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MANY ATTEND FUNERAL OF MRS. ELEANOR JAY

Widow of the Late John Jay Buried in St. Matthews Church, York Bedford.—Large Company of Distinguished People.

Mrs. Eleanor Jay who died on Monday afternoon of this week at the city residence of her daughter, Mrs. William H. Schieffelin, was yesterday laid to rest in the family plot at St. Matthews, Bedford.

It was fitting that she should be buried in the spot where much of her life had been passed and with which the name and traditions of the Jays, one of the oldest and best families of New York, is so closely identified. Her husband's grandfather, the Chief Justice familiar in American history, was one of those who built the church.

The hymns, which Mrs. Jay herself had chosen, were "Hills of Unending Life" and "Before Jehovah's Awful Throne." These were sung by Mr. Frank Hunter Potter and choir boys from Trinity Church, New York.

In the Jay pew were Col. William and Mrs. Jay with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Iselin and members of the immediate family. It was said that no fewer than 27 children and grandchildren were at the funeral. In the Potter family pew, besides Mrs. Frank Hunter Potter were, Dr. John Jay, Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Jay and Mr. Robert Van Cortlandt.

Rev. Mr. Lea Luquer read the burial service. The Rt. Rev. William McVicker, Bishop of Pennsylvania, attended, as did Messrs. Schuyler Crosby, James Gordon Bennett, Richard Montmer, Maurice Robinson, Henry Grafton Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Marquand, Col. and Mrs. Leonard, and representatives of the Lounsbury, Whitman, Taylor, Harriman and other families in this locality.

At Bedford House, near Katonah, Mrs. Eleanor Jay was for years a familiar figure dispensing hospitality to a host of friends and always deeply interested in charitable and church work.

Before her marriage to the late Continued on Fourth Page, 3rd col.

HOW THE RED CROSS DOES ITS WORLD'S WORK FOR SUFFERERS

American Branch which Has Spent \$5,000,000 in Errands of Mercy Needs Further Support

When a disaster occurs, such as the San Francisco fire or the Messina earthquake, there are few of us who do not feel that we would like to contribute something to help.

Many of us are deterred by the fact that we do not know what to do or because our contribution is small, or because we are afraid that it will not be employed to advantage. The Red Cross answers all these objections.

It was the outcome of a visit to the battle field of Solpeino, in the Austro-French war of 1859, by Mr. Henri Dunant, a Swiss. He was horrified by the unnecessary suffering of the wounded because of the lack of nursing, medical attendance and even of such elementary needs as a drink of water.

He studied the subject and became convinced that the only way to avoid such evils in future was, first, to provide by international treaty for the protection of all organizations

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for caring for the sick and wounded respecting the persons of those engaged in such work and securing immunity from confiscation for hospital supplies, and, secondly, to organize voluntary relief associations under official recognition, which should render supplementary aid in time of war by furnishing surgeons and nurses and supplies.

In 1863 a preliminary conference was held at Geneva to consider the best method of bringing about the desired results, this conference being due to the continued agitation of Mr. Dunant. A number of countries were represented and at the convention held at Geneva by invitation of the Swiss Government in 1864, the Treaty of Geneva, sometimes called the Red Cross Treaty, was drafted and signed by eleven of the European powers. Since then the treaty, which was revised in 1906, has been accepted by practically every nation in the world.

At the signing of the original treaty a distinctive emblem was adopted. This was the flag of Switzerland with a reversal of its colors, in honor of the country which was in fact the originator of the organization. From that day to this the red cross on the white background has been conspicuous on every battlefield in the civilized world.

But the work of the Red Cross does not end here. All over the world, and in every country, disasters are of almost daily occurrence where no local relief is possible, either because of their magnitude or because of local unpreparedness. When such appalling catastrophes come, as the San Francisco fire or the Messina earthquake, outside help is needed and needed at once.

This is where the Red Cross shows its usefulness. It stands ready—like the horse, as last week's Times called it—to carry help wherever it is needed.

AMERICA AT THE BOTTOM

Since 1905 the American branch alone has expended close upon five million in relief of suffering, yet not a dollar of it has been spent in war. Here are a few of the disasters that it has helped to alleviate—the Philippine Typhoon, the Japanese famine, the Vesuvian eruption, the San Francisco fire and earthquake, the Gulf storm, the Chinese famine, the Kingston (Jamaica) and Valparaiso earthquakes, the Russian famine, the Monongah mine explosion, the Mis-

son, the Chelsea fire, the China flood, the Fernie forest fires, the Georgia, China and Texas floods, the forest fires and the Mesquites.

are the spectacular disasters. Ever instant help is needed, sickness, or any other form of mine explosions, or outbreaks, there the Red Cross and nurses are found, distributing and caring for the sick and wounded.

work as this is carried on by the Red Cross of every other country in the world. It is not primarily a work of war, but of peace. How our Red Cross compare with others?

Japan it has 1,400,000 members and possesses hospitals, nurse's training schools and a large amount of material.

The Russian Red Cross has a million members; owns and supports several large hospitals and training schools, and before the late war, had an amounting to \$8,000,000. In Germany the affiliated bodies of women number a million, and the Red Cross has great store houses filled with supplies of every sort. At Messina earthquake, 22 hours after it was decided to send a relief expedition, a train of eleven cars had started from Berlin loaded with surgeons, nurses, medicines, supplies, beds and bedding—everything to make the expedition self-supporting and enable it to do the greatest amount of good.

The French Red Cross has funds and supplies on hand amounting to more than \$2,000,000; an income of more than \$70,000, and fifty thousand members. It has eight schools for training nurses, and a personnel of over 900 surgeons.

WHERE THE MONEY CAME FROM

The Austro-Hungarian Red Cross has 100,000 members and funds of \$2,500,000.

The total number of Red Cross societies in the world is 44, with a total of 5,000,000 members and funds and supplies amounting to over thirty millions of dollars.

The American Red Cross has less than 20,000 members and property worth only \$50,000. What a poor record in the worst philanthropic war in the world!

Our American Red Cross is able to spend nearly \$5,000,000 in relief of the great disasters of the world?

It is because the whole country knows that it is efficient and honest, so that the funds appropriated by the states and cities or subscribed by individuals, are placed in its hands for distribution. The society maintains a salaried expert, whose duty it is

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THE POLITICAL POT IS NOW BUBBLING HARD

Candidates in the Northern Towns Making up for the Short Campaign by Hard Work.

LICENSE COMPLICATES MATTERS

Sketches of the Men who Are Running for Office on the Republican Ticket

With only ten days to election, the candidates are "hustling" for office in feverish haste.

Motor cars rush from point to point in the local landscape bearing anxious bidders for votes to the remotest homes of the faithful constituency. Hand bills and leaflets are passed about with various startling assertions as to the need for different kind of reform to benefit the people—and elect the particular candidate.

The political situation in Somers Center—which historic old burg is about to change its name and hereafter be known as Lincolnville—is full of thrills and surprises. With plenty of candidates in the field and Messrs. Flood, Turner, Brown and Barrett all active, the voter is given a wide choice and discussion waxes warm at times as various loyal partisans argue the merits of their leaders around the stove in the grocery store.

There are said to be as many

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as three boxes of good campaign cigars passing round at once and their incense rises over a clamorous convocation of all shades and degrees of opinion. One famous meeting was called to order not long since at which there were two chairmen as well as two secretaries not to speak of a mixed lot of tellers.

According to Mr. Theodore L. Van Norden, who is pushing the fight for Joseph Brown, the Republican ticket has a very good chance of success. Mr. VanNorden said recently "You will remember that in the last vote for Roosevelt Somers was the only town in the County that did not return a Republican majority. The present outlook is, therefore, the more encouraging."

"A Democratic vote in Westchester County these days is really a vote for Tammany Hall. Murphy is making every effort to capture the County. Succeeding in that he will then attack Putnam and so on up the river, in his progress toward controlling the State. The Democrats in the lower towns and cities appreciate the situation keenly. The majority of them are openly supporters of Tammany, as is the case of Walsh. Whereas, not a few of the more respectable Democrats are voting for Republican supervisors. The Democratic control of the Board of Supervisors would really be a disaster.

"Another immediate result of such control would be the usual Tammany management of any large public works to be taken up in the next decade—such as the Bronx Parkway, and the Bronx Valley sewer extension northward."

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