

# SOUTH AMBOY

## MRS. STIDFOLE ENTERTAINS.

Gave Reception in Honor of Her Guest, Mrs. French.

Friday evening, April 3rd, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stidfole, of Main street, entertained a number of their friends in honor of their guest, Mrs. French, of Maple Shade, N. J. The evening was spent with music and singing and games. Refreshments were served about 10 o'clock.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mason, Mrs. John Perrins and son Raymond, Miss Nellie Mason, Miss Elizabeth Selover, Mr. Ogden Carr, Mr. Charles Mason, Robert Mason Jr. and Mr. Samuel Brown. All had a delightful time and departed for their homes about midnight.

## A BEAUTIFUL GARDEN.

Mr. Straub's Residence On The Heights An Attractive Place.

Mr. Gottlieb Straub, of the Heights, has two soft shell almond trees in full bud, some of them already open. They are very fragrant and pure white with just a touch of red at the stem. Last year the trees bore a few nuts but birds carried them off when just set. Mr. and Mrs. Straub spare neither labor or money in having rare plants and trees.

They have a foreign walnut tree, a native magnolia, which bears the lovely cream colored blossom, deliciously scented, and a number of other very valuable trees in their beautiful garden. Just now the daffodownillies, hyacinths and tulips are in bloom. Sunday morning Mrs. Straub feared that all of her flowers would be dead, but they raised their heads up bravely as if in defiance, Monday and looked very pretty. A number of their rosebushes are dead and all of them show the effect of the storm with their blackened leaves. A dish filled with water for the birds had two inches of solid ice in it.

Although rumors still abound to the effect that all of the tomato vines, etc. have been killed in the country round, the sight of gardens and fruit trees within the borough limits would appear to contradict the reports, as they are fast overcoming the effects of the storm and look green and full of life. The buds are still clinging to the trees too, which is encouraging—at least we hope so.

## A FINE ENTERTAINMENT.

Given in The Methodist Church Monday Night by Professor Steins.

The recital given under the direction of Prof. Steins at the John street M. E. Church, Monday night, was a great success and netted a nice little sum for the church. The program was an extensive one and far above the ordinary. It was as follows:

First, an organ prelude by Prof. Steins, which was pronounced grand. Second, the singing of the anthem "Make a Joyful Noise," by the choir. It was beautifully rendered and received an encore which was not responded to.

Third, a fine violin solo by Mr. William McIntire, accompanied by Miss Rose Steins on the new organ. Fourth, a Baritone Solo, "Forget the Past," by John Kane.

Fifth, a cello solo with organ accompaniment by William McIntire and Rose Steins.

Sixth, Trombone solo by John Kane,

accompanied by Prof. Steins.

Seventh, solo "Evening Star," by Dora Rowe, South Amboy's sweet singer.

Eighth, Organ Prelude by Prof. Steins.

Ninth, a quartette by Prof. Steins, Prof. Kern, William McIntire and Miss Rose Steins, two violins, cello and organ.

Tenth, solo, "The Palms," by Prof. Kern on the cello.

Eleventh, Vocal Solo with violin accompaniment "Angel Serenade," beautifully rendered by Miss Dora Rowe and William McIntire.

Twelfth, Violin duet by Prof. Kern and William McIntire.

Thirteenth, the closing piece by all of the instrumentalists. It was composed of three sacred melodies beginning with "Lead kindly light."

There was a full house, but the admission fee was very small, only 10 cents, for so fine an entertainment. We hope this is only a beginning and that the Professor will give the lovers of good music the chance to enjoy many more such recitals.

All of the performers are deserving of the greatest praise.

## Good Friday Services.

There will be a one hour service of prayer and meditation in the Methodist Episcopal Church, on Good Friday at 3.30 p. m.

In the Episcopal Church there will be morning prayer, sermon and holy communion at 9.30 a. m. A 15 minutes service for working men at 12.30 p. m.; Children's service, story of the cross, at 4 p. m.; Evening service with meditation on the seven last words of our Saviour at 7.30 p. m.

## NEWS ITEMS.

The cave-in still remains by the end of the pedestrian part of the Borden-town avenue bridge over the Raritan River railroad and has become more dangerous than before since the last storm.

The cry still is, an electric light is very much needed in George street near the bridge, as it is not a safe place on a dark night. Those living near there are very desirous of having one placed there and why they do not bring it before the council is very singular. That is the only way that it can be got and it certainly is worth trying for.

The Gas Company has placed another engine in their plant. They have been placing service pipes in several houses lately on John and other streets.

There was a Euchre party at Mr. and Mrs. William Moore on Catherine street, Tuesday evening. Among the guests were Mr. John Cramer, Mr.

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On Easter Sunday morning at 5.30 o'clock a sunrise meeting led by Mrs. McIntire, will be held in the M. E. Church.

Miss Bessie Souder, of John street, has returned home from a visit in Pennsylvania.

Mrs. James Rea was a Perth Amboy visitor Monday.

Mrs. Mont Willett, of George street, was a Perth Amboy visitor Monday.

Mrs. Newell James and daughter Ruth were Elizabeth visitors Monday.

## ORGANIZED LABOR.

The Shamokin, Pa., lodge of plumbers and tinsmiths of the international unions have gone on strike for a ten per cent increase and a nine hour work day.

Because ten moulders asked for an increase in wages, the Larzelere Machine Company of Williamsport, Pa., locked out all its employees Wednesday.

Trenton labor has won two important victories. The master sheet metal workers decided Saturday night to accede to the demands made by their employes for \$3 a day pay and a half holiday on Saturday. This settles the strike and the men returned to labor Monday morning.

The master plumbers also agreed to pay their workmen their demands, which were \$3 a day and a half holiday on Saturday, and they went to work Monday morning.

Tinsmiths and plumbers at Shamokin, Pa., are on strike because their demands for a nine-hour day and ten per cent increase in wages were refused. Fifteen hundred men and boys also went on strike there at three individual operations because the owners wanted the miners to start work half hour later than at present in the morning and take a half hour longer for dinner. Three hundred more miners at another operation went on strike because the owners would not add another shift to their two-shift set of firemen.

Henry F. Hilfers and Henry C. Mueller, of the Essex Trades Council, have returned from Atlantic City, where they organized two labor unions during the last ten days. Mr. Hilfers formed a Cigarmaker's Union of twenty-five members, to which all of the other cigar makers at Atlantic City have applied for membership. The new union will be affiliated with the International Cigarmakers' Union. Mr. Mueller organized a Brewery Workers' Union, which includes all of the men employed in the one local brewery, and the five depots of the Philadelphia breweries at Atlantic City. The new organization has a membership of fifty men, and it will be affiliated with the National Brewery Workers' Union.

## The Theatres.

The distinct marvel of the season in New York is the spontaneous and lasting hit at Wallack's theatre of George Ade's merry musical satire, "The Sultan of Sulu." Since Sultan Ki-Ram appeared on Broadway with his bewitching wives and host of pretty girls the city has gone comic opera mad, as many as thirteen musical shows at one time bidding for favor. Out of this number only one that was there when the "Sultan" arrived, is still in the race and it has announced the end of its engagement. Never in the history of American opera has there been a parallel to the phenomenal success of Author Ade's first piece.

It is now understood that "The Sultan of Sulu," will remain in New York straight through the summer season when it will more than likely be followed at Wallack's by "Peggy from Paris," now the reigning success in Chicago. Recently advertisements have appeared in papers throughout the West announcing that "Peggy" will not be seen west of Chicago this season. If Mr. Savage should be as fortunate in New York with "Peggy" as with "The Sultan," Mr. Ade's second opera is not likely to be seen west of Chicago next season either.

Western music lovers are now in a position to congratulate New York since "The Prince of Pilsen" has scored its pronounced hit at the Broadway Theatre. Wherever this tuneful and laugh-provoking musical comedy was seen in the West it was pronounced one of the best entertainments of its kind yet brought out by Henry W. Savage. Record breaking business greeted it and there is a general impression that its authors, Pixley and Luders, have excelled their "King Dodo" in the new piece, at least New York thinks so.

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