'RIP VAN WINKLE' PLEASES AS OPERA

Reginald de Koven's Work Has Spirit of Frank, Good Humor.

MADE FOR POPULAR EAR

Percy Mackaye's Book Marked by Picturesqueness and Winning Humanity.

"Rip Van Winkle"—At the Lexington Theatre.

Rip Van Winkle....Georges Baklanoff
Hendrick Hudson....Hector Dufranne
Dirck Spuytenduyvil..Edouard Cotreuil
Nicholas Vedder...Gustave Haberdeau
Peterkee.....Evelyn Herbert
Katrina.....Edna Darch
Derrick van Bummel
Constantin Nicolay
Jan van Bummel....Edmond Warnery
Hans van Bummel.....Harold Carroll
Goose Girl.....Emma Noe

"Rip Van Winkle," folk opera in four acts, the book by Percy Mackaye, the music by Reginald de Koven, was produced last night at the Lexington Theatre by the Chicago Opera Company. The librettist and composer were commissioned to write this work by the late Cleofonte Campanini. They have therefore the distinction of being the first of the small company of American contributors to the theatre of grand opera to receive such an order. Their creation was first performed on any stage at the Auditorium Theatre in Chicago on January 3 of the present year.

The title folk opera was undoubtedly adopted to direct attention to the undisguised purpose of the colaborers. They set out to create a popular opera, thoroughly American in flavor, on an American subject. Doubtless astonishment would be caused by the expression of a doubt that the subject would be acclaimed as purely American, but such a question obtrudes itself at the very outset.

Ormandine threw St. David into a sleep of seven years, from which he was awakened by St. George. Epimenides the Gnostic slept fifty-seven years. Gyneth, under the spell of Merlin, slept 500 years. There are many more and also a formidable list of those who slumber and are yet to be awakened—Elijah, Endymion, King Arthur, Frederick Barbarossa, Charlemagne and several others.

Story of Bruennhilde.

But still closer to Mr. Mackaye's version of the Rip legend stands the story of Bruennhilde, who was thrown into a magic sleep by *Wotan*, and remained in it while *Siegfried* grew up to manhood, so that he could marry her. One would hardly except to find in the blessed little *Peterkee* of the new opera a replica of young *Siegfried* while she waited for Rip to emerge from his sleep on the charmed mountain and to drink a magic draught (like several Wagnerian personages) and regain his youth.

Even were there no resemblances in European legends to our Hudson Valley myth, we doubt whether denizens of the Far West or even the Mississippi Valley would regard it as anything but local. All our Knickerbocker forefathers, yea, even Hardkopping Piet himself, may not greatly interest the sons of the prairies and the canyons.

There is no need to recount in detail Mr. Mackaye's story. He has taken liberties with the original, as he had a right to do, and has made a practical and effective opera book, filled with opportunities for pretty music and those spectacular scenic effects without which the opera of our day is but a beggar on horseback. The chief point is the appearance of the spook *Hendrick Hudson* in the first act, when *Rip* is late for his own wedding and turned off by the irate bride *Katrina*. *Hendrick* invites *Rip* to visit him in the mountains and promises to give him a magic flask if he comes.

Peterkee, a little girl, follows *Rip* to the heights, where all sorts of ghostly doings go on, not, of course, omitting the thunderous game of bowls. *Hendrick* and his mate *Dirck* scheme to mate *Rip* with *Peterkee* and deliberately put him to sleep for twenty years, so that the girl may return to her village and grow up. *Rip* descends from the mountains after his twenty years, according to the old story. Mocked and abused, he is suddenly restored to youth by a drink from the magic flask and goes off to his wedding with *Peterkee*.

Book's Picturesque Quality.

Mr. Mackaye's book is much better than this crude and hasty outline indicates. It has a picturesque quality, and its action, built though it is upon an enlarged form of the legend, has a winning humanity. *Rip* is the same old good for naught with the lovable nature, and *Peterkee*, thrust into the tale by the librettist, is a sympathetic addition. But in regard to the literary quality of the book there is less praise to be uttered than was given to "The Canterbury Pilgrims."

Mr. de Koven, who unfortunately was taken away before his opera had clearly defined its place on the American stage, was too experienced a writer for the theatre to make the blunder of endeavoring to compose what the Italians call an "opera seria." The title "folk" opera must be kept always in mind. The composer evidently did not at any moment lost sight of the nature of an old wives' tale.

The first act at any rate is frankly made for the popular ear. It contains much choral music of operetta type, two effective solos for *Rip*, one for *Katrina*, one for the *Goose Girl* and two for *Peterkee*. The finale is excellently worked up. If any fault is to be found it is that there is not enough contrast in the music. It is all too pretty. One yearns for a single stave of grimness—a folk Leo Ornstein, for instance.

The character of the music did not change in the subsequent acts. It was plainly not Mr. de Koven's intention to use any of the tricks of the composer of serious legendary operas in delineating the abodes of mystery or the personalities of ghostly people. He doubtless had Weber and "Der Freischuetz" in mind and wisely avoided the pitfall of imitation. His spooks were a jolly gang and they even indulged in the happy rhythm of a waltz.

Opportunities for Applause.

All the music is conceived in a spirit of frank good humor and the audience found many opportunities for applause. Mr. de Koven's old admirers must have noted a falling off in readiness and spontaneity, but the composer was not a man in good health when he wrote this score. These impressions of a first hearing might be modified by repetitions, and they have, therefore, not battled too furiously with these melodious butterflies.

The opera was very handsomely mounted. The view of the mountains from the shore of the Hudson was excellent, and the rocky pass leading to the hiding place of Hendrick Hudson and the crew of the Half Moon had the necessary air of mystery and threat. The performance was generally good, though its chief distinctions were achieved by Mr. Baklanoff as *Rip*, Miss Herbert as *Peterkee* and Mr. Dufranne as *Hendrick Hudson*. Miss Herbert was quite piquant and pleasing, and when not obliged to emit high tones sang tolerably.

After the second act the applause was long and hearty, in response to which Percy Mackaye made a speech, dwelling upon Mr. de Koven's creative power an dhis feeling for the spirit of youth

In the Audience.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Graham Miles in honor of the debut of their friend, Miss Evelyn Herbert, who sang *Peterkee*, had a party that filled several boxes. Among their guests were Judge and Mrs. Elbert H. Gary, Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Courtland Penfield, Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Whiton, Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Cartier, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen C. Millett, A. Morris Bagby, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hagen, Mr. and Mrs. John McKay, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Breed, Mr. and Mrs. Christopher D. Smithers, Mrs. J. West Hornor, William T. Koch, Marshall Prentiss and F. S. Bacon.

There were also in the audience Mrs. Frederick W. Whitridge, Mrs. Cadwalader Jones, Mrs. William F. Sheehan, Dr. and Mrs. Norman E. Ditman, Mrs. Henry Bischoff, Miss Betty Collamore, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Hinshaw, Mrs. James K. Hackett, Mrs. Edward Waite, Mrs. James Speiker, Miss Florence Rhett, Mrs. William Stafford, Mrs. J. W. Seligman and George Ledlie.

MABEL SMITH HEARD FOR FIRST TIME HERE

Guiomar Novaes Again Assists Philharmonic Society.

Three entertainments in the concert field took place yesterday, with one given by a new singer here. At Carnegie Hall the Philharmonic Society gave its regular Friday concert, with Guiomar Novaes as the assisting artist in place of Percy Grainger, as she had been at the society's concert the night before because of Mr. Grainger's illness. At yesterday's concert Mr. Grainger was to have appeared on the programme playing Tchaikovsky's piano concerto and conducting his new composition, "The Warriors," music to an imaginary ballet with Ralph Leopold playing the piano solo. Miss Novaes again played the Schumann piano concert, thus making a record for herself of three performances of the work at concerts of the society within the week. The orchestral numbers were Beethoven's "Coriolanus" overture, the Fourth symphony of Brahms and Weber's "Euryanthe" overture.

At Aeolian Hall in the afternoon Mabel Corlew Smith, soprano, with Coenraad Bos at the piano, gave her first song recital here. Her well chosen programme included old classic airs, modern French and Russian songs, and a manuscript song by Sturkow-Ryder entitled "Loneliness." The singer's work disclosed fine taste, intelligence and a good command of style. In Meyerbeer's air "Robertо, Oh che adoro" there was insufficient technic and here, as elsewhere, a poor management of her voice, which naturally is of good light quality, marred her delivery.

In the evening at Aeolian Hall Olga Steeb, pianist, and Sascha Jacobinoff gave a joint recital. The pianist had first been heard here earlier in this season, when she proved to be a player of graceful accomplishments. As the opening number the two artists played Franck's piano and violin sonata. Together they gave a well balanced delivery of the work. It lacked somewhat in incisiveness, but all in all the work was given in a musicianly manner. Mr. Jacobinoff has not been heard here for some time. His playing last night showed a general gain in finish. His tone is an exceptionally beautiful one.

MRS. LEEDS TO WED ROYAL PRINCE TO-DAY

Son of Late King George of Greece Will Marry Her.

According to cables received from Geneva, Switzerland, Mrs. Nancy Stewart Leeds, widow of William B. Leeds, will be married there to-day to Prince Christopher of Greece. Mrs. Leeds became a widow in 1908 when her husband died in Paris. She received a large fortune which her husband had made in the tin plate industry, and before his death she had a position of prominence in New York society as well as in Europe.

There have been frequent rumors that Mrs. Leeds would marry in Europe and from time to time there also have been reports that she would become the wife of Prince Christopher. When in London she was much in the company of the late Lady Paget, wife of Gen. Sir Arthur Paget, who was Miss Minnie Stevens, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Paran Stevens of New York.

About ten years ago Mrs. Leeds bought of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderbilt their villa in Newport known as Rough Point, which she expected to use for a summer home. Alterations were begun on the place, but the work never was completed. The villa has been vacant ever since. During the summer of 1912 Mrs. Leeds was in Newport, and she came back the following year owing to the illness of her father, William C. Stewart of Cleveland, who died that year. She has kept up homes in London and Paris and has a son, William Bateman Leeds, who is a student at Eton in England.

Prince Christopher is a son of the late King George of Greece, who was a brother of Queen Alexandra of England. By her marriage Mrs. Leeds will be related to some of the royal families of Europe.

NAVY DANCE AT NEWPORT.

Fourth of Series Is Given at Training Station.

Special Despatch to THE SUN.

NEWPORT, Jan. 30.—Capt. and Mrs. D. E. Dismukes, Commander and Mrs. H. N. Johnston and Ensign and Mrs. C. [illegible] acted as the receiving committee [illegible] the course of the series of [illegible] the officers of the naval [illegible]

[illegible] has decided to discontinue her Saturday afternoons at home until after Lent.

Commander and Mrs. George C. Logan gave a dinner prior to the dance at the naval station.

Lawrence L. Gillespie of New York made an inspection of his Newport home to-day. He returned to New York to-night.

MANY DANCES GIVEN FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel C. Mabon Entertain for Debutante Niece.

BALL AT RITZ-CARLTON

The Virginians Have Dinner at Plaza—Benefits for Home Charities.

There were numerous dances last night for young people in society. One of them was given in the white and gold room of the Plaza by Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Clifton Mabon for their niece, Miss Laura Mabon, the debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Mabon. At midnight a supper was served in an adjoining room.

The guests were seated at a horseshoe shaped table which was decorated with roses and Southern smilax. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. James B. Mabon, Mr. and Mrs. Abel Irwin Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Carle, Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Harkness, Mr. and Mrs. James C. Rogerson, Mrs. Andrew Alvord, Mrs. William T. Koch, the Misses Helena Ogden, Betty Jackson, Elsie Parsons, Katherine Bliss, Elsie Morrill, Ailsa Mellon of Pittsburg, Marion Carroll, Dorothy Clapp, Eleanor B. Palmer, Renee Carhart, Adelaide Kip Rhinelander and Mary Strange.

There were also present J. Reginald Foster, William Floyd-Jones, Paul Abbott, Harvey Childs 3d., Jarvis Cromwell, Frank Gould, Richard Hartshorne, Philip A. S. Franklin, Jr., Burton Closson, Sheldon Abbott, Louis Gordon Pooler, Charles Payson and Alfred Poor.

Ball for Union Settlement.

The midwinter ball for the benefit of the Union Settlement was held last night at the Ritz-Carlton under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary of that organization. The dance was attended by many of the season's debutantes and young men in society. Several dinners were given in advance. One of these was given by Mrs. Henry P. Davison at her home, 690 Park avenue. Her guests included Mr. and Mrs. Casimir de Rham, the Misses Mary Case, Harriett Ransom, Elsie Parsons, Priscilla Murdock, Polly Lincoln, Barbara Kissel, Constance Jennings, Eunice James, Emily Sloane Hammond, Jean Fletcher, Betty Frank, Katharine Emmett, Dorothy Duncan and Alice Davison, Frank Appleton, Leonard Beekman, Reginald Coombs, James Forreston, Wallace Hogason, Henry Lawton, John Leighton, Seth Low, Dean Mathey, Cecil Murray, Bradford Norman, Jr, Arthur Wallace Pepel, Jr., Robert Pokell, Jr., Stuart Wing, Frederick Trubee Davison, Douglas Coleman, Gustave Stewart, Jr., and Henry P. Davison, Jr.

Another dinner was given by Mrs. Edwin M. Bulkley at her home, 22 East Sixty-seventh street. Among her guests were the Misses Katherine Bulkley, Lucy Bulkley, Bertha Fahys Barclay, Trixie Thorn, Elinor Minor, Julia Quaintance, Katherine Porter, Judith Jennings, Marjorie Gilbert, Marie Cook, Marion F. Hodenpyl, Janet Croll, Betty Simonson, Ray Bulkley, Helen Armstrong and Margaret Kidder; also Theodore Ames, Donald Welles, James Douglas, Jr., Edward Welles, Cornelius Trowbridge, Karl Erdman, Middleton Ross, Lansing C. Holden, Jr., Edward Havendeen, Everett N. Case, Howard Dean, Aiken Reisner, Arthur Leary, William E. Sloane, Jr., George B. Larkin, Wilkie Bushby, Frank Dale Warren, Jr., Rudolph Schullinger, Eugene L. Maxwell, Stewart Powers, Bazleton Brown, James A. Edgar, James B. Armstrong and Douglas Simonson.

Among the patronesses were Mmes. Vanderbilt Webb, John Sanford, Edward Van Ingen, William Jay Schieffelin, Charles Stewart Smith, Harold Irving Pratt, Hugh D. Auchincloss, John S. Rogers, Cornelius N. Bliss, Jr., James Byrne, Henry S. Coe, Geoghue Livingston, O'Donnell Iselin, Otto H. Kahn, Ernesto G. Fabbri, Walter Phelps Bliss, William Butler Duncan, Alvin W. Krech, Frederic W. Lincoln, J. Clifton Edgar, Ira Davenport, Rufus L. Patterson, George W. Perkins, T. Tileston Wells, Ernest A. Flagg, Henry H. Rogers, Oliver G. Jennings and Lewis B. Gawtry.

Dinner of the Virginians.

The annual dinner and dance of the Virginians was given last night in the main ballroom of the Plaza. The committee in charge of the arrangements included Stuart G. Gibboney, Walter L. McCorkle, E. McLean Long, F. Graham Cootes and Paul B. Barringer, Jr. Among those present were Col. and Mrs. Fred E. Farnsworth, Mr. and Mrs. T. Foster Gaines, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest R. Early, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Daingerfield, Judge and Mrs. Hal Corbett, Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. McCorkle, Mr. and Mrs. John S. McMaster, Mr. and Mrs. Norborne P. Gatling, Mr. and Mrs. St. George B. Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Harry St. George Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Pegram, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Sharp, Gen. David C. Shanks, H. Snowden Marshall, Dr. John H. Fowlkes, Robert L. Harrison, Dr. Catesby Jones, Meredith P. Montague, Hal W. Vaughan, Dr. J. Herbert Claiborne, Powhattan Bolling, Walter D. Blair, Dr. John H. Page, Russell B. Marchant, Dr. John H. Dunnington and James N. Dunlop.

Another dance at the Plaza last night was that given in the rose room for the benefit of the Park Hospital under the auspices of Auxiliary A, Mrs. John T. Garrett president. This dance was held in the rose room of the hotel. Among the patronesses were Mrs. Frederick C. Gaines, Mrs. Irving S. Haynes, Mrs. Percy Sanborn Boynton, Mrs. L. M. Hart, Mrs. Lewis K. Neff, Mrs. John F. Connors, Mrs. Chester Alexander, Mrs. Clifford Edwards, Mrs. Otto Leber.

The first of a second series of supper dances under the auspices of the Bachelors in aid of home charities was given last night in the Delia Robbia room of the Vanderbilt. The committee includes Whitney Warren, Jr., Richard Peters, Horace C. Stebbins, Hamilton Fish, Jr., Alfonso de Navarro and W. Rhinelander Stewart, Jr. Among those who entertained friends last night were Mr. and Mrs. Gustav J. S. White, Mr. and Mrs. George Jay Gould, Mr. and Mrs. James T. Terry, Mrs. Ward Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley R. McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Tod, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Olcott, Mr. and Mrs. John Aspinwall, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick T. Frelinghuysen, Miss Audrey Osborn, Mrs. Charles Pope, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Lewisohn.

THEDA DENIES SHE'S A BRIDE.

Neither Has Actress Been in Pittsburg in Some Time.

Denial was made yesterday by Theda Bara, movie actress, that she had married "Tom" Bodkin in Pittsburg, as was recently reported. Miss Bara, through her lawyer, Nathan Burkan, issued the following:

"Miss Bara has requested me to inform you that she was not married to Tom Bodkin or to any one else, and that she has not been in Pittsburg for some time."

NOTES OF THE SOCIAL WORLD.

Miss Margaret C. Hale, daughter by a former marriage of Mrs. John Oakman, will be married to Gilbert G. Thorne, Jr., this afternoon in the chantry of Grace Church. A small reception will follow at 3 West Sixteenth street.

The marriage of Miss Dorothy Downing Dillon, daughter of Mrs. John Milton Dillon, to Donald Ormsby Page, will take place this evening in St. Thomas's Church. A reception will follow at the home of the bride's cousin, Miss Ethel Spear, 115 East Sixty-ninth street.

Dinners will be given this evening by Mrs. John Sanford and Mrs. Francis Key Pendleton.

Mrs. John R. Drexel will give a reception this afternoon for Mr. and Mrs. John R. Drexel, Jr.

Under the auspices of the New York Visiting Committee, in order to raise funds for their hospital work, a dance will be given to-night in the ballroom of the Colony Club. Among the members of the committee are Mrs. Herbert L. Satterlee, Mrs. William Dare Morgan, Mrs. C. Grant La Farge, Mrs. J. Horace Harding, Mrs. Howland Davis, Mrs. Richard C. Colt, Mrs. Henry B. Barnes, and Mrs. Charles Williams. Several dinners will be given in advance of the dance.

Mrs. Arthur Hodges, 182 East Sixty-fourth street, will give a the dansant this afternoon for her niece, Miss Pauline Chapin Bourne.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Sawyer, 106 East Seventy-eighth street, will give a dinner followed by a theatre party next Thursday evening, to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage.

A luncheon for Mrs. James Lawrence of Boston will be given to-day by the American Committee for Devastated France at 14 East Thirty-ninth street. Mrs. Lawrence recently returned from France.

A reception will be given this afternoon in the ballroom of the Gotham by Mrs. Frederick Depew Stewart for her daughter, Miss Margaret Gurnee Stewart.

Owing to the illness of one of the artists the concert for the benefit of war orphans of Italy, to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernesto G. Fabbri, 7 East Ninety-fifth street, has been postponed from February 8 to February 15, at 3:15 o'clock. There will be a programme of ancient Florentine music and it will be given under the patronage of the Italian Ambassador and the Baroness Romano Avezzana, the Italian Consul, Romolo Tritonj, and others.

The fourth annual Father Knickerbocker's ball for the benefit of the City History Club will be held at the home of Mrs. A. Barton Hepburn on the night of February 13. Among the members of the ball committee are Mrs. James Lenox Banks, Jr., Mrs. Philip Rhinelander 2d, Miss Symphorosa Bristed, Miss Currie Duke Mathews and Miss Anna Alexandre.

COLONISTS FOLLOW TRAILS.

Brilliant Weather Continues at Hot Springs.

Special Despatch to THE SUN.

HOT SPRINGS, Va., Jan. 30.—Continued brilliant weather marks the end of January. To-day many of the colonists were on the picturesque walking trails. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Emery, Dr. and Mrs. Allen Marquand, Mrs. Frank E. Peabody and Miss Amy Peabody.

Richardson M. Johnson took a small party to-day to Fassifern Farm for tea and made an extended drive through Dunn's Gap and the Switzerland trail.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Watts arrived today from New York, to remain one week. Walter Carey also came to-day from that city.

TO WIDEN MADISON AVENUE.

Removal of Encroachments Ordered by Board.

For the purpose of relieving congestion of traffic on Fifth avenue the Board of Estimate adopted yesterday a resolution providing for the removal of encroachments on Madison avenue between Forty-sixth and Sixty-first streets. The removal of the encroachments would permit widening the roadway, which at one point now is reduced to a width of only forty-five feet.

Hearing upon the removal of encroachments on Madison avenue between Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth streets was postponed for two weeks.

It was brought out at the Board of Estimate meeting that the opening of Park avenue reduced traffice on Fifth avenue only 6 per cent., while travel on Park avenue increased 170 per cent.

FEARING LEFT ESTATE TO SON.

Widow Receives Income on $350,000 Trust Fund.

George R. Fearing, president of the Knickerbocker Club, left the residue of his estate of more than $1,000,000 to his son, George R. Fearing, Jr., of Boston. His will was filed yesterday in the Surrogates' Court.

Mr. Fearing died at the age of 81 a week ago at his residence, 995 Fifth avenue. He left the income from a $350,000 trust fund, which will eventually go to his son, to his wife, Mrs. Harriet Travers Fearing, stating that she would probably not care to occupy their Newport home, "The Orchard," after his death, and for this reason he had willed it to their son.

WILLIAMS SUES MOVIE MEN.

Alleges Henry B. Warner Was Lured From Drama to Screen.

John D. Williams, theatrical manager, of 165 West Fortieth street sued Jesse D. Hampton, Harry Robertson and others for $100,000 damages. The complaint charges the defendants persuaded Henry B. Warner, actor, to break his contract with the plaintiff and act in motion pictures for them.

Williams says he had a contract with Warner to appear in "Sleeping Partners" and that the play was a financial success until the leading actor was lured away by the defendants.

Police Band Concerts Begin To-night.

The police band will start a series of indoor concerts at De Witt Clinton High School this evening at 8 o'clock, with Walter B. Rogers conducting. Miss Maude Richardson, soprano, will sing.

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MRS. J. C. DIKE DIES AT GUILD MEETING

Kings County Judge's Mother Stricken Suddenly in Mrs. Prentiss's Residence.

PROMINENT IN CHARITY

Active Also in Many Associations of Women During Her Lengthy Life.

Mrs. Jeannie C. Dike, mother of Judge Norman S. Dike of the Kings County Court and a leader in charitable and social activity in Brooklyn, died suddenly yesterday afternoon while attending a meeting of the Women's Guild of the Church of the Pilgrims in the home of Mrs. George H. Prentiss, 108 Pierrepont street, Columbia Heights. Mrs. Dike was stricken just before the meeting began. She was standing talking with members of the guild and to all appearances was in good health up to the moment the attack occurred.

Dr. De Yoanna was summoned from his home at 111 Pierrepont street, but Mrs. Dike was dead when he arrived at the Prentiss residence.

News of his mother's death was sent to Judge Dike in the County Court. He adjourned the trial at which he was presiding and hurried to his home at 194 Columbia Heights, where Mrs. Dike's body was taken. The Judge was shocked at the suddenness of his parent's death, for less than an hour previously he had escorted her to the guild meeting.

Mrs. Dike was born at Rochester in 1837. She received her education at Ingham University. In 1855 she was married to Camden C. Dike, member of the woollen manufacturing firm of Dike Bros.

For many years Mrs. Dike had been active in public affairs. She gave much of her time to charitable activities and was a leader in Brooklyn society as well. A year ago she resigned from the Brooklyn Woman's Municipal League, of which she had been president for fifteen years, but in spite of her advanced age she continued her interest in the Brooklyn Woman's Club and the Masters School of Music. She held membership also in the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Besides her son, the Judge, Mrs. Dike leaves two daughters, Mrs. Murray Boocock and Mrs. G. F. C. Williams.

HELEN BOICE HUNSICKER.

Mrs. Helen Boice Hunsicker, wife of Alvin Hunsicker, known to Philadelphia musical circles for her singing, died Thursday in her home in Weehawken, N. J. She held church choir solo positions in the Lutheran Church, Calvary Church and Bethlehem Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, and in the Second Presbyterian Church, Germantown. In later years her services have been given to oratorio societies of New York and vicinity.

Funeral services will be held this evening, at 8 o'clock, at her late residence in Weehawken, and on Sunday evening, at 8 o'clock, at the home of her niece, Mrs. Jennie Boice Kohl, 836 Corinthian avenue, Philadelphia.

H. U. MUDGE.

DENVER, Col., Jan. 30.—H. U. Mudge, former general manager of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway and one of the best known railroad men in this country, died here to-day.

Mr. Mudge was stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage on Monday night last. He was 64 years old.

From water boy to general manager of the Santa Fe is the story of Mr. Mudge's rise in railroad work. He went to work for the railroad in Kansas in 1872 and before he left its service in 1905 he had served five years as its general manager. In 1905 Mr. Mudge became vice-president of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company and was elected president of that road four years later.

Coming to Denver in 1913 as president of the Denver and Rio Grande Railway Company, Mr. Mudge served in that capacity until two years ago, when he retired.

MARY E. DOLE.

Mrs. Mary E. Dole, wife of Joseph W. Dole, manager of Arrowhead Inn, died of pneumonia Thursday in her home at Port Chester. She was 48 years old. Her husband and three daughters survive.

THOMAS F. FITZGERALD.

Special Despatch to THE SUN.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 30.—Thomas F. Fitzgerald, known as the dean of New Jersey newspaper men, died at his home here to-day at the age of 76. He was born in Ireland and came to this country in 1872. For many years he was Trenton correspondent of the New York *Herald*. He had been the author and publisher of the New Jersey *Legislative Manual* since 1879. A wife and four daughters survive.

POLICE LIEUT. ELMER BALISON.

Police Lieut. Elmer Balison, who had for years been attached to the Snyder avenue police station in Brooklyn, died yesterday at his home, 361 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn. He was 50 years old. About a year and a half ago Lieut. Balison was detailed to do welfare work in the Flatbush and Canarsie districts. His wife, a son and a daughter survive.

ROBERT W. CONNOR.

Robert W. Connor, president of the Brooklyn Academy of Musical Art, died suddenly yesterday at his home, 549 Greene avenue, Brooklyn. He was 69 years old. Mr. Connor founded the academy sixteen years ago and its programme of musical instruction and education attracted favorable criticism from musicians. Mr. Connor leaves his wife, a brother and a daughter. Interment will be in Green-Wood Cemetery.

JOHN J. HOLLYWOOD.

Mrs. Emma L. Hollywood, City Treasurer of Mount Vernon, was notified by cable yesterday of the death of her husband, John J. Hollywood, manager of the rug department of Lord & Taylor, in a hospital in Delhi, India, as a result of injuries received in a railroad wreck on January 22.

Mr. Hollywood left November 12 on a buying tour. He was an expert on Oriental and Indian rugs and had been at the head of that department for eight years. He was 49 and leaves besides a wife, two sons.

CHARLES O. LOBECK.

OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 30.—Charles O. Lobeck, Representative in Congress from the Second Nebraska district from 1911 to 1919, died from heart disease in his home here to-day. He was a Presidential elector in 1900 and had served in the Nebraska Senate. He was born in Andover, Ill., in 1852. For several years he was engaged in the real estate business in Omaha, retiring in 1903. He served as Comptroller and as a member of the City Council of Omaha for several terms.

OLIVER L. DOSCH.

Oliver L. Dosch, superintendent of the Singer Manufacturing Company plant at Elizabeth, N. J., died at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in that city yesterday following a stroke of paralysis. He was 45 and lived at 655 Westfield avenue. He leaves his wife and a son.

CAPT. ADDISON ELY, JR.

Capt. Addison Ely, Jr., of Rutherford, N. J., veteran of the Spanish-American and world wars and prominent as a member of the legal profession in his State, died Thursday night at Post Graduate Hospital following an operation. He was 55 years old.

During the world war, Capt. Ely served in the infantry. In the summer of 1918, when about to leave with his regiment for overseas duty, he was stricken with pneumonia and was taken off a transport at Newport News. His service in the Spanish-American War was with the Second New Jersey Infantry.

Capt. Ely was a thirty-second degree Mason and a member of the American Legion and the United Spanish War Veterans. He leaves his wife, two sons and a daughter.

"HI" HENRY.

Hiram F. ("Hi") Henry of civil war and minstrel fame, died yesterday in his home, 22 West Seventy-sixth street, in his seventy-sixth year. He had forsaken the stage for mining and real estate enterprises and had not appeared in public performances in the last ten years. "Hi" Henry's ability to play the cornet led to his organizing a minstrel troupe in the early '80s, and at the head of his own company he toured the country. He leaves his wife, who was Miss Anna Locke, a practicing physician in this city.

$45,000 BEQUEST TO LAWYER.

Mrs. Gilbert Gave Lesser Sums to Various Institutions.

Charles A. Runk, a lawyer, residing at 165 West Fifty-fifth street, gets $45,000 and the residue of the estate of Mrs. Alice L. Gilbert by her will, which was filed yesterday in the Surrogates' Court.

Mrs. Gilbert died on October 13 at 150 West Eighty-seventh street. In leaving the bequests to Attorney Runk she stated that he had been a friend of the family for thirty years. She left bequests of $10,000 each to the New York Association for the Blind, the Florence Crittenton League, the Children's Aid Society, the Presbyterian Hospital, Sloane Hospital for Women and the Boy Scouts of America. To several other institutions she left lesser bequests.

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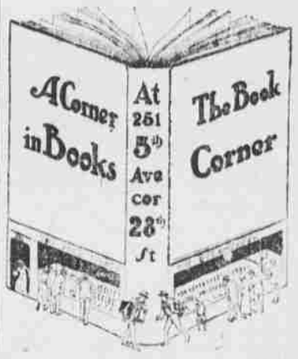

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BORN.

GOLDMAN.—To Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Goldman on January 29, a daughter.

DIED.

ALLIGER.—On January 26, after short illness, Richard Dayckinck Alliger, in New York city in his seventy-sixth year. Member of Alma Lodge, No. 728, F. & A. M. Husband of Annie E. Alliger and father of Frances Alliger Ink and of the late Charles H. Alliger and Richard D. Alliger, Jr.

Buried at Christ Church Cemetery on January 30, 1920.

ELL.—At Stamford, Conn., on Thursday, January 29, 1920, of pneumonia, Andrew J., age 38 years, husband of Minnie A. Littell and son of Harry and Olive E. Barber Bell.

Funeral private.

BULLEN.—Thursday, January 29, 1920, Charles W. Bullen, husband of Ella L. Bullen, at his residence, 160 Belmont avenue, Jersey City, N. J.

Notice of funeral hereafter. Kingston papers please copy.

DIKE.—Suddenly on Friday afternoon, January 30, Jennie S., widow of Camden C. Dike, in her eighty-third year.

Notice of funeral later.

DUELL.—At his home, 1121 North Broadway, Yonkers, N. Y., on Thursday, January 29, Judge Charles H. Duell, in his seventieth year.

Funeral services at his late residence Saturday, January 31, at 3 P. M. Interment Cortland Rural Cemetery, Cortland, N. Y.

EKHOUT.—Lieut. Bernard Vanderbilt Eekhout, U. S. Navy, at Guantanamo Aviation Field, on January 28.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

FRICH.—Anna, on January 30. Services "THE FUNERAL CHURCH" (Frank E. Campbell), Broadway at Sixty-sixth street, Sunday, 8 P. M.

GIBSON.—On Thursday, January 29, at her residence, 62 West Eighty-[illegible] street, Phoebe Worthington, widow of William H. Hankinson, in her eightieth year.

Funeral services Saturday afternoon, January 31, 5 o'clock.

HANG.—Edgena, on January 30. Services "THE FUNERAL CHURCH" (Frank E. Campbell), Broadway at Sixty-sixth street, February 1, 2 P. M.

INGSTENBERG.—On January 30, Lloyd William, eldest son of William A. and Margaret E., aged 22 years.

Funeral services at his late home, Westwood, N. J., Sunday afternoon at 2:30 P. M. Erie trains from Jersey City 12 and 2 o'clock.

HOLLYWOOD.—John J., husband of Emma L. Hollywood, 232 Seneca avenue, Mount Vernon, N. Y., in the Delhi Hospital, Delhi, India, January 22, 1920.

Interment was in Delhi, India.

HUNSICKER.—Helen Boice, wife of Alvin Hunsicker, Thursday, January 29, 1920.

Funeral service at late residence, 1017 Hudson Boulevard East, Weehawken, N. J., Saturday, January 31, 1920, at 8 P. M. Kindly omit flowers. Interment private.

LANE.—At Flushing, L. I