HEARD IN HOTEL CORRIDORS

COL. BAILEY TELLS OF FARMING DOWN IN FLORIDA.

If You Know How You Can Get Three Crops a Year on Same Land Colonel Looks for an Agricultural Boom in His State—Progress of Wedding Party.

Col. H. C. Bailey, secretary and treasurer of a company that owns a 5,000 acre farm at Anthony, Fla., which is about midway between Jacksonville and Tampa, said yesterday at the Waldorf that many persons seemed to have the idea that Florida was nothing but a stretch of sand, but that his company had demonstrated that you can raise anything in Florida that you can raise almost anywhere else by scientific farming, and that sometimes they get as many as three crops in a season.

"We are in what is sometimes called the cantaloupe region, and we send the first cantaloupes to the New York market that reach it in the spring," said Col. Bailey. "Our farm is the largest tract of cleared land in Florida. We go into almost all sorts of crops, and from every acre we produce two crops, and in many cases three. For instance, we plant snap beans, and when they are well up we plant corn between the rows. Then when the snap beans have been harvested we put in velvet beans where they were. Under these conditions we get as much as forty bushels of corn to the acre, and the velvet beans are fully equal to alfalfa from a feeding standpoint.

"We have land that produces as heavy crops as land in the Northern States, and for the quality of corn we raise we have no trouble in getting 85 cents a bushel. I predict that within the next ten years Florida will be one of the greatest agricultural States in the Union.

"Then we go in for all kinds of stock. In Florida hogs never stop growing. The average person has an idea that Florida cannot produce substantial crops, but only truck. But the class of land we are farming is on an equal basis with any in the North. Stock multiplies faster there than in most other places in the United States owing to perfect climatic conditions, and hog cholera is of very rare occurrence. Our general manager, L. C. Howel, who came from Missouri, is regarded as the most successful farmer in the State, and he raises oats without fertilizer. After we have harvested oats in the spring and got 35 cents a bushel for them we can follow up with sweet potatoes and get 300 bushels of them from an acre."

"There is a man in Madison avenue near Thirtieth street who gets his sidewalk cleaned for nothing after a snowstorm," said a man who has been at the Imperial for several months. "This morning he had it done at the city's expense.

"I have passed that way on several occasions in snowstorms and a similar thing has happened each time. First an aged woman comes out and starts cleaning the snow away with a broom. She is absolutely unequal to the work, and anybody who passes is invariably disposed to sympathize with her. On several occasions I have seen men who were looking for jobs come along, take one look at the old woman engaged in her heartbreaking task and then brush her aside and do the work themselves.

"This morning the woman, armed only with a brush, had got only half way down the steps and was leaning against her broom exhausted when the foreman of a street sweeping gang which was at work near by came along. He took a look at the woman and stood for a moment watching her as she resumed her almost futile efforts and then he took a shovel and cleaned the sidewalk himself."

A bridal couple and their friends upset the whole ground floor and numerous staid and other tea parties in the palm room the other day. The newlyweds were trying to escape from the others, who were armed with rice and other sundries which are supposed to be appropriate for bestowal upon those about to begin honeymoons.

It was just about 5 o'clock in the afternoon when the couple alighted from a taxicab at the front door and rushed into the lobby. They ducked first into the ladies' reception room, but finding that led nowhere hurried along past the desk, turned to the right and were soon in the café. Realizing that they were unfamiliar with the geography of the Plaza, an attendant asked what they were looking for, and they said the back door. He showed them the door of the palm room, which is on the way, and before they had realized it they were in among the teasers, who were astonished at the sight of the happy pair dodging in and out among the various tables in their effort to get through.

Before they had got far the vanguard of the pursuers appeared at the front door of the palm room and caught sight of them and hurried after them, with the result that confusion was the order for a time. Some who were sipping from the inebriating cup realized what was on and enjoyed the chase, but there were others who said they thought when two persons got married it was awfully bad form for their friends to tag after them in that way and that it used to be different, and by the time these ruminations were well under way the bride and bridegroom were heading a procession to some other hotel.

WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY CLUB.

Burges Johnson Reads From His Works and Lambert Murphy Sings.

The Woman's University Club, at 99 Madison avenue, had for dinner last night Burges Johnson, poet and humorist; Miss Mabel W. Daniels, who writes songs, and Lambert Murphy, the new tenor of St. Bartholomew's Church. After dinner Mr. Murphy sang to Miss Daniels's accompaniment a number of her songs, and Mr. Johnson read aloud from his works. It was his maiden effort in public reading and was a huge success. The rhyme of the little boy whose love the pretty teacher scorned and who guessed she'd wish she didn't when he died in her front yard, and the line from the "Elegy in a City Backyard," were especially appreciated. That he mentioned "The short and simple flannels of the poor." Mr. Johnson explained that he had written the elegy with the connivance of Gelett Burgess.

Mr. Murphy has a voice of excellent quality and the songs by Miss Daniels suited him very well.

MINISTERS' PLEA AVAILS.

Young Pickpocket Gets Only One Instead of Ten Years in Prison.

The Rev. Dr. Chapman, the evangelist, sat on the bench in the County Court in Brooklyn yesterday while Judge Fawcett was imposing sentence on the offenders who had been convicted last week through the appeals of Dr. Chapman and other ministers for clemency. Jacob Levine, 24 years old, of 1660 Madison avenue, Manhattan, who had pleaded guilty to grand larceny, was saved from a long term in Sing Sing. Levine, according to the police, is a skillful pickpocket who has been in their clutches no fewer than forty-nine times, but has been convicted only once. In passing sentence on Levine Judge Fawcett said:

"A number of ministers have interceded in your behalf. They believe if you can be made into a useful citizen. Instead of sending you to Sing Sing for ten years, as I had intended, I will give you a sentence of only one year."

PIGEON EACH DAY FOR A MONTH

Forlenza Wins a Gastronomic Bet of $100 and Celebrates It.

Because he won a bet of $100 by eating thirty-four pigeons in thirty consecutive days Nunziante Forlenza of 181 Worth street gave a pigeon dinner yesterday noon at the Circolo Nazionale Italiano, 5 West Sixteenth street. The meal was partly at the expense of S. Rondonino, a vendor di polli vivi and other meats of 45 Mott street, who lost the wager.

One night last January while Rondonino was ordering half a squab in a restaurant on Mulberry street his friend the Chevalier Signor Forlenza dropped in and chaffed him at his limited capacity for pigeon. The butcher said that pigeon was too rich and held strychnine in quantities such as to render it unpalatable as a steady or heavy diet. He offered to bet the Chevalier Signor Forlenza that he could not eat daily a pigeon at lunch for thirty consecutive days. The Chevalier took the bet.

Thereafter at noon each day under the watchful eyes of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Cuneo the Chevalier Signor Forlenza despatched a pigeon for his lunch. Sometimes the cloying dainty weighed as much as one and a half pounds. And for good measure as well as a proof of sporting blood in the thirty days instead of the thirty specified birds the Chevalier had consumed thirty-four pigeons. That is why the Chevalier Signor Nunziante Forlenza sent recently to a score of friends and admirers this invitation:

You are kindly requested to accept my invitation to attend this dinner.

I have been able to eat pigeons for thirty days and I won a bet of $100.

I ate the pigeons all alone, but I have asked a few friends to eat the $100 with me.

A dozen friends responded yesterday to congratulate the Chevalier on having successfully passed his gastronomic ordeal and his appearance after the remarkable feat. Among others that paid tribute to his stomach were M. Vicario of the Italian *Herald*, Frank Frigone of the *Bolletino di Lassero*, Chevalier C. Barsotti of *Il Progreso*, G. Persa of *L'Opione* of Philadelphia, Dr. Disimone, M. and F. Cantelmo of the Italian *Journal*, Sig. Rajijala, Joseph Sorice of the Italian *Herald*, C. Terrabella, C. Bianca, Sig. Pelagatti and Gus Paganine of spaghetti fame. Among other things on the menu were pigeons, spaghetti and chianti.

The Chevalier has an offer of $1,000 to eat two pigeons a day for two months in London. He has not as yet accepted.

BLAMES FINISHING SCHOOLS.

Mrs. W. P. Northrup Says They Breed Extravagance Among Women.

Mrs. William P. Northrup told the members of the National League for the Civic Education of Women, who met yesterday afternoon at the society's headquarters at 25 Madison avenue, that the unrest and unhappiness found in many American homes are due directly to the inadequate training of girls for wifehood and motherhood.

"Our great national sin of extravagance," she said, "may be traced very largely to the influence of our fashionable finishing schools, where money is spent with utter recklessness for theatre tickets, flowers, candy, costly frocks and various kinds of amusement. The high standard of living engendered by this sort of thing in the minds even of those who merely hear about it and take no actual part in it prevents early marriages and breeds a spirit of idleness and discontent in young wives."

Mrs. Northrup advised New York women to look after the matters which belonged peculiarly to their own sphere before they tried to take care of municipal housekeeping. She deplored what she called a tendency to windy declamation on the part of some women whose ambition for power exceeded their executive ability. She advised women to acquire some trade or profession by which they could earn their living if it were necessary to do so, but said that she strongly believed in the home as woman's sphere.

Mrs. Gilbert Jones said that after great difficulty she had found out why it was that girls preferred taking places as typists at $5 a week to working as sewing girls at a much higher salary.

"It is because they meet men in the downtown offices," she said, "and do not in the dressmakers' establishments. I look upon that as a hopeful sign."

CUT BRONX PHONE WIRES.

Two Boys Caught After They Had Hid 75 Feet of Them.

William Keeding, manager of the exchanges of the New York Telephone Company in The Bronx, complained recently to the police of the Alexander avenue station that the wires along 145th street east from Third avenue have been cut recently, greatly to the inconvenience of the subscribers in the region. The wires in that section are above ground and run along the back fences.

Detectives Tierney and Gildea yesterday saw two boys coming out of the flat house at 521 East 145th street with bundles of wire on their shoulders. On following them east to St. Mary's Park they saw the boys hide the wire in the bushes. After stopping the boys as they emerged the detectives found the wire. At the Alexander avenue station the boys said they were Francis Burns, 14 years old, of 149 St. Ann's avenue, and August Grimshaw, 14 years old, of 607 East 140th street. Mr. Keeding came to identify the wire, of which there was a length of 75 feet. The boys were locked up with the Children's Society.

$8,000 and a Summer Residence From the Man He Nursed.

UTICA, Feb. 20.—George F. Kuehn, a nurse employed at the Rome State Custodial Asylum, has been notified that by the will of the late John C. Porter, who died recently at Bristol, Conn., he has been left $8,000 and Mr. Porter's summer residence near Hyde Park on the Hudson. Mr. Kuehn formerly lived at Kingston on the Hudson and at one time cared for Mr. Porter as his nurse. The money and property are to be turned over to Mr. Kuehn one year after the death of Mr. Porter.

Tribute to Dr. Bradford's Memory.

MONTCLAIR, N. J., Feb. 20.—Mayor Hinck to-day issued a proclamation in reference to the death of the Rev. Dr. Amory Howe Bradford, pastor of the First Congregational Church, in which he requests that all business places in the town be closed on Wednesday morning between 10 and 11 o'clock, the time set for the funeral services.

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LOOSE 'GATOR STIRS A HOTEL

JUDGE GIBBONS BRINGS IT UP FROM FLORIDA.

After the Excitement Cools Off the Judge Tells of the Big Things They Are Doing Down Home—Reclaiming the Everglades Swamps Is the Biggest.

There are rumors that now and then snakes have been seen in one of the corridors leading from the popular resort for gentlemen on the west side of the Waldorf-Astoria, but so far as can be learned the alligator that made his appearence in that region at an early hour yesterday morning was the first of his kind ever discovered. To add that that discovery caused some excitement might be considered superfluous, but truth is truth.

The alligator made his appearance almost simultaneously with the arrival of Judge Cromwell Gibbons of Jacksonville, Fla. This happened to be before the hour when many persons in the hotel had got up. Judge Gibbons after registering drifted around to the information desk and asked the number of a friend's room, and when the clerk's gaze began to lift from the index book he saw the 'gator crawling along in front of him. His remarks and a description of his emotions are omitted at his personal request, but there was something doing until Judge Gibbons grabbed the reptile by the back and put it in his pocket. A little later the barber shop, which is in the basement, looked as if it might have been where the roof belongs.

Judge Gibbons had been importuned by a barber named Herman, who is his steady shaver when he visits New York, to bring him a live alligator. So the Judge walked into the barber shop and fetched his hand out with a "Here's your 'gator, Herman."

Herman reached forth his hand, from habit, but when his fingers touched the 'gator he let out a yell and the alligator fell to the floor and scampered off toward the manicure department, scattering the population thereof and causing as many fits as if it had been a mouse. Then it took a tack over to the tonsorial department, and middle aged men who were wielding razors jumped about in excitement and they do say that some ran for shelter. The 'gator was less than a foot long, but some Floridan who had been getting shaved there every morning had told the face surgeons that if you put your hand anywhere near a little alligator's mouth he would snap your fingers off, and they didn't know but this one might have a fancy for toes. Judge Gibbons had to catch the 'gator and put him into a collar box and later in the day he was put in larger quarters and shown to visitors who had heard about him.

Every Floridan who has been coming to the Waldorf lately has been predicting that Judge Gibbons will be the next Governor of Florida, and Judge Gibbons, who has been Speaker of the lower house of the Legislature of that State, admitted that he was a candidate. He preferred yesterday, apropos of the snowstorm into which he had stepped on arriving here, to tell how the peach, fig and plum trees were in blossom when he left home.

"We have had a magnificent winter," said Judge Gibbons. "Our hotels are filled, and the country had a bigger crowd of people in it this season than it has ever had. The markets are full of fruits and fresh vegetables, and we have had no frost at all this winter. We are getting in a large number of new settlers from the West.

"Down there we are all in favor of reciprocity with Canada. It would mean that we could sell our strawberries up there in December without having to pay 25 cents a box duty, and we could use some of their products in the summer.

"The great subject of interest in Florida to-day is the draining of the Everglades. We are accomplishing an engineering feat in that connection which means $75,000,000 in profits to the State for school purposes, for the money derived from the sale of reclaimed lands will go to schools. This Everglades land will be the most fertile alluvial soil in the country. Up to date about 5 per cent. of the 6,000,000 acres has been reclaimed and the work has been going on only during the last two years. We are building two big canals, one on the west side and the other on the east side, with lateral canals containing locks, so that we shall be able to keep the water for irrigation and navigation both.

"The outside public has a mistaken impression that the Everglades are filled with negro fugitives from justice. The population of the unreclaimed part consists of pure blood Indians, the descendants of a remnant of the Seminole tribe, who fled to the swamps rather than be deported to the Indian territory some fifty years ago or more. They live in their primitive state and there are over 200 of them. They get no aid from the United States, for in the eyes of the Federal Government they do not exist, but the State looks after them."

Judge Gibbons expects to attend the meeting of the grand lodge of the Theta Delta Chi while in New York this time.

MAGAZINE POSTAL RATES.

Publishers Say They Are Willing to Pay What the Service Ought to Cost.

Frank Doubleday of Doubleday, Page & Co. said yesterday in a statement regarding the fight of the magazine publishers against an increased postal rate that he does not oppose "any reasonable change in rates that should be made after the cost of carrying second class mail matter had been thoroughly studied and a comprehensive plan made to include all second class mail matter alike."

"The unfortunate fact is," he continued, "that the present bitter controversy will at least for a time delay the progress which was being made toward a practical piece of constructive legislation that would settle the postage rate with justice both to the Government and to the publishers."

The legislation he referred to was the Carter-Weeks bill providing for a recodification of the postal laws. President Taft and others liked the bill, Mr. Doubleday says, but at the request of the Postmaster-General it was held back and before it could be brought up again at this session of Congress the present rider was put on the appropriation bill to charge four cents a pound for sheets containing advertisements.

John S. Phillips, editor of the *American Magazine*; Benjamin B. Hampton of *Hampton's* and other magazine men who were asked yesterday what they thought of Mr. Doubleday's statement said they agreed with him that the magazines would not object to any rates that should be found necessary after expert investigation and a reform in the Government's present methods of transporting second class mail for long distances in heated and lighted mail cars at high speed instead of by fast freight, which the publishers say would be fast enough for them.

Veteran Vamps Parade To-day.

The annual parade of the exempt volunteer firemen of this city will take place today. Two companies of the "vets" will start from the headquarters in Jefferson Market at 1 P. M. and will proceed through Tenth street to Fifth avenue, to Fourteenth street, to the Washington statue, which will be decorated with a floral wreath by a committee of veteran firemen. The parade will then proceed to the north end of the square, where it will pass in review before city officials. The Mayor has been invited to act as reviewing officer. The line of march from the reviewing stand will be through Seventeenth street to Eighth avenue, to Fifty-ninth street and past the Sherman statue.

DON'T WANT FEMALE SUFFRAGE.

Maryland Women Form Organization to Fight Against the Ballot.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 20.—A Maryland association to work in opposition to woman suffrage was organized here to-day by women prominent in society and literary circles.

Mrs. Robert Garret, who was elected president, is a leading spirit and her address accepting the position was couched in vigorous language.

Mrs. Frances T. Redwood, widow of a bank president, was temporary chairman. Explaining the object of the organization she said that if woman suffrage prevailed the country would suffer. If no other reason was advanced why it should be opposed the Socialist platform would suffice, inasmuch as this calls for equal rights for women and men so that the woman suffragists and the Socialist are working hand in hand. She said:

"While we oppose woman suffrage we desire to prove to the community that we are not lacking in public spirit or the desire for progress. We mean to use our influence as a body in the appointment of good men to office, in the enforcement of laws and in the passing of others in the interest of women and children."

Mrs. Robert Garret was elected president, Mrs. F. T. Redwood, Mrs. P. Thompson Coyle, Mrs. Arthur B. Kinsolving and Mrs. Hobart Duvall, vice-presidents; Mrs. Catherine Moon Selfe, secretary and treasurer.

Among the honorary members are Miss Mary S. Ames and Miss A. J. George of Massachusetts, Mrs. Fritz Achelis, Mrs. George Phillips, Mrs. Alfred Todd and Everett P. Wheeler of New York and Judge Henry B. Brown of Washington.

In her address Mrs. Garrett said the time had arrived for the taxpaying and self-supporting women who do not wish the vote for themselves or for other women to organize in opposition to the movement, because they feel that in these present conditions of political freedom women are of greater value to the State when not bound by the shackles of party to the planks of party platforms. "In order to obtain better conditions we do not have to 'outvote' political corruption in our own ranks—the ignorance of our fellow women, black and white. Let not this added obstacle be thrust in our way. We have enough to overcome already. What this country needs at this time is certainly not more votes."

A letter was read from Senator Root in which he sent his sympathy and best wishes for the success of the organization and it received enthusiastic applause.

A mass meeting is to be held March 13 when Judge Brown of Washington and Everett Wheeler of New York will make addresses against woman suffrage.

SUFFRAGE PARADE APRIL 29.

Details of the Women's Procession Down Fifth Avenue.

The monster suffrage parade which was planned for last spring and postponed is now scheduled for the afternoon of April 29. Mrs. Harriot Stanton Blatch, who is chairman of the executive committee, said yesterday afternoon that there would certainly be thousands in line.

The parade, which will be headed by a squad of pipers in kilts from the St. Andrews Society, will form at Fifth avenue and Fifty-ninth street and march to Union Square, where speeches will be made by dozens of orators from platforms, trucks and automobiles.

The fighters for franchise won't ride in taxis as they did in the last procession arranged for the cause. Every woman will walk, except a few who will ride horseback or drive their own motor cars to show the qualities of those who want the ballot. One will be carried in a sedan chair as an illustration of what the progressives are striving to get away from.

The Women's Political Union, of which Mrs. Blatch is president, is to have charge of the pageant end of the demonstration, and is preparing two large floats showing the difference between woman's work a century ago and her larger field of activity to-day. The Collegiate Equal Suffrage League has appointed Miss Martha Gruening to marshal representatives of the professions of theology, law, medicine, teaching, architecture and engineering, and Mrs. James Lees Laidlaw has promised to head a large delegation from the Woman Suffrage Party.

Mrs. Nora Blatch De Forrest has obtained a score of banners illustrating the various occupations in which women are engaged, and she is also arranging a special baby brigade in which her own daughter, Harriot Stanton Blatch De Forrest, will figure prominently.

The Equal Franchise Society, of which Mrs. Clarence Mackay is president, and Mrs. Belmont's Political Equality Association have declined to take part in the parade as organizations. Individual members from each have, however, promised to march.

SPECIAL TRAIN FOR ANTIS.

Women Who Oppose Suffrage Will Go to Albany To-morrow in Force.

The New York State Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage and the National League for the Civic Education of Women, another organization also opposed to woman suffrage, of which Mrs. Gilbert E. Jones is chairman, will take a special train and about 100 women to Albany for the hearing on Wednesday afternoon on the suffrage bills. The train will leave the Grand Central Station at 9:45 o'clock on Wednesday morning.

At Albany they will be joined by other delegations from Buffalo, Rochester, Schenectady and nearby cities. The Albany Auxiliary of the New York State Association, of which Mrs. George Douglas Miller is chairman, will entertain the visitors.

The hearing is set for 2 o'clock in the afternoon in the Assembly Chamber. Mrs. Arthur M. Dodge, president of the New York State Association, will introduce the speakers for the opposition. They are Mrs. John Martin of Grymes Hill, Staten Island, author of the book "Is Mankind Advancing?" Miss Margaret Doane Gardiner of Albany and Miss Margaret C. Cummings, principal of the recreation centres under the Board of Education of New York city. Miss Alice Hill Chittenden of Brooklyn, who arranged the details of the hearing, will close the arguments for the opposition side.

Boy Struck by Auto Dies.

Samuel Newberry, the five-year-old boy who was struck yesterday by the auto of John Knoeppel, a Bronx real estate dealer, while he was playing near his home at 631 Jefferson place, The Bronx, died at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the Fordham Hospital. When he was first taken to the hospital it was thought that he had only cuts on the lips, but later he lapsed into unconsciousness. It is thought now that he may have received a fractured skull.

Magistrate Appleton Operated On.

An operation for appendicitis was performed on Magistrate Charles W. Appleton in St. Luke's Hospital yesterday morning. The patient stood the operation well and last night the doctors said that the Magistrate was in good shape. Dr. Walton Martin of 25 West Fiftieth street operated. He was assisted by Dr. Harry Holland and members of St. Luke's staff. Magistrate Appleton went to the hospital on Sunday night.

Another Lyncher Sentenced.

NEWARK, O., Feb. 20.—Oliver Timmons, the third man to be tried on the charge of murder in connection with the lynching of Carl Etherington, the Anti-Saloon League detective, last July, was to-day sentenced to serve fifteen years in the Ohio penitentiary. He was convicted of manslaughter.

JADE VASE BRINGS $3,600

NOTABLE CHINESE ART OBJECT OF HOE COLLECTION.

Rearrangement of the Galleries, Due to Dispersal of Things Already Sold, Brings Out to Advantage New Features of Hoe Collection—Other Sales.

For a jade vase 7 inches high and 7½ inches in diameter in the late Robert Hoe's collection of art objects $3,600 was paid at the auction in the American Art Galleries yesterday afternoon. The jade was of the green variety, approaching the hue of spinach. Its ornamentation was in undercut relief carving and pierced work in such form and arrangement that its beauty is best revealed when a light is placed within. It was carved in the reign of the Chinese Emperor who abdicated in 1795 rather than show disrespect to the memory of his grandfather by reigning for as long a time as the grandfather did, the grandson, Ch'ien-lung, having already occupied the Dragon Seat for fifty-nine years, while grandpa K'ang-hsi reigned for sixty.

The carving pictured mountains and figures in a well recognized Chinese motive. The vase was bought under a pseudonym, but it is understood that it goes to enrich a Western museum through the generosity of T. B. Walker of Minneapolis.

Those who attended yesterday afternoon's sale or visited the galleries in the morning found what amounted to a new exhibition there. Owing to the great number of objects in the Hoe collection it was impossible to show them all at the beginning of the exhibition, and 200 or 300 additional objects had been placed in the galleries since Saturday, taking the places made vacant by last week's four days of auction.

Gallery F, where the beautiful enamels were, has been transformed and offers a new exhibition of its own. Galleries B, G and H also hold new objects. Tapestries and other textiles and furniture make up most of the new exhibits, with some bronzes.

The number raises the wonder anew how Mr. Hoe could have found place for everything he had bought in his Thirty-sixth street home, but he had done so. Among the rugs are some small ones of different weaves and some very large Persian carpets, some in subdued colors, some brilliant as a spring garden. Because of the hundreds of objects sold in the five afternoons and four evenings of the auction thus far, the exhibition has been made free, although the greater part of the collection is still to be seen, the remainder of the catalogue requiring five evenings and ten afternoons still for its dispersal.

Other jades sold yesterday afternoon were a nineteenth century Indian jade cup, 10¾ inches tall, for $610, and a covered vase 11½ inches high for $460. A standing cup of onyx mounted in silver gilt, Italian work of the seventeenth century, was bought by Mrs. Pembroke Jones for $460. Among other names new in the list of buyers at this sale, but not new to the art auction room, were Howard Mansfield, Capt. J. R. De Lamar, C. I. Hudson, Miss Anna Sands and P. D. Pruyn. The total of sales of the afternoon was $16,489.

In the evening when engravings and etchings by old masters were sold, 226 lots brought from the bidders $11,496. The sales gallery was filled, more women were in the audience than often happens at evening sales, particularly of engravings, held in the galleries, and there was a great deal of interest, particularly in the Dürers. One man was so interested that he broke precedent, made news and almost caused a sensation. He had people looking about and looking at him while the echo of the last bang of Mr. Kirby's lead pencil was still in their ears. For although a survivor of the late Victorian era, he had in his enthusiasm forgotten that one does not smoke in the presence of the Queen without her permission, and he lighted a cigar in the galleries, a thing the oldest visitor or attendant couldn't remember as having occured before in those precincts. Even the Fates were against him, for in their breezy way they sent the smoke into a woman's face. Mr. Kirby did not say positively that even a smoke painting would not be sold in the American Galleries, but it was learned from an authoritative source, as the political statements say, that that would not be looked upon with approval within the organization.

When the smoke had cleared away it was learned—to go a long way back—that "Adam and Eve," by Dürer, in the second state, "with the rift in the trunk of the tree seen beneath Adam's left armpit (Bartsch, Vol. VII., pp. 30-31; No. 1. Fagan, No. 164), had brought $1,350, the high price of the evening. The buyer was Mrs. Joseph Pulitzer. Other Dürers which sold in the hundreds were the "Virgin and Child with the Monkey," at $300; "Saint Hubert," with the "Little Jug" watermark, at $410; "Melancholia," at $400, and "The Knight, Death and the Devil," on warm toned paper, at $530.

WHAT, NO SPOILS AT ALL?

Comptroller's Removals Attacked Under Law That Surprises the Court.

Comptroller Prendergast was a witness before Justice Greenbaum and a jury yesterday in a suit brought by Peter J. Garvey for reinstatement as deputy city paymaster on the ground that he was discharged by Comptroller Prendergast for political reasons only. While Garvey's job is not protected by the civil service laws his counsel read a section from the law stating that no appointment, promotion or removal of a city employee should be made because of the appointee's political affiliations.

Justice Greenbaum remarked that the law was broader than he had supposed and that it seemed to open the way to investigation of all the removals and changes made by the Comptroller. Garvey testified that seven other Democratic deputy paymasters were removed when he was.

Mr. Prendergast testified that former City Chamberlain James J. Martin had asked him to retain Garvey for a few months, or until spring, and he did keep him for a time in spite of requests by Woodruff, Parsons, William Halpin and other Republicans that he put a Republican in Garvey's place. The Comptroller said that he really didn't remove Garvey and the others because of their politics, but only to change the personnel of his staff.

Garvey's counsel asked Comptroller Prendergast if he hadn't been active in the Republican party for some time and the witness said:

"If you mean active in the management of the party machine I would say 'no,' but if you mean active as a citizen, 'yes.'

"Didn't William Halpin came to you and say, 'Garvey is from my district and we want his head'?"

"Yes, but I told Halpin that I did not want any district leader coming to me and telling me that he wanted anybody's head, and that he had no right to any job."

It developed that the man appointed to succeed Garvey was an officer of Halpin's district club, but the Comptroller said he didn't know it for some time afterward. The case was not finished.

Thayer Buys "Smart Set" Magazine.

John Adams Thayer, formerly a publisher of *Everybody's*, has bought the *Smart Set* magazine. He took possession yesterday. The magazine was published by the Ess Ess Publishing Company, which was owned by Col. W. D. Mann of *Town Topics*. Mr. Thayer is engaged in forming a company which will control the *Smart Set* magazine. It will be called the John Adams Thayer Corporation, Publishers, and for the present will put out no other magazine than that which Mr. Thayer has just acquired.

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CRUELTY AT MATTEAWAN.

An Inmate Says He Saw a Patient Murdered by Attendants.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Feb. 20.—Hezekiah Knowles, 40 years old, of Canandaigua, N. Y., caused a sensation in the county Court House here to-day when he said that he and another patient in the Matteawan State Hospital saw John J. Nugent, whose death in the hospital is now being investigated by the State, murdered by attendants. Knowles was up in court on a writ of habeas cropus obtained by John R. Keech, a Poughkeepsie lawyer. Knowles was not thought to know anything about the Nugent incident, and it was only the question from Judge Hasbrouck as to whether he had heard of the Nugent case that brought the startling information.

Knowles was committed to Matteawan from Canandaigua on April 1, 1909. He testified that the patient which he referred to was Joseph Seery. Judge Hasbrouck, who is hearing testimony in the original investigation of the stories of cruelty on the part of the Matteawan attendants, immediately adjourned Knowles's case until next week, when he will have Knowles and Seery examined in connection with the regular investigation being conducted by District Attorney Mack. Knowles was not allowed to give further testimony to-day regarding the Nugent case, because the court wanted the District Attorney to get the story in connection with the others.

Knowles was sent to Matteawan after he had been arrested for petit larceny. It was his second offence. County Judge R. F. Townsend of Ontario county sent him to the hospital after a commission appointed by the court had pronounced him insane. Lawyer Keech insists that Knowles is perfectly sane and will produce physicians who will so testify. Dr. Lamb, superintendent of the Matteawan asylum, swears that Knowles is insane and that it would be dangerous for him to be at large.

Norman A. Lees of New York, who started the investigation into Nugent's death and who is now getting ready to give the authorities information of several other cases of cruelty in Matteawan, was called to Albany to-night, and it is understood that he was sent for at the request of Gov. Dix. The Governor has taken a personal interest in the investigation of conditions in Matteawan and William Church Osborn, acting with him, is said to be conducting a private investigation for Mr. Dix.

HE SHOT AT BOMB BRINGERS.

They Continued to Flee—Cap Exploded but Bomb Didn't

Giovanni Cataldo, who lives in the rear of his grocery store at 216 Chrystie street, has spent considerable time nightly watching for the people who sent him two threatening letters last week. Early yesterday morning he saw two men steal up to his door.

He stood up and resting his arm on the counter levelled a revolver at the spot where they should reappear. They were running away when he saw them again and two shots which he fired through his door only seemed to hasten their flight.

After the two shots came another explosion which finished the wreck Giovanni's bullets had made of the glass in the door. The cap on a dynamite bomb which had been placed at his door had exploded. The dynamite itself did not explode.

Giovanni said he had not reported the two letters to the police because he thought they were the work of some business rival who was jealous of his trade and hoped to drive him away. The letters demanded $1,000,000, which was to be handed over on Fifty-ninth street on last Saturday.

"They are crazy," said Giovanni. "I have been here only two months and where should I get $1,000,000?"

ORIENTAL CLUB HAS A DINNER.

Col. Roosevelt and William S. Bennet Only Ones Not There.

Theodore Roosevelt was almost present at the annual banquet of the Oriental Club in the Tuxedo restaurant in Doyers street last night. He sent a pleasant note telling the club how sorry he was to be absent. However, among the waiters was one named Tee Ah.

President Guy Maine, toastmaster, welcomed the hundred-odd present and read them Theodore Roosevelt's and Congressman William S. Bennet's letters of regret. Among those present were the Rev. Seymour Ussher of St. Bartholomew's Church, Judge Lorenz Zeller of the Court of Special Sessions, Dr. S. C. Hearn of the Board of Education, Miss M. F. Foster, sister of Judge Warren W. Foster and Congressman Henry M. Goldfogle, who had to hurry off to Washington. The Chinese present were Dr. J. C. Thoms, K. F. Pang, who manufactures Chinese cigarettes here, L. D. Lee, Dek Foon, Chir Young and W. Daskim. The dinner was the nineteenth annual one. A few speeches were made on the subject of the good feeling between the United States and China and possible trouble between China and Russia was touched upon. The Chinese exclusion act was also spoken of.

Gossip Not Tolerated in the Wild Rose Club.

NEWBURGH, Feb. 20. The members of the Wild Rose Club, which is composed of some of the best known young women of Middle Hope, a village adjoining Newburgh, are in a strange position. They have to give up gossiping to retain their membership in the unique organization. One of the rules of the club prohibits gossip and if any of the young women should attempt to talk about their neighbors then they make themselves liable to expulsion from the society. The club was organized to promote sociability and stamp out gossip. So far the club has succeeded in retaining all the charter members.

$25 FINE OR GO TO JAIL.

Sentence Imposed on a Woman for Disturbing a School in Harriman.

NEWBURGH, Feb. 20.—Justice of the Peace Carpenter, of Monroe, gave Mrs. Mary Beams the alternative of paying a fine of $25 or suffer twenty-five days in jail because she disturbed a class in the Union School at Harriman. Mrs. Beams's son Frederick is a student at the school. A few days ago the teacher chastised the lad because he was disobedient. Mrs. Beams took the teacher to task for punishing the lad and during the argument young Beams struck the school teacher, Miss Grace Rolfe, in the face with his clenched fist. Both Mrs. Beams and her son were placed under arrest. Pending her hearing Mrs. Beams was released on bonds furnished by the Rev. P. F. McAran of the Catholic Church at Harriman.

Besides being obliged to pay a fine or go to jail Mrs. Beams was reprimanded by the Court.

"There is nothing that a parent can do that is worse for the children and for the community than disturbing the proceedings at a school," said Justice Carpenter. "If the parents uphold the school teacher there is no trouble, but where the parents are determined not to uphold the school teacher they not only destroy the discipline of the school but set a bad example for the children."

Father McAran paid the fine imposed on Mrs. Beams.

Judge Jaggard's Body Brought Back.

The Bermuda-Atlantic liner Oceana, in yesterday from Bermuda, brought the body of Judge E. A. Jaggard of the Supreme Court of Minnesota. Judge Jaggard went to Bermuda some weeks ago seeking health. On the same ship was the body of Sidney S. Corby of Morristown, N. J., who died at Hamilton, Bermuda.

Talks on Teeth

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