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such formal costumes the elegant deportment of other days seemed more natural, and in baronial halls the harmony of manners, costumes and environment is perfect. The house, which is a study of beauty, without any extra adornment, was brightened by the use of many flowers of varying hues, in all the rooms. Palms were disposed about, and in the ball room formed the only decoration. Punch was served during the evening in the round room opening from the ball room. More formal serving was in the dining room, where the guests were seated at small tables, lighted by red tapers and green fairy lamps and decorated with tulips. The billiard room was lighted with Moorish lamps and proved a most acceptable resting place. Another attractive nook was Mr. Spofford's "den," below stairs, where the inspection of all sorts of delightful looking trophies was an added pleasure. The costuming of men and maids was most attractive, and offered an interesting study in color and drapery effects. Mrs. Spofford wore a pink satin court gown, with her famous Isabella lace over-dress. In addition to the unusual becomingness of this gown, it has the added charm of being an extraordinary affair. The lace overdress is a rare study in the lacemakers' art. It was formerly the property of Queen Isabella of Spain, grandmother of the present king, and was procured some forty years ago for Mr. Spofford's mother. As an heirloom, a piece of workmanship or a handsome gown for a charming woman it is equally interesting. Miss Hollowbush of Lincoln and Miss Martin of Memphis, the young guests of honor, wore exquisite costumes. Miss Hollowbush wore an empire gown of lavender brocade, with a white lace fichu. Miss Martin's frock was of Valenciennes lace and yellow satin. The bodice and paniers were of the lace, which is exceed-

ingly rare, and yellowed with age, and the skirt was of yellow satin, flounced to the knee with ribbon ruffles.

The class of 1900 of the Lincoln high school gave a party Thursday night at Walsh hall. The hall was decorated with the national colors and cozy corners and tempting resting places were arranged in the parlors. Dancing and crokinole were the amusements. Ices were served all evening. Fifty young people were present.

Mesdames Branch and Perry gave a beautiful card party Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Branch's handsome home was given added charm by the elaborate decorations. Ferns and American Beauties were used in the drawing room and dining room, and jonquils in the library. There were seven tables at which six handed euchre was played and a conversation table accommodating three. At the latter Mrs. Leonard served punch and confections and after the games ice cream, cake and coffee were served by Mesdames Branch, Wilson, Woods and Miss Branch. Mrs. Webster won the royal prize, a Japanese chime; Mrs. Wells the second prize, a wrought iron candle stick, and Mrs. Hutchins the prize for shouting, also a beautiful candle stick.

Mrs. H. B. Grainger gave a very pleasant kensington Thursday afternoon to fifty ladies. The guests were led through Elizabeth's German garden by means of cards on each of which was pasted a flower. The duty of the guests was to examine all cards and name the flowers. A prize was given to the one who named the greatest number of flowers. The house was decorated with roses, narcissus and palms. A three course luncheon was served.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hibner entertained the Monday Night club this week.

The evening was spent with the usual games of cards. The members were: Dr. and Mrs. Casebeer, Dr. and Mrs. Hill, Messrs. and Mesdames Garoutte, Klinker, Sine, Turner, Whiting; guests were: Rev. and Mrs. Marsh, Mr. and Mrs. Penney.

Dr. and Mrs. Cosford entertained the Four Fours last evening at their home, 1727 P street. After cards a two course luncheon was served to Messrs. and Mesdames Losey, Platt, Estes, Mawe, Auterson, Scott, Lloyd, Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lamb and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Green gave a family dinner on Washington's birthday. The guests were Messrs. and Mesdames L. C. Richards, S. G. Dorr, E. B. Green and their families.

Mrs. A. D. Wilkinson entertained the L. A. kensington on Monday. Mesdames Van Brunt, Billmeyer, Campbell, Davis, Rewick, Chapin, Kennard, Humphrey, Turner, Pitcher, Patrick, Seacrest, Jones. Visitors were Mrs. Dennis of Chicago, R. M. Turner, Canfield, Ingalls and M. Scott.

Major F. J. Stoney, of the British army, who with Mrs. Stoney, has been visiting in Lincoln for some time, left on Monday for Liverpool, intending to stop for a few days at Halifax before sailing. Mrs. Stoney will leave in a few days to join her husband in London.

Miss Edith Lewis at Smith college is winning honors right along. On recommendation of the faculty she has just been elected a member of the philosophical seminar, a much-prized distinction.

The market at the auditorium will be open this afternoon as well as tonight and housekeepers wishing to purchase cakes, cooked fowls, salads, entrees, or any foods for Sunday dinner have an excellent opportunity at Mrs. Thompson's market.

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On Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Branch gave a large card party.

Mrs. E. C. Rewick gave a card party yesterday. Six handed euchre was played.

Mrs. Morey of Sedalia, Mo., is visiting Mrs. Van Riper.

Mrs. Dennis of Chicago is visiting Mrs. A. D. Wilkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Ernst celebrated their silver wedding on Tuesday. Their marriage occurred in Nebraska-City twenty-five years ago.

The Tuesday Night club danced at Walsh hall Wednesday evening.

Misses Ida and Sarah Friend entertained the Unity club Wednesday evening. Prizes were won by Mrs. Wessel and Mr. Schlesinger.

The Wednesday musicale met with Miss Houtz this week.

Miss Nance returned on Thursday from a pleasant sojourn of several weeks in Chicago.

On Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons and Wednesday evening, March 12 and 13, Mrs. L. C. Pace and Mrs. Mark Woods will entertain.

The Carnival of Nations.

The absorbing topic of conversation is the Carnival of Nations, the very attractive entertainment now being given at the auditorium.

The program is full of good things. The fact that the chorus will be under the direction of Mrs. P. V. M. Raymond and the instrumental music in charge of Prof. Kimball is a sufficient guarantee of its excellence. The national dancers in costumes are the first presentation in our city of this very interesting feature.