

next in order, and the works of the more prominent among them will receive the attention of the club's members. Miss Villa Whitney White has been engaged for two lecture recitals, one in the afternoon on "Children's Songs," and in the evening on "German Folk Songs." Some of the members of the club were doubtful as to the success of this form of entertainment, but as Miss White illustrates her lecture with a great number of songs, and is also said to be a very interesting speaker, they will probably be successful. The club will also give several numbers.

At the meeting of the department of current events today a paper will be read by Mrs. F. A. Brown on "Finland and Its Women."

The Century club met with Mrs. Winger on Tuesday afternoon, when the study of "Florence" was continued. Quotations from Mrs. Browning, whose name is so inseparably connected with the Lily of the Arno, were given in answer to roll call. The briefs were as follows: Protestant Cemetery, Mrs. Teeters; Vallombrosa, Mrs. Hill; Fiesole, Mrs. Milton Scott.

A paper on "Art and Artists in Florence" was read by Miss Miller.

The following miscellaneous program will be given at the meeting of the Woman's club on Monday afternoon:

- Instrumental Solo.....Tarantella
Miss Myrtle Klock.
- Short Talk.....Sir Walter Scott
Mrs. T. H. Leavitt.
- Vocal Solo.....My Waiting Heart
Miss Elta Oberliee.
- Address.....The Woman Who Has Come
Mrs. A. J. Sawyer.
- Vocal Solo.....The Time Will Come
Mr. W. F. Lint.

The Matinee Musicale met on Monday afternoon with a scarcity of officers and active members. The president was ill and the two secretaries are attending the meetings of the National Federation of Musical clubs in Chicago. Two numbers were dropped from the program on account of the unavoidable absence of members. The dance form was illustrated by five vocal and instrumental selections, which with current musical events, and two student numbers, completed the program. The year books were distributed, and anyone who was not present can obtain a copy by applying to the chairman of the program committee.

The household economics department of the Woman's club had an unusually large attendance at the meeting with Mrs. Crawford on Monday afternoon. The interest and enthusiasm in this department is constantly increasing under the efficient leadership of Mrs. Milton Scott. An amusing paper upon the "Problems of the Home," was given by Mrs. Marsland, with many witty comparisons of English and American methods. A general discussion followed on the subject of "Salads," each member contributing some information in reference to it. Mrs. Crawford recited two pretty poems, with piano accompaniment, which was greatly enjoyed. After the serving of refreshments, the department adjourned to meet in two weeks with Mrs. A. W. Field.

The following is a report of the annual meeting of the Union Study club of Chicago, sent by the secretary, Mrs. Laura Williams:

The women's section of the Union Study club of the Stewart Avenue Universalist church of Chicago held its annual luncheon from 1 to 5 o'clock in the parlors of the church January 19. There were twenty-two members present. The beautifully decorated tables were set in a hollow square. The unraveling of the

conundrums found at each plate caused much merriment. Mrs. Charles Levings, the chairman of the club, presided, as toastmistress and gracefully introduced the speakers. Mrs. J. A. Chandler was the first speaker. Her subject was "The Dress of the Future." This address was in regard to the dress of women and prophesied that some distant day fitness and taste might also be the fashion.

Mrs. J. D. Jones read from "Auld Lang Syne" by MacLaren, the chapter entitled "A Nippy Tongue," which describes Jamie Soutar. Mrs. J. J. Rice followed with the real treat of the affair by introducing, through an autograph letter a new poet, William Reed Dunroy of Nebraska. His "Corn Lullaby" is one of the best things in his little book and in the "Veil of Distance" there is deep philosophy, and certainly it is a strong and must become a notable poem. "Nebraska" was also read and enjoyed by all and they predicted great success for Mr. Dunroy in his work.

The Union Study club is about fifteen years old and has been doing good work for many years. This year the review of new books and Motley's "Rise of the Dutch Republic" will furnish the program. The club has four sections. The woman's section, the literary section, the art section and the library section. The woman's section meets every fortnight.

The officers of the club are: President, Mrs. G. K. Peart; vice president Mrs. J. C. Craig; secretary, Mr. Wilbur Blackford; treasurer, John G. Webster; librarian, Miss E. L. Collins. Mrs. Charles Levings is the chairman of the woman's section and Mrs. C. E. Williams is the secretary.

Some of the poems in "Corn Tassel" will be presented before the woman's club of Englewood in the near future. This club has a membership of three hundred. Mr. Dunroy has been invited to read before the Union Study club.

The city federation has risen Phoenix-like from its ashes. The adjourned meeting at Mrs. A. W. Field's on Tuesday afternoon brought forth twelve delegates. The president, Mrs. H. W. Kelley presided. A motion was made to reorganize the city federation, its board to consist only of the presidents of clubs, and all dues to be abolished. This was unanimously carried and a committee composed of Mrs. A. A. Scott, Mrs. M. D. Welch and Mrs. A. W. Field was appointed to draft a new constitution.

It was also decided to retain the money now on hand in order to meet incidental expense. The organization will have purely a nominal existence unless some occasion arises in which it is needed, a board meeting once a year being all that will probably be expected of the presidents.

An English correspondent sends us some facts concerning the club movement across the sea. The little groups for study with which this country is closely dotted from the Atlantic to the Pacific, are unknown in England; there the club exclusively for women exists only in London and is organized for the material advantage of its members rather than for intellectual development. We study philanthropic, helpful methods to be applied for the benefit of others beyond the club, they omit the study and have the practical application within their own societies. Each of the London clubs possesses a club house, with reception rooms, dining rooms, bedrooms and, we regret to say, even smoking rooms. Here the women from all parts of a great city of magnificent distances, can meet for convenience or sociability. Two factors seem prominent in forcing the conservative English woman into club life, afternoon tea and the desire for personal liberty—of the two, the tea would be the more indispensable and one catches a whiff of its fragrance

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through all the club reports. The day has passed when English women are content to live.

"A sort of cage-bird life, born in a cage, Accounting that to leap from perch to perch Was act and joy enough for any bird."

Now the London papers write of the "Encroachment of Women," and tell how "the fair ones stormed the terrace of the National Liberal Club" (for men,) "and demanded to be served with tea." The onslaught was so successful that the majority of the other men's clubs opened their doors to the daring invaders at the five o'clock hour, but it was soon discovered that the time had arrived for the weaker sex to possess clubs of its own. The following amusing description of these clubs we quote from a London daily.

"Some ladies' clubs, such as the Alexandra in Grosvenor-street and the University in Maddox street, proclaim their exclusiveness—in the case of the Alexandra by admitting only such ladies as have been presented at Court, while at the other a college career is an indispensable qualification. As a further proof of their rigid exclusiveness, at neither club are men callers permitted to enter the premises. But this policy may be influenced by other motives. By excluding men the advanced woman may be avenging herself for centuries of untold oppression. Fortunately these tactics are not universal. There are clubs where a tolerating liking for the domestic tyrant still lingers.

"At the Ladies County Club—a club which three years ago, although only a 'ladies' tea and shopping room' in Regent-street, now boasts its 1,200 members—one of the rules graciously permits the mere male access to the tea and luncheon room. Members, however, are never allowed to introduce gentlemen to the front drawing room or dining room.

"The Pioneer Club, which is perhaps the best known by name of all the ladies' clubs, started in a very humble way, with premises over a perfumer's shop in Regent-street. But the entry of ladies well known in the world of woman's work gave it a great impetus. The Pioneer is now the proud possessor of commodious premises in Burton-street. From the fact that each lady Pioneer sports a small axe, it is clear that they believe they have a mission to lay this instrument at the root of all existing abuses. Consequently, 'anti vivisectionists,' 'advocates of woman's suffrage,' 'temperance orators' and vegetarians, are pretty well represented at the 'Pioneer.' "On entering the hall the male visitor at once comes to a full stop. When one sees graven on the glass, 'They say,

What they say? Let them say,' the temptation to fly is strong. But there is another motto, which proves that the Pioneers, for all their scorn of conventionalism, are women still; it is 'Love thyself last.' Being Pioneers, no surprise is felt on discovering that there is a smoking room in the club, as, indeed, there is in most women's clubs that are up to date. When festivity is the order of the evening do Pioneers wear regulation evening dress? Certainly not. Black satin jackets and white collars are then de rigueur, and very charming do some of these ladies look when thus appalled. One of the oldest of ladies' clubs is the Sommerville, which was established in 1878 or 1881—authorities differ on this point. For a number of years it was content to cater for ladies with strictly limited means. Even the most unsparing opponent of woman's rights failed to see any harm in a club where the cuisine was not sufficiently attractive to make the partakers discontented with the plainer fare of home; and opposition was still further discounted by a lending library, and club gatherings not more than once a week. True, the papers read at these meetings and the after discussion is calculated to develop in the mothers—the Sommerville has always been rich in mothers—a spirit of controversy; still, as the subscription was only 5s. a year—not a fortieth that of many Pall-mall clubs—the Sommerville has been always regarded by the sterner sex with benign toleration. Whether the raising of the subscription to a guinea, occasioned by the increase of members, compelling the club to remove from Oxford-street to [Continued on Page 10.]

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