YEAR'S WORK-OF THE Y. M. C. A.

Secretary's Report a Most Encouraging One for all Departments.

Secretary Van Horn's annual repor of the work of the Y. M. C. A., contains the following:

"The year 1898 marks a new epoch in the history of the Young Men's Christian association as an organizaton. It has not only increased in usefulness and power, but has shown to the world that it is not an institution built upon theory but can and does enter upon the active marts of life and is not afraid of the perils of war. The progressive movement of the organization in the very beginning

of our recent war won for the asso-clation many friends and adherents. "While we rejoice in the general good success of our organization as a whole, we turn with thankful hearts to our lown local association and thank God for its progress, and our constituents for their support. The year began well because of the wise act of our board of directors in reducing the cost of full membership from \$7 to \$5. The association's influence and efficiency was fellt by a third more young men than during the previous year, and the treasury was materially increased. With this excellent beginning, our incressed work in all departments and throughout the entire year was in advance of previous years. During 1897 we issued 218 membership tickets while 1898 ran the number up the 318.

Another great benefit derived from the reduction of the price of membership is the beginning of our privileges within reach of the poorer, but none the less worthy, class of young men The object of the Young Men's Christian Assolciation is to help men, and we esteem it a privilege to be able to assist any young men living a Christian life, giving him educational, physical or social advanitages.

"We place the Christian life first and uppermost, because that is really our sole object. Our diversified methods are used only to aid in bringing men within the influence of the religious life and principles. Our Sunday meetings have been attended by 2,489 men, an average of 54 each service. At these meetings 13 have professed faith in Christ, and 64 have been men who came to our city seeking health, and have passed away, but not without a Christian's hope.

"Our bible classes have taken renewed life and energy. In one of these we have devotional study of the Tife of Christ' and the other is for the development and training in Christian work. Two hundred and ninety-eight men have been in these classes throughout the year As they are not confined to the associ-ation membership, they should have a

better attendance. "The past year has marked such progress in our educational department it almost seems like a new departure. In '97 we gave instructions in three branches, charging \$1 for the entire course, thus leaving a balance ti be paid by the association. This season we enlarged the work to seven branches, hired three competent instructors and raised "ho price of tuition to \$2 for the course. Our enrollment doubled quickly, and a better class of work has been obtained. This department is self sustaining, so far, thanks to a few generous friends and the increased tuition. One of our daily papers very kindly loaned its columns for the raising of funds for this work, and we thank the publishers for it.

was given in December, and much help received by those present. "At one of the meetings of the board of directors in January it was voted to repair and place new apparatus in the gymnasium. This was done, and a renewed interest was manifested at once. classes held durin engitin18-ffihrrclasse classes held during the spring and fall, while the same classes in '97 had an at-

"A reception to the educational men

tendance of 445. "An improvement was made during the first part of the year in the bath rooms, by placing a second shower bath in the place of one of the tubs, thus giving more facilities for bathing, 2,303 baths were taken during the year.

There remains to be reported a very potenit factor in our work, one which clannot be told in figures, bult is only known to those who have been helped. I refer to the social department.

"While we have not had as many receptions as usual, there has been an increase in the daily attendance at the rooms, both day and night. Many have taken advantage of the reading privileges or games, and spent a pleasant hour or evening within the influence of a Christian institution where they might have spent in some of the places of evil fin our city. An average of 110 visits have been made daily to the rooms, four receptions have been given and one lecture for the benefit of the members.

"From the fact that Asheville is a resort city, and visited by hundreds of young men in search of health, the open rooms, with their excellent privileges. cannot be over estimated. For the benefit of this class, we also have a boarding house register, and assist many young men in getting located in Christian homes. Such places have been found for 27 during the year.

"By the able assistance of our Ladies Auxiliary, the social feature of our work as made more effective. The labor of keeping our parlor attractive, of serving refreshments at our receptions, and of giving to the public pleasing entertainments for the benefit of the association. constitutes a part of their very helpful

EPIDEMIC OF GRIP.

Princeton, Ind., Jan. 11 .-- There are 250 cases of grip in this city, and the disease is spreading rapidly.

Wabash, Ind., Jan. 11 .- The grip preto an extraordinary ex tent. Local physicians estimated the number of cases at from 800 to 1,000, and all affirmed that the disease was on the

Pana, Ill. Jan. 11.-The grip has become a serious epidemic in Central Illinois cities. Over 300 cases are reported in Taylorville and a similar number in Shelbyville, while fully 25 percent. of the population of Pana is likewise af-

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J. W. Bailey, of Hendersonville, topping at the Swannanoa.

George T. Barnard, of Camton, Ill., is n the city.

J. O. Harrison was in from Franklin Ed Fletcher was in the city yesterday

from Fietchers. Mrs. O. E. Cromwell, of Woodfin street, vantage to have varietics that will keep leaves this afternion for a few days vis- well and bear transportation. it in New York.

Hal R. Stephens, of Milan, Mo., has arelived and maken up his work as coworker with J. I. Beale, in the French Groud Press print shop.

O. H. English, of Madison county is

Bert Jackson, of Hendersonville, was in the city yesterday,.

Judge W. L. Norwood, of Waynesville is in the city. The Black Mountain hunting party

has returned. The party had a successful hunt. Deputy Clerk George Young is suffer ing with a severe attack of la grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. J. Burnett have returned to their home in Henderson-Mrs. J. O. Howell's condition is very

Judge Charle's A. Moore was in town yesterday on his way to Greenville, S.

Lawrence P. McLoud returned from a visit in Cleveland, O., yesterday.

Rt. Rev. Junius M. Horner, bishop of the Asheville jurisdiction, went to Richmond. Va., yesterday morning. He will be gone about ten days.

Hermans, Leon and Adelaide, the great magicians, arrived in town yesterday and arranged to bring the production here for January 17. A. H. Brandhorst, representing the J.

W. E. Gorman, advance agent for the

Weller Co., of Cincinnati, O., dealers in pickles and condiments, left yesterday afternoon, after a four days' stay. He has arranged to send a car load of goods to Slayden, Fakes & Co., Asheville agents of the firm. The Misses Noyes and Whitney,

who have been visiting at Asheville col lege in the interests of the Young Woman's Christian association, left yesterday for the city of Mexico, stopping over at Atlanta and New Orleans.

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It is claimed that a liberal dressing of salt under quince trees as far dut as the roots extend will help to induce bearing. The greatest enemy of house plants is dust. Much of this may be avoided by covering before commencing to sweep. Wash the leaves occasionally.—Exchange.

NOTICE.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed in trust executed to the undersigned trustee, by W. H. Penland and Mary H. Penland, his wife, on the 1st day of May, 1894, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Buncombe county, North Carolina, in book 37, at page 4, of mortgages and doods in trust, to secure a certain note in said deed in trust fully described, default having been made in the payment of the principal of said note, and the interest thereon, and having been so requested by the legal owner of said note. will on Wednesday, the first day of February, 1899, between the hours of 12. m. and 2 p. m., sell at public auction. at the court house door, in the city of Asheville, to the highest bidder, for cash, the property conveyed in said deed in trust, and described as follows: A piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the city of Asheville, county of Buncombe and state of North Carolina, lying on the east side of Haywood street, . Beginning at a stake in the east margin of Haywood street, J. H. Willilams' northwest corner, and runs with said east margin of said Haywood street north 41 deg. 40 min. west, 169:6 feet to a stake, the southwest corner of Mary C. Penland's lot; thence with the south line of the last mentioned lot, north 62 deg. 13 min. east 197.5 feet, to a stake in A. M. Penland's line; thence with said A. M. Penland's line south 29 deg. 41 min. east, 190 feet to a stake in Dr. J. H. Williams' line; thence with his line. south 71 deg. 18 min. west 166.1 feet to the beginning, concaining 31,720 square feet, and being the same lot of land conveytd to said W. H. Penland by Mary C. Penland, by deed dated the 20th day of November, 1893, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Buncombe county, in book of deeds No. 87, at page 177 et. seq., reference to which is hereby made.

This 31st day of December, 1898. CHAS. A. WEBB, Trustee. ea wk to d of s.

NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of W. H. Sales, deceased, late a resident of Buncombe county, all persons having claims against the decedent are hereby notified to exhibit the same to such administrator, on or before the 6th day of January, 1900, or this notice will be pleaded as a bar to the recovery thereof. This January 5th 1899. JOHN A. BROOKSHIRE,

Administrator of estate of W. N. Sales. deceased. 286-6wk

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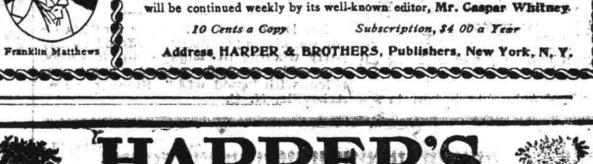
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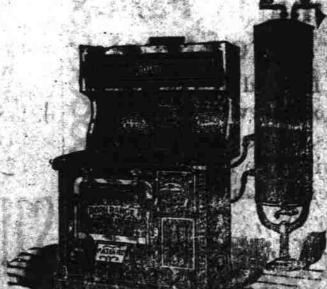
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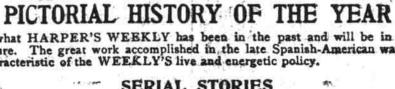
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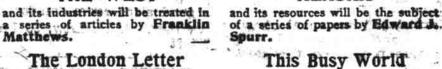
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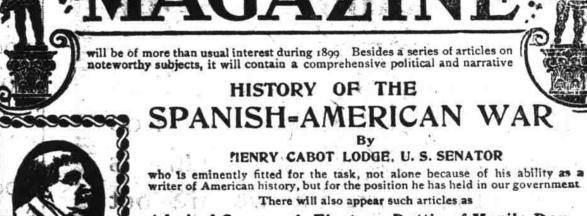




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