REST FROM SOCIAL DUTIES.

Holiday Festivities Furnish a Respite for the Ultra Fashionable Folk.

OPENING THE ASSEMBLY PARTY.

New Year's Receptions-Among His Three-Year-Olds-Kountze Place High Five-Movements of Society People.

The only rest from social duties that ultra fashionable society has, are the few days preceding Christmas and the five days be tween Christmas and New Year's. With the exception of several small dinners, the inaugural dance of the assembly Friday evening, at the Millard, two or three card parties and several parties for young people, there has been absolutely nothing doing in

the social world for the past seven days.

Even the fadles whose time is generally taken up with Kensingtons, kettle drums and calls have been shopping the past week and buying Christmas gifts which gladdened the

hearts of thousands who are kindly remem-bered on that very delightful day.

This week will be even more dull, if all in-dications do not fall and for the next seven days there is little of importance prom-The rest, however, that the fushionable will thus secure is really quite necessary, for so far there certainly has been a sufficiency of doings, quite enough to please the bud, who, during her first season, lives only for the enjoyment that comes from the dance, the dinner and the luncheon.

New Year's day will not be observed by the followers of fashion to the extent it has been in previous years. There will be a few houses open, but the list will not be large nor imposing.
-The Young Men's Christian association

will receive New Year's calls from 5 until 6:30, President and Mrs. Fleming and a contingent of 100 ladies making up the re-

ception committee.

Mr. D. H. Wheeler, jr., issued invitations yesterday for a "stag reception" at his residence on Virginia avenue from 2 until 6 on New Year's day. "I know last year," said he, "some stayed away because they thought ladies would be there. I want that idea dispelled; they can come and eat and smoke to say nothing about drinking punch and not be bothered by any of the fair sex." This feature being generally understood, no doubt many invitations will be accepted that would otherwise be declined. Now and then men like to get away from petticoat government, for it makes them more appreciated by the

gentle sex.

Hon. George W. Lininger will entertain
the Knights Templar of the city at his res-idence, Eighteenth and Davenport streets,

Mrs. Henry M. Stanley, when Miss Dorothy Tennant, was almost the first lady in Lendon to practice "slumming." She used to be friend the little street vagabonds and reward them for good behavior by teaching them to play familiar airs with one finger on her plane, and sing them to this accompaniment. She relates of her experiments with much delight that one young heathen was heard to render "Rule Brittania! Brittania Rules the Wave!" as follows:

Rule, Brittalion! Britallion rules the whales. True-'earted Britons Never, never shall be slain.

The Opening Assembly Party.

The Assembly, which has been so much of afactor in the smart world of the metropolis. he pit stiff sometimes and limited to the four hundred of Omaha, gave its opening party of the season Friday evening at the Millard. The number of guests was not as large by any means as subsequent dancing parties will show, for it was the night after Christmas and many of the social leaders had not recovered fully from the festivities on Christmas day and night to attend the in augural party of The Assembly.

Never has there been seen together so many pretty girls as at this party. It was common talk in the cloak rooms, in the dining room and in the ball room. And tumes worn were far more beautiful than have been displayed at any similar affair this

And what is still more pleasant there was no ercwding in the ball room, there being just enough participants in the dance to make the evening enjoyable, a delightful aftermath of Christmas. Refreshments were served at 11 o'clock in the rooms off the ordinary on the

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east side of the nall.

Among the many well known society
women present the following are recalled:
Miss Knapp of Racine, Wis., one of the
prettiest women who has ever visited Omaha,
petite brunette, vivacious and interesting to
a degree, wore a beautiful gown of black not caught up with American beauties, the top of the corsage also being prettily trimmed with

the same variety of flowers.

Miss Laura Hoagland appeared in an imported costume of white China silk, trimmed with heavy passementerie, entrain.

Miss Hoagland wore a black flowered net gown, the neck prettily ornamented by green

and blue mousseline de soie.

Miss Williams wore a sweet dress of pale
blue silk mulle over blue satin, blue satin

Miss Yest, always a favorite in the exclusive circles of society, wore yellow crepe, trimmed with passementeric and feathers.

Miss Nash wore a gown of pick silk mous-selline de soie, made in the simplest possible manner and all the more effective on that ac-Miss Dundy, tall and distinguished graced

a gown of white mulle and she carried a besutiful bouquet of la France roses, silver

begutting bought of a read superstance of the selection o neck.
Miss Emily Wakeley, a charming debutante

and one of the season's beauties looked very pretty in a gown of white silk and pink roses around the top of the corsage; dancing

length.

Miss Daisy Doane, Miss Wakeley's alter ego and another of the very interesting "buds" wore a gown of pale green pine apple crepe, plainly made, entraine.

Miss Sherwood, just home from Vassar,

wore a pale green net over green silk with a girdle of pearl passementerie.

Miss Bessie Yates, satin striped gauze.

Miss Wyman, pale green silk.

Miss Clarke wore a beautiful dress of black lace over pale blue surah, caught up with feather trimming. feather trimming.
Miss Gertrude Chambers, a simple gown of

black net.
Miss McClintock, pale lilac gauze over lilac silk.
Mrs. W. S. Poppleton, black net effectively trimmed with bunches of holly.
Mrs. Hill wore a pretty costume of white gauze with stripes of gold running through

Miss Jordan, white China silk. Miss Opal Touralin-were one of the dainti-est costumes at the ball, a pink silk en traine,

trimmed with beaded passementerie.

Miss Bishop appeared in a gown of heavy crepe over white silk relieved by light brown crepe drapings.
Mrs. David Baum, white silk with brocaded

Corsage, Miss Pearl Hartman wore a toilette of white China silk with rose plaitings edged

Miss Knight, an exceedingly pretty young woman, wore a striking costume of bright red crepe which became her beauty exceed-

ngly. Miss Balcombe wore a pink flowered silk

entraine.

The following were present: Misses Hoag-land, Laura Hoagland, Bertha Yost, Emily Wakeley, Daisy Doane, Nash, Bishop, Ames, Knapp of Racine, Wis.; Knight of Texas, Touzalin, Wyman, Clarke, Smith, Mora Baicombe, Bessie Yates, Baum, Jordan, Dundy, Williams, Sherwood, Gertrade Chambers, McClintock, Steward of Council Bluffs, Beach of New York, Hartman, Mr. and Mrs. Heach of New York, Hartman, Wr. and Mrs. Sheach of New York, Hartman, Wr. and Mrs. Poppleton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Colpetzer, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Coutant, Mr. and Mrs. David Baum, Mesdames Hill, Brooke, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Peck, Messrs, Tuttle, Will McCague, Frank Hamilton, Will Wyman, Henry

Wyman, Charles Saunders, Richard S. Ber-lin, Paul Horback, Curtis Turner, Will Kennedy, C. K. Barton, Crofut, Will Paxton, Will McMillan, Baxter, C. H. Briggs, Stewart, Ed Sherwood, W. H. Gates, H. B. Hodges.

They Played at "Hearts." In honor of Miss Mai Burns and Miss Mary Duryea, the charming young women just re-turned from their schools, Miss Morgaret Brown gave a delightful "hearts" party Tuesday evening at her residence, 2618 Capitol avenue. The house was tastefully decorated in honor of the occasion, and the orated in honor of the occasion. Refresh-games were exciting to a degree. Refresh-ments were served during the evening and produced as follows: First ments were served during the evening and the prizes distributed as follows: First prize for the ladies was won by Miss Helen Smith, a very pretty chamois glove case; the second ladies' prize was taken by Miss John-son, a handkerchief box; the first prize for gentlemen was won by William Colfax, a pretty silver stamp box; the second by Wal-ter Dale, a handsome blotter.

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The guests present were: Misses Mai Burns, Mary Duryea, Helen Smith, Lillie Tukey, Florence Lee, Carrie House, Lillian House, Alice Parker, Ada Parker, Mina Marshall, May Yates, Margaret Brown, Margaret Cook, Margaret McKee, Nettle Sher-wood, Nellie Burns, Miss Wilkinson, Misses Pearl Hartman, Lou Johnson, Georgie Sharp, Pearl Hartman, Lou Johnson, Georgie Sharp, Rena Strang, Louise Kelley, Lillie Durnell, Fritza Bamait, Maud Staley, Miss Hibbard, Mesdames Frank Irvine, Thomas Wilson, Warner Welch. Messrs, Hilton Fenda Fred McCormick, Maurice Duryea, Wing Allen, Clinton Mills, Wood Allen, Mr. Gamble, Bert Downs, Walter Miner, Frank Fosbenner, George Miner, Bert Cook, Lon Dale, Jim McCann, Walter Dale, Harry Cotter, William Fove, Lal Johnson, William Colfax, Gould Dietz, Mr. Merrick, Mr. Clark, Mr. Welsh, Mr. Driscol, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Nott, Mr. Frank Burley, Mr. Paul Burley, Mr. Harry Moores, Mr. Egbert Keiler.

Among His "Three-Year-Olds."

There was a special dinner at the Hotel Barker Christmas afternoon. It was not so princely as that of the regular hour. It was intended to be informal and the viands were to be of the simplest but most wholesome character. The dinner was designed by Mr. poarders who have been regular diners at his table almost since the hotel was opened. The menu was as follows and was "served n the style of Auld Lang Syne:

Roast Turkey. Chicken Pie. Deviled Crab. Plum Pudding. Hard Cider. Mince Pie.

Crackers and Cheese. The guests were as follows, or, as Mr. Balch calls them, his "three-year-olds:" Major J. W. McMahon, Major J. E. Howard, F. S. Ferguson, Frank Chittenden, B. Fowler, Jules Lumbard, Paul Hersh, Peahon, Miles French, Harry C. Godwin, E. A. O'Brien, R. E. Couglas, R. W. Baker. The health of the genial landlord was toasted and his many good qualities extolled. The memory of O. H. Rothacker and John Rowland was feelingly referred to. Joe Feahon, originally intended as one of the "Monks of the Screw," kept the table in a monts of the Sector, and short addresses were made by Major Howard, Major McMahon and Messrs. Ferguson, Hersh, Douglas, O'Brien and Baker, while Mr. W. A. Wallace sang with sweetness and expression "The Maid of the Mill" and "Dorkins' Last Night." The event was a most memorable one and will long be remembered by the guests with grat-itude to their host.

High-Five in Kountze Place. The Kountze Place High-Five club met at the charming home of Mr. and Mrs. E. V.

Lewis, 1921 Wirt street, on Friday evening. The host and hostess extended a cordial hos pitality to their guests and their efforts culminated in a most successful evening where all enjoyed a spirited and hard-fought game. After close competition Mrs. J. P. Bay carried off the ladies prize—a very beautiful chair drape-while Mr. L. D. Fowler was successful in securing a handsome oxidized silver searf pin. The usual refreshments were served in an elegant manner which showed Mrs. Lewis' ability as a housewife. The following members and guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Van Court, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bay, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Blum, Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Crummer, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Dunbar, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Edmiston, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Fisher, Mr. and miston, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Gib-son, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Hustus, Mr. and Mrs. H. Jaynes, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Lewis, Miss Lipps, Mr, and Mrs. H. Lawrie, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Minahan, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Shields. Guests-Mr. and Mrs. Curis, Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard, Mr. and Mrs. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Josselyn, Mrs. C. F. McLarcon

and Mr. C. H. Fowler.

The next meeting will be held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bay, northeast corner of Binney and Twenty-first street on Friday evening, January 9.

A Star Party.

The most unique and novel entertainment of the week was given at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Templeton on Friday night in honor of the Misses Stafford of Nebraska City and their son Frank. The house, which is large and well adapted for entertaining, was beautifully decorated with potted plants and cut flowers, a prominent part of the decorations being "stars," which glittered in the curtains and draperies, in the smilax and holly which were artistically fes-tooned upon the walls. The idea was carried out through the evening, the refreshments being served in star shapes and each attend-ant being furnished with a hand-painted star, ant being furnished with a niho-painted star, which was looped on with a riboon and worn as a badge. The invited guests were the Misses Leighton, Misses Stafford, Misses Johns Miss Mattie Stone, Mamie Joselvn, Rena Strang, Mabel Mason, Miss Wright, Miss Gibbon, Miss Wilkins, Messers Strang, Leonard, Charles Stone, Mark Brown, E. L. Roberts, Henry Findley, Gus Drexel, Charles Gibbon, Harry Wilkins, Mr. Spooner, Mr. Gramlichs, Mr. Burges, Mr. and Mrs. J Epeneter.

Lighting the Christmas Tree.

A jolly party gathered at the residence of Mrs. Ella Riggs, Sixteenth and Howard, Christmas evening to assist in lighting the Christmas tree and joining with the children in their games. For the time the older people were the boys and girls once more, and as there was a goodly number of the little ones present, and as the tree was big and beautifully decorated, pleasure and delight reigned supreme. It was to the men and women grown in the nature of a reunion, and the dinner, which was served before the fun of the evening commenced, would have delighted the evening commenced, would have delighted the most exacting of epicures. There were in the party, besides the children of the guests, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Test, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Goodrich, Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Miner, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Maples, Mr. and Mrs. McDonald. Mr. and Mrs. Frice, A. S. Carter, F. N. Richards, Mr. Bender of the Mercury, Mr. and Mrs. Robidoux.

A Delightful Theatre Party. The yule tide with its joys and its pleasures was delightfylly celebrated Christmas night by a theatre party to Boxd's opera house, "A Woman Hater," with Roland Reed in the stellar part being the attraction. After the play the party adjourned to the Omaha Guards armory where an impromptu dance was indulged in, music being provided by was indulged in, music being provided by a small orchestra. Among those present were: Miss Mary Duryea, Mai Burns, Helen Smith, Maude Staley, Alice Parker, Ada Parker, Barrie House, Nettie Johnson, Margaret Cook, Margaret Brown, Margaret Moore, Nina Marshall, Pearl Hartman, Lou Johnson, Jesse Farnsworth, Nellie Zurmuhlen and Angie Rockwell of Council Bluffs; Mrs. Harry McCormick, Mrs. Remington, and Messrs. Colfax, Johnson, Deitz, Benedict, Downs, L. Dale, W. Dale, McBurney, Cook, Brown, Charlton, Rathbun, Fosbenner, McCann, Morrow, McCormick, Remington, Mills, Duryea, Brandt, Fonda, G. Miner.

Coming to the Front.

The Peerless club added one more to the list of their innocent amusements last Thursday evening by celebrating Christmas with a masquerade party. The ladies costumes were perfectly gorgeous, ranging from the sublime, refined nun to the giddy school girls with snort dresses and all colored tresses hanging gracefully down their backs. And the gentlemen's costumes were very unique varying from the hay seed farmer swith No.

11 boots and straw hat to the unruly salier boy in coat of blue. In fact, it was a perfect success and would have done credit to the New York "400." It was a continual stream of laughter from beginning to end, not only by the participants, but by the visitors in the It was attended by the club members and a

few invited guests, comprising some of the cream of the other social clubs and Council Bluffs society people. "Under the Mistletoe Bough."

The mistletoe hung in the castle hall.

The holly branch hung on the old oak wall.

—Thomas Haynes Bayley. The kiss snatched hasty from the sidelong maid. —Thomson. Christmas somehow or other seems to have a significance for young people, and how they do enjoy the delightful yule tide which comes with the closing of the year! A number of Miss Emily Wakeley's friends decided to avail themselves of the yule tide period and called at her home at Nineteenth and Cali-fornia streets Christmas night for some real

old fashioned games.

Miss Wakeiey, with rare thoughtfulness, had suspended a tiny bit of mistletce from the chandelier in the drawing room, possibly with the hope that it might be missed in the general joy of the evening. But it was in too conspicuous a place for the guests to easily miss as the evening proved. Black eyes and tender blue eyes sparkled in the light of the chandelier as their owners came face to face with the friends of the other sex and the bit of mistletoe, the cause of all the mischief, looked down upon the re-vival of old-fashioned customs with many a tender sigh. "Blind Man's Buff," "Spin the Plate" and "Forfeits" were played to the mjoyment of everybody present. Refresh-nents were served during the evening. There were present: Misses Clarke, Curtis, Touzalin, Miller, Doane, Carter, Messrs Barkelow, Fairfield, Will Crary, Cleaver,

Marriages and Weddings.

Baldridge, Loomis, Charles How, Clark

LEES AND BOWIE. A very enjoyable wedding was that cele-brated at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Bowie, 1719 North Eighteenth street, on Christmas day, in which Mr. Stewart D. Lees and Miss Euph Bowie were the contracting parties. Mr. Charles Youse acted as best man and Miss Tina Bowle as bridesmaid. At a few minutes after 4 o'clock the wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Thain of the Plymouth Congregational church in the presence of a few assembled guests, after which the usual congratulations followed and then a sumptuous marriage feast. At 6 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Lees left for Denver and the west on a two weeks' trip, and will be at home at the above number after January 10. A goodly number of rich gifts were made them, several of which were direct from Scotland, their native land. Among the guests present were Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson, Mr. and Mas. William Fleming, Dr. and son, Mr. and Mas. William Fleming, Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Ross, Councilman and Mrs. McLearie, Mr. and Mrs. Little, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bannochie, Mr. and Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Richards, Mrs. Thain, Mrs. Frank Reynolds, Mrs. David Elder, Miss Agnes O'Brien, Miss Eva Morse, Miss Kate Gue, Miss Hannah Wilson, Miss Mate Munnochie, Miss Ann Rutherford, Charles Landaryon.

WILSON AND WINCOTS. Married on the 22d, at St. Barnabas church by Rev. John Williams, Laurence, second son of Rev. F. Wilson, vicar of Mitchen, Surrey, England, to Marie Louise second daughter of the late William Wincote, esq., of Portland Place, Heamington, England. VIGGERS AND PEPOON.

At the residence of the bride's parents, near Table Rock, Neb., December 24, by J. W. Little, Mr. Henry R. S. Viggers of Omaha, Neb., and Miss Alice Pepoon of Table Rock. The ceremony was attended by about fifty of the relatives of the bride and after its completion a wedding. groom and after its completion a wedding supper was served. Several hours were spent in literary, musical and conversational enjoyments. The groom is a conductor on the Union Pacific railroad and will reside in

MULVANY AND WELCH.

It will be quite a matter of surprise to many friends of the groom to learn that Mr. John Mulvany, the celebrated artist, was united in marriage at the residence of Mrs. Judge Barnes at Columbus Junction on Friday of last week, to Mrs. Nellie Welch of Chicago. For some time past vague rumors have been heard that this marriage would take place during the holicays, but only two or three friends of Mr. Mulvany were informed as to

The groom is too well known to need any reference at the hands of Tax Reg. He has been a prominent figure in art circles both in this country and in Europe for years. He has seen many beautiful women but until he met Mrs. Welch, his heart was true to his bachelor inclinations. Something over two years ago the artist met his flance and a love match was the result, which will be hailed with joy by the friends of both parties.

Mrs. Welch is a thoroughly refined and educated woman and the union gives every

promise of supreme happiness. A Delightful Christmas Dinner. Mr. aud Mrs. S. S. Curtis, 517 Virginia avenue, gave a delightful Christmas dinner to a number of old-time friends on Thursday. The house was daintily decorated with ropes of evergreen, bunches of holly and sprays of mistletoe. And the table preand sprays of mistactor. And the table pre-sented a royal holiday appearance with its holly and cut flowers placed in rose bowls and jaidiniers. The dinner too was in keeping with the gale tide and the courses were silent witnesses of Mrs. Curtis' cooking.

The guests present were Mr. and Mrs.

Merriam, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Swobe, Mr.

Meriam, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Swobe, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Whitney, Mrs. McClure, Mr. Bostwick, Mr. Guiou, Mr. Cleaver.

Later in the evening a number of other friends came in and an exciting game of high five resulted Prizes were given to Mrs. D. H. Wheeler, who took the first ladies' prize, and Mrs. Whitney, second. Mr. Pease won the first gentlemen's prize and Mr.

Swobe the second.

In addition to the guests at dinner, the fol lowing other guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. Riail, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Wheeler, jr., Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dean, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Dietz, Mr. and Mrs. Francis, Judge and Mrs. Thurston, Mr. and Mrs. Vaill, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Pease.

Close of the Omaha Art Exhibition. The management of the Omaha art exhibit tion have decided to formally close the exhibition Monday evening, January 5, with a reception, dancing after 10 o'clock. In order to send the large collection back to New York the freight alone cost \$1,500, and to realize this amount the directors have decided to issue 300 invitations, placing the tickets for the reception at \$5, which will admit a lady and gentleman. These invitations will issue early this week and will be sent to the lead-ing people of the city. Tickets will then be placed on sale and those holding invitations

placed on sale and those holding invitations may purchase them.

The patronesses of the reception are the wives of the directors, viz: Mesdames J. N. H. Patrick, Henry W. Yates, Louis Reed, B. B. Wood, George L. Miller, J. M. Woolworth, E. A. Nash, Guy C. Barten, George Lininger, Max Meyer, Hy Meday, W. V. Morse, Lyman Richardson. The sale of tickets will be in charge of Netherton Hall, Frank Hamilton, Arthur Smithe, John Patrick.

Refreshments will be served during the evening on the lower floor of the gallery, evening on the lower floor of the gallery, while the upper floor will be canvassed for

Undoubtedly this event will prove one of the most delightful of the season, for what more could be desired than to dance in such surroundings as the art exhibition!

'The Mystic Circle's" Masquerade. Wednesday evening "The Mystic Circle," a new organization in the social life of the city but one destined to meet with a great deal of success, will give its first bal masque at the Coliseum. No efforts are being left un done to make this carnival one of the events of the year and it will afford ample oppor-

tunity for people who love innocent amuse-ment to have no end of fun.

Two bands will be in attendance, one for dancing and the other for promenade music. The building will be handsomely decorated, a New York decorator having been engaged for the purpose. for the purpose.

There are twenty boxes in the building

which will seat eight persons each, and these are in demand by the leading people of the city who will go there to be "lookers-on in Vienna," rather than participate in the pleasures of the evening which will be engaged in by the young people.

Should this vanity fair in misrocosm prove the success it deserves it will be the aim of the club to give a big carnival in February, fashioned after the "Veiled Prophets" in

St. Louis and the "Priests of Pallas" in Kansas City.

The Colliseum management has made arrangements with the street car company to run cars all night so it will be very easy for spectators and participants to go to and from

Prof. Gaynore will lead the grand march which will take place at 9 of the characters en masque At midnight, just as the old year dies and the new born is ushered into the world, the characters will unmask, to

greet the infant in propria persona.

A feature of the evening will be the presence of J. S. Cooley, who will impersonate "Hamlet" and will be attended by "Ophelia, who will be unknown until the unmasking. "In Honor of Her Son."

The hospitable home of Mrs, Ish on Georgia avenue was thrown open last Saturday evening for the reception of the guests of her son, Mr. James Ish. The parlors were profusely and handsomely decorated with cut flowers and blossoming plants. Cards and other amusements were indulged in until 11 o'clock, when elegant refreshments were served. Those present were Mrs. Ish, Mr. James Ish, Mr. and Mrs. Guild, Master teorge Guild, Mrs. James, Mr. and Mrs. Cox, Misses Sams, Cook and Strong and Messrs. Darling and McMahon,

Coming Events.

Mrs. Samuel Burnes has issued invitations for a real old fashioned New Year's reception, from 4 until 7, January 1. A number of the prettiest girls in Omaha will assist at the punch bowl, the chocolate table and at the

Mr. D. H. Wheeler, jr., announces a "stag" reception on January I.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Drake have issued in vitations for a German in honor of their daughter, Miss Louie Drake, December 31. Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Carter announce a German for Mr. Carroll Carter, Monday

Miss Mamie Moore gives a cord party for Miss Mame Moore gives a cond party.

Miss Dwight Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Turner will give a
dancing party next Friday evening.

The Park avenue card club meets at the sidence of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Goodrich

Monday evening.
Mrs. George Cook, 1212 Georgia avenue. annonnees a Kensington tea for Miss Cook and Miss Margaret Brown at 3 p. m. Tues

day the 30th.

The Omaha Art association will give a large reception and dancing party in the improvised rooms of the association, D. M. Steele building, Monday evening, January 5.

Movements and Whereabouts. Mr. and Mrs. M. Peters are in St. Louis spending the holidays.

Miss Fannie Hauley of Lincoln is the guest of Mrs. Churchill Parker. Miss Clara Brown, whose illness was noted these columns last week is very much bet

Miss Emma Hedges of Lincoln and Miss Elsie Palmer of Hastings are visiting Miss Lottie Watts of this city. Miss Lottie Watts has returned from Hastings college to spond the holidays with her parents on Caldwell street.

Mr. Joseph A. Ruhl of Georgia avenue, who has been a visitor to Florida for some months past, returned home this week. Miss Yost left vesterday for Detroit on an extended visit to friends. While there a large dancing party will be given in her While there a

Mr. Wing B. Al'en is receiving the con-gratulations of his friends over his unaninous re-election to the secretaryship of the coal exchange.

Major St. A. D. Balcombe, Mrs. Balcombe, and Miss Mabel Balcombe left for Florida week, their intention being to remain until summer drives them northward. Miss Mary Sherwood returned from Vassar college this week to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sherwood,

A select masquerade by the wives and daughters of Court Eclipse No. 167 Independent Order of Oddfellows will be given Years eve at Garfield ball. Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McLean, 2705 Hamil-

on Dodge street.

ton street, gave a very delightful high five party Tuesday evening, enough guests being present to fill eight tables. Mrs. E. M. Koenig, mother of Mr. W. H. Koenig, who returned but a short time ago from a nine month's trip in Germany has been ill lately, but is happily better. The house in honor of yule tide was pret-tily decorated with roses, ferns and holly, while several beautiful sprays of mistletoe

were hung in both front and back parlors, Mrs. Anna E. Dickey of San Jose, Cal., mother of Mrs. Charles P. Hughes, 1964 Georgia avenue, is visiting the latter, having arrived from her California home this week. Mrs. A. J. Poppleton gave a beautiful luncheon at her home, Elizabeth place, Tuesday at 2 o'clock in honor of Miss Mary Pop-pleton, who has just returned from Miss Brown's school, New York.

Mr. Albert Offutt, brother of Charles Offutt, is now at Colorado Springs for his health and for a pleasure trip. Mr. Offutt expects to return seen to his position in the South Omaha National bank,

A pleasant pox party consisting of the following ladies and gentlemen was given Christmas night at Boyd's: Mr. and Mrs. Bert Evans, Miss Jesse Farnsworth, Nellie Zurmurhlen, Angie Rockwell of Council Bluffs, Messrs. Lou and Walter Dale and Reed McBurney. They all adjourned with the other theater party to dance at the

Tuesday evening a number of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Goodrich's friends "happened in" to their home on Leavenworth street and passed a delightful evening at high five. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Price, Mr. and Mrs. Mapes, Mr. Richards, A. S. Carter, Mr. Reed, Mrs. Will Briggs and Mrs. I. W. Miner.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hein-rich had a beautiful Christmas tree Christmas Eve and its illumination was the signa for many joyous shouts from the little ones In addition to the children present were Miss Bomgardner, Miss Brandt, Judge Strann, Mr. W. H. Koenig and Mr. and Mrs. E. C.

In honor of her brother, Mr. Arthur Mc-Namara of North Platte, Neb., who visits Omaha but seldom, Mrs. S. D. Barkalow gave a charming informal evening on Tues-day. About fifty guests were present the day. About fifty guests were present, the pretty home being artistically decorated with Christmas garlands. Cards were played and the evening made charmingly homelike, in keeping with the well known ability of Mr. and Mrs. Barkalow as pleasant entertainers Mrs. W. G. Templeton gave an elegant luncheon at her home on Walnut Hill on Friday afternoon. The refreshments were

Friday afternoon. The refreshments were perfect in every respect and daintily served in five courses by four young ladies. The guests were Mrs. Kurtz, Mrs. Neeley, Mrs. Churchill Parker, Mrs. John Barker, Mrs. L. F. Weeks, Mrs. Dr. Mirrell, Mrs. J. H. Mc-Connell, Mrs. J. O. Phillippi, Mrs. Dr. Breckenridge, Mrs. J. L. Peasson, Mrs. F. B. Bryant, Mrs. Claffin, Mrs. Tukey, Mrs. Andrews of Grand Island and Mrs. Hall.

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Master Lovell Dunn entertained a few of his friends Friday evening. The time was pleasantly passed playing games and cards, after which dainty refreshments were served. Some very good music was rendered by Misses Clark and Welty at the piano, while Master Lovell gave a few of his very pretty violin solos. Thuse present were Misses Nellie Clark, Mamie Welty, Susie Welty, Bessle Hulbert, Tot Moores, Helen Weity, Bessie Hulbert, Tot Moores, Helen Burnham, Master Dick Weity, Frank Ferguson and Newton Buckleyan
The football game Christmas morning be

tween an eleven from the Young Men's Men's Christian association and resident col-lege boys brought out a number of society lege boys brought out Mumber of society people to see the game, which was played at the ball park. Among those present were: Mesdames Samuel Burns, Patrick, Misses Moore, Burns, Mae Bürns, Helen Smith, Jordan, Dr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Stephens, Messrs. Eastman of Chicago, Crary, Preston, Rustin, Fosbenner, Patrick, Wilkes, Rustin, Mr. and Mrs. McInton and Wulliam McCarno. tosh and William McCague.

Mr. W. L. Irish gave a number of his friends a stag dinner on Friday evening in honor of his twenty-eighth birthday at his honor of his twenty-eighth birthday at his beautiful home in Druid Hill. At 8 o'clock he was presented with a handsome leather arm chair by Mr. John Flanagan in behalf of his guests, and then the following men reated themselves at the table: Messrs. Irish, Clancey, Munn, Richardson, Frahm, Bexten, Jenter, Flanagan, Murphy, Shipman, Brown, Peterson, Searis, Antone, Spaulding and Bartlett. A delicious menu was discussed, after which toasts were responded to by Messrs, W. G. Richardson, John Flanagan and John Bexten. The balance of a charmingly spent evening was topped off with jolly songs and stories.

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THE LOUNGER IN THE LOBBY.

Reland Reed and His New Play, "Lend Me Your Wife."

ATTRACTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

Pleasant Tribute to Billy Florence by the Poet Kidder-Doings in the Dramatic and Musical World.

There is a delightful freshness and local color about the Captain Tarbox of Roland Reed, which shows the most minute care on the part of that very clever comedian, who is fast commanding the attention of the critical public as an actor of large ability.

In "Cheek" Mr. Reed had little opportunity to display those varied talents which has since brought him rapidly to the front as one of the few leading comedians of the stage. It was his formative period. Through it he tested the feeling of the public, ascertained what it wanted most and realizing that the field of legitimate farce comedy was fallow ground, determined to occupy it.

"Humbug" came later. It was a trifle better than his former play, but still insufficient to give the actor the opportunity ne longed for.
Then Mr. John E. Owens died, leaving to his estate a very valuable piece of literary property, "The Woman Hater," a play which afforded Reed, as he thought, an excellent

vehicle to carry him into a higher plane of comedy, which had even been a day dream He bought the play and surrounding himself with a very strong and capable company, launched his back upon the uncertain sea of

The end proved his wisdom. "The Woman Hater" is just as strong in his hands as in the hands of the lamented Dwens. The press and public hailed Reed as Owens' egitimate successor and grew enthusiastic is

praise of his originality, his personality, his ability.

Not satisfied with his notable triumph in t clearly legitimate comedy part, Mr. Reed longed for something that would display his versatility as a character actor, something that would be distinctively local, and "Lend Me Your Wife," by the late Dion Bouccicault and Sidney Rosenfeld, was the result.

In Captain Tarbox the comedian has a very

congenial role. There is a salt air about it which enters There is a salt air about it watch enters your nostrils and fills your lungs as if it was blowing directly inland from the Atlautic Brusque and breezy, Reed makes a jolly old sailor to the marrow, just such another as Captain Cuttle, with a few less idlosyncrasies than the character made famou Burton and later by "Billy" Florence.

And it shows the fettle of the actor to the "Cheek" and "Humbug" are remembered only as initiating Mr. Reed to the public. "Lend Me Your Wife," shows the rounded art of the artist, who has industriously in-bored to create a new field for his manifest ability. And yet his success is not to be marveled at. His present position has been reached through conscientious work and an

intelligent purpose.

There is little of the meteoric in Roland Reed's make up. He has gained the heights by years of plodding, just as poor men get rich by judicious investments, with probably a bit of luck to lend itself to the work in hand. Now that he is on the top none can be more pleased with his success than I, for he has deserved it.

"Joy's double joy that comes before its time." Such must have been the exclama-tion of Roland Reed, the well known comedian as he entered his dressing room at Boyd on Christmas afternoon. Boyd on Christmas afternoon. He had been "turning them away from the doors" by the hundreds, and he had been steadily looking forward to a house for the evening performance which would be packed to the fresconne. Ordinarily, that was joy enough for one mortal for a day, but it was not all he was to experience, because he had scarcely entered his dressing room when he discovered a display which almost took his heavth ered a display which almost took his breath away. There, on a table, lay a large cedar cigar box, the edges and corners of which were bound in selid silver elaborately embossed. On the lid were inlaid several scrolls in silver, which were engraved as follows on the scroll near the top, "To our manager and friend." On the middle one, "Mr. Rolland Reed, Christthe top, "To our manager and friend." On the middle one, "Mr. Rolland Reed, Christ-mas, 1890," and on the lower one, "As a token of esteem and good fellowship, from the members of his company: Isadore Rush, Harry A. Smith, Ernest Bertram, Mary Myers, Max Fehrman, Julia Reed, E. B. Jack, A. S. Pennoyer, M. Monroe, H. Rees Davies, W. C. Andrews, James Douglas." But this was not all. There was a smoking set in oxydized silver, comprising an em-bossed tray, a spirit lamp, match safe, cigar

bossed tray, a spirit lamp, match safe, cigar and cigaretic stand and ashes cup. Then there was a beautiful rolled plate box with a poker hand engraved on the lid with the words, "A fairly good hand, R. R. Christ-mas, 1890." The interior of this box was filled with a set of most beautiful poker

All of these gifts rested in front of a background of mistletoe, holly, ivy and evergreen arranged on the wall in a most artistic man-

The gift was unexpected. It was therefore all the more appreciated. Coming at a time when the star had otherwise the most happy of feelings, it tended to make him feel that he might consider himself among the cavored ones of providence. It was not how-ever this fact, which caused him to feel so tlated. It was the consciousness that he had gained the confidence and the esteem of his company, something unusual among stars, which he prized more dearly than almost any material gift which they could bestow upon

Speaking of the saline breats, I am sure I will be forgiven if relate a bit of nautical experience I had one or two years ago, in which several theatrical friends played no in-

significant part.

A. P. Dunlop of the Stage News had invited me to be one of a party, while in New York, to take a sail in Jack Ryley's trim yacht, which he called after his wife, The Madeliene, but subsequent events showed that he should have named her The Rock

Hunter.
Dunlop, who is in love with the ocean in all its moods, probably with its tenses too for all I know, had selected the crew from men who evidently nad experience in nautical dramas. We all remember how good a Cap tain in the "Pinafore" troupe John Nash was he was the sailing master. Ryley himself was a wonderful Admiral in the same plece and his maritine intelligence quite exceeded anything I had ever witnessed up to that time. The bo'sun, first mate and loblolly boy, all combined in one, was well up in sailor's horopipes and had played William so

that he was little seasick.

Quite a party boarded her on the day I was to be one of the party—the prima donna of one company, the soubrette of another, a first old woman weighing 200 pounds, a light comedian, Dunlop and the gallant Ryley. It had reached me rather vaguely 'tis true that Ryley yachted on rocks as frequently as on water, so I was not unprepared when all of a sudden we felt a sudden shock, and in a

of a studieh we left a studieh shock, and in a moment we were all standing.

But in a few moments we had recovered ourselves to go below for seven bells and the "Larboard Watch," "A Wet Sheet," "A Life on the Ocean Wave" were all sung with the joy that the occasion demanded.

Then the breeze died out and the yacht was becalmed, so we took out our quadrant and took our bearings. For hour we drifted "like painted ships upon a painted ocean." Well

painted ships upon a painted occan." Well provisioned and provided with the means of having unlimited seven belis our stalwart hearts never flinched.

Then all of a sudden, without warning, we were high and dry upon another rock, while the inmates of the Madellene butted each other in their efforts to "right ship" and get upon their sea legs. Eventually the boat was persuaded to abandon the rock and we all sang "Bow, ye Winds, I O," and then ad-journed to the chart room for seven bells.

was a jolly sail for the twenty minutes, we were off Island, when crash! bang! we were hoisted up on a beautiful steady lock, and we dipped to windward and bent to star-board and did all sorts of things to larboard,

but come off! There we stuck.

The captain went below and reported a hole as big as a barrel in her stern. "Take to the boat," said he heroically, "leave me to my fate." We were a couple of yards off shore, and the captain was a good swimmer, so we took his advice and the boat, and sent a man

to take him off the wreck, and after unbeard of trouble on land we get to New York.

ce, however, and It was an experie mistake.

The Madelaine, if Ryley is to be believed, is still hunting rock along the Staten Island shore and entifling the breath which comes in

THE LOUNGER.

from old ocean.

Commencing this evening and continuing broughout the entire week the stage of Boyd will be occupied by one of the leading burlesque attractions now before the public. Corinne and the Kimball Opera Comique and Burlesque company will be the attraction, appearing in two of its best productions—"Carmen," the new operatic burlesque, on "Carmen," the new operatic burlesque, on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, and "Monte Cristo, Jr.," on Thurs-day afternoon and evening, Friday evening and Saturday afternoon and evening. It bears little or no resemblance to the orig-inal score.

inal score. It is magnificantly staged and georgeously costumed, and interspersed with gems picked from all the great operatic successes of the present day,

The choruses are strong and wonderfully

well trained. Over \$20,000 is said to have been expended before the curtain was raised on the first performance. Never before in the history of buriesque has such attention been given to detail. Cerinne, of course, is the central figure and life of the perform ance. She is, indeed, the ideal in the imper sonation of that vivacious, sprightly Spanish dancing beauty—plump but shapely in figure, her flashing black eyes—set in a smiting face, crowned with a wealth of rich, dark hair, making a pretty, lovable and appropriate pic-ture. In fact Corinne is the only artists who and presumed to essay a role ifficult and yet, when proporesented, so attractive and plang, since Minnie Hauk gave to Carmen, presented. Corinne has the distinction it has attained. advantage of youth, grace, facial expression and action. Her work does not appear stud-ied or mechanical, but has that charming, almost recidess abandon which enthuses and inspires the artist. She is a thrilling picture inspires the artist. Sho is a thrilling picture of joyous life, and the happy, mischievous coquetry with which she ensuares her numerous lovers, only to abandon them finally for the more attractive, blustering Toreador,

an excellent piece of acting.

In ending the year 1890 and entering upon 1891 Manager Lawler of the Eden Musee has eclipsed all previous efforts in presenting a first class variety entertainment to the pub-lic. In the curio hall the Nebraska triplets, Benjamin Harrison, Levi Morton and Baby McKee Jarrotte, will be on exhibition. These bables were born June last in Cherry county, near Gordon, Neb. The father is a well known Grand Army man. The babies are handsome, cute and cunning, and will delight every mother who has an opportunity to se them. As will clearly be seen they will grow up republicans, excepting the latter, which is a girl. Probably by the time she gains her majority she can also vote with her brothers. The babies are an interesting brothers. The babies are an interesting study. Allie Chambers, the pink cycd lascen, has been secured for the year. This beauti-ful young woman has beautiful pink cycs, a complexion that will cause women to rave, and her hair failing in long, wavy curls is white as the snow that caps a mountain peak. She can relate interesting stories of her home in the old world.

In the bijou and vaudeville theater a strong company of special artists have been secured. Ritchie in a laughable partonime; silence and fun can amuse the most melancholly person. 'The Alabama mokes, Welbers and Carroll, are the greatest coon team of the variety stage. They will be here, Jennie Ritchie, male impersonator, is a clever ar-tiste in her line. Eugene Mackin, is acknowledged to be the greatest and funniest female impersonator traveling. Sweeney is a very clever contortionist, Edson and Sints the California wonders are without a peer in the line of specialties; and That Swede is the greatest musical oddity of the times. All these clever performers will help close this year and swing the new n line. With this host of talent Manager Lawler promises the best show of the year

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

Haworth will be starred next season in a epertory. "Joan of Arc," Margaret Mather's new play is a failure. Tommy Russell has left the stage. His nother has placed him in school.

Roland Reed's new play was adapted from the old source of "Prete-mei ta Femme," a French comedy, by the late Dion Boucicault, and was the last work the actor-author did. Nat Goodwin does not "make up" at all in "The Nominee." He simply is himself in the role, so it is said, and the play fits him, and Poole himself could not make a better

Fanny Davenport has a lively boa for "Cleopatra." Melbourne McDowell, her husband, says it gives him the cold shivers when he touches it, but his wife some how or other is on good terms with his snakeship. "Hendrick Hudson," the burlesque in which Miss Fay Templeton made her reap-pearance and which was headed for a few short weeks by Miss Anna Boyd, is said to nave been sold to Corinne.

Emma Abbott has given a commission to M. Audran to write her a new three-act opera. The price paid is \$16,000, with the proviso that after three years the right of production and sale shall revert to the composer.

Capoul, the bearded French tenor who on small capital broke many susceptible American hearts some years ago, has written the libretto of an opera entitled "The Black Prince," for which Duprato has written the music. The story is Russian. A London dispatch states that Charles Coghlan has been declared a bankrupt. At

one time he drew the largest salary ever paid a stock company leading man \$700 a week. He has always commanded a handsome figure. A recent unsuccessful effort to star is supposed to be the cause of his present embarrassments.

Mrs. Jeannette M. Thurber, president of the National Conservatory of Music, an-nounces the following examinations: Voice— Monday, January 5, 1891, from 9 a. m. to 12 m., 2 to 5 and 8 to 10 p. m.; piano, Tuesday, January 6, from 9 a. m. to 13 m., 2 to 5 and 8 to 10 p. m.; violin and other orchestral into 10 p. m.; violin and other orchestral instruments, Wednesday, January 7, from 9 a. m. to 12 m., 2 to 5 and 8 to 10 p. m.

The long pending action brought against

managers who claimed heavy damages from him for an alleged breach of contract, by which he abrogated a traveling engagement in this country, has been settled in Paris, The plaintiffs accepted Gouned's offer to

now definitely decided that Sarah Bernhardt will arrive in New York about February 1. She comes under the manage-ment of Abbey & Grau and will make her first appearance in "La Torca," in which she has not been seen in this country. A feature of her engagement, however, will be the first French representation of Sardou's "Cleo-patra," which Fanny Davenpert anglicized on Tuesday night at the Fifth Avenue thea-

Billy Florence's Guests. A fortnight ago Billy Florence gave a pleasant little supper at the Continental hotel, Philadelphia, to Mr. Jefferson, Mr. and Mrs. Kendall, and a party of New York friends. Mr. Edward E. Kidder, who was to have been present, at the last moment had to decline, but he sent the following as a substitute: I send you as a sentiment two names we're

proud to know—
The Irish bey and Yankee girl who charmed us long age— When the stage is filled with scandals which must cause it friends to grieve. A record like the Florences is something to achieve.

If Karma only favored me, at what a rapid I'd project my astral body through the ninety miles of space And drain a phantom bumper, with accompaing toast.
To the host-of course he's only only one, and yet that one's a host.

For there, as do the Yogi, I could show you m the air A throng of his creations closely grouped behind his chair, Mixed dualects and ages-merry fellows Let me tax my doubtful memory for some that I recall.

There's the sturdy William Williams, with his flavor of buriesque; The scheming Obenreizer, pallid, calm and picturesque; The mercurial Vivian Ripple, fond of galety and dance, And, in extravaganza, King Francis, late of fron-handed Cap'n Cuttle and his "Waller

lad," you know, With the wardrobe and the talent that old Burton used to show; And, coming down to later days, Our Governor we greet-A modern Ananias, who had rather lie than That delicious cultured German whose troubles were displayed In a play they called "A Million"—that

And Slote—our dear old Bardwell Slote—our thoughts of him, how true! He made a million, I am sure, and made it A bumper to Sir Lucius, cool, daring, dobonair; A health to Sekiel Homespun, who nods behind the chair.
Of all the splendid company, effending not

amount it should have made:

our host,

Brave, honest Robert Brierly was the one I loved the most. How he packed the Winter Garden: how the people wept and cheered And grew enthusiastic when his clouded name was cleared. How many of that company, are memories of the mind-Dolly Davenport, and Hagen, Vining, Bow-ers, Bland and Hind.

Then a health to William Florence, hedeserver "three times three,"
And a bumper to his helpmeet, which we waft across the sea.

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