue on May 19 Mrs. del Drago wrote letters to Acting Superintendent Richard and Mrs. Jane A. Delano, superintendent of nurses, of such a nature that the recipients thought her mind was affected. She went to the hospital yesterday and demanded to see Miss Delano and made a disturbance. She had her ticket to Marseilles in her purse.

SECURITIES ARGUMENT ENDS.

Counsel Have Two Weeks to File Supplemental Briefs.

TRENTON, N. J., May 23.—By prolonging to-day's session of the United States Circuit Court until 6 o'clock, Judge Bradford enabled counsel on both sides of the proceedings instituted by Edward H. Harriman, Winslow S. Pierce and the Oregon Short Line against the Northern Securities Company to conclude their oral arguments on the application for an injunction restraining the carrying out of the proposed plan for distributing the assets of the Securities company.

It was agreed that counsel should be allowed two weeks to file supplemental briefs bearing upon the many questions raised during the three days consumed in the argument of the case. John A. Johnson of Philadelphia and W. D. Guthrie of New York were the only lawyers regularly heard to-day; but Judge Bradford himself, Elihu Root, R. V. Lindabury, F. L. Stetson and the other counsel not infrequently became involved in a discussion of the questions at issue.

NIAGARA FALLS VIA ERIE R. R.
Decoration Day excursion via Erie R. R., $0.60 round trip. Tickets good going May 28 29, returning on or before Monday, May 30. Two days at the Falls.—*Adv.*

KATE TAYLOR'S TRIAL BEGUN.

The District Attorney Says She Was Assisted in Killing Her Husband.

MONTICELLO, N. Y., May 23.—At 4:15 this afternoon, after five hours and forty-five minutes devoted to examining jurors, the twelfth man was accepted for the Taylor murder trial. One hundred jurors of the panel of 200 extras were examined. Judge Herrick, at the conclusion of the drawing, asked Mrs. Taylor if she wished to challenge any of the jurors chosen, to which she answered that she was satisfied. The jurymen are William R. Keesler, Harrison Smith, Silas J. Miller, Clark Sheeley, John B. Racine, Isaac Townsend, George W. Waddell, Fred Vanwert, George Van Wagner, Jewett Joscelyn and Frank Poley.

District Attorney Anderson opened the case at 4:30 with a description of the crime and the motives which prompted it, which lasted for fifty minutes. His description was terrible and scathing. Mrs. Taylor's eyes followed his every motion and she frequently started and leaned forward as though to catch her breath.

The District Attorney said that the prosecution would prove that Kate Taylor, on Jan. 26, murdered Lafayette Taylor at their backwoods home near Centerville, Sullivan county, by first shooting him and then cutting up the body, and piece by piece burning it in the kitchen stove; that between three and four days were consumed in burning and getting rid of the body, after which she went to the home of her uncle, Peter Yerkins, and told him how and when she had committed the crime. She demanded that Yerkins go over and get her furniture and take her and her daughter, Ida May Dekay, to his home, which he had promised to do if she would kill Taylor. The District Attorney then made the sensational statement that the prosecution would prove that Mrs. Taylor was assisted in committing the crime, and that she and Ida May were not alone at the Taylor house, as has been claimed and generally supposed.

At the conclusion of the District Attorney's opening court was adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The first witness to testify to-morrow will be Ida May Dekay, who, it was supposed until the District Attorney made his sensational statement, was the only witness to the murder and upon whose testimony Mrs. Taylor was convicted at her former trial.

SINGERS UNVEIL BUST

Of Mendelssohn Which They Won at the Baltimore Sængerfest.

There was a big and brilliant gathering at Branch Brook Park, Newark, N. J., yesterday afternoon to witness the ceremonies attending the unveiling of the Mendelssohn bust won as a prize by the United Singers of Newark at the Baltimore Sængerfest last summer.

Many singing societies were present, and after the band played the "Star Spangled Banner" as an introduction, C. Kreutzer and a chorus of the United Singers sang Scharfer's "Sontagslied" under the direction of Julius Lorenze, who led them when they won the handsome prize at Baltimore.

Speeches were made by President Carl Lentz of the Northeastern Sængerbund, with which the United Singers of Newark is associated; August Goertz, president of the United Singers, and Mayor Henry M. Doremus, in behalf of the city of Newark, to which the singers gave their prize. Cyrus Peck, the president of the Essex Park Commission, made a short address also, and the United Singers sang "Hoch, amt im Walde," the song with which they won the prize in Baltimore.

The occasion of the unveiling was "German Day," which began on Sunday and ended last night. After the ceremonies at the park a procession was formed and the participants marched to Coliseum Park in Springfield avenue, where there was feasting, speechmaking, orchestral music and more singing.

HOLDS UP S. I. FERRY SALE.

Grout Says That $525,000 Is Too Much to Pay for Rights at St. George.

Comptroller Grout, at a meeting of the Sinking Fund Commission yesterday, refused to vote for reappraisal of the property of the Staten Island Ferry Company. At the last meeting of the commission Mr. Grout contended that the valuation of $525,000 put on the company's land under water at St. George by Dock Commissioner Featherson was too high. He said yesterday that it had once been offered to the city by the company for $500,000.

"I don't care if they have forty appraisals," said the Comptroller after the meeting, "they must have my vote to acquire these properties at private sale. Under no circumstances will I vote to pay any more for them than the price at which they have been offered to me by President Randolph. My records are perfectly clear. They show that he has offered me the land under water at St. George for $500,000. Now he wants to get $525,000. I have offered to split the difference between $525,000 and my engineer's estimate of $475,000, which would make it $500,000. If they won't take this offer, I see nothing to do but proceed to acquire the property by condemnation."

DR. DAY DECLINES BISHOPRIC.

Resigns Before His Consecration to Continue His Educational Work.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 23.—A sensation was created at the Methodist General Conference to-day when Bishop-elect James R. Day, who was elected on Saturday, tendered his resignation. He read a long statement, in which he declared that his conscience urged him to resign before he should be consecrated, as he believed that his tastes and abilities lay in the work of Christian education.

Dr. J. M. Buckley, after speaking of the futility of changing Dr. Day's decision, showed that the case was not without precedent, as Joshua Snow had resigned in a similar way in 1820. On his motion Dr. Day's resignation was accepted.

Dr. Wright moved that the further election of general superintendents be indefinitely postponed. This was carried almost unanimously and is taken to mean that there will be no more general superintendents chosen by the present Conference.

The vote for three missionary Bishops was announced and resulted as follows: For Africa, the Rev. I. B. Scott; for southern Asia, William F. Oldham and John E. Robinson.

Dr. C. M. Harris was elected to the Bishopric of Japan and Corea. The consecration of the seven newly elected Bishops and four Missionary bishops will be held on Thursday.

MAY NOT TURN ON WATER.

Jersey City Fails in Its Injunction Suit Against Water Supply Company.

The temporary injunction granted by Vice-Chancellor Emery in Newark last week restraining the Jersey City Water Supply Company from turning on water for Jersey City's new supply until its tunnel through Watchung Mountain has been completed according to plans and specifications, was dissolved by Vice-Chancellor Pitney in Chancery Chambers, Jersey City, late yesterday afternoon.

Corporation Counsel George L. Record, who appeared for the city, presented an affidavit by Supervising Engineer Garwood Ferris setting forth that the company had failed to live up to its contract, which called for a brick or concrete bottom in the tunnel.

The Vice-Chancellor decided that a gravel bottom was better, under existing circumstances, than a concrete or brick bottom, and refused to sustain the city. He suggested that Jersey City's remedy is to demand a reduction from the price it agreed to pay for the water works ($7,595,000) for any defects in construction.

It is expected that the water will begin to flow next month.

"FORCE" does please your palate, but it treats your stomach right, too.

Sunny Jim

If you're going on a "diet," it probably won't be necessary to make a martyr of yourself. Just cut out a few of the quarrelsome combinations and substitute "FORCE." Try it for one week.

EXAMINATIONS AT WEST POINT.

Cadet Pettis of Mississippi Heads the Class in Order of Merit.

WEST POINT, May 23.—All recitations for the academic year were discontinued today at the Military Academy, and the annual examinations of the corps of cadets were begun. They will continue from day to day until finished. To-day the first class was examined in ordnance and gunnery, the second class in astronomy, the third class in Spanish and the fourth in French.

Cadet Charles R. Pettis of Mississippi heads the first class in order of merit, with Ralph T. Ward of Colorado a close competitor. The three other distinguished members of the graduating class are Cadets Kingman of Tennessee, Howell of North Carolina and Anderson of Virginia. The class is composed of 125 members, the largest to graduate within the history of the Academy.

The board of visitors is all here with the exception of the Hon. George W. Prince of Illinois. The board organized to-day as follows: Gen. John M. Wilson, U. S. A., president; the Hon. Hernando D. Money of Mississippi, vice-president, and Prof. Brewster Highley of Ohio, secretary.

This afternoon the first class gave an exhibition drill in cavalry tactics on the plain, under the command of Capt. McDonald. This was followed with military gymnastics by the fourth class in the gymnasium, under the direction of Lieut. Koehler, master of the sword and bayonet.

The Seagoers.

Voyagers by the North German Lloyd steamship Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, which sails to-day for Cherbourg, Plymouth and Bremen:

Alexander H. Rutherford, George B. Sloan, Jr.; Mrs. May Wright Sewall, Capt. M. Tyson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vogt, Jr.; William G. Nickerson, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Mellon, Mrs. Robert B. Minturn, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Maxwell, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Morrill, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Orlando N. Manning, Dr. and Mrs. John Grant Lyman, Mrs. Thacher Loring, Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand L. Loeb, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lewisohn, Col. E. H. Haskell, Dr. and Mrs. William L. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scott Gerrish, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gallatin, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Frost, Kate Forsythe, Baron Ebner von Eschenbach, Mr. and Mrs. M. Dwight Collier, Mrs. William N. Cowles, Viscount de Beughem, Capt. Anders Borch Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund L. Baylies, Mrs. Josephine Bach and Mr. and Mrs. William P. Ahnell.

Some who will sail to-day aboard the Holland-America liner Ryndam, off for Boulogne and Rotterdam:

Mrs. Herman D. Aldrich, Mrs. F. J. van der Bent, Mrs. G. Harriet Berry, Mrs. George E. Boyd, Mrs. A. L. Copeland, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Golden Dearth, Mrs. Beverley Chew Duer, Mr. and Mrs. G. V. W. Duryee, Judge Frank Gunnison and Mrs. Gunnison, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Lyon, John Rutger Planten, H. van den Toorn, Robert M. Torrence, Mrs. Olyphant Vail and Mrs. C. J. Whitmore.

The Cunarder Ultonia, which sails to-day for Palermo, Trieste and Fiume, will take away:

H. V. Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Rounds, Mrs. Mary Knox Robinson, Capt. and Mrs. P. H. Conley and Mrs. A. F. Monroe.

STILL FIGHT FOR EAST BEACH.

Court Takes Jacob's Suit Under Advisement Until June 3.

MINEOLA, L. I., May 23.—The case of Leonard Jacob against the town of Oyster Bay for the possession of East Beach came before Judge Seabury to-day on an order served on Town Clerk Long of Oyster Bay to show cause why the town and Deputies Patrick Brennan, Patrick McCahill, Eugene Bailey and John Meafsly should not be ejected from the premises.

Townsend Scudder represented the town. He held that the allegation of Jacob that he had been in undisputed possession up to April 2 was a conclusion of law and not an established fact. He asked that the case be dismissed.

David C. Bennett, counsel for Jacob, opposed the motion to dismiss the case, and Judge Seabury said he would hold the matter in abeyance until June 2, when he would give his decision.

If the motion to dismiss is denied, the case will go to trial on June 10.

PROF. MUNYON MUST PAY $20,000.

Woman Was Injured by the Treatment of One of His Assistants.

PHILADELPHIA, May 23.—In their suit to recover $50,000 damages from Munyon's Homœpathic Remedy Company, Rebecca E. and Peter B. Sprenkel received a verdict for $20,000 in the Court of Common Pleas. Mrs. Sprenkel, who was brought into court on a stretcher, declared that she was injured by the treatment given to her by Dr. W. S. Moat, one of Prof Munyon's assistants. Physicians for the defendants swore that the treatment was the one prescribed by medical authorities.

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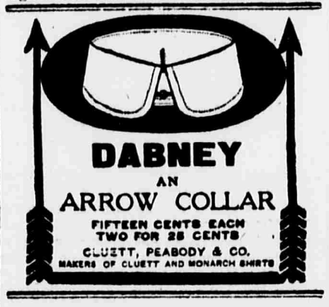

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