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FAIR FACES TO BE SEEN AT THE CAPITAL OF OHIO.

Beautiful Girls Who Add to their Mental Wealth and Social Position-A Bouquet of Buds.

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MISS LILLIAN STEVENS.

Columbus has been the home of many well known ladies. The wives and daughters of governors and others attracted to the capital of Ohio have contributed to the beauty and talent of the city. Kate Chase Sprague resided in Columbus when quite a young lady, at the time Salmon P. Chase was governor, in 1856. She had as romantic an experience then as any that came in later years. Richard Nevins was a gay young man—one of the boys. Mr. Chase tried to keep Kate from his society, and finally forbade Nevins to enter his house. Mr. Nevins afterward married Miss Medary, daughter of Governor Sam Medary, and one of the most noted and accomplished belies the city ever had. One of their daughters married James G. Blaine,

Miss Mary Parsons, daughter of Hon. George M. Parsons, one of the wealthy



MISS FLORA BROWN

men of the city, was married May 10, 1871, to Prince Alexander de Lynar, of the Ger-man army. The prince died in 1886. The princess with her children, Prince Ernst, Count George and Countess Jane, reside at the chateau of Lubfenan, near Ortrand, Merseburg, Prussia. When the prince was the German minister plenipotentiary at Washington his family visited here. The Princes and Princesses de Lynar are entitled by order of the emperor of German dated 1861 to the address of Serene Highness. Another daughter of Mr. Parsons married an Englishman.

Fanny Manetti Jackson was the leading spirit in amateur theatricals and a great singer as a girl. She is a sister of Mrs. James M. Comley. Mary N. Beebe, who was leading lady in the Boston Ideals, Miss Grace Reals, May Baker and others, known on the stage, have been favorites here in



MISS KITTIE THURMAN. ociety. Mrs. Neil Dennison was generally city ever had. Miss Hayes was a young girl when her father was governor. The Misses Foster were both popular young ladies in Columbus while their father was governor. Miss Campbell is now quite a favorite, as is also Miss Owens, sister of Mrs. Campbell. The families of Governors Hoadley, Bishop, Young, Allen, Noyes, Cox, Anderson, Brough and Todd brought no young ladies to the city, but at the present time the growth in culture is such as to present brilliant charent time the growth in wealth and

acters in social circles.

The favored many who command attention because of their beauty, wealth, learning and lovely traits of character cannot receive mention in so brief a reference as



MISS FANNIE MITCHELL. here allowed. Those termed the older and leading citizens of Columbus, probably be-cause of early and long residence, and who at one time constituted the inner and ex-clusive circles of society, are gradually

fading out, and standard Lances are giving way to brilliancy, enterprise and the coming of a broader social democracy. The galleries teem with attractive faces, from which a few have been selected.

Miss Lillian Stevens, the only daughter of Mr. Samuel Stevens, a wealthy wholesale merchant, is recognized as one of the most beautiful girls of Columbus, and Physical Charms the Attractions of and has a wealth of physical and mental charm. She is a blonde in type, of an enviable complexion and is a recent graduate of Vassar. Miss Stevens monopolizes the idolatry of a pleasant home, and with her quiet and unobtrusive disposition and great taste for books is making rapid strides among the intellectually inclined. She is prominent in reading circles and a favorite in private theatricals with charitable objects in view.

Few ladies have enjoyed such rare facilities for culture and the display of their mental charms as Miss Flora Brown. Her father was a wealthy manufacturer, who left his family independent. Although young in years, Miss Brown is highly eduated, and to her natural beauty has been added all that a generous training and extended travel can give. She is at present visiting with her sister, Mrs. Tennant Ronilds, in Scotland. Miss Brown has a profusion of dark brown hair and dark gray



MISS FLORA HINMAN.

fund of good will and a happy disposition. Bright, quick and vivacious are the terms which best portray the disposition of Miss

In the third generation of the Thurmans none attracts more attention than the tall, lithe Miss Kittie, daughter of Mr. Allen W. Thurman. She is a pronounced brunette, and has about her much of that individuality and strength which characterized the daughters of Judge Thurman, one of whom, Mrs. McCormick, resides in the east. The other, only a year or two since, commanded considerable attention because of her sensational divorce suit at Los Angeles, Cal. Miss Thurman is fortunate in being one of the favored grandchildren of the Old Roman, and with the rest of her father's family occupies a portion of the family residence. Miss Thurman is young. handsome, and which she bears. me, and will do honor to the name



MISS NINA FIRESTONE.

One of the most beautiful, yet thoroughy sensible, girls of the Capital City is Miss Fannie Mitchell, second daughter of Gen. John C. Mitchell, United States pension agent, and a niece of ex-President Hayes. Miss Mitchell is a blonde of the purest type, has a perfect complexion and large brown eyes. She is slight of stature, vivacious in manner, and is greatly admired by all who know her. Miss Mitchell fre-quently visited Washington as a girl dur-ing President Hayes' term of office. She is now one of the brilliant lights of a wide Miss Flora Hinman is the only daughter

of Mr. E. L. Hinman, a banker and manufacturer. Her time is now spent at one of the leading female schools of New York, but when at home she is a great favorite in society. She is in the line of succession to ber father's palatial Broad street mansion and his greater fortune.

Among the attractive girls who grace the circles of younger society is Miss Nina Firestone, daughter of Mr. C. D. Firestone. wealthy and enterprising citizen. Miss Firestone is slight and trim, of medium neight, and has dark hair and large eyes. She commands attention by her bright and interesting manner, and is one of the choice

buds of Columbus society.

The list of fair ones might be extended almost indefinitely, but in lieu of names and individual description it may be said of the capital's younger beauties, in the words of Shakespeare, slightly altered, hat they are

That paragon description and wild fame; They do excel the quirks of blazoning pens, And in the essential vesture of creation Do bear all excellency.

Twins in Every Respect. The Johnson twins, of Bristol, England, are two young artisans between whom it is said there exists a most remarkable similarity. Not only are they of the same height and weight, having the same colored hair, eyes and complexion, identical physical measurements, and feeding, walking, running, laughing, crying, singing and speaking alike, but they are of the same occupation, hold the same position and have the same religious persuasion and likes and dislites. More singular still, they have espoused very similar wives, and they have the same number of children, who are of the same sexes—three girls and three boys each.

There is a story to the effect that at Bowdoin college, where Mr. Reed was educated and where there used to be and may be yet a constant struggle between the "town and country," he once single handed disposed of three lumbermen, who hospital for repairs.

IN HONOR OF A NEGRO.

The Monument to Be Erected at Lake Forest, Ills.

The leading citizens of Lake Forest, a suburb of Chicago, have raised funds to pay for the erection of a monument to the memory of Samuel Dent, who, according to the statement of their printed circular, "was a worthy citizen, the children's hero, and everybody's friend." Dent, who was an Alabama negro and a slave before the war, became a resident of Lake Forest in 1871, and during the subsequent years amassed quite a competency as an express and livery man. The secret of his popular-ity may best be indicated by an extract from an interview had with him not long before his death.

"Now, sah," he said, "I doan' know as you'll b'liebe it, but I can hones'ly say dat dare ain' a man in Lake Forest what has done more to build up de place dan Sam



Dent has. When a man comes to town to buy a place he says: 'Your name Dent? Oh, yes; I heard ob you—I want you to show me de place.' I habe heard men tell dat dey wouldn' habe bought property here if I hadn' showed 'em de place in de way I did, puttin' de bes' foot forward. A little word at de right time will influence man pow'ful when he's buyin' a place. An' when folks comes here wid chillen te put 'em in de school I allus drives 'em roun' by de nice places fust—'roun' by Senator Farwell's an' John V. Farwell's, an' dey says: 'Oh, my! what a lovely place! Jis' de place faw to sen' our chillen.' An' dey puts 'em in de schools. "How 'bout dem pretty gals what goes to

de seminary? Dey all knows Uncle Sam Dent. You'd orter see 'em scramble to sit on de front seat wid Dent when dey goes out faw a ride. I goes home an' looks in de glass, an' I can't see 's I look any betta den udda folks; but somehow de gals likes to sit on de front seat wid Dent. I say, 'Now, gals, you jis' let de teachers sit on de back seat, 'cause de back seat is softer an' mo' comf't'ble dan de front seat.' De gals giggles, an' de teachers is stowed away college grounds, so's dey can flirt wid de college boys. So I says to de teachers, Guess we'd betta dribe by de college, cause de roads is bad roun' de udda way.' An' de teachers say, 'Well, Dent, if you mus' you mus'.' Den de gals giggles, an' de teachers say, 'What you gals laughin'

An Incident of Ocean Travel. No words can describe the awful samesess of the briny deep in calm weather. Far as the eye can see extends the unvarying blue green waste; every little wave looks just like every other. One day there rose on the northern horizon, coming into full view in a few minutes after it was sighted, and apparently aiming exactly at us, a large ship with every sail set, and gliding like a great white bird over the sea. It was a magnificent sight. Nearer and nearer it came; the two vessels on the same line seemed about to col-lide at their bows, and all the passengers vere filled with curiosity and delight at so inspiring a spectacle. One minute I was positive the sailing vessel would strike us amidships; the next it passed just astern, and every passenger yelled and waved and yelled again, but elicited no response. On the entire deck but one man could be seen. and he did not even turn his face toward us that I could see. He was probably too busy at the rudder. In five minutes the eautiful sailer was like a great white cliff glowing afar in the last rays of the sun; in ten more she was hull down on the southwestern horizon, and soon her tallest masts disappeared as if sinking into the sea. She was a godsend to us. We returned to the smoking room with a renewed appetite for hilarity.

An Actor's Child Sweetheart. When Wilson Barrett, the English tragedian, was playing an engagement in St. Louis some months ago, one of his most ardent admirers was Mignon Shattinger, a bright little beauty 10 years o. age. Fascinated by his presentation of the title role



in "Claudian" she sought the actor's ac quaintance, and now the two are fast friends. They correspond, exchange presents and are on the most delightful of friendly terms. Mr. Barrett calls the charming little St. Louis lass his "child sweetheart."

A Remarkable Matrimonial Record. A woman living at Bourbon, Ind., has a matrimonial record that probably has never been equaled by any other living female. Although but 54 years old she has been legally married at different times to ten men, four of whom died. From the set upon him to revenge themselves for the defeat of their champions, who had recently been "licked" by one of the college athletes so badly that he had to go to the name was Emma Lyon, and she is a native name was Emma Lyon, and she is a native of Franklinsville, K. Y.

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