

ADDITIONAL CLUBS.

Mrs. Kate M. True of Tecumseh sends this graceful and gracious poem for publication in THE COURIER:

A TOAST.
(For a Club Gathering.)

Here's a toast to the clubs of the city,
Whose membership, cultured and witty,
Is a theme alike fit for a ditty,
Or stately oration.

A toast to the men we have slighted,
Our husbands and sweethearts benighted.
Here's hoping their wrongs may be righted,
On some future occasion.

A health to each little club baby;
Who stays at home patiently—maybe.
Though I wonder much what would
his say be,
Could he have his way.

Here's a smile for the friends we are
meeting,
And a bow to the strangers we're greeting,
While our thoughts keep time to heart's
beating,
On this glad day.

SKETCH OF ZETETIC CLUB.

The Zetetic club of Weeping Water was organized June 14, 1884, at the home of one of the five ladies who desired to increase their store of knowledge, that they might be better, more companionable mothers, that they might keep in line with the march of mental progress, and that they might "look up and beyond the things that are around."

Membership rapidly increased to twenty, which was the limit decided upon. Only married ladies being eligible to membership. From then until now the interest has never flagged. Members rarely withdraw from the club except upon removal. Attendance is remarkably regular, inclement indeed must the weather be to keep the members from "Zetetic."

In the fourteen years of its existence some sixty ladies have been connected with the club. Many of those who have left are now living somewhere between the Atlantic and the Pacific. Some have been instrumental in organizing similar clubs, one of which in Indiana is named Zetetic, after the Weeping Water original. Two only, of the charter members now remain.

Four times death has entered and claimed its own. The first programs being written ones they cannot be reproduced for this brief sketch. Among the first subjects chosen were "Authors and Their Works."

A year was spent upon the history of the "Reformation," following it through Switzerland, England and France. Following this came "English History and Literature." Topics of a more miscellaneous character were given a trial among which were the "United States Mint," "History of Old Coins," "Importations and Exportations," the much vexed "Mormon Question," and "History of the Jews, Ancient and Modern." The ever present "Woman Question" was not ignored. Such topics as "Women as Journalists," "Eminent Women" and "Business Openings for Women," have caused some lively discussions as well as excellent papers. "American Humor" was given a place on the program. More profound thought brought up the "Concord Philosophers," followed by papers upon "Philanthropists."

"Roman and Grecian History" were each given one year. Following these the club entered into full sympathy with the immortal Shakespeare. So interested did the majority become in the works of the great dramatist that a second year followed, which brought the club to the Columbian year, when it seemed wise to give our attention to the World's Fair. The subject is a large one and was studied with close interest, and no doubt those who went to see the wonders con-

gregated in such vast quantities by the great city of the lake, felt that they could better appreciate the exhibits brought from the ends of the earth, after this preliminary home study.

One year was devoted to French history. Some very able papers have been presented upon scientific and musical subjects. Home and household affairs have all received due attention, as well as our own state, its geography, industries and the laws pertaining to women. For two years the study was devoted to the history of Germany. For several years past the programs have been interspersed with music, which adds much to the pleasure of the meetings.

This year an attractive feature has been the child study department. Under the auspices of its leader, Mrs. Heller of Omaha lectured to an interested audience. An open meeting on the same subject attracted many mothers who joined in the lively discussions which followed papers upon such subjects as "Will Breaking or Will Training," "Education Through Child Study" and "Rights of Children in the Home." Considerable time has been devoted to "Parliamentary Law" which seemed so formidable at first, but seems less so upon nearer acquaintance. Original stories, poems, songs and essays have elicited much applause.

Book reviews find place upon the program, also the literature and topics of the day.

Honorary membership has been accorded to resident ministers' wives. Being, as a rule, a very busy class of women, no obligations are imposed upon them, but they are privileged to attend all our club meetings, both social and literary, and to take such part in our program as they may wish.

Roll call is responded to by quotations from given authors or some stated subject and many bright gems are gathered in this way.

The subject is too great, we cannot enter into the minutia of it. What is given will show something of the vastness of the material which has been chosen as subjects for study.

The social features of the club are a large factor in its life. There are numberless teas, evening socials and luncheons in which the husbands sometimes participate. On one occasion they were so grieved because omitted from a midday luncheon that they went in a body to the hotel to dinner and ordered their bill to be sent to the Zetetic club for payment. An occasional banquet is given when the husbands are always included and often a few friends of the members are invited also, and when the club chooses to keep open house or hold an informal reception, all are welcome. On all these occasions the club color (corn) also the bitter-sweet are conspicuous in the decorations.

Since becoming a part of the General Federation of Women's clubs we like to step forward and contribute our mite towards the grand results.

In the year 1891 the Zetetic was received into the federation, (the first club from Nebraska) since which time we have found that to have an interest in a general organization, has proven incentive to greater work in the home club.

At the Biennial in Chicago, May, 1892, the club was represented by Mrs. Laura M. Woodford, state chairman of correspondence, and one other delegate.

The state federation is likewise a help and inspiration. From time to time names of our members have appeared upon the program, nor has our club been overlooked at the election of state officers.

Mrs. Laura M. Woodford was the first to conceive of the Zetetic and much of the success of it is due to her untiring efforts. Believing the club to be a means of bettering and uplifting woman, her unselfish devotion to the work has won many rich and lasting results. She

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originated our motto: "Mutual Good-Will and Mental Growth," and has ever striven to maintain the harmonious workings of the members as of one body

(First publication April 16.)

In the District Court of Lancaster county, Nebraska.

John Viola

vs.

George H. Baughman et al.

NOTICE.

George H. Baughman, Adele W. Baughman, William J. Baughman, Baughman, his wife, real name unknown, Margaret H. Baughman, The Campbell Printing Press & Manufacturing company, a corporation, and Home Fire Insurance company, a corporation, will take notice that on the 9th day of April, 1898, John Viola, plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the District Court of Lancaster county, Nebraska, against said defendants, et al, the object and prayer of which are to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by Sarah H. Baughman and Jeremiah Baughman to the Lombard Investment Company and now owned by plaintiff, upon the following described real estate, situated in Lancaster county, Nebraska, to wit:

Lots number four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8), and nine (9), in block two (2), in Keystone Addition to the City of Lincoln, east of the Sixth Principal Meridian, to secure the payment of one certain promissory note, with coupons attached, dated June 13, 1898, for the sum of \$3,300.00, and due and payable on the first day of June, 1894; that there is now due upon said note and mortgage the sum of \$3,300.00, with interest at 10 per cent per annum from June 1, 1897, and also the further sum of \$389.89 with interest at the rate of 10 per cent per annum from the first day of April, 1898, for taxes, and plaintiff prays that said premises may be decreed to be sold and satisfy the amount due thereon.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 23d day of May, 1898.

JOHN VIOLA,

By A. B. Coffroth, his Attorney.

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Nash vs. Bumstead.

To Celinda A. Bumstead, Lucius J. Bumstead, Frank L. Sheldon, The First National Bank of Salem, O., a corporation, Kelly, Maus & Company, a corporation, Benjamin A. Gibson, Ella Fox, George A. Fox, Jacob H. Phillips, The Hughes Bank, J. Harris, first real name unknown, M. Spiesberger & Son, a partnership, and John M. Jones non-resident defendants: You and each of you are hereby notified that on April 15, 1898, Herbert Nash as plaintiff, began

an action against you and other defendants in the district court of Lancaster county, Nebraska, the object of which is to foreclose a certain mortgage on the following land in said county, to-wit: the north half of block number 39, in Dawson's Addition to South Lincoln, as shown by the recorded plat thereof, by Celinda A. Bumstead and Lucius J. Bumstead to one Frank W. Lewis dated May 13, 1890 to secure the payment of a promissory note of said Celinda A. Bumstead and Lucius J. Bumstead to said Frank W. Lewis, for \$500 on which there is now due \$500.00 with interest from July 1, 1897, at ten per cent per annum. Plaintiff prays for decree of foreclosure and sale of said land to satisfy said liens as aforesaid, for deficiency judgement and general relief. You are required to answer plaintiff's petition on or before the 23rd day of May 1898.

HERBERT NASH, Plaintiff.

By S. L. GEISTHARDT, Attorney.

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"Say it," replied Ricketts.

"They are not as fresh as they are painted."