

and as the enterprise relies entirely upon the exertions of the Ladies for its support, it is hoped that all will take an interest in it. Among all the charitable Institutions so liberally sustained by the wealthy and benevolent, none is more worthy of support than this. The school will be free to all; yet it is expected of Parents and Guardians of Children, who have the ability, to pay \$300 per annum, and of those in more moderate circumstances, what they are willing, or conveniently can.

The Managers propose to receive all of suitable age, to commence their education, and it is considered better to send the Deaf-Mutes young, say 5 years old, as it is essential they should learn the Sign Language correctly at the commencement.

Officers—President, Mrs. P. B. Clarke; Vice President, Mrs. J. P. Whitney; Treasurer and Secretary, Mrs. J. Underhill.

EUREKA BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.—Established October, 1850; to assist poor and needy Hebrews in want or in sickness.

Number of members 280, who pay \$1 each per month, besides a small additional sum to accumulate as a sinking fund for the support of widows and orphans. The society has a capital of \$15,000, partly invested in real-estate and partly on interest.

Officers—President, Aug. Helbing; Vice President, S. Uhlfelder; Secretary, Em. Neuman; Financial Secretary, L. B. Wertheimer; Treasurer, J. Greenebaum.

FIRST HEBREW BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.—Established in 1849, to assist needy Hebrews in sickness and in want. Number of members, 225.

Officers—President, J. P. Davis; Secretary, Julius Caro; Treasurer, A. P. Craner.

FRIENDS OF IRELAND CLUB.—Organized 1859. Meet every Tuesday at Assembly Hall, NW cor Kearny and Post.

FRENCH BENEVOLENT SOCIETY, (Société Française de Bienfaisance Mutuelle.)—Established 28th December, 1851. This is a Mutual Relief Society, established for the purpose of affording assistance to its members in case of sickness, and also for the relief of the indigent sick. The buildings at present connected with the society, are located on the corner of Bush and Taylor. A new and commodious hospital has been recently erected on Brannan Street between Simmons and Fifth, which forms a very important addition to the charitable institutions of the city. Office of the society, 159½ Sacramento Street.

Officers—President, Abel Guy; Vice Presidents, F. Moignew, Jno. Mel; Treasurer, E. Verdier; Secretaries, Paul Torquet, D. Frick; Trustees, A. Pioche, John Bernède, H. Lucke, P. L. Routs, E. Coulou, P. Dounot, P. Cassou, P. Job, E. Dupré.

GERMAN GENERAL BENEVOLENT SOCIETY of San Francisco, styled in German, *Die Allgemeine Deutsche Unterstuetzung's Gesellschaft*,

is one of the largest and most efficient charitable associations in the State. It was organized on the 7th January, 1854, with 105 members, and has rapidly increased, until now it numbers 1,030 members, of whom about two-thirds reside in this city, and one-third in the interior. Only Germans and persons speaking German are admitted to membership. The chief purpose of the association is mutual assistance in case of sickness, and when sick, every member has a right to demand support and medical attendance from the Society. The Society has a second purpose, of doing charity to Germans not members of the association, and especially to German immigrants newly arrived. The Society has a Hospital, built of brick, two stories high, with a basement 50 feet by 70 on the ground, fitted up with steam, sulphur, hot and cold water and shower baths, and other conveniences for the treatment of the sick. The wards are smaller than in any other Hospital in the city, so that not many patients are put together in a room. The Hospital lot is on Brannan street, near Third, and is 137 feet wide by 275 long, the whole surrounded by a high fence and cultivated in a fine garden, part planted with ornamental flowers and shrubs, and part with kitchen vegetables. The water for the Hospital and garden is supplied by an artesian well and windmill. The property of the Society, including the lot and Hospital building, is worth about \$24,000, and the debts amount to about \$7,000. The revenue of the Society amounts to \$16,000 or \$17,000 a year, derived chiefly from a monthly assessment of \$1 levied on every member. The Hospital costs \$15,000 a year. During 1859 there were 214 patients in the Hospital. During the last five years, 279 persons, non-members of the Association, were received in the Hospital out of pure charity, and maintained by the Association during 7,441 sick days in all, at an expense of \$14,860. The Society has as paid servants, a Superintendent, an apothecary, a gardener, a cook and three waiters, and one unpaid employment agent. The present officers of the society are:

Officers—President, C. F. Mebins; Vice President, L. Jacoby; Second Vice President, Dr. F. W. Wedekind; Recording Secretary, M. Mendheim; Financial Secretary, H. Michels; Treasurer, H. Nielsen; Directors, J. N. Rausch, F. Waterman, W. A. Krahe, J. C. Meussdorffer, F. Mutzenbecher, J. S. Hittell and R. Feuerstein; Physicians, Drs. Alers, Lechr, Precht and Regensburger.

The Superintendent, L. Lubbersmeier, may be found at the Hospital, and to him application should be made for charitable relief, or admission into the Society or Hospital. J. Lorber, merchant-clothier, behind the City Hall, is gratuitous agent for the Society, to furnish employment and servants to applicants, without charge.

HIBERNIAN SOCIETY.—This Society is composed of citizens of Irish birth, and numbers 50 members; organized February 3d, 1852. The object of the organization is to perpetuate generosity, by extending relief to Irish emigrants.