

PERTINENT PISSIS.

He Asks Questions at the Artists' Meeting.

HINTS TO THE DIRECTORS.

Spring Exhibition Is Postponed Two Weeks.

WANTS ALL PICTURES INSURED.

Some Reforms Suggested by a Small but Lively Meeting Yesterday at the Institute.

A dozen artists met in the lecture-room of the Hopkins Institute yesterday afternoon and resolved on as many reforms in as many minutes. R. D. Yelland was called to the chair, and had hardly seized his gavel before Emile Pissis suggested that the opening of the spring exhibition should be deferred until April 17. Other artists supported the idea, and it was formally resolved for the benefit of the board of directors that that was the sense of the artists of the association.

Then Mr. Pissis began to ask pertinent questions of Secretary Martin. He wanted to know if any pictures had been sold last exhibition. He was told that one had been sold. Mr. Pissis asked if there was any money in the fund. Secretary Martin explained that there was \$11,800 in the fund. Mr. Pissis wanted to know why this could not be used to purchase pictures from local artists for the institute. Mr. Martin explained that it was intended the fund should reach \$25,000, and the interest then used for purchasing pictures.

This didn't satisfy Mr. Pissis. Said he: "I think a certain percentage of the receipts for the exhibition should be used for the purchase of pictures. If artists show their pictures they should get something out of it."

"Last time was the first time the exhibition paid," said Mr. Martin. "It generally was behind."

"Yes," retorted Mr. Pissis, amid a general laugh, "and last time was the only time no pictures were sold."

At the suggestion of Chairman Yelland, Mr. Pissis moved the following resolution: "That the board of directors of the Art Association consider the advisability of applying a certain percentage of the receipts of the exhibition to increase the fund for the purchase of pictures, the percentage to be defined by the board."

The dozen members present carried the motion unanimously.

After setting this matter, Mr. Pissis turned his attention to the matter of election of the jury. "I think," said he, "that the secretary should send an envelope with the ballot so that each member can place the vote in it, seal it up, and thus insure secrecy. The way of leaving the ballots in a pile in the secretary's office is all wrong."

"Nobody would take anything from my office," interrupted Secretary Martin. "I have no money there."

"You'd better not let the artists know that," retorted Pissis.

It was then decided on his motion to leave the matter of election with the secretary with the understanding that it would be secret.

Mr. Pissis was not quite through. He wanted to know if the pictures loaned for exhibition purposes by local artists were insured. He was informed that they were not.

"Then I think it is unjust discrimination," he remarked. "If Mr. Crocker loans a picture it is at once insured, but the local artists are just as much entitled to have their pictures insured as the people who loan pictures. I don't believe any of them should be insured, but if some are the board should see that the others are insured, for it left to the artist himself he might put a stupendous value on it. It is astonishing what prices a man will put on his own work."

"For my part," added Yelland, as Pissis sat down, "I think a picture that is good enough to exhibit is good enough to be insured."

"That's what I say," returned Pissis. "We don't often get a chance to say what we think, and that's why I'm talking this afternoon, and I think the Board of Directors should look into the matter."

Mr. Pissis then moved the nominations for the jury to be the following: Arthur E. Matthews, R. Schmid, Emile Pissis, Miss Eva Withrow, Miss McCormick, J. A. Stanton, Amedee J. Quinn, W. Keith, R. D. Yelland, Miss Frohlich, Miss Chittenden, Miss Neuman, Mrs. Bradley, H. B. Bloomer, L. Wall, O. Kunath, L. P. Latimer, T. Hill and Mr. Robinson. Out of these nominees nine must be chosen to serve on the jury.

TESTING TEA.

The Importers Confer With Collector of the Port.

The announcement recently made by Appraiser Tucker, that he would reject all Ping Suey tea arriving at this port unless it came clearly within the standard fixed by the law, coupled with the fact that a large cargo of that tea is daily expected here, caused a conference between representatives of the customs service and the importers of this city at the office of Collector Wise yesterday. The importers were represented by J. J. Brandenstein and R. H. Swain, while Collector Wise, Appraiser Tucker and C. A. Kern, Government chemist, representing the government, were present.

The whole conference was concerning the interpretation of the law and how the tea should be tested. So far about only 300 chests of the Ping Suey tea have been rejected at this port, while in New York 20,000 chests were recently rejected at one time and samples of the tea were sent to Appraiser Tucker. The proposition was to judge the tea that is coming by the samples showing the New York standard, and to this the merchants here do not object, as they claim that while the tea they import is Ping Suey it is not the cheap grade.

The conference was very harmonious throughout, and a thorough understanding was arrived at as to the meaning of the law and the manner in which it shall be applied to the tea coming and the tests that shall be applied to the tea.

YOUNG CHRISTIANS.

A Union of the Junior Christian Endeavor Societies.

There was a large and enthusiastic meeting of boys and girls, members of the Junior Christian Endeavor Societies of this city, at Calvary Presbyterian Church yesterday afternoon to welcome Miss Belle P. Nason of San Diego, the State superintendent of the Junior Christian Endeavor work. After devotional exercises the twenty-two societies presented a united prayer to be known as the Golden Gate Junior Christian Endeavor Union, the following officers being elected: Edward Whaley, president; Peter Beaton, vice-president; Nellie Lincoln, secretary; Jessie Henderson, corresponding secretary; Norman Pendleton, treasurer.

There were over 300 of the young people present, most of whom took part in the meeting, discussing papers that were read, offering prayers, etc.

Disbarment Proceedings.

The Supreme Court has been asked to consider the advisability of disbarment of

Attorneys M. S. Savre and ex-Judge R. J. Hudson. The exact cause of the trouble has not yet been made public, but it is believed to be in connection with the legal affairs of the S. Clinton Hastings estate. The accused attorneys are partners in legal practice.

HE WAS UNSUITED.

Attorney Osment Failed to Prosecute His Case.

A heavy damage suit came to an abrupt conclusion in Judge Levy's court yesterday owing to the failure of the plaintiff's attorney to put in an appearance. The action was brought by W. B. McSherry against John McCormick. McCormick complained that in September, 1892, he rented a house at 1109 McAllister street from McCormick, paying \$25 a month rent therefor. In October, 1892, McCormick's family of five children were taken sick with diphtheria, three dying, and the other two so barely recovering that they are stated to be not quite well yet. McCormick attributed his loss to the defective drainage of the McAllister street house, and in consequence he brought suit to recover \$30,000 damages from McCormick.

Yesterday morning the case came up for hearing. The court waited some time for the plaintiff's attorney to appear, and then ordered the case to proceed. A jury was impaneled, the defendant's case stated, and the jury was just about to render a verdict in favor of defendant for \$39 expenses when Osment appeared in court. Osment pointed to the fact that the case was not set down for trial in the Law Journal, and that he did not know that he was expected to be present. Attorney Firebaugh, however, who represented the defendant, persisted that due notice of the trial of the action had been sent to the parties interested, and that judgment ought to go by default.

Eventually the matter was compromised, both attorneys agreeing to a nonsuit.

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NO RIGHT TO INTERFERE.

It Is Stated That Lillian K. Hastings Compromised Her Claims.

Answer has been filed in the Superior Court by the defendants in the suit brought by Mrs. Lillian K. Hastings to set aside the deed of trust made by the late Judge S. Clinton Hastings in favor of his executor, W. G. Selman.

The defendants deny the right of Mrs. Hastings to interfere in the management of the estate. A agreement of separation is cited as bearing on the case, wherein Mrs. Hastings consented to forego all claims upon the late Judge, either during his lifetime or after his death, in consideration of an allowance of \$300 a month, as well as the gift of \$30,000 worth of shares in the Bank of La Jolla.

To-morrow Judge Trout will give all parties a hearing in the case. Meanwhile, the plaintiff has brought a motion for appointment of J. C. Brown temporary receiver of the Hastings estate, has been suspended.

ACTIVE REPUBLICANS.

A Meeting Held in the Forty-First District.

There was quite a gathering of Republicans of the Forty-first Assembly District held last night at 1218 Union street, and it was decided to form a club to uphold the principles of the national party and incidentally promote the interests of those whose fealty could not be questioned.

C. J. McCarthy addressed the meeting, dwelling at length on the injustice which the Democratic Senators propose to inflict upon the country by forcing the Wilson tariff bill through the national legislative halls by the national party and incidentally promote the interests of those whose fealty could not be questioned.

At the conclusion of Mr. McCarthy's speech a resolution endorsing B. A. Tracey for the nomination for the position of Superintendent of Streets was unanimously adopted.

D. W. McNeill and others also addressed the meeting.

Glee Club Concert.

The Stanford University Glee Club will give a concert in Metropolitan Temple this evening, March 22, under the patronage of the First Presbyterian Church.

CONY is prevented by the timely use of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, the mother's friend.

CHIEF OF VASSAR.

Dr. James M. Taylor in the City.

He Says That None of the Students Have Joined the Salvation Army as Reported.

Dr. James M. Taylor, president of Vassar College, the famous institution for females located near Poughkeepsie, N. Y., is at the Palace with his wife in the city. He was here yesterday regarding the college Dr. Taylor took occasion to ridicule the statement telegraphed over the country to the effect that many of the young ladies students had associated themselves with the Salvation Army.

"During the visit of Mrs. Ballington Booth to the college a few months ago," said he, "many of the young ladies became deeply interested in her, as she is a charming woman, both in manner and speech. As a consequence in many cases students agreed to give a special attention to the auxiliary society of the army to aid it in its work, but there the matter ended. None of them joined the army or any of its branches."

As to the progress the college has made the doctor said that six years ago it had but 300 students, while this year 474 are enrolled. Of the 300 first mentioned but 102 were entered in the regular college course, while over 200 were in the present course of 420 are in these classes. The students come from nearly every State in the Union, and the charges made for a college year are \$400, which includes board, washing, tuition and in fact all necessary expenses.

The college is on a good financial basis, having over \$1,000,000 in funds and a similar amount in buildings, etc. A gymnasium and swimming baths with instructors are provided for the girls, and exercise three times a day is required of each student. The young ladies are not subjected to the espionage of monitors, but the matter of attending all the classes is made a point of honor with each individual and the doctor says the plan has worked splendidly.

The students' association takes care of all matters of that character and relieves the faculty of the trouble. As a consequence a very high standard of honor prevails throughout the institution.

There is a law in existence in New York State which governs the investment of trust funds similar to the endowments of Vassar, and prohibits the purchase of necessities outside the State. For this reason, Dr. Taylor said, some of the funds which have become due and paid, which were formerly yielding 7 per cent, have been placed at 5 per cent, whereas, if they had been able to invest them outside of the State, a larger revenue would have been derived.

Dr. Taylor dwelt at length upon the mistaken impression that a course in Vassar means necessarily the expenditure of a large sum of money. "A young lady of expensive tastes and habits, and possessing the requisite means, of course costs more than the sum I have mentioned as being the approximate cost of a year's schooling, but the figure represents that which is absolutely needed."

The doctor was the guest of the Century Club yesterday afternoon, and will remain in the city some days.

Freitas Has His Say.

M. T. Freitas, the commission merchant, has filed with the County Clerk an amended cross-complaint to the divorce suit instituted by his wife, Ada M. Freitas. The wife charges her husband with extreme cruelty. These charges he denies, and by way of cross-complaint he accuses his wife of infidelity.

Freitas denies that he is worth \$125,000, saying that \$35,000 odd would be nearer the mark.

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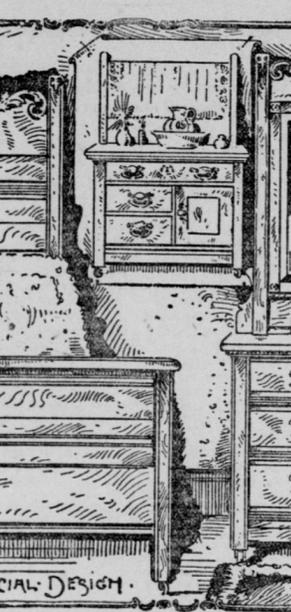
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