

THE ITALIAN FAIR

Not Many of That Nationality Present at Opening.

OTHERS WELL REPRESENTED

Mayor Koenig Formally Opened It; St. Mary's Children Furnished Entertainment.

Music hall was well filled last night at the opening of the fair which is being held for the purpose of securing funds for the building of a church for the Italian Catholics of the city.

Other fairs have had more elaborate electrical display but the booths did not look any prettier than those at present constructed in Music hall.

The fair was opened at 8 o'clock by James J. Ray who said in part: "I am proud to see tonight so many American people all interested in the work of helping the Italian people of the city build up a church."

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ADOLPHUS C. WESTLAKE.

Pneumonia and Effusions Fatal to Well Known Constable.

Widespread regret was expressed throughout official circles in the city and county government this morning at the news of the death of Constable Adolphus C. Westlake, after an illness of a little over a week's duration.

Only three weeks ago Mr. Westlake, who was esteemed by a large circle of friends and never neglected an opportunity to aid a friend, went to Throop to pay a farewell visit to a Grand Army comrade who was seriously ill and desired to see him for what he believed to be, and which proved to be, the last reunion of the veterans who had fought side by side in the Seventy-fifth New York Volunteer Infantry in the Civil war.

He was a member of Seward-Crocker post No. 45, G. A. R., and of Auburn lodge, P. and A. M., No. 431, and the Masonic Relief Association.

He had been a constable for several years and was well and favorably known as a man of good nature, who liked to participate in all worthy and enjoyable features of life.

He was born in England September 8, 1843, and came to this country with his parents when but two years of age.

The Westlake family for many years carried on the manufacture of assented light drinks in a building in Fort street, and their product became so well known in this section of the country that light beverages were in great demand.

The deceased had been engaged in this business with his father, the late George S. Westlake, for many years.

The family will have the sympathy of many friends in their unusual bereavement and at the present time his wife, Mrs. Mary A. Westlake, is quite ill and confined to her bed, having been ill for some time.

Mrs. Westlake, six children survive, Leroy C. of Savannah, N. Y., Stephen T., May H., George H., Olive E. and Burton S. Westlake, all of Auburn.

The present conditions in the family home make it necessary that a funeral be private and it will be held Saturday next at the convenience of the family and relatives.

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THE IMPLEMENT MEN.

Everything Ready for Convention Which Opens Tomorrow.

The finishing touches to the preparations for the big convention of the Empire State Implement Men's club which will be held here tomorrow and Saturday are being made this afternoon by the various committees in charge and when the advance guard arrives tonight everything will be in readiness for a grand time.

Frank G. Moon of Auburn who has the greater part of the local end to look after, stated this afternoon that besides the many delightful treats already announced in store for the visitors he also desired to state that a Dutch supper would be tendered to all the implement men in Auburn as well as all travelers tonight at the Osborne house by Grant Wright, editor of the Eastern Dealer, the trade journal.

Preparations are being made for 75 persons, all of the visitors who happen to be in the city being invited.

Tomorrow morning will be devoted to a reunion at the Osborne house and at 1:30 the ladies attended by a committee will be escorted to the Burtis Opera house where they will witness the afternoon's vaudeville performance.

The gentlemen in the party will gather in line and headed by Perry Williams and banner and the Logan Fire and Drum Corps they will march to the temple in the Metropolitan block where the business meeting will be held.

Mr. Rawdon of Fredonia, N. Y., will preside. After the matinee the ladies will go to the Women's Educational and Industrial Union where a light luncheon will be served and they will inspect the building and its equipment until evening when all with the gentlemen will attend the banquet at the Osborne house which promises to be the feature of the convention.

At the banquet one of the principal speakers will be Hon. John S. Wheaton, secretary of State.

Display the Flag, Urges Adams. Editor of the Citizen: Will you kindly call the attention of our business men to the fact that the Empire State Implement Men's Club convention will convene in our city tomorrow.

No body of men appreciate attention better than the traveling men. They don't get home as often as some of us do so I believe we should all make a special effort to make them feel at home in Auburn, and I would suggest as one way to show that they are welcome and noticed is to run out the American flag.

There is nothing more handsome than the Stars and Stripes to indicate that we are glad they are here and to come again.

The flag speaks for loyalty and patriotism, attributes admired by all men. We hope the business men generally will comply with this request.

Very respectfully, The Business Men's Association of Auburn, N. Y. By CHARLES G. ADAMS, Secretary.

Masonic Club Will Be Open. At a special meeting of the board of directors of the Masonic club held last night it was voted to throw open the handsome club rooms of the society to the implement men's association tomorrow.

The stewards were so directed and open house will be maintained for the many visitors tomorrow.

Died in Fleming. Mrs. Jane E. Wheaton, wife of Simon Wheaton of the town of Fleming, died at the family home last night aged 81 years and four months. She was born at Norwich, Conn., but for the past 56 years had resided in the town of Fleming.

She had been in failing health for some time and death was due to old age. The husband, one son, Wilson Wheaton of Fleming, and two daughters, Mrs. Frank Brown and Mrs. Martha Suddam of Auburn, survive.

Cornell Actors Are Here. A special coach and baggage car attached to the 12:07 eastbound train brought a large delegation of Cornell students, the Popocatepillip VII, company and its scenery to the city this afternoon for the production at the Burtis Auditorium this evening.

A special train will arrive in the city from Aurora at 7 o'clock bearing a delegation of 50 Wells college girls. The girls will sit in a body and will be taken back to Aurora on the special after the production.

THIS AUTO GOES FAST.

But It Is Being Driven Night and Day Over Bad Roads.

Another trans-continental automobile passed through Auburn yesterday, but this machine was not in the New York to Paris race, although many believed it to be the sixth car which is long overdue here and which according to press dispatches, has abandoned the race.

The machine arrived here at 5 o'clock and proceeded to the Auburn Automobile garage where it renewed the supply of oil and gasoline and made inquiries concerning the feasibility of crossing on the ice at Cayuga.

Before leaving Auburn the men stated that they would undoubtedly make the attempt, but inquiry at Cayuga this morning failed to show that they had left the highway. The car was a Studebaker and was on its way from New York to Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and carried two American flags.

The car was in charge of and was driven by C. F. Hammond, New York manager of the Studebaker Company. The car was chartered by the New York Journal. Mr. Hammond bore a message from General F. D. Grant to all commanders of regular army posts between New York and Fort Leavenworth.

The message is as follows: "Gentlemen—A test of the speed of an automobile is being made by the New York Journal, and the editor has requested me to assist him. I therefore send you my greetings, and beg that you will note the hour you receive this letter on its back and return it to the bearer. Very truly yours, F. D. Grant, Major-General U. S. A."

The machine left New York Tuesday morning and arrived at Albany Tuesday night. The car is being run day and night by relays of drivers.

Mr. Hammond said that the roads were bad. He passed the last of the New York-Paris racers, the Naudin, which has since given up the race, at Red Hook, which is down the Hudson, well toward New York.

The Studebaker car will follow the route of the international racers. The men in charge expect to pass the leaders in a few days. A New York Journal photographer accompanies the drivers.

The New York to Paris Race. Auburn has seen the last of the New York to Paris racers as the sixth car has been declared out of the race and the leaders are almost in the middle of the Union and plugging on westward. The same conditions of snow-choked roads prevail as in New York State.

The following bulletins are self-explanatory: Fort Wayne, Ind., Feb. 20.—The American car in the New York to Paris automobile race arrived at Kendallville early today. The machine was stalled in the snow drifts east of that city the greater part of the night.

The French car came in a short time later. Farmers along the route turned out late in the night to shove away the blocking snow drifts for the American.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 20.—Premier Stolypin has given orders to the governors of Yakutsk in Eastern Siberia, and Primorskaya, the eastern maritime province, to assist in every way possible the contestants in the New York to Paris automobile race as they journey through Siberia.

FOR MISSIONS. Reports of the Recent Layman's Conference in Philadelphia. Oliphant Gibbons reported the result of his work at the recent convention of the Layman's Missionary Movement held at the Academy of Music in Philadelphia last week at a meeting at the Auburn Theological seminary last night.

Rev. Dr. Alexander of University Park church, New York city, presided and greetings were sent from the Methodists, Congregationalists, Baptists and Episcopalians. Among the important speakers were John R. Mott, Dr. Arthur A. Brown, J. Campbell White and Robert E. Spear.

A resolution was passed to the effect that \$2,000,000 be raised for missions this year. Contributions from the Presbyterian church to missions last year amounted to \$1,000,000.

James A. Melrose, another delegate, summarized the significance of the addresses made at the convention. He said: "All addresses can be collected under three heads: 1. Urgent Call of Missions. 2. Response to That Call. 3. The Future of the Church."

1.—Urgent Call of Missions.—This was sounded in every address. This day is a crucial day in the history of missions. In Korea 300 men accepted Christ alone time, upon the occasion of an address by John R. Mott. Today there is great unrest in India and a tendency toward agnosticism.

In China also the gospel is spreading among the people but it is being hampered by the long and dangerous sea routes. China a nation with its forces all pent up. China is adopting telegraph, post offices, etc., all over the Empire, is becoming more and more interested in naval and military matters. The Mediterranean sea was the first center of the world, then the Atlantic and now is pressing quickly onto the Pacific. It must be so for great undeveloped economic resources are there.

2.—Response to That Call.—15,000 missionaries are in the field. The church at home is just beginning to realize this. Missionaries are overworked. 3.—Future of the Church.—Trouble with Americans is not only at the far end, the submerged Tenth, but there is a great deal of froth at the top of society. The soap that will save the church, the soap that will save the heathen world needing Christianity. Missions are not a phase of church's activity, but is the very

breath of life. The laymen are waking up and show themselves logical, well-informed and intelligent."

IN COUNTY COURT.

One Negligence Case to Jury and Another One Is On. The trial of the negligence action brought by Mrs. Bertha DeLong against the Auburn & Northern Electric Railroad Company was finished and given to the jury early this afternoon.

The evidence was closed this morning shortly after 10 o'clock and Attorney John D. Teller renewed his motion for a non suit. The motion was denied by Judge Greenfield and then Mr. Teller summed up the case for the defendant trolley company.

He took one hour and a half in presenting his side of the case to the jury. Attorney Frank S. Coburn summed up the case for the plaintiff. Miss Marian C. Aldrich, the County court stenographer, served in the dual capacity of witness and stenographer yesterday afternoon.

She was called to testify regarding the correctness of the court minutes taken by her at a former trial. At the conclusion of the DeLong trial the getting of a jury in Case No. 3, James J. Dwyer against the Auburn & Syracuse Electric Railroad Company, was commenced.

The plaintiff seeks to recover \$2,000 damages for injuries sustained by being thrown from a trolley car at the corner of State and Seymour streets in July of last year. The plaintiff was alighting from the car when the car was suddenly started and he was jerked and thrown heavily. Robert J. Burritt is attorney for the plaintiff and the firm of Nottingham & Nottingham of Syracuse appear for the defendant.

BRIEF LOCAL MENTION.

Teddy cars sold at Schreck's. Salt rising bread fresh every day at the Woman's Union.

Fresh caught shad, Wake's restaurant, State St.

Colonial dinner with clam chowder by King's Daughters of Universalist church, Saturday, Feb. 22, from 5 to 8, 25 cents.

Chaplain Cordello Herrick returned from New York last evening having in custody Rosina Spencer of New York county who will serve not less than two years and six months nor more than three years and six months for grand larceny.

Friday only, at Mott's, strictly fresh caught halibut, 16c per lb. Those leather easy chairs are great at Traub's Fire Sale.

The family of the late John Godfrey desire to thank the men of the Moulders and Core Makers' departments of the International Harvester Company's No. 2 plant, and all others who sent flowers and extended their sympathy in their recent bereavement.

9x11 Tap rug \$11.90. Schreck's. Skinned, headless and dressed perch and pike at Mott's, all ready for the pan.

Mattresses at half price at Traub's Fire Sale. New rugs now in. Schreck's.

You will enjoy Waitt & Bond's "Totem" 5c cigar. Union made. Library tables, parlor tables, parlor suits at Traub's Fire Sale.

Have your upholstery done now at Schreck Bros., 14 E. Genesee St. If you want oysters, solid meats, go to Mott's. 30c per qt., received daily.

High School Notes. The weekly senior rhetorical was held yesterday morning and a most excellent programme was given as follows: Declaration, Regulus to the Romans, Leslie Chapman; recitation, The Man Without a Country, Miss O'Brien; declamation, Eulogy on McKinley, Harold Storke; declamation, Surrender of General Burgoyne, Raymond Van Kleeck; declamation, The Sufferings and Destinies of the Pilgrims, Clarence Weeks; declamation, Webster's Reply to Haynes, Frank Wright; declamation, Who Patriots Are, Chester Young.

The students have been presented with tickets entitling them to one gallery seat for the coming opera, Popocatepillip VII which the Cornell Masque will present tonight at the Auditorium. The play should be peculiarly interesting to the school as Harold Snyder is a graduate of Auburn High.

Louis Boulter and Oliver Wood are trying to form an orchestra in the school. There certainly is material enough and a good orchestra may be formed if those who can do anything in this line will enter in and work. The school did have an orchestra once and it was a good one. It would be a good thing to start again.

The Juniors will meet during short bell next Tuesday and choose class officers. In the Probate Court. Decree granted settling the accounts of Amy Merritt and Noble D. Merritt as executors of the estate of the late George P. Ellsworth of Seneca. The executors charged themselves with \$1,800.17, credited themselves with \$797.72, leaving a balance for distribution of \$1,002.45.

Supplemental citation issued to March 10 in the matter of the estate of the late Anastasia Wesley of Brutus. Petition filed for the settlement of the accounts of James M. Makble as administrator of the estate of the late J. Lester Burlingham of Moravia. The administrator charged himself

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Nut Bar Cakes, each.....10c

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Swimming. Swimming on the back in sea water, says a doctor, is the most beneficial form of bathing. Swimming on the side is very injurious to the muscles of the stomach.

HEGEMAN ARRESTED.

Much Depends on Result of Appeal from Dowling's Order. New York, Feb. 20.—John R. Hegeman, president of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, presented himself at the office of the district attorney today and was formally placed under arrest on charges of perjury and forgery.

The charges are the same on which Mr. Hegeman was indicted recently. There were seven charges of forgery and three of perjury. When Mr. Hegeman was arrested soon after the indictments were returned Justice Dowling dismissed the forgery charges and sustained those alleging perjury.

Both District Attorney Jerome and John D. Lindsay, counsel for Mr. Hegeman, expressed dissatisfaction with Justice Dowling's action and it was agreed that an appeal be taken. It is said that upon the decision which will result from the appeal will hang all the pending prosecutions against various insurance officials in matters of annual reports.

Soon after the arrest Mr. Hegeman was paroled in the custody of one of the district attorney's detectives pending an appeal to the Appellate division of the Supreme court.

EXCISE AMENDMENTS.

They Are Proposed in a Bill Introduced at Albany. Albany, N. Y., Feb. 20.—A bill proposing several amendments to the liquor tax law was introduced in the Assembly today by Chairman F. G. Whitney of the Committee on Excise.

The bill was prepared under the direction of Commissioner Clement of the State Excise department and includes the recommendations made in his annual report to the Legislature with two exceptions, one proposing to change the certificate year from May 1 to October 1 and the other a uniform rate of taxation for New York city. Separate bills embodying these two recommendations are being prepared.

Mexican Rapid Transit. The queerest mode of travel I saw in all Mexico was that adopted by a woman who was on her way to the doctor, seated complacently in a chair borne on the back of a man. Some Mexican women are afraid even of the mule cars, while they look upon the rapidly spinning trolley with such trembling of knees they cannot be persuaded to put foot upon it. Unable to procure a coach hire, they employ the human carrier at a few cents for each trip.—Travel Magazine.

Heat of the Sun. A procession of icebergs sent against the surface of the sun would melt at the rate of 800,000,000 cubic miles of solid ice a second, and its heat is estimated to produce a force of about 10,000 horsepower to every square foot of its surface.

The Pipe's Antiquity. In Asia and Africa, besides America, the pipe dates from prehistoric times, and in Europe generally it has been in use since and during the Roman period, if not before. One of the most learned antiquarians says that smoking pipes of bronze are frequently found in Irish tumuli, or sepulchral mounds, of the most remote antiquity.

Succotash. Succotash is a dish borrowed from the Narragansett Indians and called by them sicquash.

The Spanish Armada. The Spanish armada, with which Philip of Spain attempted to conquer Britain, consisted of 130 ships, 2,105 cannon, 8,766 sailors, 2,088 galleys, 21,855 soldiers, 1,355 volunteers and 150 monks.