

numerous small parties. The junior promenade filled the dining room, ordinary and rotunda of the Lincoln with youth, the scent of roses and a bloom that was not of the rose, but such as will not fade for years to come—years will rub it out. Little the dancers on Wednesday night though, cared for Time's distant menace. They had a good time with all a student's abandon. The dancing was of a quality hesitating, unpracticed, apologetic—they did not care for this either. The regents are doing a hard-working, manly set of men and beautiful girls, who of course enjoy each other's society, a great injustice by not allowing them a monthly party in the armory. The man who is unable to appreciate the educational advantages of a dancing party deserves not to have any constituency—the politicians dream, or to have it get up and leave him standing in the middle of the floor—the politician's nightmare. The regent who insists on letting the students use the armory for what they please and the body will never use it for any unworthy purpose—is going to making an enviable Nebraska reputation. I wish the regents might have been at the promenade. Their scruples had vanished and shame for hardness of heart would have made new and better men of them.

Recalling other performances by local talent under the auspices of Trinity church, it is easy to believe that Mr. Seamark's production of "Pirates of Penzance," to be given Monday evening at the Lansing theatre, will be both interesting and successful. Following is the cast:

Ruth—practical maid of all work
 Miss Jessie Hoffman
 Mabel.....Miss Harriett Adele Simons
 Edith.....Miss Nan Mawe
 Kate.....Miss Fanne Geeting
 Isabel.....Miss Jennie M. Buncher
 Pirate King.....Mr. Robert Manley
 Pirate Lieut.....Mr. Arthur Hutchinson
 Sergeant of Police.....
Mr. C. W. Kettering
 Major General.....Mr. Walter Keens
 Frederic—Pirate apprentice.....
Mr. H J W Seamark

There will be a large chorus and the Philharmonic orchestra will assist. Miss Stella Rice will be the pianist. Mr. Seamark is stage manager and director.

Friday, next week, the Pleasant Hour club will give a dance and the announcement that it will be just a plain dance is a cause of gratification. Society people have been surfeited with germans and masked balls, and a return to the old form will be a relief. After Lent there will be one more Pleasant Hour party—possibly two. Another of next week's events is Mrs. Lambertson's afternoon "at home," on the 18th.

Probably the slight fall of snow on Tuesday night called out but one sleigh. Fred Richter was unable to resist the attractions of that fall of paper thinness. He rushed to the barn,—all his movements are rapid—seized a soap box, cut swan-sleigh curves in it, nailed it to his sled, made a harness of rope for his small riding pony, hustled him out of his stall and hitched him to the cutter with about six feet of rope between the cutter and the steed in case the unbroken thing kicked, which he did not, having learned the futility of objecting to the boy's wishes. A half hour from the time Fred first thought of a sleigh ride he was having it. He overtakes two girls whom he knows, brings the pony to a stop with much difficulty, gets out, helps the girls in—the sleigh will not hold three, so he takes the reins and runs along by the excited pony, shouting and ecstatically happy as long as the sun will let his (Fred's) snow alone.

Mr. John Randolph's review of "The Erlkoenig" in this week's issue of The Courier is music and poetry in delect-

able, intelligent prose. To read it makes one unable to be patient till he can hear Mr. Movius sing "The Erlkoenig."

The ladies of the Lincoln club had complete and unfettered control of the leap year-valentine party given Thursday night at the Lincoln. All of the Lincoln club parties have been brilliant affairs, on a much more elaborate scale than anything hitherto attempted by dancing clubs in this city. But in beauty and novelty this leap year party exceeded any that preceded. The committee, Mesdames Burnham, Lambertson, Gere Oakley, Hargreaves, Buckstaff, Wright, Green, Rodgers and Funke, was most efficient, and to these ladies is due the credit for a ball that is notable in a season of more than usual activity. The decorations were in red and white, and the effect was particularly striking. The dancing hall was hung with streamers, and the globes on the chandeliers were covered with red shades. Around the sides of the room were appropriate mottoes, and hanging in the doorway was the legend: "Forget and Forgive." The ladies brought the gentlemen, and the latter waited humbly while the former engaged the dances. As each dance was taken a heart shaped card bearing the lady's name and the number of the dance was presented to the gentleman. In the dining room, coffee and sandwiches, heart-shaped, were served. Miss Willoughby's orchestra added to the success of the dance. There were over a hundred people present, including a number from out of the city.

Miss Cather, who is doing literary work at her home in Red Cloud, was the guest of Mrs. Hudson Imhoff for several days. She returned Tuesday. Mr. Frank Hall, in the exhilaration ensuing from the receipt of a very large fee for services in the Fitzgerald-Mallory case, hid himself, with Mrs. Hall, to St. Augustine, Fla. Last evening, commencing at 5 o'clock, the university people give a collation at the Lincoln hotel. Numerous toasts were given. Later in the evening Chancellor and MacLeangave a reception, and there was an electrical exhibition at the university. The festivities will close this evening with a reception by the federation of Women's clubs. Mr. Martin, of New York, who lectured at the Funke opera house Thursday night, has been looked after by Prof. R. B. Owens, an old time friend. Mrs. F. W. Brown is entertaining her sister, Miss Bennett, of Omaha. Miss Sweet, of New York, who was visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Woods, left for her home Monday. Miss Sweet's accomplishments will not soon be forgotten. H. S. Freeman returned from Clarksburg, W. Va., Tuesday. Mr. Freeman's mother is in ill-health. Miss Slaughter will give a card party for Miss Mount, of Omaha, this evening. Miss Mae Burr gave a party small and not especially premeditated on Tuesday evening. Mrs. R. J. Greene gave a Kensington yesterday afternoon. About twenty ladies were present. Mrs. Mohrenstecher gave a valentine party in honor of her brother, Mr. Keppohl, Friday evening.

The program of the Women's club last Monday was one of the best yet given. The recital hall of the conservatory was well filled by 2:30 o'clock for the half hour drill in voice culture by Mr. Williams and by 3 o'clock all the chairs were taken down stairs and the overflow went into the gallery. The membership has run over three hundred, as last year, notwithstanding fifty old members have dropped out by removal from town. The ladies are enthusiastic over their sweet-toned Weber grand piano and its accompaniments, as music is always one of the necessary features of these meetings. The violin solo by Miss Bertha Davis and piano duet by

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Prof. Bates, of this city, has a poem in the Chap Book for February 1, entitled "The Giant Wolf."

Harry Lansing has gone to Beatrice where he will remain some time introducing the new system of oil lighting.

Miss Edna Hyatt has returned from California and resumed her work at the university.

Mrs. E E Brown left on Wednesday for Pass Christian, Mississippi. Wishes for a pleasant time in that lovely place, follow her.

Miss Jeannette Sherwood arrived on Thursday from Connecticut to visit her sister, Mrs. G M Lambertson. Mr. Marvin from Pittsburg, Penn., arrived on the same day. He is also a guest at the Lambertson homestead.

Miss Maud Oakley sung at Miss Terry's recital in Omaha on Tuesday evening. Miss Terry will be remembered as the young lady who sang here in a concert given by herself and the Dovey children last fall. Word comes from Omaha that it was a very successful concert. Miss Oakley was especially appreciated.

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