

dragged the unwilling wielder of the baton as far as the proscenium door and forced him into the sight of the audience, but then he managed to escape from her iron grasp and fled incontinently."

The Fortnightly club met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. D. L. Brace. The pleasant afternoon brought out a large attendance of members, and the hostess had as guests the following ladies who are members of the Lotos club: Mesdames I. S. P. Weeks, C. E. Bessey and Henry E. Lewis.

Mrs. A. W. Field was the leader for the afternoon, her subject being "Alaska—Furs, Behring Sea and Northwestern Boundaries Treaties."

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. W. G. L. Taylor. Judge Roscoe Pound will speak at three o'clock on "International Law Appertaining to Copyright." The members of the club are requested to be present promptly at half after two, in order to discuss the plans which were presented at the meeting this week by the program committee, concerning next year's work.

The second annual exhibition of the Philadelphia Water Color Club, which will be held at the Pennsylvania Academy, Philadelphia, opened on Wednesday evening, with a private view, the pictures remaining on view until the 1st of April. The members of this interesting club are Charles E. Dana, president; George Walter Dawson, secretary; John J. Dull, treasurer; Thomas P. Anschutz, Susan H. Bradley, Hugh H. Breckenridge, John Irwin Bright, Colin Campbell Cooper, Emma Lampert Cooper, Alice Cushman, Blanche Dillaye, Herbert E. Everett, Elizabeth Shippen Green, Paula B. Himmelsbach, Elizabeth H. Ingham, Violet Oakley, Amy Otis, Margaret Redmond, Jessie Wilcox Smith, Henry Thouron, Albert Paul Willis and Charles Morris Young. The honorary members are Edwin A. Abbey, Cecelia Beaux, Florence Este, John McLure Hamilton, Alexander Harrison, Joseph Pennell and John S. Sargent.

The Belmont Woman's club was at home to its friends Thursday evening, March twelfth, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Hartley. A short program of readings from Oliver Wendell Holmes, and piano music, was given. Mr. Hartley's microscopes gave enjoyment to many, and the evening was one of pleasure and profit to all. Light refreshments were served.

The last regular meeting of the club was given by the home department in connection with the patrons' association of the Belmont school in the school building. Doctor Katharine Wolfe read a fine paper on "The Early Home Training of the Child."

At the next meeting of the home department Mrs. Hilland Wheeler will address the club.

The Belmont club under the efficient leadership of Mrs. E. T. Hartley, is doing faithful, energetic work, and is wielding a helpful influence in that section of the city.

The children's afternoon, planned, and so successfully carried out by the home department of the Woman's club last week under the leadership of Mrs. M. D. Welch and Mrs. H. M. Bushnell, has received commendation, not only here, where so much has been said in its praise, but in other towns as well. The following words concerning it are from The Mail and Times of Des Moines:

"The home department of the Woman's club of Lincoln, Nebraska, has established a pretty custom that may be suggestive to other clubs who are nearing the close of the current club year and are soon to plan programs for next year. The home department invited the children of the members to be the guests of the meeting Thursday afternoon. For their entertainment was given a program of story telling, and music and refreshments were served. The idea is very pretty. Every mother is proud of her flock and the enjoyment of the youngsters, the unconventional doings and sayings would make a sight delightful to behold and a change from the regular study programs. The little humanity become the men and women to take our places everywhere with attendant anxieties, responsibilities and cares and any plan that contributes to the 'golden age' of childhood is to be commended."

Instead of the regular afternoon meeting, the Woman's club met Monday evening in Fraternity hall, to listen to a program given by the city improvement society. The members of both clubs were allowed to take their escorts, and a goodly number were in attendance.

FAMOUS EVANGELIST SERIOUSLY ILL



SANKEY AND HIS GRANDCHILDREN.

Ira D. Sankey, the world famous writer of evangelical hymns and songs, is seriously ill. Doctors diagnose his case as one of extreme nervous prostration. His eyesight has been seriously threatened by his malady but the doctors now hope to save it. All over the country solicitude is expressed concerning the famous evangelist.

The program opened with a song, "Border Ballad," sung by Mr. George Johnston. Mr. Johnston is a popular singer and as usual delighted his audience. Miss May Belle Hagenow played the following piano selections charmingly: Frulingserwachen (Haberbier); Berceuse, Grieg; Stuck, Sinding; Ungarisch, Stiehl; Alumbblatt, Grieg; Elfe, Schumann; Humoreske, Karganoff; A Lullaby, Coverley; Alla Mazurka, Nemerowsky.

Mrs. W. G. Langworthy Taylor, president of the improvement society, talked on various means of beautifying homes, recommending especially vines on buildings and fences, and clumps of shrubbery on lawns.

Mrs. Nellie M. Richardson, secretary of the society, explained the series of views illustrating symmetry and cleanliness of streets. She also emphasized the value of parks.

Mrs. F. M. Hall, president of the Woman's club, announced that the next meeting of the club will occur Friday evening, April third, at Fraternity hall, when a program will be given by members of the Matinee Musicales.

The meeting of the program committee of the state federation of clubs, held on Wednesday in this city, was a very satisfactory one. The chairmen of the various departments, including art, forestry and civics, educational, household economics, industrial, music, reciprocity, and library extension were present, and helped to plan the work which will now be carried to completion by the program committee, consisting of Mrs. Draper Smith, Omaha; Mrs. E. L. Hainer, Aurora; Mrs. Minnie Kline, Minden; Mrs. C. J. Fordyce, University Place.

The prospect for an interesting meeting at Fremont, in October, is very flattering. The ladies of Fremont, with Mrs. Clemmens as leader, are enthusiastically at work preparing for the meeting, and the delegates will be cordially received. One musical and social evening will be given by them.

Mrs. F. E. Lahr, Mrs. H. M. Bushnell

and Mrs. A. W. Field gave a luncheon of six courses for the visitors on Wednesday. The decorations were red tulips and red candles. Those present were Mrs. Draper Smith, of Omaha; Mrs. W. E. Page, Syracuse; Mrs. E. L. Hainer, Aurora; Mrs. Clemmens, Mrs. Stephens and Miss McCarn, Fremont; Mrs. S. C. Langworthy, Seward; Mrs. Kline, Minden; Mrs. Fordyce, University Place; Mrs. Harriett A. McMurphy, Omaha; Mesdames H. M. Bushnell, W. G. L. Taylor, E. L. Hinman, A. A. Scott, F. M. Hall, and Miss Annie Miller, Lincoln.

The executive board of the Matinee Musicales met Monday afternoon to consider matters of importance to the club.

The meeting of the Matinee Musicales in conjunction with the Woman's club, to be held Friday evening, April third, in Fraternity hall, will take the place of the regular meeting which would otherwise have been held next Monday. There will be a called meeting of the

active members next Monday at four o'clock, to take an informal ballot for officers for next year. The election will occur at the first meeting in April.

"The Trial by Jury," an operetta by Sir Arthur Sullivan, to be given in costume, will be given Saturday afternoon, April eighteenth, instead of Monday, the twentieth. This change is made in order not to conflict with the April festival of music, which begins on the twentieth. For the "Trial by Jury," each member will be allowed to take one lady visitor.

The National Federation of Musical Clubs will convene in Rochester, New York, the week beginning May eighteenth. Mrs. E. Lewis Baker was elected as the musical representative of the club for that meeting. Mrs. J. W. Winger was elected delegate from the club, and Mrs. Ina Ensign-Hagenow alternate.

The president, Mrs. E. H. Barbour, will appoint her own representative, as she cannot attend the meeting. Mrs. Barbour was complimented by the program committee of the federation, by being invited to give one of the four papers which will be read at the Rochester biennial, but was obliged to decline.

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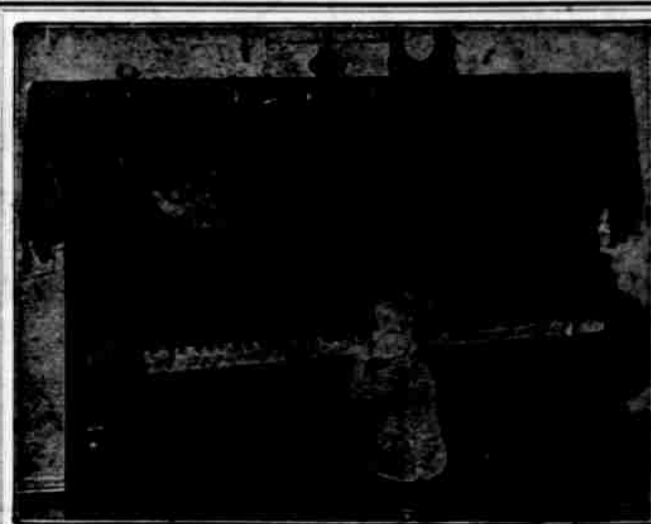
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