

SOCIETY IN PASSION WEEK.

Movements of the Fashionable World During the Past Seven Days.

PROMISES FOR THE POST-LENTEN SEASON.

What is Doing in the Domain of Society—Cards Continue a Source of Pleasure—Movements and Whereabouts.

The Old, Old Story.

New York Contract, In a cozy room together, No so many years ago, Heedless of the weather, Sitting in the freight glow, Talking nonsense, young and happy, Just as we had done before, Without warning, came the spring, Cupid danced along the floor; Then there came protracted hushes— Neither bold enough to speak; In her cheeks were roses that, While I bled for lack of cheek; Each divined just what the other Wanted now to talk about; Neither dared—but tried to smother Cupid out; So you see—all things were equal; We were both in love, of course; And you know the proper sequel; When I drew from such a source— How I drew my chair up nearer; In her clear eyes for my mirror; Just how love might answer me— How my heart was broken; Scarcely knowing what to say, How the silence there was broken; In a very charming way; And I'm happy to confess, When I begged her to confess, She replied—but you will guess that it was: "Yes."

Passion week was the quietest seven days society has experienced this season, due no doubt to the imperative demand of the church upon the attention of those who acknowledge its sway. And the outlook for the post-Lenten season is very dark and dreary.

While there are several big entertainments being planned, they are not sufficiently far enough advanced to announce who will open the season with either a reception or a dance.

Not in several years has there been so little going on, though the near approach of Easter may account for the almost complete quietude which has settled like a pall over the fashionable world.

Of course the quartette of marriages which will occur immediately after Easter will receive the attention of the society, but this will not hardly attain the brilliancy which distinguished the pre-Lenten period, and the social life of the metropolis.

The bridal bouquets that were carried by the brides and the bridesmaids at the Concord-Choussol New York wedding marked a distinct and bewitchingly lovely departure in the matter of these graceful and decorative accompaniments of the wedding ceremony.

The bride's bouquet, which was of orange blossoms, and interspersed with white and pink roses, the dainty brideflowers were caught at their centers and were what dressmaker would call flounced from the stem of the bouquet to the center of the crown, and further treated with innumerable yards of narrow white ribbon, so that when the bouquet was held in the bride's hand the combination of ribbon, lace and orange blossoms was novel and effective in the extreme. To enforce this picturesque design, the bride supplied the bridesmaids with bouquets of orange blossoms and treated the stems with narrow ribbon of yellow, of course, in place of white. The bridesmaids were costumed in yellow, so that the entire effect of the wedding was remembered. The use of narrow ribbon on a bouquet is entirely novel, and as something like eight or ninety yards of ribbon it can be concluded that there was no chance of missing the effect that was intended.

A hostess, who is nothing if not effective, says a writer in the Illustrated American, is always arranging for an Easter breakfast that is proposed to eclipse in uniqueness anything ever seen before. It is to be given in honor of five young couples, whose wedding dates will take place immediately after the great church feast. "Favors" come first on the menu. When the prospective bridegrooms enter the dining room, they are met by the hostess, who will find, instead of their respective sweethearts, huge snow-white envelopes six feet high resting beside each alternate cover. The bridegrooms are then escorted to the altar, where the bridegroom is to deliver the address. The bridegroom is to deliver the address. The bridegroom is to deliver the address.

The period of Lenten denials is almost over and in a few short days every one will resume his usual mode of life. Some of these denials are very amusing and at the same time show a spirit of sacrifice which is commendable in the highest degree. One pretty girl denies herself sugar, her tea and coffee and eschews candy during the period of fasting. Another makes up her mind never to drive during the forty days, and another carries out any entertainments which entail using either car or cab, declines the invitation, keeps an account of the sum she would have expended and forwards it to the hospital.

A very pleasant wedding occurred last Wednesday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jones, on North Twenty-sixth street, in the marriage of their daughter, Miss Nella, to Mr. T. C. Willis of Perry, Ia. The ceremony took place a few minutes past eight o'clock, and was witnessed by a large number of friends. Rev. W. K. Beach, pastor of Kountze Place Trinity M. E. church, after the ceremony the guests partook of a collation in keeping with the rule the bridegroom made in a handsome costume of tan herringbone cloth, which was most becomingly made up. The wedding party was composed of the family of the bride present, but for all that was none the less enjoyable. The list happily matched couple will spend the next few months of their visiting relatives and friends in Des Moines, Perry and other Iowa points, when they will return to Omaha to make this city their home, for a time at least.

Miss Rose's Pleasure Party. Miss Rose, of the North Twenty-sixth street, entertained a small but very select party Monday evening. The popular game of high five being indulged in. Mr. Harry P. Potter's rich tenor voice was heard to advantage in a selection from the opera "Carmen." Refreshments of a very delightful order were served during the evening. Mr. Potter gave as prizes for the champion high five players an elegant scarf pin for the gentleman, which Miss Rose judged it best to carry off, and for the ladies a very pretty watch, which was won by Miss Kingman.

The Premier Club Entertained. Thursday evening the Premier club was delightfully entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Max Meyer at their very charming home on Twenty-fourth and Harny streets. Among the beautiful household of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Meyer takes exceptionally high rank. Throughout there is everywhere noticeable the gentle presence of culture and refinement in the furnishings, in the decorations, in the bric-a-brac and the well known hospitality of the host and hostess conjoined with the beautiful surroundings could not help but make an evening enjoyable. Cards were the particular feature of the evening the guests entering into the games with spirit and when the time came for refreshments and "good nights" the guests fully enjoyed the first session closed with great eclat.

There were present Mr. and Mrs. Has, Mr. and Mrs. Katz, Mr. and Mrs. Pollock, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Retford, Mr. and Mrs. George Heyn, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Cahn, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cahn.

High Five in Kountze Place. The Kountze Place High Five club met at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Edmiston, 2123 Spruce street, on Friday night. Despite the inclement weather, the club was well represented and spent one of the most enjoyable evenings of the season. The games were played with much spirit and enthusiasm, and the club members were bent on increasing their averages for the final club prizes, which will be announced at the next meeting, to be held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Gibson, the date of which will be given later.

The Temple of Fame. The popular production entitled "The Temple of Fame" will be given at the Trinity M. E. church, Kountze Place, Tuesday evening, March 24, by the young ladies of the church, under the management of Miss Myrtle Ketcham and Miss Evelyn A. Allen, directors of the All-Union schola cantata, assisted by an able staff of musical and literary talent.

Surprised at Home. More than a score of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Hanson unceremoniously intruded on their last Saturday evening at their pleasant home, No. 255 Third street, to surprise them, and manifest their appreciation of friendship as well as to enjoy a delightful evening. The invading friends carried with them valuable presents and acceptable mementoes for the popular host and hostess. Present were Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. C. Peterson, Misses Anne Johnson, Tilda Nelson, Mrs. J. H. Johnson, Mrs. C. H. Johnson, Mrs. Bessie Nelson, and Messrs. Jack Jacobson, P. A. Larson, Charles Karjout, John Anderson, William Peterson, and Gus Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Hanson made their visiting friends quite as happy over their visit as the surprisers had hoped to make them.

Mid-Lenten Weddings. An event which surprised the newspaper fraternity of Omaha though not altogether unexpected, was the marriage of Miss Eleanor Stackhouse of Chicago and Mr. Frank Atkinson, the Chicago representative of The Bee, last Saturday morning at the home of the bride's brother, Henry M. Stackhouse, 21 Ketcham street, Indianapolis, Rev. O. C. McCulloch officiating. The wedding was a quiet one, only the immediate members of the family being present, the bride and groom leaving for their future home, Chicago, directly after the marriage ceremony.

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As these theatricals are for the benefit of charity, it is hoped that the beneficiaries will receive substantial aid. The drama on "The Wives," in which all the money received, and it was well up in the hundreds, went for clothes, flowers and carriages.

"The Festival of Days." For some time past the ladies of the Parish Aid society of Trinity cathedral, assisted by the various other cathedral organizations have been very busy arranging for a "Festival of Days," which will be held on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, April 1 and 2, at the Omaha grand assembly hall.

The hall will be elaborately decorated in the colors of spring violet and yellow, and these same colors will predominate in the decorations of the booths. "Monday's" booth will be furnished with appliances for the laundry, such as laundry bags, clothes pin bags, etc. "Tuesday's" booth will have ironing boards, and the like. "Wednesday's" will be devoted to everything with which to hide the ravages of washing day or time-dainty needle boxes, pocket cases, button bags, glove menders,

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Miss Ada Keller, a charming young lady and leading young society belle of Des Moines, S. D., who has been visiting at the Brookmansion for a few days, returned home after a very delightful trip, and is much pleased with the Gate City.

The Theatrical Mechanics association No. 24 of this city will give a banquet in their lodge rooms, over the Grand Army of the Republic hall, next Tuesday evening at 11:30 o'clock, when it is expected that a large number of guests will be in attendance.

Miss Clark Pace of Lincoln after a two week's visit at Miss Cora Weaver's, 307 Pacific street, returned to her home on Saturday. Miss Pace will long be remembered for the rich soprano voice which she is the possessor of and a great future is certainly before her.

Mrs. E. A. Wells, a Chicago wife of the superintendent of the Wells-Fargo & Co.'s express, is the guest at the Paxton hotel of the wife of General Freight Agent Crosby of B. & O. Mr. Wells accompanied by Mrs. Crosby, leave for Chicago Sunday evening.

Dr. Birney cures catarrh. Be big. Dwyer and Gilbert, the men who burglarized Morris & Wilcox's store, waived examination in police court yesterday and was bound over in the sum of \$1,000 each to await a hearing.

F. C. Matthews and wife developed stock subscription list are touring among the bickers and business men interested in athletic sports at the permanent athletic association. The course is a worthy one and should receive hearty support.

"I CONSIDER IT BLACKMAIL." C. A. Stonehill Explains Why the World-Herald Labeled Him.

WOULDN'T ADVERTISE WITH THE SHEET. The Most Disgraceful Exhibition of Mercenary Malice That Has Ever Been Attempted by Any Omaha Paper.

"I consider it simply an attempt to blackmail me or to get even with me," said Mr. C. A. Stonehill, the merchant, yesterday, referring to the World-Herald's attack upon him.

"You see I have not advertised with that sheet for months, and I consider one of my advertising solicitors out of my store. I suppose the owner of the paper is trying to damage my business and compel me to patronize his sheet. The advertisement in The Bee of my sale of fire damaged goods, to which the World-Herald takes such violent exception, was substantially correct. There is in the lot, however, goods damaged by another fire than the Dubuque, but the Dubuque lot forms the bulk of the sale. I have made affidavit to that fact.

"I think a merchant doing a legitimate business should have some protection from such unscrupulous statements as those published in the World-Herald against me. Every merchant should be left free to act on his own judgment as to the papers in which he will advertise his wares. I demonstrated to my entire satisfaction that The Bee is the only paper in which it is profitable for me to advertise. I have put a half-page advertisement in the Sunday World-Herald in times past and my Monday's sales would not show a dollar's increase above the ordinary run. I have advertised in dollars and cents the relative value of the two papers as advertising mediums.

"The World-Herald is the only paper that I did not care anything about the circulation they claimed for that paper; that I know The Bee reached the people I wanted to reach, and my store and the World-Herald did not.

"The last contract I made with the World-Herald for \$200 per week worth of advertising. The condition was that the price of it was to be taken out in goods at my store. They were to state the class of goods wanted and I was to pick them out of my stock as I pleased. The greater part of it was taken out in cheap brass-plated jewelry, which, they said, they wanted for premiums to their subscribers. It was refused stock of odds and ends which had accumulated in my store for some years. The World-Herald advertised solicitations and I am sure anything was good enough to give away as premiums and I took them at their word. They were not to take anything they did not want, but of the particular kind of goods they did want I was to have the privilege of selecting and turning over to them just what I wanted to.

"I suppose I could have purchased their favor and prevented the publication of the outrageous lie on my business, but I have always considered that I had no chance to do that. My store and I propose to continue to do so."

SAYS THEY'RE FRAUDS. Seattle's Land Register Denounces Baldwin & Co.

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"The Bee has given us the worst of it all in its editorial handling. Of course, the first time you published giving away the details of our plan to get hold of Washington timber lands by hiring men to go out and make the land and then sell it to us, did us some damage, but I didn't care so much about that; but I didn't get any money in Orange City, then, that The Bee is correct in its exposure of your scheme and its illegal irregularities."

"All of our money," replied Baldwin, without a blush, "the land law does not clearly give us authority to acquire timber lands in that manner, but then we manage to get hold of them."

"Isn't it a fact that the \$25 you get from your victim when he closes a contract with you is all that you get for, and that you don't make any attempt to violate the land law at all?"

"Then Mr. Baldwin became indignant. He talked and raved and stammered out of the office, almost running over a man who came in to say that he had given \$25 to the firm, and wanted to know if there was any way in which he could get it back.

In addition to what has already been published in The Bee, the following letter from the Seattle land office is being sent to a victim, will make interesting reading to the patrons of Baldwin & Co.:

WESTERN STATES LUMBER COMPANY, SEATTLE, WASH., March 18.—Replying to yours of the 17th, would say that no one has the right to locate settlers and bind them to turn over the land to them, or any other company, and that such contracts are against the law of the United States. Every individual intending a claim of any sort under any of the land laws must file an oath that he enters the land for his own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any person; that he has not made any agreement or contract with any person or persons by which the title he might acquire from the government may inure in whole or in part to the use or benefit of any person or persons, except himself, by person swearing falsely in this affidavit is deemed guilty of perjury, and it is the intention of the government to prosecute all such cases.

The parties you refer to are frauds. They were driven out of this country, left San Francisco with many men, many victims, and many of our men. Paid money has also been duped. Their system is to secure a deposit of \$25 from each individual and before the land claim for the purpose of making up a claim of any sort under any of the land laws must file an oath that he enters the land for his own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any person; that he has not made any agreement or contract with any person or persons by which the title he might acquire from the government may inure in whole or in part to the use or benefit of any person or persons, except himself, by person swearing falsely in this affidavit is deemed guilty of perjury, and it is the intention of the government to prosecute all such cases.

You are at liberty to make this as public as possible, and any further information or testimony can be had by putting them in their proper place (behind the bars). I will cheerfully furnish. Yours truly, T. M. IRELL, Register.

Claim It's Persecution. Mrs. Julia Bertram was arrested yesterday on complaint of her husband, Grant Bertram, who alleges that among her relations exist between her and M. L. Frady. The woman claims that it is a case of persecution. She says that her husband and child, who has been in jail in Des Moines nearly all winter for stealing, and is now because she will not give him money. She has been working to support herself and child, who is in a charitable institution. She maintains her innocence, and says that Frady borrowed her money, and she is endeavoring to get it back. The money she was locked up.

Two minor permits, aggregating \$275, were issued by the city superintendent of buildings yesterday. Lonsler and Lister, charged with robbing Falcomer's coachman, W. A. Fuller, of \$90, will have a hearing at 2:30 p. m. Monday.

Mr. Alf B. Jones, secretary, has called a meeting of the Old Settlers' association at the rooms of the real estate exchange this evening at 8 o'clock.

Fannie Herndon, the woman who robbed James Stinson of Elkhorn of \$20 was arraigned before Judge Clarkson yesterday afternoon, plead guilty and was sentenced to thirty days in the county jail.

Mr. C. E. Black, manager for S. F. Gilman, donated \$25 to the Benevolent Association of Paid Firemen as a slight recognition of the services rendered him on the occasion of the fire which occurred at his place.

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The Daughter of Jaturra will be sung by the choir of Trinity Cathedral Easter Sunday evening, and the success which followed the production of this sacred cantata a year ago should bring out a very large audience.

Miss Ada Keller, a charming young lady and leading young society belle of Des Moines, S. D., who has been visiting at the Brookmansion for a few days, returned home after a very delightful trip, and is much pleased with the Gate City.

The Theatrical Mechanics association No. 24 of this city will give a banquet in their lodge rooms, over the Grand Army of the Republic hall, next Tuesday evening at 11:30 o'clock, when it is expected that a large number of guests will be in attendance.

Miss Clark Pace of Lincoln after a two week's visit at Miss Cora Weaver's, 307 Pacific street, returned to her home on Saturday. Miss Pace will long be remembered for the rich soprano voice which she is the possessor of and a great future is certainly before her.

Mrs. E. A. Wells, a Chicago wife of the superintendent of the Wells-Fargo & Co.'s express, is the guest at the Paxton hotel of the wife of General Freight Agent Crosby of B. & O. Mr. Wells accompanied by Mrs. Crosby, leave for Chicago Sunday evening.

Dr. Birney cures catarrh. Be big. Dwyer and Gilbert, the men who burglarized Morris & Wilcox's store, waived examination in police court yesterday and was bound over in the sum of \$1,000 each to await a hearing.

F. C. Matthews and wife developed stock subscription list are touring among the bickers and business men interested in athletic sports at the permanent athletic association. The course is a worthy one and should receive hearty support.

"I CONSIDER IT BLACKMAIL." C. A. Stonehill Explains Why the World-Herald Labeled Him.

WOULDN'T ADVERTISE WITH THE SHEET. The Most Disgraceful Exhibition of Mercenary Malice That Has Ever Been Attempted by Any Omaha Paper.

"I consider it simply an attempt to blackmail me or to get even with me," said Mr. C. A. Stonehill, the merchant, yesterday, referring to the World-Herald's attack upon him.

"You see I have not advertised with that sheet for months, and I consider one of my advertising solicitors out of my store. I suppose the owner of the paper is trying to damage my business and compel me to patronize his sheet. The advertisement in The Bee of my sale of fire damaged goods, to which the World-Herald takes such violent exception, was substantially correct. There is in the lot, however, goods damaged by another fire than the Dubuque, but the Dubuque lot forms the bulk of the sale. I have made affidavit to that fact.

"I think a merchant doing a legitimate business should have some protection from such unscrupulous statements as those published in the World-Herald against me. Every merchant should be left free to act on his own judgment as to the papers in which he will advertise his wares. I demonstrated to my entire satisfaction that The Bee is the only paper in which it is profitable for me to advertise. I have put a half-page advertisement in the Sunday World-Herald in times past and my Monday's sales would not show a dollar's increase above the ordinary run. I have advertised in dollars and cents the relative value of the two papers as advertising mediums.

"The World-Herald is the only paper that I did not care anything about the circulation they claimed for that paper; that I know The Bee reached the people I wanted to reach, and my store and the World-Herald did not.

"The last contract I made with the World-Herald for \$200 per week worth of advertising. The condition was that the price of it was to be taken out in goods at my store. They were to state the class of goods wanted and I was to pick them out of my stock as I pleased. The greater part of it was taken out in cheap brass-plated jewelry, which, they said, they wanted for premiums to their subscribers. It was refused stock of odds and ends