

Miss Gruesel is the daughter of E. S. Gruesel, so well known in connection with the management of the Burlington locomotive shops. Mr. Noble has been a prominent student at the Wesleyan university and since his graduation has been a teacher.

A picnic with a six o'clock luncheon will be given this afternoon at Lincoln park in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Will Maxwell of South Bend, Washington. The participants will be Messrs. and Meadames Maxwell, Marshall, Curtice, Burr, Howe, Rector, Henkel, Mallalieu, Dorgan and Woods; Mrs. Griffith; Misses Burr and Marshall; Messrs. Joyce and Meadows of St. Joseph.

Miss Mae Burr entertained a company of ladies on Thursday afternoon in honor of Miss Lucy Griffith. A guessing game furnished entertainment. Those present were: Miss Griffith, Miss Curtice, Meadames John Dorgan, Spotsford, of Kansas City, Harry Grainger, Elmer Merrill, Lew Marshall, C. L. Burr, W. F. Kelley.

Dr. B. F. Bailey has gone east to attend the annual meeting of the American institute of homeopathy of which he is the president, now in session at Atlantic City, N. J. Dr. Bailey will deliver an address at the meeting. He is the first man west of the Missouri river to hold the office of president in this organization.

Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson entertained in celebration of Mr. Robinson's birthday. The guests were: Misses Gowe, Gleason, Miller, Leonard, Wilcox, Bailey, Clark, Bell Carveth; Messrs. Bailey, Gowe, Gleason, Wilcox, Leonard, Bromfield, Guild, Gadd, Robineon, Gadd, Caldwell.

Mr. J. J. Banks of 621 South Fourteenth street entertained the C. T. C. club Friday evening from 7 to 9 o'clock. Guests were: Mrs. Bernard, Miss Catherine Rhodes, Florence Woods, Grace Fulton, Ethel Fulton, Pansy Stein, Margaret Wheeler, LaVator Thompson, Bruce Barnard, Roy Banks, Hiland Wheeler.

On Friday a small company of university people drove to Roca in a carryall and spent the day in boating, fishing, target shooting and eating. They were: Misses Cowgill, Erisman, O'Connell, Fowler, Jerry and Paine; Messrs. Piper, Warner, Boomer, Perry, Hewitt and Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Walsh chaperoned a merry party of picnickers at Lincoln park Tuesday evening. They were: Miss Helen Hoover, Gertrude Bratt, Beatrice, Maud Risser, Winifred Hill, Bees Harrison and Thomas; Messrs. Paice, Matson, Turpin, John Butler, Henry Smith and Charley Schwarz.

Mrs. H. J. Winnett has given two delightful luncheons. At the first the guests were Meadames Garoutte, Risser, Casebeer; Misses Risser, Dakin and Bennett of Englewood. Guests for the day were: Meadames Bowman, Scott, Cochran, Woods; Misses Henry and Cochran.

Mrs. J. H. Harley and Master Robertson, left on Thursday for Wequatonsing, Michigan, by the way of Des Moines. Miss Mabel Richards with Misses Dora and Edna Harley expects to leave next Thursday for the same resort.

Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Everett, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Yates, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Harpham and Miss Shears attended the Everett-Rudy wedding in Sioux City Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Leavitt, who have been absent for some months in the east, returned on Thursday. They brought with them their niece, Miss Shepard of Lowell, Massachusetts.

Mrs. W. M. Hindman and Mrs. George

Haskell entertained the Central Circle of the First Presbyterian church yesterday at the home of the former. A large attendance and a pleasant afternoon are reported.

Mr. Charles Clark, baritone, of Chicago, who has a number of personal friends in Lincoln, will make his debut in grand opera in the autumn with the Grau company.

On Saturday at the home of the bride occurred the marriage of Mrs. Grace Leiss to Mr. Michael Sommer of Caney, Kansas. The ceremony was performed by Elder Howe.

Their Lincoln friends are glad to welcome Misses Jeannette and Mary Underwood to the city. They are the guests of Mrs. M. D. Welch.

Miss Leota Blaney and Mr. Oscar Anderson were married by Dr. H. O. Rowlands on Wednesday afternoon at L and Thirtieth streets.

Mrs. J. A. Black of Bloomington, Nebraska, who has been visiting friends in this city, returned to her home on Tuesday.

Mrs. H. B. Patrick went to Bloomington, Illinois, on Wednesday. She will be absent for six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Ross Gould of Chicago, are the guests of their aunt, Mrs. Phelps Paine.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Edmiston returned on Thursday from their wedding journey.

Mrs. E. P. Brown gave a ten course luncheon yesterday for Miss Lucy Griffith.

Miss Louise Miller went to her home in Queen City, Mo., on Wednesday.

Mr. John P. Maule has returned from a visit with his family in Denver.

Miss Hardy gave an informal breakfast yesterday morning.

Dentist Hill, over Miller & Paine's.

Mr. William D. Kelly, aged thirty-three years, died in Greenwood at 3:30 P. M., on Wednesday. A requiem mass for the deceased will be celebrated at St. Theresa's pro-cathedral at 10:30 A. M., on Saturday, after which the funeral cortege will proceed to Calvary cemetery.

CITY IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY.

The City Improvement Society met on Thursday morning in the parlors of the Union Commercial Club. The session was devoted to a discussion of systems of street naming. Professor Fling, Mayor Winnett, and Mr. Jones were present and assisted in the discussion. Prof. Fling suggested that the numbered streets be left as they are, and be designated as "streets." Then he would call O street Central avenue, N street would become "First avenue south," M street would become "Second avenue south," L street would be "Third avenue south," and so on to the southern limits. On the north of O street P street would be "First avenue north," Q street would be "Second avenue north," and so on clear out beyond Belmont. Professor Fling showed that with this system it is possible to locate a house instantly. It also permits growth to any extent without resulting in confusion.

Mr. Jones said he admired Professor Fling's system, but feared that like many earnest reformers the professor was asking for so much that he would get nothing. For his part he would feel that a substantial gain had been made if names could be attached to the present letters, securing immunity from annoying blunders without destroying the alphabetical arrangement. However he suggested that a division of sentiment might defeat the whole reform, and thought that the best way to proceed

would be for the club to unite on Professor Fling's comprehensive plan, asking for its adoption entire and pushing other ideas only in case this one developed too much opposition to be adopted.

Mayor Winnett believed in a radical change. The letters might be retained in names, but there were not enough in the alphabet for existing streets, and a uniform method would be preferable. The society voted to present a resolution to the council, asking that the system of numbering the streets outlined by Professor Fling be adopted. The professor was asked to present the plan to the council.

Mrs. Nellie M. Richardson reported that the work of collecting money for the signs was necessarily slow. The committee had met with some discouragement. One person who donated ten cents asked what guarantee she had that the signs would be placed. The agitation over the street names has delayed the placing of signs. Volunteers to assist in collecting were called for. Any ladies who are willing to see the citizens of their own vicinity are asked to report to Mrs. Richardson.

The thanks of the society were given to the gentlemen who assisted in the discussion.

A LOST ART REVIVED.

An art which the skill of two young American women has lately revived is that of making gilded leather wall-hangings. Boston has had the first opportunity of seeing an exhibition of this leather, although the young artists who have worked upon it have promised to send specimens to New York next season.

The revival of this old art is due entirely to the perseverance of two sisters, the Misses Mary and Clara Ware, who are graduates of the courses in decoration of the school connected with the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. While continuing their studies in Venice they were much impressed by the beauty of the gilded leather in some of the old palaces, and gradually they were led to investigate the methods that had produced it. They found that in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries gilded leather was one of the chief industries of Spain, where it had been introduced at least three hundred years before by the Moors. It is therefore undoubtedly of African origin. From Spain the art spread to France and Italy, while the making of "Cordovan leather," as it was called, is said to have been one of the chief sources of wealth in the Netherlands. This art, like other old arts, degenerated in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. In its last days both materials and workmanship were often cheap and inferior. In the present century practically no leather of this kind has been produced, and it has remained for these two young American women to show its possibilities in modern schemes of decoration.—Harper's Bazar.

LITERARY NOTES.

Some of the most dramatic episodes that have occurred in the halls of Congress during the last thirty years are told in a series of papers with ex-Senator John J. Ingalls has written for The Saturday Evening Post of Philadelphia. The first paper of series, entitled Famous Feuds in Congress, which appears in the issue of June 21st, gives an authentic and vivid account of the scenes that led up to the lifelong enmity between Blaine and Conkling, and Conkling and Lamar.

Other notable features of this number are: A Soldier's View of a Warless World, Major-General Nelson A. Miles, and the story of The Little House in the Little Street where the Sun Never Came, by John Luther Long—one of the strongest stories of this brilliant writer.

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A RHAPSODY OF JUNE.

The wondrous days of June are here.
And gorgeous blooms the chanticleer.
The ruby-breasted asymptote.
Doth supersede the billy-gnat;
While from the distant shimmering hills
We hear the carolling Sarsaparills.
Across the way the vio'et hues
Of snollegosters do enthuse
The roadscape, as it winds its way
'T'wixt glitter-kerb and roundelay.
And listen—in the garden patch
The hired man doth gayly snatch
His grand sonorous restful sleep
Regardless of the glowworm's peep,
Or of the pink-cheeked angle-worm
Who on the lilac bush doth squirm.
And O, the scrumptious clouds that rise
And thunder through the saffron skies
The while the lightning strikes the roof,
And gambols like an opera bouffe!
—Harper's Bazar.

WHY EDITORS DUN.

Suppose that a farmer raises 1,000 bushels of wheat a year, and also sells this to 1,000 persons in all parts of the country, a great portion of them saying, "I will hand you a dollar in a short time." The farmer does not want to be small, and says, "all right!" Soon the 1,000 bushels are gone, and he has nothing to show for it, and he then realizes that he has fooled away his whole crop and its value is due in a thousand little dribbles, consequently he is seriously embarrassed in business because his debtors each owing him one dollar, treat it as a small matter, and think it would not help much. Continue this kind of a business year in and year out, as the publisher does, how long will he stand it? A moment's thought will convince anyone that an editor has cause for persistent dunning.—From "The Newspaper Maker," New York, May 4th, 1899.

The Sultan's Gold Plate.

Among the sultan's gold plate there are dishes of solid gold of extraordinary size, and there are plates, cups, and saucers, tureens and pitchers, massive and heavy, made of the same precious metal.