DOCTORS HONOR DR. JACOBI

A NOTABLE GATHERING TO CELEBRATE HIS 70TH BIRTHDAY.

S. Weir Mitchell Writes a Poem for the Occasion—Leaders of the Medical Profession in New York Tell of Their Guest's Great Services—Dr. Osler's Witty Speech.

About four hundred men, mostly of the medical profession, met at Delmonico's last night to celebrate Dr. Abraham Jacobi's seventieth birthday and to present him with a "Festschrift" entitled "International Contributions to Medical Literature." It is the original work of many European men of science, written and compiled specially for this occasion, and is said to be the first thing of the kind ever presented to any man in this country. It consists of about five hundred pages. A thousand copies will be printed and distributed among those who were present last night and among the educational libraries of the country.

Next to Dr. Jacobi at the guest's table sat Carl Schurz, whose seventieth birthday was celebrated last year in the same place and with somewhat the same observances. Nearly every prominent physician in this city was present. It was said by one of them that there has never before been in this city an equally brilliant gathering of medical men.

The after-dinner part of the ceremonies was opened by Dr. Joseph D. Bryant, late President of the Academy of Medicine, who presided. He spoke briefly of Dr. Jacobi's career and of his contributions to science, and introduced R. U. Johnson, who read a poem written for the occasion by Dr. S. Weir Mitchell, the author. Part of the poem read:

No honors hath the State for you whose life
From youth to age has known one single end.
Take from our lips two well won titles now,
Magister et Amicus—Master, Friend.

Ave Magister! take from us to-night
The well-earned praise of all who love our art
For this long lesson of unending work,
For strength of brain and precious wealth of heart.

We gave you here a home; you well have paid
With many gifts proud freedom's generous hand
That bade you largely breathe a freer air,
And made you welcome to a freer land.

Ave Amicus! If around this board
Are they who watched you thro' laborious years,
Beyond these walls, in many a grateful home,
Your step dismissed a thousand pallid fears.

That kindly face, that gravely tender look,
Thro' darkened hours how many a mother knew!
And in that look won sweet reprieve of hope
Sure that all earth could give was there with you.

Dr. William H. Thomson was then introduced to speak of Dr. Jacobi as a physician. He reviewed the venerable physician's services to the science and practice of medicine, and was followed by Dr. William Osler of Johns Hopkins University, who spoke on Dr. Jacobi as a man of science. Dr. Osler is one of the most eminent physicians in the country, but those who looked for learned discourse from him last night were disappointed, for he proceeded to "jolly" the honored guest of the evening in the most approved style. The great point of Dr. Jacobi's writings, he said, was that there were so few of them, and that in a generation which writes unendingly on all conceivable subjects. After mentioning half a dozen of his works, each of which was his "most important," he went on to say that the really most important was his treatment of the subject of infant feeding.

"He is the banisher of colic and the soother of the infantile midnight," said Dr. Osler. "Had the babes and sucklings of the land any other language than a cry they would rise up and call him blessed. It was not my good fortune to be present at the last convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, but I am in receipt of some information from a friend of mine who was there, which information goes to show how the influence of Dr. Jacobi on behalf of the natural feeding of infants has spread the light. Here perhaps I should apologize to any young ladies who may be present in the gallery, but if the W. C. T. U. can stand it, I think they ought to be able to. The fact is, that estimable organization, I am given to understand, is going to form a Women's Infant Suckling Union. [Great laughter and some applause.]

"Legislation is to be proposed at the next Congress making it a criminal offence for a baby to receive anything but its natural food, and providing that if this cannot be obtained at home [laughter] it shall be applied for and received at the offices of the Women's Infant Suckling Union. [Laughter.] Profound investigation has discovered, I understand, that the debased and criminal and cranky of our land have been bottled-fed babies. All Silver Democrats, Populists and Christian Scientists, so the investigation shows, have been raised upon the bottle. The nation is being undermined and sapped at its very foundation by the soul-destroying bottle. [Cheers and whoops.] For this saving motion on the part of the W. C. T. U. the nation is indebted, without doubt, to the teachings of our friend, Dr. Jacobi."

Turning to a serious strain Dr. Osler said that Dr. Jacobi had maintained a fresh and vigorous intellect to an old age and was not one of those who had fallen behind the advance of science. He was the contemporary of the best thought of the present. President Seth Low was next introduced and spoke of Dr. Jacobi in his relation to medical education. Carl Schurz followed, speaking of the guest of honor as a citizen. Dr. A. G. Gerster made the address presenting the "Festschrift." There was great cheering when Dr. Jacobi rose to respond, the diners getting to their feet and waving their napkins. He said in part:

"There are but few of us that have a high opinion of the discernment and discretion of a large part of the public. For there is too much clairvoyance, Christian lack of science, medical sectarianism and medicine-chest quackery, and too much medical dilettantism among our well-clad and well-fed semi-instructed but uncultured and mentally unbalanced classes. Meantime the profession, and I among them, has plodded on. * * * The brave physician's work was always hard, for it is as difficult to save one life as it is easy to kill a thousand. That is why I cannot feel enthusiasm for the doctor who is occasionally puffed for leaving his humane work to participate in killing, nor for the injustice of history which mentions a thousand generals to one physician."

Among those present were Commissioner of Charities John W. Keller, Joseph Larocque, Dr. E. J. Janeway, Daniel S. Lamont, Charles S. Fairchild, Dr. James W. McLane, Dr. R. F. Weir, Dr. John S. Kennedy, W. D. Howells, Dr. F. H. Markoe, Dr. John B. Walker, Dr. G. M. Tuttle, Dr. F. P. Kinnicut, Dr. R. T. Morris, Dr. V. P. Gibney, Dr. S. H. Goodwillie, Dr. A. Von Briesen, H. E. Deming, Gustav H. Schwab, William Brookfield, Dr. C. L. Dana, Dr. Alexander Lambert, Dr. L. L. Seaman, Dr. L. E. Holt, Dr. C. A. Leale, Dr. H. M. Biggs, Hermann Ridder and W. P. Northrup.

SPINGLER HOUSE SHUTS UP.

George Hillen, Who Was Once Worth $300,000, Has "Gone Broke."

The Spingler House and its barroom, that was one of the noted drinking places of the town when Fourteenth street was the centre of the city's night activity, closed on May 1. The proprietor, George Hillen, who has run many saloons in this city, had not applied for a renewal of his liquor tax license. Mr. Hillen said last night that he was the victim of a run of hard luck that had left him, who had been worth $300,000, with nothing in the world but his good health and an honest name.

A few days ago there was recorded a chattel mortgage on the fixtures of the hotel in favor of Frank Raub, proprietor of the Elm Castle in Elm street. The mortgage was one that had been held by Mr. Raub for several years. Mr. Hillen said that it was not fair to ask Mr. Raub to hold it any longer. Most of Mr. Hillen's hard luck seems to have come in the form of overvalued leases. Last night he ran over a list of five or six properties of which he had bought the leases only to find himself unable to sublet them except at a great loss. The lease of the building at Broadway and Chambers street, recently torn down to make room for the Broadway Chambers, with the repairs and alterations he had made in it had cost him in this way over $100,000, he said. The rent of $16,000 he was obliged to pay for the Spingler House property, he said, was ruinous, now that the trade that used to come there had gone further uptown.

Mr. Raub, the holder of the chattel mortgage, said yesterday that Hillen's liabilities were about $70,000 most of which would be taken care of. Mr. Raub said that he would pay whatever obligations he had assumed for Mr. Hillen.

WOMEN SEEK D'ESSAUER.

The Bogus Bond Dealer Swindled Some of the Gentler Sex in Chicago.

CHICAGO, May 5.—Chicago women are figuring in the search for George D'Essauer, the missing bond forger. A South Side widow, who is said to have paid him $58,000 for some nicely engraved but otherwise worthless securities has put detectives on his trail and has offered a reward for his apprehension. Joining her in the offer of a reward is another South Side woman, who, it is said, trusted D'Essauer to the extent of $3,200. The LaSalle street financiers who bought bogus bonds from D'Essauer have abandoned hope of getting him. They believe he has gone abroad. Four of them who went East soon after the disclosures in regard to the forgeries have returned to Chicago without having been able to effect a settlement or to get a clue.

The attachment proceedings which hold D'Essauer's coupe and horse in the hands of the County Court were continued to-day for a hearing on Monday.

ACCUSES GOV. TAYLOR GRAVELY.

Wharton Golden Says Taylor Told Him Goebel Was Going to Be Killed.

FRANKFORT, Ky., May 5.—The testimony on a motion for bail for W. H. Culton, charged with accessory to the murder of William Goebel was concluded in the Circuit Court this afternoon. Among the important witnesses introduced to-day was Wharton Golden, who made the first statement of the case on the examining trial of Caleb Powers. Golden reviewed his former testimony about bringing mountain men here, and went at length into plans. He said the men brought here were to go into the Legislative halls and kill enough to make a Republican majority. He added:

"Culton told me they were to go there and others did also. Charles Finley in the presence of myself and Caleb Powers said 'We'll go down and petition the Legislature and if they don't do what we ask will kill them.' Powers said 'Yes, by God, that's what we will do.'"

Golden further said that Caleb Powers had a conversation with him in a walk which they took to the cemetery in which he told him of the plan to kill Goebel, a few days before the killing. Golden said that Gov. Taylor had told him that Goebel was to be killed, and further said:

"My God, it is an awful thing to kill a man, but not worse than the crimes which have been committed against us."

Golden testified that Culton had told him that the man who had shot Goebel was so drunk he could hardly stand up. George Hemphill testified that Youtsey came into the Assistant Secretary of State's office much excited and out of breath shortly following the Goebel shooting. Walter Day testified that Youtsey had come to him a few days before Goebel was shot and told him that Goebel could be put out of the way for $300.

Various telegrams sent by the Postal Company were presented and read. Duane Sinclair, the manager of the company at the time of the shooting testified:

"On the Friday before the killing Gov. Taylor and Gen. Collier conferred with me regarding putting a wire into the Executive Building. Gov. Taylor said there was likely to be a rush and he wanted a man who would swear secrecy as operator."

Constable David Harrod was sworn. He said:

"Just after the shooting I ran into the Executive Building, using the west door. A man came out of the Secretary of State's office into the main hall with his head down, and darted under the stairway, going into the basement. He was low and heavy set. Two men also seemed to be hiding behind the elevator. Both men were of medium height and wore mustaches. I ran to the office of the Secretary of State. It was ajar about twelve inches. As I tried to open it somebody on the inside pushed against it. I put my shoulder to the door and shoved. As I did so the door gave way, and I saw a pistol muzzle. A big tall man standing in the room was aiming at me. Somebody else jerked the door wide open, and he advanced. I fell back, and the tall man and five others rushed out and surrounded me. All had pistols. I asked several questions, but they would not answer. I stepped out of the door and got away. All of them eyed me closely, but would not speak, except the tall man, who said something once.

"The tall man was about fifty years old. He had a mustache and grayish hair. The others were slender. None of the men I have mentioned looked like Culton. Culton was not among them; neither was Finley, nor Berry Howard, nor Davis, nor Combs, nor Wharton Golden. I do not know Jim Howard, and cannot tell whether he was there or not."

Judge Cantrill at 9:30 o'clock to-night overruled the motion for bail asked by W. H. Culton. The other prisoners in the conspiracy cases will be removed to Georgetown early next week. The Beckham soldiers will be removed at the same time.

FROM NOME GOLD FIELDS.

Five Men Reach Seattle With $50,000 in Gold Dust—Rush to the New Fields.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 5.—Five men from Nome arrived to-day on the steamer Bertha, bringing news to March 17 and $50,000 in gold dust. The largest strike of the season was made by the Morgan Exploration Party, which returned from the new diggings, ninety miles north of Nome, bringing $70,000 in gold dust as the result of the winter's work. A stampede had set in for the new mining district. Seattle is filled with men outfitting for the Nome mines and it is anticipated that twenty vessels will sail from this port next week.

OLIVER COTTER DEAD.

The Once Famous Temperance Spy Whose Picture Was in Almost Every Saloon.

Oliver Cotter, the former noted temperance emissary, died suddenly of heart failure on Friday at his home, 400 Bainbridge street, Brooklyn. About twenty years ago he caused a sensation in Brooklyn by suddenly abandoning his profitable saloon business, allying himself with the Prohibitionists and starting a fierce warfare on violators of the Excise law, especially on those who engaged in Sunday traffic.

He organized a large band of aids, who acted as spies on the saloonkeepers and personally conducted the prosecutions of alleged delinquents before the Police Commissioners. He was thus instrumental in having hundreds of licenses revoked and sent some of the offenders to the penitentiary. Similar efforts were made by the saloonkeepers to entrap him and he was frequently assaulted. He was said to have been drugged on one occasion and then exposed in public, the intention being to convey the impression that he had resumed his drinking habits. His crusade continued five or six years and ended suddenly in the withdrawal for some unexplained reason of the support of the churches. He then became the agent for a cigar firm, at whose head was a former police commissioner and he found most of his customers among the saloonkeepers, whom he had persecuted. Of late years he had been in the insurance business. He was in his seventy-first year. At one time his picture was in almost every saloon in this city and Brooklyn in order that the barkeepers might recognize him if he should visit them.

OBITUARY.

Word reached this city yesterday of the death in Santa Barbara, Cal., on Friday of Benjamin Douglass, one of the founders of R. G. Dun & Co. Death was caused by apoplexy. Mr. Douglass was born in Baltimore 45 years ago and came to this city when a young man. In the early '40's with Lewis Tappan he founded the mercantile agency of Tappan & Douglass. This afterward became known as B. Douglass & Co. when Mr. Tappan retired from the firm. In 1859 Mr. Douglass retired, and the firm became known as R. G. Dun & Co. In 1876 he again became interested and had charge of the Chicago agency until 1880 when he retired. He then moved to Santa Barbara, Cal., and devoted his time to studying Hebrew literature. He was the author of a number of books treating of the Presbyterian creed.

Eugene C. Sutton, one of the oldest employees of the New York Custom House, died at his home in Greenwich, Conn., on Friday of pneumonia. He was born at Southold, L. I., on June 25, 1840. Prior to his appointment as a Custom House employee he was employed by certain newspapers to collect the Custom House statistics of exports. On May 15, 1862, he was officially appointed to do practically the same work as a Government employee being designated as the clerk in charge of statistics of exports for newspaper publication, which place he had since held.

Carl Wylie Scofield died suddenly yesterday in his apartments at 421 West Fifty-seventh street of cerebral apoplexy. Mr. Scofield was born 61 years ago at Peterborough, N.Y., and was at one time associated with Henry C. Bowen in the *Independent*. Then he went into the oil business up the State and was successful for a number of years, but finally, it is said, lost $1,200,000. Afterward he organized the tidal Oil Company, which has offices at 11 Broadway. A widow and a son survive him.

James H. Phyfe, who was superintendent of New York Central and Hudson River Railroad for a number of years, died at his home in this city on Thursday from pneumonia. He entered the employ of the railroad as a water boy in 1854 and resigned the post of superintendent a short time ago. He was a member of Courtlandt Lodge and for four years its master. He leaves a widow, two sons and two daughters. He was buried yesterday afternoon from his country home in Peekskill.

Mrs. Richard Lloyd Willing died at her home in Philadelphia yesterday. She was born in Philadelphia and was a daughter of Mr. William Ashhurst, her mother being Miss Howe of New York before her marriage. Mr. Willing lived for many years in New York, but usually spent the winters in Philadelphia.

Robert McKee died yesterday in St. Louis, at the McKee family residence. He was a son of the late Henry McKee and brother of Charles H. McKee, Vice-President of the *Globe* Publishing Company. He was 50 years of age and had been connected with the *Globe-Democrat* for many years.

A Victory for the Pennsylvania Freshman Crew.

PHILADELPHIA, May 5.—The University of Pennsylvania freshman crew won a one and one-half mile race from the Fairmount Park Boat Club crew this afternoon by three lengths. The freshmen won by a hard spurt in the last quarter mile. Time 7 minutes and 46 seconds.

Boston Sends $4,000 to Ottawa Sufferers.

BOSTON, May 5.—The Citizens' Committee has sent $4,000 to the relief of the Ottawa fire sufferers.

METHODISTS IN SESSION.

CONSOLIDATION OF MINOR BODIES DEBATED AT CHICAGO.

Layman Throws a Bombshell by Declaring That the Church Is Retrograding Through Neglect—No Thanks to Bishop Hartzell.

CHICAGO, May 5.—Consolidation of certain powerful societies now working under the auspices of the Methodist Church was the chief topic of discussion at the Methodist Quadrennial Conference to-day. A strong movement was made looking to the union of the Church Extension, Freedmen's Aid and Southern Educational work with that of the Home Mission Department, the combination to be known as the Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Church.

Debate on the consolidation scheme was animated. Earnest discussion with many amendments took up nearly an hour, after which the subject went over for a report on next Friday. Each organization is to furnish a committee of five to debate the consolidation question and to make a joint report.

Something of a surprise resulted from an address issued by C. W. Pearsons, a layman, to the Conference, calling for earnest work to avert further decline in membership. The address said:

"What is the meaning of the decline in the membership of our Church to which our attention has lately been drawn, not by enemies or alarmists, but by our chief pastors, the Board of Bishops. The Methodist Church during its short life has preached and sung its way into every quarter of the globe. That such a cause should have been brought to a standstill, should have suffered a decline is surely something portentous and dreadful.

"The cause is utterly simple. It is neglect of duty. It is failure to use opportunity.

"We have refused the new light and halted upon the threshold of new duties. We have disobeyed the divine command to go forward.

The preaching of the Methodist Church has not kept pace with the general progress of the scholarship or even with the progress in its own colleges and theological seminaries. We must avail ourselves of all the new helps, recognize all the new truths, strengthen our teaching by all the newly discovered and powerful arguments and analogies. We need a thorough sifting of our creeds to bring them into accord with the present conditions of biblical and scientific scholarship. Let us know the results of modern scholarship. If the new views are wrong, overcome them by facts and arguments. If they are right, accept them and preach them, but do not by a timid neutrality sap the mental and spiritual life of the Church."

The whole assembly rose when I. N. Thomas of Washington Conference introduced a memorial to Dwight L. Moody. The great evangelist was duly honored by the Methodists, who voted as one man that his passing had been a distinct loss to Christianity, and that the Conference, recognizing the worth of work he did, now hoped that his mantle might fall on worthy shoulders.

A slight outbreak of pro-Boer feeling as an aftermath of Bishop Hartzell's recent South African lecture, appeared in the Conference toward noon, the result of a motion to thank Bishop Hartzell for his lecture. Before the flame died down the motion of thanks was tabled; then everybody tried to tell the meeting that no slight was meant to Bishop Hartzell, and compliments by wholesale were directed at the latter.

Committee reports were called for, but were not yet ready and the Conference adjourned.

It is now thought certain that the Committee on Itinerancy will vote to abolish the time limit of five years for pastorates, substituting, in all probability, an arrangement whereby the pastor may remain ten years at one church or be reappointed year by year by the bishops. Dr. J. M. Buckley favors the appointment from year to year, and his plan will probably go through.

Dr. Buckley, incidentally, is expected to break some records in the line of frequent speaking. At the last Quadrennial Conference he spoke 671 times and was hampered by not having easy access to the stage. A special speakers' platform has been constructed at the Auditorium and some delegates predict that with this advantage the New York editor will be heard 900 times or more. A noticeable point about Dr. Buckley's speaking is the magnetism which he seems to hold over whatever Bishop may be presiding. If Dr. Buckley wishes to speak he is always recognized even in a tumult of twenty delegates all clamoring for the floor. So far he has swayed the convention at his will and everything he has advocated has gone through.

The Committee on Revivals, it is thought, has about as hard a task ahead of it as any of the standing bodies. Matters of discipline must be handled by this committee.

THEATRICAL OCCASIONS.

Enthusiastic Farewells at the Fifth Avenue and Weber & Fields's.

Last night was a memorable one at two New York theatres, one because of the extra enthusiasm on the part of the audience, and the other because it was the end of a playhouse's long career as a caterer to the admirers of the best in stage entertainment. At 11:30 o'clock the Fifth Avenue closed its doors, which have been opened for so many years as a home of drama, and to-morrow it will reopen with a continuous show. The bill was "Cricket on the Hearth" and "Lend Me Five Shillings," with Joseph Jefferson in his familiar impersonations of *Caleb Plummer* and *Mr. Golightly*. Between the two plays he was called upon for a speech. He said that as it was the closing of the theatre and his farewell for this season he thought it excusable to step out of his character and speak to the audience. He went on to say that, health permitting, he would appear again next year.

"I acted in this very play in 1860," he continued. "The critics and many friends have asked me why I did not enact some new part, but you know there are many people who think they know another's business. As long as you, the public, like to see me in my familiar rôles I shall continue to act them, and you don't seem tired yet."

There was much applause and a bouquet thrown to him. The New York public thinks only of the person who is in evidence. There were no calls for Edwin Knowles, who, as manager of the Fifth Avenue for four years, has shown the best actors in the best plays. He said last night that next winter would find him directing another playhouse. The entire staff of the Fifth Avenue has been reengaged, though all refuse to say anything definite about Mr. Knowles's schemes.

The Fifth Avenue was filled, in fact, the orchestra was under the stage to give more room, with an enthusiastic audience, representative of the culture of the city. At Weber & Fields's an equally representative gathering was seen, and a more noisily enthusiastic one. Every one who is any one in the fast set of the metropolis was there, and many fashionables. The flower display looked as if every one in the packed house had brought a bouquet. Nothing to surpass it in mass and beauty has been seen in a theatre since the opening of Hammerstein's Olympia four years ago. One piece was unique enough to attract attention. It was a wheelbarrow massed with roses. In the midst of the flowers sat a large doll, dressed to represent Irene Perry as she looked in "Barbara Frietchie." It was an exact copy, even the features of the doll seeming to resemble the actress. The comedians played their parts with extra gusto and more jokes. After the show the flowers were passed on the stage, and the audience waited a quarter of an hour listening to speeches. Lillian Russell, May Robson and Irene Perry spoke modestly, but Peter Dailey was not troubled that way. He acted as introducer and was a whole entertainment in himself. To repeat his remarks without the Dailey manner would be to make them sound flat and silly. John Kelly, David Warfield, Julian Mitchell, Charles Ross and Joseph Weber also thanked the audience amusingly. Louis Fields was loudly called for, but for some unknown reason refused to appear.

BANK ROBBERS GET $6,000.

Drilled the Big Safe and Blew Off the Lock—Posse in Pursuit.

PITTSBURG, Pa., May 5.—The East Brady National Bank, at East Brady, Pa., was entered last night by robbers, who got away with $6,000. Advices from East Brady say that the robbers gained entrance by cutting a pane of glass out of the rear door of the building. They then entered the banking room and blew open the safe. There was nobody in or near the bank at the time of the robbery, but the noise of the explosion attracted several persons to the scene. They arrived just in time to see the robbers escaping. A posse was soon formed and started in pursuit. An investigation showed that the big safe had been drilled and the lock blown off. Much of the money was in silver, so heavy that it is supposed the robbers were obliged to conceal it in the neighborhood.

GEN. OTIS LEAVES MANILA.

MacArthur Now in Command—Americans Take Possession of Marinduque Island.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

MANILA, May 5.—Gen. Otis arrived at the Ayuntamiento at his customary hour to-day and afterward formally transferred his command to Gen. MacArthur.

At 4 o'clock this afternoon, accompanied by Gen. MacArthur and his aides, he started for the transport Meade. Gen. Otis was escorted by his old regiment, the Twentieth, and a battalion of the Fourteenth, the bands playing "Auld Lang Syne." When the General passed Fort Santiago the land battery fired a salute and then the war vessels took it up and paid their respects to the departing commander.

Marinduque Island, off the south coast of Luzon, has been quietly occupied by American troops. The insurgents had evidently intended to make a fight, as a number of trenches were discovered. The main portion of the population fled to the interior, ten miles from the capital.

The insurgent Governor appeared on the scene and opened a correspondence with Col. Hardin of the Twenty-ninth Volunteer Infantry. The result was that the Governor surrendered four towns, and Major Case with two companies of the Twenty-ninth marched twenty-five miles cross country to receive the surrender.

The island of Santa Cruz, off the north coast of Luzon, has practically not been affected by the insurrection.

Presidente Alcala of Luzon has been tried by a military commission on a charge of conspiracy with guerrillas. He was found guilty and sentenced to five years' imprisonment at hard labor and to pay a fine of $2,000.

"QUO VADIS" IN LONDON.

The Stanislaus Stange Version Received With Favor.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, May 5.—Stanislaus Stange's version of "Quo Vadis," which created much stir owing to the reported differences of the rival adapters, was produced at the Adelphi to-night. The play affords little suggestion of the scholarly tone of the novel, but it was received with sincere delight which rose to enthusiasm at the thrilling parts. The play will doubtless be a great success through its startling appeals to the eye and ear. Lena Ashwell and Robert Taber won demonstrative applause.

THE BAN ON THE QUIRINAL PALACE.

Pope Refused a Request of King Humbert's Chaplain to Bless It in Holy Week.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, May 5.—It is stated from Rome that King Humbert's chaplain asked permission on Thursday of holy week to bless the Quirinal palace, and the Pope refused. According to the canons the Church in this holy year should cancel all excommunications, so there has been much comment upon the severity shown. It is hoped that the ban upon the Quirinal will be removed before the close of the holy year on Dec. 24.

CHOLERA APPEARS IN INDIA.

Fifty Deaths a Day at the Virangam Famine Relief Works.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

BOMBAY, May 5.—There has been a serious outbreak of cholera among the natives at the Virangam Famine Relief Works. The deaths average fifty a day. Yesterday 200 of the natives became panic stricken and fled from the town.

Protest From Ladysmith.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, May 5.—A despatch from Ladysmith says the Town Council will hold a meeting to protest against the action of the Compensation Committee which has decided to consider only claims for direct and absolute losses during the siege.

Platt-Betts's Good Time on a Bicycle.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, May 5.—At Catford to-day Platt-Betts cycled six, seven and eight miles in 10 minutes and 25 4-5 seconds, 12 minutes and 10 seconds, and 13 minutes and 54 1-5 seconds, respectively.

TOM REED AND DEPEW TO THE BAR.

That Is, the Westchester Bar, Which Had a Pretty Late Dinner in Town.

Over 150 members of the Westchester Bar Association sat down to the fourth annual dinner of the association at the Murray Hill Hotel last evening. Ex-Speaker Thomas B. Reed came early and occupied a seat on the right of the President, Joseph S. Wood. Senator Depew came in at 10:30 o'clock and was greeted with an outburst of handclaps.

Justice Edward Hatch of the Appellate Division made a humorous speech immediately after the opening address of the chairman, Simeon Ford of the Grand Union Hotel addressed the lawyers as "Fellow members of the bar," and said that, whereas he had never before had the pleasure of meeting all members of the Westchester Bar collectively, he had seen them all individually and in groups of from three to five at the bar, over which he now had some supervision.

"I studied law myself," he said, "but not long enough to unfit myself for graver pursuits. I abandoned the law. I did not feel that I ought to crowd out such men as Mr. Choate, Mr. Reed and Abe Hummel."

Mr. Ford's characteristic speech kept the lawyers in roars of laughter for ten minutes, after which Mr. Reed was introduced and was received with three cheers.

"I have been deceived," he said. "I had supposed that the Westchester bar was a sort of bucolic association that had drifted down here by chance that you represented the cream of the country. But I find from some of your remarks here to-night that you are not the innocent persons I thought you were.

"Everything in this world goes by contraries. You never can get the things you want, and you never can refuse the things you don't want. You have exported all your great orators. You have sent Mr. Depew to Washington. It is only providential when he is with you. You ought to give him a chance to make some of the speeches that come to me."

Senator Depew said that he had been three months now in the Senate, studying the greatest deliberative body in the world with all the care of a young member, and I now think," he said, "that if the Westchester county bar should organize a deliberative body it would do very well. [Groans.] I thought that would touch you on the ganglionic nerve. I have been a member of the Westchester bar myself and know what fits well."

Senator Depew was followed by a number of other speakers.

The last train for West Chester leaves a little after 12 o'clock and the lawyers broke up shortly before that hour and turned their faces northward.

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GEN. OTIS LEAVES MANILA.

MacArthur Now in Command—Americans Take Possession of Marinduque Island.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

MANILA, May 5.—Gen. Otis arrived at the Ayuntamiento at his customary hour to-day and afterward formally transferred his command to Gen. MacArthur.

At 4 o'clock this afternoon, accompanied by Gen. MacArthur and his aides, he started for the transport Meade. Gen. Otis was escorted by his old regiment, the Twentieth, and a battalion of the Fourteenth, the bands playing "Auld Lang Syne." When the General passed Fort Santiago the land battery fired a salute and then the war vessels took it up and paid their respects to the departing commander.

Marinduque Island, off the south coast of Luzon, has been quietly occupied by American troops. The insurgents had evidently intended to make a fight, as a number of trenches were discovered. The main portion of the population fled to the interior, ten miles from the capital.

The insurgent Governor appeared on the scene and opened a correspondence with Col. Hardin of the Twenty-ninth Volunteer Infantry. The result was that the Governor surrendered four towns, and Major Case with two companies of the Twenty-ninth marched twenty-five miles cross country to receive the surrender.

The island of Santa Cruz, off the north coast of Luzon, has practically not been affected by the insurrection.

Presidente Alcala of Luzon has been tried by a military commission on a charge of conspiracy with guerrillas. He was found guilty and sentenced to five years' imprisonment at hard labor and to pay a fine of $2,000.

"QUO VADIS" IN LONDON.

The Stanislaus Stange Version Received With Favor.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, May 5.—Stanislaus Stange's version of "Quo Vadis," which created much stir owing to the reported differences of the rival adapters, was produced at the Adelphi to-night. The play affords little suggestion of the scholarly tone of the novel, but it was received with sincere delight which rose to enthusiasm at the thrilling parts. The play will doubtless be a great success through its startling appeals to the eye and ear. Lena Ashwell and Robert Taber won demonstrative applause.

THE BAN ON THE QUIRINAL PALACE.

Pope Refused a Request of King Humbert's Chaplain to Bless It in Holy Week.

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LONDON, May 5.—It is stated from Rome that King Humbert's chaplain asked permission on Thursday of holy week to bless the Quirinal palace, and the Pope refused. According to the canons the Church in this holy year should cancel all excommunications, so there has been much comment upon the severity shown. It is hoped that the ban upon the Quirinal will be removed before the close of the holy year on Dec. 24.

CHOLERA APPEARS IN INDIA.

Fifty Deaths a Day at the Virangam Famine Relief Works.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

BOMBAY, May 5.—There has been a serious outbreak of cholera among the natives at the Virangam Famine Relief Works. The deaths average fifty a day. Yesterday 200 of the natives became panic stricken and fled from the town.

Protest From Ladysmith.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, May 5.—A despatch from Ladysmith says the Town Council will hold a meeting to protest against the action of the Compensation Committee which has decided to consider only claims for direct and absolute losses during the siege.

Platt-Betts's Good Time on a Bicycle.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, May 5.—At Catford to-day Platt-Betts cycled six, seven and eight miles in 10 minutes and 25 4-5 seconds, 12 minutes and 10 seconds, and 13 minutes and 54 1-5 seconds, respectively.

TOM REED AND DEPEW TO THE BAR.

That Is, the Westchester Bar, Which Had a Pretty Late Dinner in Town.

Over 150 members of the Westchester Bar Association sat down to the fourth annual dinner of the association at the Murray Hill Hotel last evening. Ex-Speaker Thomas B. Reed came early and occupied a seat on the right of the President, Joseph S. Wood. Senator Depew came in at 10:30 o'clock and was greeted with an outburst of handclaps.

Justice Edward Hatch of the Appellate Division made a humorous speech immediately after the opening address of the chairman. Simeon Ford of the Grand Union Hotel addressed the lawyers as "Fellow members of the bar," and said that, whereas he had never before had the pleasure of meeting all members of the Westchester Bar collectively, he had seen them all individually and in groups of from three to five at the bar, over which he now had some supervision.

"I studied law myself," he said, "but not long enough to unfit myself for graver pursuits. I abandoned the law. I did not feel that I ought to crowd out such men as Mr. Choate, Mr. Reed and Abe Hummel."

Mr. Ford's characteristic speech kept the lawyers in roars of laughter for ten minutes, after which Mr. Reed was introduced and was received with three cheers.

"I have been deceived," he said. "I had supposed that the Westchester bar was a sort of bucolic association that had drifted down here by chance that you represented the cream of the country. But I find from some of your remarks here to-night that you are not the innocent persons I thought you were.

"Everything in this world goes by contraries. You never can get the things you want, and you never can refuse the things you don't want. You have exported all your great orators. You have sent Mr. Depew to Washington. It is only providential when he is with you. You ought to give him a chance to make some of the speeches that come to me."

Senator Depew said that he had been three months now in the Senate, studying the greatest deliberative body in the world with all the care of a young member, and I now think," he said, "that if the Westchester county bar should organize a deliberative body it would do very well. [Groans.] I thought that would touch you on the ganglionic nerve. I have been a member of the Westchester bar myself and know what fits well."

Senator Depew was followed by a number of other speakers.

The last train for West Chester leaves a little after 12 o'clock and the lawyers broke up shortly before that hour and turned their faces northward.

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