

GREECE'S INDEPENDENCE DAY.

THAT IS WHY THE GREEK FLAG IS FLOATING OVER CITY HALL.

A few days ago Mayor Gilroy received a letter from Solon J. Vlasto, President of the Greek Society "Athena," asking him to have the national flag of Greece displayed on the City Hall April 6, the anniversary of Greek independence. In his letter Mr. Vlasto recalled the aid that the citizens of New-York had given those who were fighting for liberty in Greece in 1827.

A meeting of citizens was then held in the City Hall, about \$50,000 was subscribed, and three vessels, the ship Chancellor and the brigs Six Brothers and Jane, were sent to Greece laden with provisions.

Through Secretary Holly, Mayor Gilroy replied that he would be very glad to comply with the request, but that as the time was so short the city would not be able to procure a Greek flag.

Mr. Vlasto at once sent word that he would furnish the flag, and it will be duly displayed on the City Hall to-day.

In his letter thanking the Mayor and Mr. Holly, Mr. Vlasto said:

"I might add that on the Acropolis at Athens, above the noble ruins of the Parthenon, every Fourth of July the Stars and Stripes float as a remembrance of the debt of Greece to America."

FIFTH AVENUE TOO DARK.

SO GAS COMMISSIONERS WILL GIVE IT MORE ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Fifth Avenue is to have more electric lights. The Gas Commission met yesterday and it was determined that, while the Edison lamps that now light the avenue are good enough as far as they go, they don't go far enough.

The members of the commission think the avenue too dark at night, so they ordered yesterday that an additional lamp be placed in the middle of every block from Waverley Place to Fifty-ninth Street. The lamps will be erected on the east and west sides, alternately.

A contract was made last December with the Thomson-Houston Company for lighting Fourth Avenue south of Forty-second Street; Irving Place, Bryant Park, and Church Street, from Chambers Street to Canal Street. The Thomson-Houston Company and the subway people have been quarreling over subway rentals, and the lighting contract has not been carried out.

The Gas Commissioners yesterday notified the Thomson-Houston Company that, unless the streets mentioned were lighted within ten days, the contract would be forfeited.

Mr. Gebhard and His Ranch Manager.

Dr. C. W. Aby, who has been the Superintendent and manager of Fred Gebhard's California ranch, left yesterday morning for California. He had been in this city since January, and his departure set afloat certain statements that there had been some dispute about the settlement of his accounts with Mr. Gebhard, and that the latter had hurriedly taken the train for San Francisco in order to visit the ranch and find out how matters really stood.

The news of Mr. Gebhard's departure, so the gossips said, hurried that of Dr. Aby, who left the St. James Hotel in a mysterious manner yesterday morning.

At the St. James it was said that Dr. Aby's departure was not secret nor was it hurried. At the residence of Mrs. Frederic Neilson, Mr. Gebhard's sister, it was said that Mr. Gebhard had contemplated a trip to California, but had given it up.

Mr. Gebhard was not to be found at Mrs. Neilson's last night, neither was he at the Union Club nor around Delmonico's.

The ranch was purchased some years ago by Mr. Gebhard. Mrs. Langtry had one adjoining.

Mr. Pell's Gorgeous Leavetaking.

Archie Pell has arranged to give a thoroughly original entertainment to those who are to be his best man and ushers at his coming wedding to Miss Sadie Price of Baltimore.

G. Weaver Loper has placed at the disposal of Mr. Pell his steam yacht Avenel, and on April 21 Mr. Pell and his party will set sail for Baltimore. On the evening of the departure a supper will be served aboard the yacht, but the real festivities will begin when the party reaches Maryland. Mr. Loper will give a stag dinner aboard the Avenel on the evening after the arrival, and the handsome craft will be illuminated, even to the tops of the masts, with electric lights.

A few days following Mr. Pell will give his farewell dinner in the Maryland Club, and Mrs. Jesse Tyson will give a dinner to Miss Price's maid of honor and her bridesmaids.

The guests of Mr. Pell on his sea trip will be J. Arden Harriman, Cambridge Livingston, John N. Griswold, William A. Abbott, Archibald M. Pell, Elisha Dyer, Jr., Sewell Tappan, Henry B. Taylor, and Eushrod R. Bayne.