

are ample, and provided with every appliance for healthy exercise. Some of the teachers have been brought up and educated in the institution. Two of the finest globes, terrestrial and celestial, to be found on this coast, belong to this institution. The Asylum is supported by the Order under which it was instituted, by donations and private contributions, and by appropriations from the State. The Asylum is under the charge of Sister Frances, who is truly a mother to the orphans.

#### GERMAN GENERAL BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

This Association, composed exclusively of Germans, and those who speak the language, was organized January 7th, 1854, for the mutual attendance upon and relief of its members, and especially the protection and aid of newly-arrived German immigrants. The large and commodious Hospital erected by the Association on Brannan Street, near Third, where every possible comfort and accommodation adequate to the wants of the sick can be obtained, is an enduring monument of the liberality and philanthropy of this provident class of our citizens.

#### ST. MARY'S LADIES' SOCIETY.

This Society, which was originally founded in 1850 by the Sisters of Mercy for the dissemination of piety among the females of the Catholic Church, and afterwards converted into a Mutual Benevolent Association, holds its meetings in the Hall erected for that purpose adjoining the St. Mary's Hospital, to which its labors are mainly devoted, the officers being selected from the Sisters of Mercy. It is one of the most flourishing of all the benevolent associations, and numbers some six hundred contributing members.

#### ST. JOSEPH'S BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

This Society is composed of the male members of the Roman Catholic Church, for the aid of those in distress and the consolation and relief of the afflicted. Although mainly devoted to attending to the sick, burying the dead, and relieving the families left in needy circumstances by its own members, its benevolent operations are not exclusively confined to its own limits, but administer to the wants of all such afflicted as come within its notice.

#### MAGDALEN ASYLUM.

This reformatory institution is located at Hayes Park, and is under the charge and direction of the Sisters of Mercy. The building is extensive and well adapted to the purposes for which it is designed, being eighty feet by thirty, and three stories high. The success of this institution, we are sorry to say, has not been commensurate with its merits.

#### HEBREW SELF-PROTECTING ASSOCIATION.

Without making any invidious distinction, it must be acknowledged that no denomination makes more ample and liberal provision for the unfortunate indigent and distressed than the Jewish. To such an extent does this prevail, that pauperism among this class is entirely unknown, and cases where the expense of relieving one of their number has fallen upon other parties are almost entirely unknown. The Hebrew Self-Protecting Association, founded, as its name imports, for the mutual protection and aid of its members in sickness and misfortune, was organized under the incorporation laws of the State in July of the past year. A charitable fund is formed, which is devoted to carrying out the objects of the Association. Although of but recent origin, this organization promises to be productive of much good in its field of usefulness.

#### EUREKA TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION.

This Society was organized in 1858, for the purpose of protecting the interests and rendering aid

and assistance to distressed members of the "Art Preservative of all Arts." It numbers some three hundred members, and is in a very flourishing condition. An arrangement has been made by this Society with the managers of St. Mary's Hospital, by which the sick receive medical attendance and nursing. The Society recently purchased a burial lot in Lone Mountain Cemetery, which they design decorating and ornamenting in a becoming manner.

#### DASHAWAY ASSOCIATION.

This widely known Temperance organization, originally founded on the 24th of May, 1859, by the members of Howard Engine Company, has increased to an astonishing extent, numbering near 6,000 members. A large and elegant hall has been erected on Post Street, between Dupont and Kearny, by the Parent Association, devoted to the business and social meetings of the members. The affairs of the Association are in a most flourishing condition, and the sphere of its usefulness constantly extending. From this parent stock auxiliary societies have sprung up and are in successful operation all over the State. The name of "Dashaway" has become a household word.

#### LADIES' UNITED HEBREW BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

This praiseworthy Association was established in 1855, by the ladies of the Israelitish faith, for the aid of the distressed among the women of that people, to attend to the sick, bury the dead, aid the poor, and relieve the wants of the distressed. The objects of the Association have been carried out with the untiring zeal and philanthropic spirit with which it originated.

#### FRENCH BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

This is a mutual benevolent Association, formed in 1851, by a number of French citizens for the aid and relief of its members, although its action is not confined exclusively to that class. A spacious and commodious Hospital, with handsomely laid out grounds, was erected by this Association a year since, on Bryant between Fifth and Sixth streets.

#### ITALIAN BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION.

This somewhat limited but industrious, thrifty and provident portion of our citizens, the Italians, have not been behind other and more numerous classes in their provision for the sick and distressed among their ranks. This Society has an arrangement with the managers of St. Mary's Hospital, by which every provision is made for the care of those entitled to its protection and relief.

#### EUREKA BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

This is another benevolent Association, formed of the members of the Jewish faith, for the relief of the unfortunate, and to aid the widows and orphans of its members. The Society embraces two branches, having two separate funds—one for general benevolent purposes, and the other for the relief of widows and orphans—the latter fund, however, cannot be touched until it amounts to \$30,000. The combined capital reaches \$35,000. An arrangement with the German Hospital has been made, by which the sick receives care and nursing. There are about 375 members.

#### SLAVONIH ELLIRIH MUTUAL BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

This Association numbers about one hundred members, and is composed of the citizens of Northern Europe for the aid and success of its members, and their distressed countrymen, was organized November 17, 1857; and although the Association is not so numerous as some others, it has been productive of much good in the sphere of its operations. The sick receive medical and other attendance at St. Mary's Hospital.