SOCIAL AND OTHER LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS

Fraternal.

Doings of the Maccabees.

The Ladies of the Maccabees in this jurisdiction are preparing for a large class initiation to be held in April at National Rifles Armory. The officers for the exemplification of the work, and who are composed of commanders of the different hives in the city, organized on Monday last. The guard team will number fifty members this year.

National Hive's euchre club will meet at Schmidt's Hall, 516 Ninth Street northwest, on Friday, March 4.

National Hive now numbers 217 members, and is the banner hive of the District. It hopes to bring its membership up to 300 in the coming class.

All the hives in the District are competing for cash prizes offered by the supreme hive.

Columbia Hive held a successful "Colonial tea" on Tuesday, to which all hives were invited.

A large delegation of Maccabees from Buffalo, N. Y., arrived in the city on Friday and are stopping at the Hotel Regent. This party composes the degree team of Long Tent, No. 63, of Buffalo, and is the best degree team in the State of New York, and one of the best in supreme tent jurisdiction. The work of the order will be exemplified at Masonic Temple Hall tomorrow night, to which all Maccabees in good standing are invited.

District Tent, No. 8, recently lost one of its most substantial members in the person of George M. Schaffer, who died on the 6th of February, and on Tuesday, the 23d, his widow received a check for $500, the amount he carried in the Maccabees. His widow was so impressed with the treatment of the members of the order to her husband during his sickness and the very prompt way in which the claim was paid that she writes a letter to the tent of which her husband was a member, from which we make the following extract:

"Gentlemen: I desire to testify to the public that my husband, through some friends, was induced to join the Maccabees last March, and while he was sick they called to see him like brothers, and when death came and relieved him of his suffering they came forward and offered what assistance I might need, and now the entire claim is paid in full in seventeen days after his death, and my husband had only paid in $7.50. Words fail me when I try to express my appreciation of this goodness and the promptness in which the claim was paid."

The State commander reports more work being done during this month than during February of last year, and he looks for this to be a more prosperous year than last in this jurisdiction.

Mrs. Penelope D. Smith, deputy supreme commander of the L. O. T. M., is quite sick at her home in this city.

Golden Rule Tent, No. 3, and Capital Tent, No. 9, have each appointed a conference committee, to consult with a view of consolidating the two tents.

District No. 8, which has done so much in the last twelve months in building up, is a tent well worth modeling after, as it becomes one of the substantial tents of the city. Its success has all been brought about by the free use of push, and a fraternal application of the principle the order teaches. The hustling done by such members as Past Commander Lewis Nichols; Commander W. F. Lewis; Lieut. Commander W. B. Lewis; Sergt. T. R. Davis; Chaplain Braxton L. Scott; Record Keeper Bunting; Finance Keeper George W. Pettitt, and other working members will make the present year a more prosperous one than the last. The meetings are well attended, pleasant, and profitable. No member of this tent ever wastes his energies in complaining of the condition of the tent, or in trying to get the better of some one in the tent, hence the tent is prosperous and the members are happy.

The State commander has returned from West Virginia, where he had been attending a banquet in his home town, Philippi, given by the Odd Fellows Lodge, of that ancient borough, at which he made the speech of the evening.

Will Give Box Party.

For the benefit of widows and orphans of the city, Cyrus Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle, will give a box party and musical entertainment in Elk Hall, on Wednesday evening.

Members of the castle have made elaborate preparations for the party, and although no admission will be charged, everyone is requested to bring a box containing something which can be presented to the widows and orphans. Refreshments will be served, and Prof. Hunter's orchestra will furnish the music.

LECTURES.

Dr. Farquhar's Lecture.

At the meeting of the Society for Philosophical Inquiry, to be held in the west hall, Columbian University, at 4:45 o'clock on Tuesday, Dr. Edward Farquhar, assistant librarian of the Patent Office, and recording secretary of the society, who has been ill since the holidays, will present his paper on "Scotus Erigena."

All students of philosophy are cordially invited to be present.

Lecture on City Gardens.

R. A. Howell, of Philadelphia, will give an illustrated lecture on city gardens, or the cultivation of vacant lots, in the banquet hall of the Shoreham Hotel tomorrow evening. The lecture will be given in the interest of the City Garden Association of Washington, under the auspices of the National Plant, Flower, and Fruit Guild, of which Mrs. Hay, wife of the Secretary of State, is president, and Mrs. Florence Harding is secretary, and the Monday Night Club, of which Mrs. C. D. Merwin is president.

Flower gardening and the growing of vegetables by city children, and older persons, thus utilizing waste and vacant city land, has become one of the most hopeful movements, looking toward social betterment, and one in which many of the prominent men and women of the country are interested.

Last year in Philadelphia, on 186 acres of vacant lots, under the superintendence of Mr. Powell, over 700 families raised $50,000 worth of vegetables.

Detroit, Toledo, and other cities have found this work of the greatest advantage from an industrial, as well as an educational standpoint, and an effort is now being made to interest Washingtonians in that movement.

The Monday Night Club includes among its organizations, the Board of Associated Charities, Board of Children's Guardians, Industrial Home School, Reform School, Episcopal Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital, Junion Republic, Instructive Visiting Nurse Society, St. Vincent de Paul, Street Car Outings, Noel House, Neighborhood House, Southern Relief Society, Maulsby Home, Plant, Fruit, and Flower Guild, Florence Crittenton Home, Lucy Webb Hayes Training School, King's Daughters, Young Woman's Christian Home, and Municipal Lodging House.

Dr. Stafford's Lecture.

As usual, there will be a most distinguished assemblage at the Lafayette Square Theater to hear Dr. Stafford's lecture on "Richard III." There is perhaps no play of Shakespeare which is more popular, and the lesson taught is most impressive. The sale of seats begins on March 1, at the box office of the theater.

TEMPERANCE.

Elect Vice Templar.

The Browningsville Lodge of Maryland has elected as chief templar of Good Templars' Lodge, one of the largest in the county, J. W. Lawson; vice templar, Miss Nettie Burdette, and Miss Della Walker as secretary.

MOLTKE'S NEPHEW.

The post once occupied at Berlin by the "battle thinker," Moltke, is soon to to be conferred on his nephew, Lieut. Gen. Hellmuth von Moltke, now commanding the first division of the Prussian Guard Corps. General von Moltke is a tall, polished man, with a distinct family resemblance to his great uncle, and he has proved himself to be a diplomatist as well as a soldier. It was he who was sent to Friedrichsruh by the young Emperor with a peace offering to Bismarck, in the shape of a bottle of Johannesberger Cabinet, while lately he went to Copenhagen to present King Christian with the insignia of his high rank in the Prussian army.—London Chronicle.

PATRIOTIC

The Minute Men.

A feeling of satisfaction fills the minds of the members of the First Regiment of Minute Men over the recent acquisition of an armory. The fact spurs the organization to become one of the finest independent military bodies in the country.

Several separate companies and battalions of the Minute Men have been formed in several cities, and it is expected these will develop so rapidly that before long every State will have a regiment or more.

In Lowell, Mass., a few evenings ago, the Mechanic Phalanx, Company C, Sixth Regiment, Massachusetts National Guard, held their seventy-ninth annual prize drill. This was the most pretentious affair ever given in Lowell. Two governors, six militia regiments, and four honorary military organizations were present, and the Legislatures of two States sent large representations. One company of the Amoskeag Veteran (Continental) Guards, "The Governor's Own," of Manchester, N. H., attended with full ranks, and, according to the Lowell papers, were accorded the greatest honor of the evening by being escorted to the front seats in the gallery.

The New York Battalion, Major E. T. Paull, comanding, on last Sunday attended the 14th annual church service of the Society of the Sons of the Revolution, of New York city, held in commemoration of the birth of George Washington, at St. Thomas Church, Fifth Avenue and Fifty-third Street, by the pastor, the Rev. DeWitt L. Pelton, battalion chaplain.

This battalion also attended on Washington's Birthday, as a guard of honor, the beautiful and inspiring ceremony of raising the "Peace Flags" on the Peace Temple, for which Andrew Carnegie has given a million and a half dollars.

Lafayette Post, No. 20, Grand Army of the Republic, has extended an invitation to Colonel Winter, staff and regiment to attend a patriotic entertainment on the evening of March 14 at the Congregational Church. Major M. M. Lewis will read an original paper on "The Minute Men," and there will be a varied program of music and patriotic features.

Last Monday evening a detail of officers attended the services in commemoration of Washington's Birthday under the auspices of Burnside Post, Grand Army of the Republic, at the Congregational Church. By special request Capt. James Mulvey, Company A, impersonated George Washington, and his staff was composed of the following: Major M. M. Lewis, adjutant general; Major Herbert W. Myers, captain; Charles S. Wheeler, regimental inspector; Capt. Abbott B. Goodrich, regimental commissary; Capt. D. S. Fletcher, regimental paymaster; Capt. William E. De Riemer, regimental chaplain; Capt. William C. Robbins, Company E; Capt. B. B. Smith, Company B; Capt. Leon G. Barnette, Company I; Quartermaster Sergt. J. C. McConnell, Principal Musician F. W. Dudley, Color Sergt. Charles S. Sidman, and Orderly Granville Lake. A provincial company, in command of First Lieut. J. V. Tierney, was also present as a guard of honor. The entire detail was in comand of Lieut. Col. E. R. Campbell, and added much to the picturesqueness of the occasion.

THE CHORUS CLUB.

The Chorus Club, despite the fact that every meeting night since it was organized has been stormy, is making excellent progress under its director, W. J. Palmer, who organized it. The society has more than seventy names enrolled and bids fair to soon reach the limit of one hundred and fifty voices, which it placed, as new members are being added at each rehearsal. The club's headquarters are at St. Paul's English Lutheran Church, where it meets for rehearsal each Friday evening, and it proposes to give a complimentary musicale to its friends soon after the Lenten season.

Literary.

Boys' Club Debate.

The Working Boys' Literary and Debating Club had an interesting program at its weekly meeting on Tuesday night. After the preliminary roll call and reading of the minutes, the club was entertained by Mrs. Armour, who spoke interestingly of the workings of the humane society.

The subject under debate was, "Resolved, That the editor wields greater power than the orator." The affirmatives, led by Captain Morris, in their gallant and determined fight for the editor, lavishly praised the press for the power it exerts for good; while the negatives, under the leadership of Stephen Latchford, highly extolled the great orators of the past and present for their mighty achievements. The debate was one of the most animated the club has yet held. The many apt and witty remarks made by several of the debaters delighted the audience, and caused a great deal of amusement.

The judges, after due deliberation, announced that the oratory of both sides was praiseworthy, but that the negative had won its case.

Columbia Heights Art Club.

The Columbia Heights Art Club met at the home of Mrs. W. E. Andrews, 1223 Yale Street, on Thursday afternoon, February 25. Mrs. E. C. Morgan presided. For "Art Notes" Mrs. Evelyn C. Morgan selected "The Venus Callipbingus," and "The Venus de Copua" in the Naples gallery. She read from notes which she had written when there.

Mrs. Andrews gave a short talk on the buildings of the St. Louis Exposition. Mrs. Seip read an article on the "Parsifal Series" of paintings which are on exhibition at Fischer art gallery. "German Literature of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Centuries," was the title of an interesting paper by Mrs. Ada L. Clarke.

The responses to roll call brought out many instructive and interesting topics. The women enjoyed the miscellaneous part of the program which had been provided by the hostess, and consisted of instrumental and vocal music, and reading. Miss Sanders, of Nebraska, gave with expression and skill "Papillon's Schumann," and "Am Genfer Sie," Op. 149, Bendel. Miss M. Hart sang "The Garden of Dreams," and as encores "Child's Song" and "Autumn Sadness." Miss Semaj De France Boice read "An Order for a Picture," by Alice Cary.

The guests were Miss Bessie H. Clark, Miss Murphy, Mrs. Dill, Mrs. M. A. Marr, and Mrs. Hine, of Philadelphia. The club adjourned to meet at the home of Miss Catherine Barlow, 1408 Binney Street, on March 3, when business and current topics will be the order of the day.

Capitol Hill History Club.

The Capitol Hill History Club met with Mrs. Julius Wilson, 1135 Park Place northeast, on the afternoon of February 24. In response to roll call "The Leading Articles of the Month" were discussed.

Mrs. Charles Fisher read an interesting paper on "Environs of Naples and Florence;" Mrs. De Costa discussed "Our Present Relations with Italy." The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. J. Travis, 1008 East Capitol Street, on March 9.

Short Story Club.

The Short Story Club held its regular semi-monthly meeting on Tuesday evening at the Riggs House, with the president, Prof. Hyland C. Kirk, in the chair.

The program opened with three valentine stories, which, for want of time, had been left over from the preceding meeting, by the following members: Mrs. W. W. Case, "Faint Heart and the Fair Lady;" Mrs. M. L. Willis, "Three Valentines;" Mrs. C. S. York, "The Morning Mail Valentine." They were followed by Capt. W. W. Case with a dialect story, "How Micky O'Leary Got His Father Out of Purgatory;" a poem, by Mrs. Clara O. Bland, "Sustaining Faith;" a Shaker story, by Miss Mary C. Bennett, "David and Hannah;" a paper by Mrs. V. Shinn, entitled "Dates," and a recitation by Miss Hallowell. Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood having been unexpectedly called upon by President Kirk for some remarks, took up the subject of the Panama Canal treaty, a bill for the ratification of which had just been passed by the Senate by an overwhelming majority, and after dwelling somewhat upon the impetus which the cutting of the canal would give to this country as well as diverting the commerce of the world, dwelt somewhat facetiously on the facility with which many Democratic Senators and some Republicans changed their minds, especially when they understand that the passage of a bill is about to become popular.

The musical program comprised piano solos by Miss Helen Fay, "Silvery Bells," "A Cozy Corner," and a "Medley of Popular Airs," and a song by Mrs. Rosa L. Townshend, "Love, I Dream of You."

Among those present were Mrs. E. M. Willis, Capt. and Mrs. W. W. Case, Prof. H. C. Kirk, Mrs. Bowie Chipman, Dr. and Mrs. V. Shinn, Mrs. Thomas Hynes, Mrs. E. Maynicke Stillman, Miss Helen Fay, Miss Bertha F. Wolfe, Miss E. A. Woodbury, Mrs. E. L. Dudley, Mrs. Clara O. Bland, Major and Mrs. M. W. Lang, Miss Florence Dudley, Miss Lillian J. Ray, Miss Mary C. Bennett, Capt. F. V. De Coster, Mrs. P. J. Hoffliger, Mrs. F. Pattison, Miss Josephine G. Adams, Miss Llewellyn Flowers, Mrs. M. L. Tanner, Mrs. S. M. Vale, Mrs. C. S. York, Mrs. M. W. Houghton, Miss K. S. Todd, Mrs. Rosa L. Townshend, C. W. Johnson, Capt. Fred I. Deans, Mrs. Lamasure, Mrs. Brown, M. F. Bingham, A. K. Bingham, Miss Belle C. Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. Albert T. Fawcett, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Thomas, Mrs. K. M. Wade, Mrs. B. L. Clarke, Judge George M. Buck, Mrs. Anne B. Buck, Miss Ada Humphrey, Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood, and Miss Hallowell.

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO ALL MUSIC LOVERS

"Parsifal" Lecture.

One of the conspicuous events of the week will be the entertainment to be given at the Lafayette Theater at 4:30 o'clock on Thursday afternoon in aid of the Washington and Baltimore Firemen's Relief Association and the Citizens' Relief Association of Washington. Walter Damrosch is to give his celebrated explanatory lecture on the production of "Parsifal." The entertainment is being given by Mrs. A. C. Barney through whose generosity it was expected that Bernard Shaw's "Candida" was to have been performed, but a confusion of dates necessitated a change in the program. Prominent society women will act as patronesses and the event promises to be noteworthy.

Mr. Damrosch's Wagnerian recitals have been given with signal success for some time, and many who have not had the opportunity of hearing "Parsifal" will be unusually interested in his interesting description and explanation of the famous production.

The recitals are as interesting as they are novel and the combination of discourse and vocal illustration is a complete substitute for operatic treatment, and is more satisfying than one could possibly anticipate.

Mr. Damrosch compasses on the piano a degree of orchestral effect that is said to be marvelous. His execution is distinguished as much by delicacy and feeling for the spiritual as it is by breadth and vigor. He narrates, declaims, muses, storms, pleads, defies—in short he runs the gamut of dramatic and musical expression.

A peculiar charm about the recital is that, despite the hanifest depth of the subject, Mr. Damrosch can be understood by musician and layman alike. He gives evidence of being both himself and to know many things besides music.

Washington is particularly interested in the lecture for the large number of musicians resident here are obliged to depend almost exclusively on this sort of entertainment for their supply of Wagner unless they can afford to take a run over to New York every once in a while to hear one of his works. That is hardly within the means of most of them, and the coming dissertation on "Parsifal" will be vastly interesting.

Mr. Damrosch has long been a student of Wagnerian music, and his familiarity with the great master and his works will tend to make the lecture doubly interesting. He adopts legitimate means to win the favor of his audiences, does not wear long hair or assume any of the eccentricities of the freak musician. He is said to cover his theme in simple, unaffected language, and to make plain to everyone each phase of the Wagner nature.

"Parsifal" has been the sensation of the current New York opera season, and a description of the production by so competent a student as Mr. Damrosch should afford keen enjoyment to Washington music lovers.

Talented Washingtonians.

Washington has contributed many clever people to the native stage, but its quota of composers and librettists is unusually small. However, every once in a while a new and equally clever aspirant bobs up, and despite the reputed lack of local patronage to Washington players the public of the Capital City is, nevertheless, loyal.

This was never more plainly demonstrated than on last Tuesday afternoon at the Lafayette Theater, when George Bentley presented his own comedy, "The Kleptomaniacs," and played the chief role besides. The house was packed from pit to dome, and unusual enthusiasm was displayed toward the work of the interpreting players.

Mr. Bentley's libretto deserves high praise. He interpolated much genuine comedy to the part of "Doodle" and proved himself a clever comedian. Since the performance he has had the pleasure of refusing to part with his manuscript for a tempting sum to a prominent New York manager, and will retain it for production under his own direction. A performance in Baltimore is under consideration, and in addition to this, Mr. Bentley has had several professional offers. This should be particularly pleasing to Mr. Bentley's friends, and means much to his future should he conclude to adopt a stage career.

One of the vocal successes of "The Kleptomaniacs was accredited to Joseph L. Battle, who sang the role of Jack. Mr. Battle gave the "Stein Song" from "The Prince of Pilsen," the students' song from "The Chaperons," and several other numbers in excellent style. When one considers the number of inferior singers who make their way into good positions on the professional stage it seems rather an unevenness in the good things that be, that a singer of Mr. Battle's ability is not there too. His voice is so good and substantial and true and when to all this is added genuine musical intelligence, one has a combination rarely found even in better known singers.

Mr. Battle was assisted in the singing of the "Chaperons" number by an octet of local men who might be satisfied to stand up with the men who made the song famous.

Miss Unschuld's Recital.

Miss Marie von Unschuld will give a recital on Thursday afternoon, March 10, at 4:30 in the New Willard ballroom. The program has not been completed, but will include a series of classic piano numbers.

The concert is to be under the immediate patronage of the Baroness Hengelmuller, wife of the Austrian ambassador, and other patronesses are Mrs. Frederick Moulton Alger, Baroness von dem Busche-Haddenhauser, Countess Marguerite Cassini, Mrs. Reginald De Koven, Mrs. Diedrich, Baroness Helen von Giskra, Mrs. James Harriman, Mrs. Ethan A. Hitchcock, Mrs. Stilson Hutchins, Mme. Jusserand, Mrs. Francis Loomis, the Misses McCammon, Mrs. Monogham, Baroness Moncheur, Baroness Speck von Sternburg, Mrs. Siebert Mrs. Hunt Slater, Mrs. Herbert Wadsworth, and Mrs. James Wadsworth.

Mrs. Holland Ill.

Mrs. Margaret Koontz Holland is ill with an attack of the grip, and will be unable to fill her position of contralto in the choir of the Eastern Presbyterian Church today. A substitute will sing for Mrs. Holland who, it is believed, will have entirely recovered before the end of the week.

Program at St. Aloysius.

The music at St. Aloysius Church today will consist of the following numbers:

At the 11 o'clock mass: "Kyrie" and post communion, Gregorian chant; "Credo" and "Agnus Dei," Silas; "Sanctus," Spohr; offertory, hymn for the day. Vespers will be sung at 7:30 o'clock with Psalms, Gregorian; "Magnificat," Gregorian; "Ave Regina," Klein; "O Salutaris," tenor solo, Marzo, and "Tantum Ergo," Faure.

Erskine Porter Coming.

The concert which the boy soprano, Erskine Porter, was to have given a few weeks ago, and which was postponed on account of the young singer's illness, will be given at the Universalist Church next Friday evening. The assisting soloists will be William Scholz, violinist; Clara Nurse, reader; Walter T. Holt, and the Nordica Club.

Erskine Porter has the distinction of being one of the greatest boy sopranos living. His voice is highly cultivated, and he produces a pure, sweet tone. His range is sung from low C to high E above the staff. Master Porter has 150 songs in his repertoire. His appearance here has been looked forward to with delight by a great number of people, as this is his first and only appearance here this season.

Pupils' Musicale.

George Lawrence is making preparations for his next pupils' musicale, which will be held the latter part of March. He will have a double quartet, assisted by Miss Rose Woodfield. The quartet consists of Mrs. George Lawrence and Mary Faulkner, sopranos; Mrs. Eleanor Spencer and Mrs. M. W. Jones, contraltos; Fred Hill and George Lawrence, tenors, and Dr. L. Scoville and D. S. Walker, baritones. These singers will appear in solo and concerted numbers. Mrs. Grace Odell and Mr. Lawrence will sing the duo from "The Fencing Master."

Saengerbund Concert.

The seventh musical entertainment by the Washington Saengerbund will be given tonight, with the following program:

Chorus, "Old Black Joe," arranged by Van der Stucken, Saengerbund;; piano solo, valse, "Soirée de Vienne," Schubert-Liszt, Miss Katharine McReynolds; soprano solo, "Mein Gluck," Bohm, Miss Gertrude Reuter; bass solo, "The Storm Fiend," Roeckel, Ernest Seifert; violin solo, "Romance," Wieniawski, Miss Fanny Heding Koehle; contralto solos, "Irish Folk Song," Foote, and "Gae to Sleep," Fisher, Miss Rosamond Meacham; soprano solo, scene and aria from "Der Freischutz," Weber, Mrs. Ivy Herriott Shade; tenor solos, "Call Me Back," Denza, "Still wie die Nacht," Bohm, and "Because I Love You, Dear," Hawley, Tom Greene; chorus, "Abschied," arranged by Melamet, Saengerbund. Henry Xander, musical director.

Religious.

Epworth League News.

The topic for the devotional meeting this evening, is "Princely Men in the Heavenly Kingdom," the same being a resume of mission study text-book References, Acts xiii:1-4.

Lynn Chapter recently held a business meeting at the pastor's residence. The officers rendered very good reports, after which the party engaged in speaking and singing. A supper was then served and a very enjoyable evening was spent by those present.

Gorsuch Epworth League gave its annual Martha Washington Tea in the church on Washington's Birthday. Supper was served by the ladies in charge from 5 p. m. to 10 p. m., and an entertainment was given at 8 o'clock. The first number on the program was an organ solo by Miss Beulah Winters, who played "Meditation." This was followed by singing by a quartet composed of Messrs. George Downey, C. W. Fitton, La Roche, and Van Horn. Miss Nellie Ramby followed with a select reading. Miss Daisy Jones then sang "Violets," who was followed by a duet by Miss Eva Smith and George Downey. Mrs. Thomas E. Copes then read a select piece. A quartet composed of George Downey, J. H. Goodrich, Miss Fannie Fitton and Miss Nellie Ramby then sang. The entertainment came to a close with a solo by Miss Eva Smith.

The Rev. David S. Spencer, who has spent twenty years in missionary work in Japan, lectured at North Capitol Church on Tuesday, February 23, on the "Methodist Episcopal Mission and its Work, Earthquakes and Other Shakes, and Japan as It Was and Is."

Thomas Dixon, jr., the famous New York orator, author, and reformer, will lecture at National Rifles Armory Hall on Wednesday evening, March 2, under the auspices of the Epworth League Star Course. This is the tenth number on the course.

The board of control of the District Epworth League will meet at Wesley Church on Wednesday evening, March 2, in its regular monthly session. All members of this body are urged to be present.

Charles W. Fitton, jr., conducted the devotional service at Gorsuch Chapter last Sunday evening.

Episcopal Church Notes.

Epiphany Church was well filled last Tuesday night when the first of the Churchman's League Lenten Lectures for 1904, was delivered by the Rev. Arthur S. Lloyd, general secretary of the General Missionary Society.

Dr. Lloyd chose for his theme, "Salvation by the Church." The next of the series will be given by the Rev. C. Ernest Smith, rector of St. Thomas' Church, this city.

Singing of Elijah.

The choirs of the Church of the Good Shepherd and St. Katherine's Guild, assisted by Miss Mary Gormley, Mrs. Jessie Price Sniffen, Miss Eda E. Faber, Miss Henry Wight, A. A. Culbertson, and the Rev. C. R. Stetson, under the direction of Oscar Franklin Comstock, sang excerpts from Mendelssohn's oratorio, "Elijah."

The chorus work was excellent, the girls' voices contrasting very agreeably with the boys'. The feature of the evening, however, was the splendid baritone solos of the Rev. C. R. Stetson, who has a rotund and pleasing voice. Among the choruses the familiar "He, Watching Over Israel, Slumbers Not, Nor Sleeps," and the stirring "Thanks Be to God" were most effective, while of Mr. Stetson's numbers the aria, "It is enough, O Lord, now take away my life," was given in perhaps the most finished style.

EDUCATIONAL

First Annual Reception.

The council of upper classmen of Howard University gave its first annual reception in Odd Fellows' Hall, in M Street, on Friday evening.

The council of upper classmen is composed of the juniors and seniors of the college of arts and sciences, the juniors and seniors of the medical department, the middlers and seniors of the dental department, the juniors and seniors of the pharmaceutical department, the middlers and seniors of the law department, the middlers and seniors of the theological department, and the juniors and seniors of the pedagogical department.

The aim of the council is to foster social relations between the students of all the departments of the university. In former years students of the professional departments had no direct social relations with the students of the college department. James Waters, of the senior college class, with a few followers of all the departments of the university, succeeded in establishing the council, which has proved to be beneficial to all the students.

The officers of the council include James C. Waters, jr., president; George H. Bowling, vice president; C. W. Maxwell, secretary; George Ross, assistant secretary; W. H. Washington, treasurer; U. S. McCoy, sergeant-at-arms; John H. Dennis, chaplain; Charles J. Carter, chairman reception committee.

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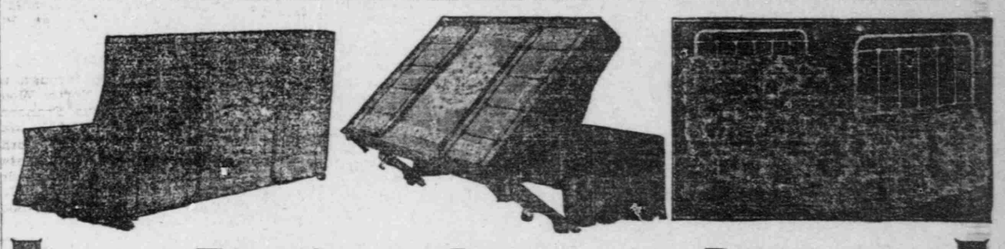

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