MISS GREER'S DEBUT AT THE COLONY CLUB

Reception Given by Mrs. Leeming Walker for Miss Adele Prindle, Debutante.

MISS BEDLE INTRODUCED

More debutantes were introduced yesterday.

Mrs. Lawrence Greer held a reception at the Colony Club in Madison avenue, when she introduced her daughter, Miss Dorothy Greer, who is a granddaughter of Bishop David H. Greer and Mrs. Greer. Receiving with the debutante and her mother were Miss Agnes Brockie of Philadelphia, the Misses Frances T. Riker, Helen Byrne, Anstiss De Veau, Mary Francke, Hope Williams, Anna Rathbone and Eleanor Stevenson.

A dinner and small dance followed.

Mrs. Leeming Walker gave a reception yesterday afternoon at her home, 289 Park avenue, when she introduced her daughter by a former marriage, Miss Adele Prindle. Receiving with them were Miss Adelaide Flint, Miss Florence Sheldon and Miss Charlotte Riker.

After an informal dinner Mrs. Walker took her guests to the Playhouse to see Grace George in "Major Barbara." Among those in the party were the Misses Mildred and Elise Rice, Priscilla Peabody, Margaret and Louise Trevor, Isabel Stettinius, Sara Larkin, Grace Franklin, Lisa Stillman, Adelaide and Aileen Sedgwick, Grace Bristed and Maud O'Brien; J. Murray Forbes, Jr., Bache Brown, Edward Condon, George Brett, Richard Babcock, James Larkin, William Cleveland, Archibald McIlwaine 2d, Bruce Prindle and Kenneth O'Brien.

Mrs. Joseph D. Bedle gave a dance last evening in the Louis XVI. suite of the St. Regis for her debutante daughter, Miss Josephine Dorsett Bedle. They received in the Louis XVI. room, which was decorated with Christmas greens and roses.

Included among the guests were debutantes of this season and last. Among them were the Misses Eunice Clapp, Mary Lodwycke, Jeannette Blake, Mabel Alker, Prudence Sterry, Cornelia Brundreth, Katharine Montague, Dorothy Battie, Madge Raymond Lesher, Marietta Chapin, Caroline Dorsett, Elizabeth Jennings, Alice De Lamar, Gretchen Damrosch, Helen Geer, Isabel Murtland, Margaret Thompson, Olivia Erdmann, Anne and Mary Gilbert, Caryl Hackstaff, Elizabeth Dunn, Adeleine Hotchkiss, Adrienne Iselin, Lillian Palmer, Mabel Venner, Janet Gregory, Helen Kerr, Edith Swan, Margaret Warren and Elsie Sage.

Some of the young men present were James C. Bell, Jr., Leon Abett, Sheldon Abett, Frederic and Tyler Bronson, Adolph Rusch, Lester Burton, Alden Kimball, Ralph Kerlin, Henry C. Steers, Samuel D. Bell, N. S. Wyckoff Vanderhoef, Paul Foster, Casper Offert, John Sanford, De Witt Jordan, Charles McAlpin Pyle, Otis Davey, Kenneth Fiske, William C. Heppenheimer, Jr., Gordon Cronkite, Clinton Backus, Norman Hickman, Abbott Post and Andrew P. Post, Jr.

Supper was served at midnight.

MARGERY MAUDE TO WED.

Thomas Achelis, Known on Stage as Paul Gordon, Her Fiancé.

Announcement was made yesterday of the engagement of Margery Maude, daughter of Cyril Maude, the actor, to Thomas Achelis, who under the stage name of Paul Gordon is playing with George Arliss on tour in "Paganini." Miss Maude is the company's leading woman.

Miss Maude played as her father's leading woman in "Grumpy" two seasons ago and has since played *Lady Windermere* with Margaret Anglin in "Lady Windermere's Fan." Her mother is the well known English actress Winifred Emery, who first came to this country with Sir Henry Irving.

Mr. Achelis is the son of John Achelis of the importing firm of F. Vietor & Achelis. He made his first appearance on the stage three years ago with Doris Keane in "Romance" and has since played in "Primula" and "Kitty Mackay." For one season he was a member of Mme. Vorskaya's French company and has also appeared with Emanuel Reicher. Mr. Gordon's last appearance on Broadway was in the part of the *Aviator* in "Moloch" with Holbrook Blinn at the New Amsterdam.

Although no date has been fixed for the wedding, it is understood the marriage will take place late this winter or early in the spring.

NOTES OF THE SOCIAL WORLD.

Mrs. Henry K. Browning will give a dance for her daughter, Miss Katherine Browning, at Sherry's on Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Newbold Le Roy Edgar will give a dinner and dance at the Ritz-Carlton on December 29 for their niece, Miss Helen G. Alexander.

Mrs. Albert H. Wiggin of 521 Park avenue, will give a reception this afternoon to introduce her daughter, Miss Muriel Wiggin.

Mrs. Frederic Clinton De Veau will give to-night a dinner at Sherry's followed by a theatre party for her daughter, Miss Anstiss De Veau.

The first of the subscription dances known as The Friday Junior Dances, organized by Miss Georgianna H. Owen will be held to-night at the Plaza.

Mrs. H. De Berkley Parson will give a dinner and dance to-night at Sherry's for her debutante daughter, Miss Katherine De Berkley Parsons. Other dances of to-night will be given by Mrs. Morgan J. O'Brien and Mrs. John C. Kerr.

There was a dance and Christmas sale in the ballroom of the Ritz-Carlton yesterday afternoon under the auspices of the junior auxiliary of the Stuyvesant Club. Numerous booths were placed about the ballroom and there were on sale all sorts of commodities suitable for Christmas time. The amount realized at the sale will be devoted to the prevention of tuberculosis among children. Among those assisting were Mrs. Talbot J. Taylor, Jr., the Misses Elizabeth Kirby, Flora McAlpin, Mary Cushman, Louise Butler, Laura Parsons, Marion Perry, Emmalena Sizer and Josephine Wells.

A dance and supper for the benefit of the Loomis Sanatorium Guild will be given in the ballroom of the new Colony Club on the night of January 5. Tickets at $5 each including supper, may be obtained from Mrs. J. Dyneley Prince, 1a East Thirty-sixth street. The proceeds will be applied to the support of free beds for consumptives in the annex of the Loomis sanatorium. Among the patronesses are Mrs. Richard Irvin, Mrs. James L. Barclay, Mrs. R. Fulton Cutting, Mrs. W. Pierson Hamilton, Mrs. Edwin Gould, Mrs. Justus Ruperti, Miss Mary Moulton, Mrs. Vincent Astor, Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan and Mrs. James Speyer.

'LA TRAVIATA' SUNG AT METROPOLITAN

Damaceo and De Luca Receive Their First Hearing in This Opera.

MME. HEMPEL'S VIOLETTA

"La Traviata" was given at the Metropolitan last night before an audience of fair size and moderate enthusiasm. The performance stimulated curiosity by reason of the appearance of two singers not previously heard in this work. Giacomo Damaceo was the *Alfredo* and Giuseppe de Luca the *Giorgio Germont*. Mme. Hempel was once more the *Violetta*, and Mr. Bavagnoli conducted. The prima donna was not in her best vocal condition. It was a somewhat depressing evening for the elders whose ears tingled with memories. Youth has many priceless blessings. There are many who never heard a great performance of "La Traviata." There are some who have hardly heard a good one.

The traditions of operas of this type are not lost, but there is seldom a sufficient supply of vocal technic to reproduce the real beauties of the music. The lyrics of "La Traviata" demand a finished style, a perfect legato and a command of dynamics seldom found among singers brought up in the modern dramatic school. Mme. Hempel usually sings *Violetta* well, and for the matter of that sang it well last night, but the quality of her tones was not what it generally is. She was a fine figure of a woman, and it was not her fault that phthisis refused to destroy her splendid outlines in two hours and a half.

Mr. de Luca's *Germont* had dignity and good tone to commend it, and he had the customary success with "Di Provenza." There seems to be little else to say about a performance of "La Traviata." The chorus does not expect to be taken seriously in this melodious opera, and its labors are happily soon ended. The orchestra gets a little beyond the "big guitar" stage, and there is a brass band which plays dance music of a strange kind. There is also a harp which is used behind the scenes to accompany *Alfredo's* vocal obligato to *Violetta's* first act solo. With so much apparatus Verdi could have done more, if the situation had permitted. But he had to wait for "Aida." Meanwhile let the record stand that there was much applause last evening. To-night "Samson et Dalila" will be sung. Mr. Caruso will be heard.

IN THE AUDIENCE.

Little Evidence of Holiday Season—Boxes Well Filled.

There did not seem to be evidence of the holiday season in the audience, which was excellent.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Tilford's guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Alexander and Mr. and Mrs. Walter James.

The Hon. Mrs. Anson, Miss Louise Sands, Moncure Robinson and J. De Wolf Cutting were with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clews.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. William Sturgis were with Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Aldrich.

Mrs. J. Russell Soley was with Mrs. James Speyer, and Miss Lucile Thornton was with Mr. and Mrs. E. Reeve Merritt.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Emmet and the Misses Emmet were in the Webb box. Mr. and Mrs. E. Francis Hyde's guests were Mr. and Mrs. George H. Church and Mrs. Franklin H. Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Astor Bristed, Miss Helen Flake and Miss Symphorosa Bristed were in Miss Leary's box.

Among others in the boxes were Mr. and Mrs. Frederick T. Frelinghuysen, Miss Susan Fish Dresser, Walter Watson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Storrs Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Peters, Mr. and Mrs. Austen Gray, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Whitehouse, Mrs. Louis T. Hoyt, Miss Sarah A. M. Brown, Mrs. Jose Aymar, Shipley Jones, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Thompson, Miss Laura Post, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Guggenheim, Mr. and Mrs. William Fahnestock and Frederick H. Baldwin.

ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS.

Prince George—C. H. Whitney, Boston; J. F. Foley, Detroit, Mich.

Wolcott—Harrison B. McGraw, Cleveland, Ohio; G. Willis Drake, Corning, N. Y.

Gotham—Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Mellon, Pittsburg; Maunsell S. Crosby, Rhinebeck, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Grant, San Francisco.

Waldorf-Astoria—E. A. Deeds, Dayton, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dexter, Springfield, Ohio; Mrs. J. L. Rhinock, Cincinnati; Baroness A. R. Beckendorf, London, England.

Lorraine—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Case, Plainfield, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. Fay Ingalls, Oyster Bay, L. I.; Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Butcher, Pawling, N. Y.

Knickerbocker—Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Whitmore, Minneapolis; Mr. and Mrs. H. Stoddard, Jamestown, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Moore, Cincinnati; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. McCabe, Providence, R. I.

Manhattan—Dr. George G. Shelton, Butte, Montana; W. W. Graves, Chicago, Ill.; C. Cook, Hartford, Conn.; William H. Hoffman, Providence, R. I.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Pack, Lakewood, N. J.; S. M. Knox, Philadelphia, Pa.

Martinique—Mr. and Mrs. E. Thornton, London, England; Kenneth Gaylor, Willington, N. C.; T. E. Sprunt, Wilmington, N. C.; Stuart D. Lansing, Watertown, N. Y.; Frank R. Willis, Pittsburg, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Palmer, St. Joseph, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Hamilton Rose, Bath, N. Y.

Vanderbilt—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chapman, Ogdensburg, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Case, Ardsley-on-Hudson; Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Steinway, Lewiston, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Robinson and E. H. Robinson, Great Neck, L. I.; Mr. and Mrs. Joao Christiano, Lisbon, Portugal; Ralph O. Durrell, Rochester, N. Y.

Plays and Players.

Grace George and her Playhouse company will celebrate its 100th performance to-night.

Helen Tavernier has been added to the cast of "The Eternal Magdalene" at the Forty-eighth Street Theatre.

Arthur Hammerstein's new comic opera, "Katinka," will have its first performance in New York at the Forty-fourth Street Theatre to-night.

Arthur Laceby has replaced Lionel Pape in one of the principal parts of "Ruggles of Red Gap," which opens at the Fulton Theatre to-morrow evening.

Eleanor Painter, star of "The Princess Pat" at the Cort Theatre, will give a Christmas party on the stage to members of the company on Saturday night.

Sir Herbert Tree announced yesterday that he had completed arrangements to give a Shakespearian repertoire in New York next March.

The Gamut Club will give a matinee this afternoon at the Candler Theatre in aid of its building fund. "Making Dick Over," a farce by Edith Ellis and Rose O'Neil, will be the chief attraction on the programme.

Mary Pickford got an offer yesterday from the Triangle Film Company of $6,000 a week to appear with them. Miss Pickford's contract with the Famous Players Film Company expires January 1 and has not yet been renewed.

Geraldine Farrar's second photoplay "Temptation," a story about grand opera stars, will be shown publicly for the first time on January 2 at the Broadway Theatre. Miss Farrar plays the role of a young American singer with ambitions for a grand opera career.

The estate of H. B. Harris announces that Austin Strong's new comedy, "Bunny," with Lewis Stone and a strong supporting company, will be the attraction at the Hudson Theatre beginning Monday, January 4. The production is under the management of William Harris, Jr.

Madge Kennedy, who has been out of the cast of "Fair and Warmer" since November 18, has been suffering from nervous prostration and has been in Palm Beach, Fla., recovering. She notified the Selwyn offices yesterday that she would return on Monday.

The guest of honor.

LAKEWOOD'S NEW RINK IS READY FOR SKATERS

Will Be Formally Opened To-day—Many Holiday Visitors Arrive.

LAKEWOOD, N. J., Dec. 22.—Many visitors for the holidays arrived here to-day. The private skating rink at the Laurel in the Pines was thoroughly tried by several of the younger folk there and it will be formally opened to-morrow. Among those skating to-day were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Osborn, Mr. and Mrs. Archibald J. McClure, Herbert Forrest and Miss Julie Tilford, who were in parties from the Laurel House that enjoyed the ice on the safety rink at Lake Manetta.

Mrs. Harriot Stanton Blatch is a visitor at the Florence Hotel. The noted suffragist is here with her granddaughter, little Miss Deforest. Mrs. J. Stuart White has returned to Lakewood for the season with Mrs. William Berkeley, Miss Ella Berkeley, Master Edmund Berkeley, and Miss Marie Young as her guests. Miss Martha Jamison and Miss Margaret Jamison have returned to the Laurel House for the remainder of the season. Mrs. William Fahnestock, Mrs. George F. Gregory and Mrs. Everett L. Crawford are other visitors at the Laurel in the Pines.

Invitations were issued to-day for a large party to be tendered friends of Richard Stillwell and Miss Beulah Pack at the Country Club on January 4. Mrs. L. B. Stillwell and Mrs. Charles Lathrop Pack will be the hostesses.

ELDRIDGE FUNERAL TO-DAY.

Will Be Held at St. Bartholomew's This Morning.

The funeral of Herbert R. Eldridge, vice-president of the National City Bank, who died November 21 at Potosi, Bolivia, will take place this morning at 10 o'clock in the chapel of St. Bartholomew's Church, at Madison avenue and Forty-fourth street.

The honorary pallbearers will be Frank A. Vanderlip, J. A. Stillman, W. S. Kies, Samuel McRoberts, R. L. Farnham, George E. Roberts, B. D. Harris, W. H. Hurley, J. F. Allen and J. T. Scott of Houston, Tex.

The banker's body arrived in New York yesterday on the United Fruit liner Metapan after being brought up the west coast of South America from Antofagasta, Chile, to Panama.

DOCTOR'S ESTATE TO SCIENCE.

N. Y. Academy of Medicine Legatee of Dr. Witthaus, Toxicologist.

The will of Dr. Rudolph A. Witthaus, noted toxicologist and professor of chemistry at Columbia University, who died on December 19 last at 2039 Broadway, leaves the bulk of his estate of more than $150,000 to the New York Academy of Medicine. The only other bequest is $20,000 outright and $300 a month income to the decedent's cousin, Jennie Cowan, member of his household.

Dr. Witthaus left to the Academy of Medicine all his books and the income of the entire residue, for the benefit of the library. He expressed a hope that the library would be made more accessible to readers than in the past, especially on Sunday.

In his will Dr. Witthaus asked that his gold ring be buried with him.

Flint Place at Newport Leased.

DeBlois & Eldridge have leased for Dr. Austin Flint of New York his place in Berkeley avenue, Newport, R. I., to Harry La Montagne for the season of 1916.

In New York To-day.

Dinner to Brand Whitlock, Lotos Club, 7 P. M.

Children's Society, Christmas celebration, 297 Fourth avenue, evening.

Christmas festival for "Little Mothers," Webster Hall, afternoon.

National Special Aid Society, lecture by Frederick Hludekoper, 597 Fifth avenue, 4:30 P. M.

Luncheon tendered by the Pilgrims to Sir Robert L. Borden, Ritz-Carlton Hotel, 12:45 P. M.

Aeronautical Society, meeting and discussion of battle aeroplanes, 29 West Thirty-ninth street, 8:15 P. M.

Christmas tree for the children of the Hospital for Ruptured and Crippled, 321 East Forty-second street, 4:15 P. M.

CHICAGO OPERA COMING HERE.

Campanini Makes Arrangements for New York Performances.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Cleofante Campanini, director of the Chicago Opera Company, is reported to have made definite arrangements to take the company to New York immediately after the close of its season here.

Campanini is expected to resume his campaign for an all French repertoire.

MISS MACKAY-SMITH TO WED.

Her Sister Was Reported Engaged to Capt. Boy-Ed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Alexander Mackay-Smith of Washington, formerly of Philadelphia, has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Gladys Mackay-Smith, to William Bell Watkins of Westtown, Pa. The marriage will take place this winter, but the date has not been selected.

Miss Mackay-Smith is the youngest daughter of the late Right Rev. Alexander Mackay-Smith, who was Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania. Mr. Watkins is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Bell Watkins. While at the University of Pennsylvania he rowed on the varsity crew. He is a member of the First City Troop of Philadelphia and the Bryn Mawr Polo Club.

Miss Mackay-Smith is a sister of the young lady who was reported to be the fiancée of Capt. Boy-Ed. Denial was made by the family.

AMERICANA SALE ENDS.

Dunbar and Smith Libraries at Anderson Galleries Fetch $3,919.

The sale of Americana from the libraries of John B. Dunbar and George Plumer Smith was concluded last night at the Anderson Galleries with a session that brought $1,489.60, making a grand total of $3,919.80.

The highest figure of the afternoon was $85, paid by M. E. Schmidt for No. 732, "The Chase, the Turf and the Road," by C. J. Apperley. This contained illustrations by Alken and a portrait by Maclise, and was extra illustrated with many caricatures and sporting plates.

Other sales were: No. 733, "Atlas Amerique," published in Paris, 1778, to Adam B. Fox for $36; No. 763, "Views of Ruins of Castles in England and Wales," by Buck, to the Boston Athenæum for $75; No. 815, Alexander Forbes's "California," to George D. Smith for $50, and No. 929, William Smith's "Expedition Against the Ohio Indians," to Dr. J. Martin, for $58.

CHRISTMAS AT ELLIS ISLAND.

Immigrants to Hear Music and Speeches in Many Tongues.

The Ellis Island Christmas festivities prepared by Commissioner of Immigration Frederic C. Howe begin this afternoon, when a big Christmas tree, adorned with presents for the several hundred detained men, women and children, will be set up. Music will be furnished by a band and choral societies, followed by addresses in several languages and the distribution of gifts. The Three Arts Club will do the entertaining on Christmas eve and Christmas day. The Christodora Settlement House will give an entertainment on December 30.

A large number of immigrants have been held up at Ellis Island since the beginning of the war. Because of the closing of Austrian and German ports it has been impossible for some excluded immigrants to be returned to their native countries, and as they cannot land here they are virtually folks without a country.

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Prizes Offered by Lower Wall St. Business Men to Set State Right.

One thousand dollars is offered as a prize for the best work on New York in history up to 1780 in a contest being conducted by the Lower Wall Street Business Men's Association.

The contest has the indorsement of practically all the historical and patriotic associations in the State; of the departments of history of Columbia, Syracuse, Union and Cornell universities; of Dr. John H. Finley, State Commissioner of Education, and Dr. C. D. Walcott, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution. A second prize of $500 and a third prize of $250 are also offered.

The committee of nine in charge of the contest is offering a prize of $100 for the best 10,000 word essay on any one of twenty-four subjects selected. The contest is the result of a meeting of delegates of many historical associations which was held in the Coffee Exchange on October 31, 1914. Dr. George F. Kunz, vice-president of the tercentenary commission, presided. Among those who made speeches were some who said that New York State had been slighted in histories of the United States and that a proper importance had not been attached in these histories to many early local events. The contest is the plan evolved at that meeting as being the best means of remedying such conditions.

The committee in charge is headed by Dr. Kunz and the other members are Frank B. Bigelow, Wilberforce Eames, James A. Holden, Stuyvesant Fish, treasurer; Robert H. Kelby, Herbert L. Osgood, Frank H. Severance, and Abram Wakeman, secretary.

The full list of conditions may be obtained from Mr. Wakeman, 56 Water street.

In brief, the $1,000 history must truthfully show New York's participation in the events that led to the establishment of the United States; should be accurate; authorities for all statements must be given; should be concise and manuscript must be typewritten and must be delivered before or on October 16, 1916.

DENY BERNHARDT IS DYING.

Paris Reports Say Actress is Not Seriously Ill.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—A Havas News Agency despatch from Paris this afternoon characterized as groundless the report that Sarah Bernhardt was seriously ill.

The reports said Mme. Bernhardt was dying.

Governor to Be Veterans' Guest.

Gov. Whitman and his staff, with numerous officers of the National Guard, have accepted invitations for the annual mess dinner of the Veteran Corps of Artillery, S. N. Y., which will be held at Delmonico's on January 8.

P. T. BARNUM ESTATE IS PUT AT $1,222,468

Appraisal Shows the Widow, Now a Baroness in Paris, Gets $40,000 a Year.

OWNS BROADWAY CORNER

An accounting by the Connecticut Trust and Safe Deposit Company, as trustee under the will of Phineas T. Barnum, the showman, who died in 1891, was filed in the Surrogates' court yesterday in connection with the transfer tax appraisal of the estate of Mildred Steir, who died November 22, 1914. The filing was made necessary because an asset of Miss Steir's estate was a ninth interest in the ninth share of the Barnum estate left by the showman to his grandson, Herbert Barnum Seeley of "Seeley dinner" notoriety. Seeley sold this interest to the decedent, and the share was valued by the transfer tax appraiser at $3,741. Her entire estate was $7,688.

The Barnum accounting shows that the showman's widow, who received $40,000 a year for life from her husband's estate, is now the Baroness Nancy Barnum d'Alexandrey Orengiani, living in Paris. She is 70 years old. Mr. Barnum was 81 years old at the time of his death.

The trustee of the Barnum estate reported that the total value of the estate is now $1,222,468, of which $1,204,000 is set aside to pay the $40,000 income to the widow. The real estate is worth nearly $700,000, and includes a corner at Broadway and Houston street worth $625,000, the Barnum & Bailey winter quarters at Bridgeport, Conn., valued at $50,000, and a residence in Bridgeport worth $2,000.

The estate holds $95,800 in bonds. The stocks are valued at $231,925, of which $147,600 is 984 shares of preferred stock of the Bridgeport Hydraulic Company and $49,200 is 492 shares of common stock of the same corporation. Mr. Barnum also owned 245 shares of the Pequonnock National Bank, worth $30,625. The estate holds notes and mortgages valued at $199,019.

On the death of the widow the principal will be divided among the heirs at law.

H. L. HORTON LEFT $300,000.

Stock Exchange Man's Estate Goes to His Relatives.

Harry L. Horton, for many years a member of the New York Stock Exchange and head of H. L. Horton & Co., left an estate of more than $300,000. He gave the income from $100,000 to his daughter, Grace H. Lockwood, and left the residue to his other daughter, Blanche Horton Hutton.

He gave trust funds of $15,000 each to Sarah Paine, long a member of his household; to his sister-in-law, Mrs. O. G. Horton, and to the latter's daughter, Emily Vollion of Paris.

WILLS AND APPRAISALS.

MARTHA A. PLACE, who died December 18, left an estate of more than $150,000. She gave the income of $50,000 to her nephew, Chauncey Marshall, Jr., and on his death the principal goes to his issue. The income of $15,000 each was left to four nieces and the residuary estate was divided among William W. Marshall, brother, and Mrs. May L. V. Marshall, sister-in-law, who received one-third each, and two nieces and two nieces, who divided the remaining third.

J. F. TURNER DIES SUDDENLY.

Sportsman Succumbs to Heart Disease at the Biltmore.

J. Frank Turner of 383 Park avenue, an enthusiastic sportsman and member of many clubs, died suddenly yesterday afternoon in the washroom of the Biltmore Hotel. He was 44 years old.

For some time after he was discovered by an attendant Mr. Turner's identity was not known. Finally, through a charge account he had at the hotel, his brother-in-law, Charles Gifford, of 680 Madison avenue, was notified. Mr. Gifford and Dr. Samuel Lambert, of 139 East Thirty-fifth street, said Mr. Turner had had heart trouble for some time and it had become aggravated lately.

Mr. Turner was born in Plymouth, Pa. He inherited coal lands in the vicinity of Wilkesbarre, and devoted most of his life to sports. He came to New York twenty years ago, just after his marriage to Miss Alice Conyngham of Wilkesbarre, but spent much time in North Carolina and Florida. He was a member of the New York Yacht, Racquet and Tennis, Garden City Golf, Turf and Field, and New York clubs.

Alfred Roelker.

Alfred Roelker, president of the Germania Savings Bank and identified for many years with the insurance business in this city, died yesterday at his home, 41 West Thirty-ninth street, after a brief illness. He was born in Germany and at the age of 15 years came to this country. Mr. Roelker was a director in the German-American Bank, the Germania Life Insurance Company and the Germania Fire Insurance Company. He was also a member of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Museum of Natural History, the New York Historical Society, the American Geographical Society and the Century Association. He is survived by his son, Alfred Roelker, Jr., and his daughter, Miss Anna E. Roelker.

Miss Sarah Stone McKennee.

Miss Sarah Stone McKennee, daughter of Thorndyke Corning McKennee, Jury Commissioner of Queens, died yesterday morning at her home, Boulevard and Oceanus avenue, Rockaway, at the age of 21. Besides her father she is survived by a brother, Corning Guilford McKennee. Her mother died when she was 2 years old. Funeral services will take place to-morrow at 11 o'clock at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.

DANIEL G. ELLIOT, EXPLORER, IS DEAD

Mountain Climber and Zoologist Won Decorations for His Work.

Daniel Girand Elliot, 80, a well known zoologist and explorer, died last night at his home, 120 East Thirty-fourth street, of pneumonia, after a short illness.

He was born in New York, and early became interested in zoology. In 1856 he commenced a long series of foreign travels, in which he gathered many specimens, going to Africa, Palestine and Asia Minor, as well as to every European country. His later expeditions were in the wilder parts of this country, in Canada, Alaska and South America.

In 1895 he was appointed advisory curator in zoology at the Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago, and in 1896 led an expedition into the interior of East Africa, bringing back from the jungles many wild beasts. In 1898 he led another expedition into the Olympic Mountains, which he was the first faunal naturalist to penetrate.

He was decorated ten times by European Governments for his achievements in natural science, and was a member of the Royal Society of Edinburgh and other learned societies here and abroad. Columbia University gave him the degree of doctor of science in 1906. He was the author of a score of monographs on animal life and contributed several hundred papers to scientific publications of this and other countries. Lately he had been helping in an advisory capacity the American Museum of Natural History.

He was married in 1858 to Miss A. E. Henderson, who died in 1905.

MISS ELIZA LUMMIS.

Founded Daughters of Faith—Noted Catholic Worker.

Miss Eliza O'Brien Lummis, who founded the Daughters of the Faith, a society whose members were drawn from the highest circles of the Catholic Church, died on Tuesday at her home, 324 West 103d street.

Miss Lummis came from old French and Irish stock and members of her family came here at the time of the Revolution. She was a grandniece of Brig.-Gen. Maxwell, commander of the Maxwell Brigade and a friend of George Washington. Her maternal grandfather, William O'Brien Earl, came to America at the time of the Irish rebellion, forfeiting his estates to the crown.

Miss Lummis early took an active part in church work. The Eucharistic League founded in St. Patrick's Cathedral in 1896 owed its start to her and she paved the way for the establishment in New York of the Fathers of the Blessed Sacrament. The Catholic Theatre movement also was started by Miss Lummis.

She had written many poems and magazine articles.

WILLIAM PACKER PRENTICE.

New York Lawyer and Civil War Veteran Was 81.

William Packer Prentice, lawyer, died yesterday morning at his home, 9 West Sixteenth street. He was 81 years old.

Mr. Prentice was born in Albany, was graduated from Williams College in 1855 and from the University of Gottingen in 1858. He entered the army at the outbreak of the civil war, and on December 23, 1862 he resigned. At that time he was chief of staff of Maj.-Gen. O. M. Mitchell.

He began the practice of law in this city. From 1873 to 1892 he was counsel for the Health Board of New York, and in 1875 for the State Board of Health. He was a member of the Bar Association, the State Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the Loyal Legion, the American Geographic Society, Phi Beta Kappa and the Century Club.

MORRISON HEADY.

"Uncle Morry," Blind and Deaf Poet, Dies in Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 23.—Morrison Heady, the blind and deaf poet of Kentucky, died here to-day. The old man, affectionately known as "Uncle Morry," to thousands of "nieces" and "nephews," was one of the most charming old fashioned raconteurs of children's tales, the author of several books of prose and poetry and an amateur inventor of resourcefulness and skill.

He recently completed at the age of 86 years his latest works, a book of juvenile tales and a novel, and efforts were being made by friends in this city to find a publisher for them when the old man died.

Mr. Heady was born in Spencer county, Kentucky, in 1829. He had only a log cabin school training in the rudiments of education when in his childhood he lost the sight of both eyes through accidents and suffered a fall from horseback that brought on gradual deafness, becoming complete in his fortieth year.

His works included "Burk," a vigorous story of pioneer life in Kentucky; "The Farmer Boy," a life of Washington; "The Red Moccasins" and his book of poems, "The Double Night and Other Poems."

George D. Leavens.

George D. Leavens, who died on Tuesday after failing to rally from an operation for appendicitis performed on Thanksgiving Day, was president of the Coe-Mortimer Company, makers of fertilizer, 51 Chambers street, this city. He was born July 5, 1875, in Providence, R. I., and received his education in the public schools of Worcester, Mass., and at the Massachetts Agricultural College, Amherst, Mass., from which he was graduated in 1897.

For a time Mr. Leavens was with the Massachusetts agricultural experimental station. Then he became associated with Edmund Mortimer & Co., and since 1905 he had been with the Coe-Mortimer Company. As an expert on fertilizers he was also associated with the Agricultural Experts Association of New York and conducted a large farm at Grafton, Mass.

Mr. Leavens was a member of Phi Sigma Kappa. His home was at 527 Second street, Brooklyn. A wife and two children, as well as his father and mother, survive him.

Mrs. Frances S. P. Mathews.

Mrs. Frances Sage Pelletreau Mathews died yesterday in her eighty-eighth year at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Biddle Clark, 60 First place, Brooklyn.

Mrs. Mathews was the mother of Dr. Frank S. Mathews, 62 West Fiftieth street, of St. Luke's Hospital, and Dr. John B. Mathews, who is president of the Holcomb Steel Company at Syracuse, a subsidiary of the Crucible Steel Company of America.

James McEntegart.

James McEntegart, who was a close friend of former Mayor Hugh J. Grant and at one time a power in Democratic politics on the West Side, died yesterday at his home, 438 West Fifty-seventh street. He was 57 years old.

Mr. McEntegart was born in Ireland and came to this country in 1879. He bought a saloon and prospered, and at one time owned eleven cafes on the West Side of the city.

He leaves a wife and three sons.

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MARRIED.

CLARK—LEE.—Anna Chace Clark-Henry Thomas Lee, in New York city, December twenty-second, Nineteen fifteen.

FLINT—SLATER.—On December 21, 1915, at the Calvary Baptist Church, by the Rev. H. B. Munson, Mrs. Lauretta S. Slater to John Flint.

SANKEY—MEIGHAN.—Mrs. Anna Underhill Meighan, widow of Howard Sidney Meighan, daughter of the late Hon. John Quincy Underhill of New Rochelle, was married on December 20 to Ira Allan Sankey, son of the late singing evangelist, Ira D. Sankey, at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Theo. Pine, Prospect street, New Rochelle, the Rev. Tillman B. Johnson officiating.

DIED.

ELDRIDGE.—On November 21, 1915, at Potosi, Bolivia, South America, Herbert Rucker Eldridge.
Funeral services will be held at St. Bartholomew's Chapel, Forty-fourth street and Madison avenue, on Thursday, December 23, at 10 o'clock.

ELLIOT.—Entered into rest, December 22, Daniel Girand Elliot, in his eighty-first year.
Notice of funeral hereafter.

GILSEY.—On December 21, Marianne, widow of Andrew Gilsey, at her residence, 895 West End avenue, aged 73 years.
Funeral private. Kindly omit flowers.

MARSH.—Suddenly, on December 22, Augustine Marsh (nee Bird), at 68 Bradhurst avenue.
Funeral from Stephen Merritt's Harlem Chapel, 2040 West 126th street, Friday, 2 P. M. Paris, France, papers please copy.

MARTIN.—On Wednesday, December 22, 1915, at her residence, 101 West Seventy-eighth street, Adele Cullen Martin, wife of Harry W. Martin, and daughter of the late Thomas H. and Harriet A. Cullen.
Funeral services will be held at West Park Presbyterian Church, Amsterdam avenue and Eighty-sixth street, on Friday, December 24, 1915, at 11 A. M.

MATHEWS.—On Wednesday morning, December 22, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Biddle Clark, 60 First place, Brooklyn, Frances Sage Pelletreau, in her eighty-eighth year, widow of William J. Mathews, formerly of Washington, Pa., and mother of William P. Mathews of Chicago, Dr. Frank S. Mathews of New York city, Dr. John B. Mathews of Syracuse and Mrs. John B. Clark.
Services, which friends may attend, at 60 First place, Brooklyn, on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Interment at Washington, Pa. Kindly omit flowers.

McCONNOCHIE.—Suddenly, December 21, 1915, John W. McConnochie, aged 87 years.
Funeral services at his home, 880 St. Nicholas avenue, near 154th street, Friday, December 24, 10 A. M. Interment Greenwood.

McENTEGART.—Suddenly, at his residence, 438 West Fifty-seventh street, James McEntegart, beloved husband of Mary A. Blake and father of Thomas J., James A. and Thaddeus P. McEntegart.
Funeral services at the Paulist Fathers' Church, Sixtieth street and Columbus avenue, on Friday, December 24, at 10 A. M. Interment Calvary. Please omit flowers.

PRENTICE.—On Wednesday, morning, December 22, at his residence, 9 West Sixteenth street, William Packer Prentice, in his eighty-second year.
Funeral at University Place Church, corner Tenth street, on Thursday, December 23, at half past 4 o'clock. Interment on Friday at Albany.

SHRATTON.—On December 22, 1915, Sarah Stratton, aged 74 years.
Funeral from Stephen Merritt's Funeral Chapel, 225 Eighth avenue, near Twenty-3 st street. Time later.

THOMPSON.—At her residence, Nepperhan Heights, Tuesday, December 21, Anna Roberts Thompson, beloved mother of Florence Roberts Martinez.
Services Thursday, 10 A. M. San Francisco papers please copy.

TURNER.—J. Frank, 383 Park avenue, suddenly, December 22, 1915.
Funeral notice later. Wilkesbarre, Pa. papers please copy.

UNDERTAKERS.

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