

CHURCH HONORS D. D. WHITNEY AT 90

Gives a Reception for the ex-Mayor of Brooklyn, Fifty Years a Communicant.

FEELS ONLY 60, HE SAYS

Hears from a Friend That He's Coming Ten Years Hence to Help Celebrate a Century.

Ex-Mayor Daniel D. Whitney of Brooklyn was entertained last evening at a reception in the Sands Street Memorial Methodist Church, at Henry and Clark Streets, Brooklyn. Mr. Whitney has been a member of this church for more than half a century. The reception was given by the Official Board and Ladies' Union of the church.

Several hundred persons attended. An embossed copy of these resolutions, signed by the board, was given to Mr. Whitney. The resolutions, which were read by the Rev. F. B. Upham, pastor of the church, said:

Whereas, To have lived long, to have lived well, to have kept abreast of the demands of the day, to have remained tender hearted and sympathetic through years of public life, to have been alert ever to the interests of the young, and to have ever honored the aged, to have been best loved and respected where best known is to be highly blessed of God; and whereas

our brother Daniel D. Whitney, whom we honor to-night, has been thus favored.

Be It Resolved, The First Methodist Episcopal Church, assembled in its house of worship Jan. 30, 1909, expresses its gratitude to God that Brother Whitney has been spared to the church and city for ninety fruitful years, recalls most gladly the fact that the city he served so well as Mayor (1886-7) has ever held him in high esteem, returns once more its thanks to him for years of generous and voluntary service, frequently at the most exacting and least conspicuous of duties, and recognizes the beauty of the words of the Psalmist, "With long life shall I satisfy him, and show him my salvation."

George G. Reynolds presided, and the principal speeches were made by Bishop Goodseil, Borough President Bird S. Coler, and ex-Mayors Charles Schieren and David Boody. The members of the organization called "Old Brooklynites," one hundred strong, were present. Mr. Whitney is President ex-officio.

When asked how it felt to be 90 years old, Mr. Whitney responded with a laugh, "I'm not 90 until to-morrow, you know, but I don't feel it, I assure you," he said. "I really don't feel a bit older than 60—not a bit more. I have seen heaps of changes in Brooklyn, especially in transportation. I go to business every day, and I have just heard of a friend of mine who couldn't come to-night, but who says he will be here when they give me a reception on my hundredth birthday."

Castle School Alumnae Luncheon.

The annual alumnae luncheon of the graduates of the Castle School, Tarrytown-on-the-Hudson, was held yesterday Frankel, Lillian Prehar, Allie Safford, Elthose present were Mrs. Dock and the Misses Sara Harder, Julia Whiting Frankel, Lillian Prehar, Allie Safford, Ellis Moon, Beatrice Holden, and Grace McEwan. The annual reception was held at the school on Friday afternoon.

Press Critic Sues Hammerstein.

Max Smith, music critic of The New York Press, yesterday instituted a civil suit against Oscar Hammerstein for libel. He charges that Mr. Hammerstein cited him on Friday as one of the "drunken and seedy" reporters sent to him by the managing editor of The Press.