

LEAGUE OF RED CROSS ORGANIZED TO COMBAT OLD-WORLD EPIDEMICS

Its Banner Lifted on Watch Tower as Signal of Battle Against Typhus, Cholera and Other Enemies of Health

FIRST TANGIBLE EFFORT BEGUN TO EVOLVE HAPPY PEACE FROM SUFFERING OF MANKIND DURING WAR

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Geneva, Dec. 20.—In ONE of the oldest quarters of the ancient city of Geneva, under the shadow of the austere towers of the Calvin church, the new League of Red Cross Societies has established its headquarters.

It flags—the most glorious standard ever—over the entrance of a vast patrician residence on a quiet, cobbled street. The square is planted with secular trees. But these medical surroundings do not reflect the spirit that reigns within, which is a spirit eminently active, practical and modern.

Whatever skepticism may appear justified regarding the practicability of a league of nations to insure world peace, there can be no difference of opinion as to the utility of a league of nations to insure world health. Nor is the League of Red Cross Societies, fortunately, in any way dependent on the future existence of the league of nations.

Forecast of Happier Peace Conditions Amid so many dismal failures to realize since the cessation of hostilities the great expectations of reconstruction entertained by the nations, the creation of the Red Cross League stands out as the first tangible effort to evolve out of the tragedy of war happier and more auspicious conditions of peace.

Menace in Migration from East Many thousands of people in Poland and other eastern countries are, moreover, today anxiously awaiting an opportunity to migrate to countries of western Europe and America where they hope to find better conditions of living.

International in Its Scope Since its foundation by the Red Cross Societies of America, Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan, the Red Cross Societies of twenty-two other countries of Europe, America and Asia have joined the league.

War-Shattered Humanity's Need And truly, war-shattered humanity stands in dire need today of all the assistance and guidance that their competence can supply.

Danger of Spread of Typhus In an interview specially granted for the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER, Sir David Henderson, the director general of the "League of Health," described the situation to me as follows:

FRANK M. MALONEY We are glad to compliment Frank M. Maloney, of Frankford, who received his elementary education in St. Leo's Parochial School and who enrolled for the Combined course at St. Leo's College at the age of 22.

THE CRITIC TALKS TO MUSIC LOVERS Weekly Comment on Things Musical in Discriminating Philadelphia

LAST Monday evening's concert of the Philadelphia Orchestra again brought home the fact that the Metropolitan Opera House auditorium is a most unsatisfactory place to hear an orchestral program, if the orchestra be seated on the stage.

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WE ALL know what the orchestra sounds like in the Academy of Music, and, therefore, with the same body of men playing the difference must be in the auditorium. The physical reason for this difference is probably the great distance in the Metropolitan.

MR. YSAÏE, in his conductorship, completely reversed all of his own traditions as a violinist. Highly tenacious in his interpretations as a solo player, he is conservative almost to the extreme as a conductor.

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Musical Events Next Week A GOOD CONCERT BY THE ORCHESTRA

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OWING to his acquaintance with Cesar Franck and his intimate knowledge of the modern French school, to say nothing of Mr. Ysaÿe's own originality of musical thought, it was to be expected that he would give at least an original version of the symphony, somewhat perhaps along the general lines of his playing of the Franck sonata for violin and piano.

CONCERT by Music-School Pupils The regular monthly concert by the pupils of the Settlement Music School, 418 Queen street, will be held in the auditorium of the school tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

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CURRENT MUSIC EVENTS

The holiday concerts of the Philadelphia Orchestra, which will be given on Sunday afternoon and Saturday evening, will be notable because of them a new pianist will make his introductory bow in Philadelphia.

THE PALESTINE CHORUS of Philadelphia, now enlarged to 200 voices, will give a concert early in the week on the evening of Monday, December 22, at the Metropolitan Opera House.

DAVID ZEISEL, violinist, will give a recital at the Metropolitan Opera House on Saturday evening, December 20, at 8 o'clock.

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