### JUST BEFORE THE NEW YEAR.

Timely Discussion of the Proper Thing on the National Calling Day.

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Parties and the Opera Keep Society Going at a Breathless Pace-Res ceptions and Celebrations-Personal Mentions.

New Year's Calls.

New York Sun: Will you kindly answer a few questions in your columns, of interest to many, on the subject of New 's calls' Should a lady have a servant answer the door bell? How long should a visit last before the visitor is invited to the refreshment table, and what would be very nice for lunch served without wine? Would Vienna coffce and chocolate take the place of wine with propriety, and is it proper to say when announcing yourself as receiving on New Years, to add "January 2d for ladies?" I should be glad to give a day for ladies to call, and please inform me on this point and the others, and oblige.

A Young Housekeeper. New Year's calls are a subject of perennial interest, and we enter upon their renewed discussion with satisfaction. We bould say that unquestionably the servant ought to answer the bell. If that were not done it is difficult to see how the callers could get in. At houses where a great many callers are expected a servant is sometimes stationed at the door, who, upon the first sound of a foot upon the steps prepares to save the visitor the trouble of ringing the bell by opening the door for him. But if the servant is needed for other duties, she or he should always answer the bell when it rings.

The conduct of the hostess can not be

laid down with such rigidity. She must decide when to invite her guest to eat or drink according to circumstances. If here be but one visitor, and he engages in acticularly agreeable conversation, there is no necessity of breaking it at any particular time. She can let him run on with his charming talk until it shows signs of flagging and the offer of resigns of flagging, and the offer of refreshments then may cause its reinvigora-tion and continuation. Again, if the guests be more in number than the hostess or her friends receiving with her can at-tend to, the refreshment table can be very appropriately brought in to help the entertainment, and a few minutes after the entry of the guests would not be too short a time to bring it into play. In regard to a substitute for wine, we

can speak with greater certainty and conviction that the answer will safely apply to all circumstances. Coffee or checolate would be eminently proper, and, indeed, we would recommend it and, indeed, we would recommend with all fervor; for the use of wine at the New Year's reception is but a relic of the aimless and ill-advised generosity and open-handedness of our ancestors, and should not be adhered to by the women of the present day. Of course, there are very practical reasons against the use of wine, as the experience of many New Year's hostesses would confirm. But wine in the middle of the day is a sort of abomination anyway. Six o'clock, when the visitors who have made many calls. may perhaps be benefited by a little Mulant, and made more agreeable for the calls of the evening, is the earliest bour when it should be served. But it is

better not to have wine at all. In regard to this young housekeeper's suggestion of adding to her ordinary New Year's announcement the statement that she would receive "ladies on January 2," we would say that it is perfectly proper for her to appoint a day for the reception of visitors of both sexes, but our opinion is that January 2 would not a good day for the purpose. She herself would be tired after her exertions of the day before, and doubtless so would most of her friends. Let it be some other day in January. Then may the occasion be most agreeable!

Society has had its hands full the past week, with attending the opera and giving due attention to parties. The whiri has been so breathless as to be fatiguing and the end of the week with its one day of relaxation is welcomed as a halting place, wherein the rounders may gather up their forces for another plunge. Receptions still maintain their own, and the men are beginning to complain of being left out in the cold. Last week they got even by letting the belles go to the opera with their parents, their big brothers or some accommodating cousin, while they sent flowers to the opera singers, and cultivated their acquaintance between acts. Anything that has the allurement of novelty is better in the mind of the Omaha youth than the girls he has been dancing with every season for time unknown, and usually people of the stage are such bright companionable people that contact with them is bracing and leaves pleasant impressions that are not soon effaced.

The Lininger Reception. The reception at G. W. Lininger's Tues-

day was largely attended, and all who were were seemed happy and well entertained. the occasion was Mr. Lininger's birthday anniversary, and from 8 to 12 a constant stream of guests dropped in to offer their good wishes. Full dress was the role and but few bonnets were noticed. The orchestra stationed in the upper hall furnished excellent music, and when not engaged in conversation the guests were engrossed with the large collection of pictures and bijoutrie, which makes the Lininger home such an Interesting one to visit. Mr. and Mrs. Lininger were assisted in welcoming the guests by Mr. and Mrs. Hailer, Mr. and Mrs. Kountze, General and Mrs. Crook. Mrs. Kountze, General and Mrs. Crook, and Mrs. Reed, Judge and Mrs. Wakeley, Mrs. Savage, Mrs. Beall, Mr. and Mrs. Metcaif, Mrs. Lininger wore brocade velvet gown, diamonds; Mrs. Haller wore a wine velvet dia-monds; Mrs. Beall, handsome black lace dress; Mrs. Metcalf, white silk diamonds; Mrs. General Crook wore an exquisite toilet of black velvet, trimmed with flounces of the rarest duchesse lace, diamonds; Mrs. Reed wore black silk, sleeveless and decollete, diamonds; Mrs. Wakeley, a handsome black velvet with fine laces, diamonds; Mrs. Kountze, black velvet, diamonds; Mrs. Savage looked well in a black veivet, en train.

Silver Wedding Celebration.

Mr and Mrs. Geo. A. Higgins cele-at their silver wedding Wednesday with a brilliant reception from 3 to 10. The affair was most elegant in every detail, and the accomplished hostess was kept busy during every moment of the reception hours in welcoming the con-Stant stream of guests that came to offer their good wishes. The rooms were as beautifully decorated as the most artistic taste could suggest. Flowers were in profusion, one of the most claborate pieces being an immense horse shoe of flow rosebuds and tube roses. The display of elegance in attire and jewels was such as is seldom seen in Omaha. The refreshments, under the management of the club steward, were a note-Among those an feature. favored ore the were ' Were

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to send no presents, numerous costly remembrances were left. Mr. Higgins presented his wife with a massive silver service in honor of the day. Other gifts nonced were a solid silver berry spoon, from Mr. and Mrs. G, A. Lindquist: a basket of flowers, Mr. and Mrs. Briggs; cut glass berry dish mounted in silver. Mrs. Wm. McHugh; handsome berry spoon, Miss McDevitt; fish knife in case. C. S. Whipple; pair exquisite painted vases, Mr. and Mrs. Mealio; brass candlestick and boquet, Mme. Varley; silver kettle, Mr. and Mrs. Grover; glass and bronze vase, Mr. and Mrs. Howes; vase with flowers, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Han-sen; basket of flowers, Mrs. Woodward,

Although the invitations bore a request

Mrs. Gaylord's Reception. Mrs. R. E. Gaylord received the ladies of her acquaintance Friday from 3 to 6, at her home 940 Georgia avenue. The cosy and artistic rooms were beautifully decorated with a profusion of flowers. The hali and mantels were banked with roses and smilax, and cut flowers were placed here and there in the dining room. Mrs Gaylord was assisted in receiving by her sister, Miss Timmerman, Mrs. Reuben Gaylord, Mrs. W. H. Burns, of Council Bluffs; Mrs. N. Shelton, Mrs. Wm. Carey Ives, Mrs. George Paterson, Miss Congdon and the Misses Knight. The house was filled with richly dressed ladies throughout the reception hours. Those invited were Mrs. Ambrose, Mrs. Adams, Miss Ainy, Mrs. Barton, Mrs. J. F. Barton, Mrs. Sarah Roddis, Mrs. S. D. Bangs, Mrs. and Miss Boyd, Mrs. Bierbower, Mrs. Bright, Miss Berlin, Mrs. L.

M. Bennett, Mrs and Miss Barber, Miss-Bennett, Mrs. Samuel Burns and Miss Burns, Mrs. Bradford, Mrs. S R. Brown, Miss Brown, Mrs. Leavitt Burnham, Mrs. Billings, Mrs. Balcombe and Miss Balbondes, Mrs. Buck, Mrs. J. J. Burns, Mrs. B. F. Burton, Mrs. Joseph Barker, Mrs. Bourdette, Mrs. I. H. Congdon, Mrs. I. E. Congdon, Mrs. Connell and Niss Connell, Mrs. F. N. Conner, Mrs. 

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Mrs. Webster's Reception. Mrs. J. L. Webster's reception yester-

day was one of the most enjoyable of the season. The hostess possesses the enviable faculty of making her guests feel at home in her house and en rapport with one another. The affair was given in honor of Mrs. H. B. Williams, of New York, who is visiting Mrs. Webster, and guests were constantly arriving from 3 to 6 to pay their respects. The ladies who assisted in receiving were Mrs. N. Shefton, Mrs. Judge Dundy and the Misses Dundy, Mrs. Wakely and Miss Wakely Mrs. J. M. Woolworth, Mrs. Will Redick, Mrs. General Dandy, Mrs. E. S. Dandy, Jr. Mrs. Webster wore a golden brown silk with draperies of Egyptian lace, dia-monds; Mrs. W. P. Williams was exquisitely attired in a dress of lemon colored velvet en train, refieved with quantities of priceless iace, diamonds; Mrs. Judge Dandy, rich black silk en frain, diamonds; Miss Dandy, white corded silk, diamonds; Miss Luna Dandy, wine velvet en train, diamonds. velvet en train, diamonds.

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Mrs. Percy Eustis, Mrs. Holdrege, Mrs. C. B. Havens, Mrs. Huntoon, Miss Grant. Gannon-Rockenfield. John W. Gannon and Miss Laura E. Rockenfield were married Wednesday evening at 8:30 by the Rev. J. S. Detweil-

er. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's parents. 1 426 N. Nineteenth street in the presence of a large number of friends. An elegant supper followed, at which the young couple were made the recipient of heart congratulations. The bride is the only Mrs. Colpetzer, Mrs. M. G. Cole, Miss Collier, Mrs. Coffman, Mrs. Coutant, Mrs. Collier, Mrs. Coffman, Mrs. Coutant, Mrs. P. B. W. Cooke and the Misses Cooke, Mrs. Collier, Mrs. Cooke and the Misses Cooke, Mrs. Carpetric Mrs. J. R. Clarkson, Miss Crary, Mrs. Dickey, Mrs. Charles Atkins, parents; china toilet set, Isaac Rockendaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rocken

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employes of M. P. & C. dep't.; pair large plush easy rockers, Mr. and Mrs. G. C Bassett; silver syrup pitcher and tray, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Baitey, sr.: handsome plush rocker, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Has-kell; pair gold napkin rings, Miss Dollie Bailey; solid silver spoons in plush case, Smith; painted satin banner Inez Haskell; bronze vas Miss and Japanese mats, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Wilkins; pair vases, Miss Liz-zie McClure; picture on easel, Miss Josie Bean; set of painted fruit plates, Mrs George Bean; pair slippers, W. N. Whitney; set of hand painted fruit plates, Miss Gracie Bassett; monogram table linen, Miss Irene Frace; willow rocker. James and Mamie Hodges; bronze vase Mr. and Mrs. Hodges: chair. Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Redman; picture, Minnie and Gussie Baumann; plush rocker, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bailey, jr.; pair of blankets, Mr. and Mrs. F. Baker; glass water set, Miss Myrtie Baker; plush bottomed willow chair, Mr. and Mrs. Collett and daughter; fruit cream and Anna Long; embroidered toilet set, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Counsman; solid silver spoon in plush case, W. O. Shane; pair of vases, Miss Maggie Latey; silver cheese scoop, Mrs. H. W. Barnum; amber fruit dish in silver stand, Mr. and Mrs. C. Me-Kenna; pair painted brass placques,

and Mrs. J. A. Dalzell; plush whisk broom case, Miss Ida Fahrion; willow rocker, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. White. The Hyperion.

This club, one of the leading social organizations of the city, gave its third party-and the most successful yet hadin Masonic hall, on Tuesday night. Everything passed off smoothly, and to the enjoyment of every one present. The Musical Union orchestra furnished the 'harmony' necessary for the programme of eighteen dances. Among those present were noticed:

Mr. Craig and Miss French, Mr. B. H. Smith and Miss Foreman, Mr. E. B. Smith and Miss Shipmen, Mr. Riepen and Miss Callahan, Mr. Sherman and Miss Carrie McLean, Mr. Hughes and Miss Carrie McLean, Mr. Hughes and Miss May McLean, Mr. Clarkson and Mrs. Clarkson, Mr. Milligan and Miss Ida Sexaner and Miss Livesey, Mr. Livesey and Miss McKenna, Mr. Gulou and Miss Hollingsworth, Mr. Gratton and Miss Canfield, Mr. Grosenrth and Miss DeLand, Mr. Woodburn and Miss Jennie Ryan, Mr. McCreary and Miss Coombe, Mr. Strykes and Miss Russell, Mr. Wakefield and Miss Ranche Kenny, Mr. Howard and Miss Rianche Kenny, Mr. Howard and Miss Blanche Kenny, Mr. Howard and Miss Alstead, Mr. Hicks and Miss Bailey, Mr. Bryans and Miss Wilson, Mr. Humpbrey and Miss Ellingwood, Mr. Kendrick and Miss McMenamy, Theo. Jones and Miss Sheldon and Miss Kont-zer, Mr. Griffin, and Miss Powers, Mr. Koester and Miss Ryan, Mr. Burgess and Miss Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. Burroughs, Mr. Millet and Miss McCreary, Mr. Moody and Miss Allie Powers, J. W. Mise ner, R. Smith, Joseph Ebersole, J. E. Burdiek, E. M. Taytor,

Mr. Clippinger, Dr. Williams, Art Jo liffe, Thos. Blackmore and Gus Barthel Art Gossip. Miss Fitch has recently done a little country scene that is very harmonious in coloring

Mrs. Garlick has ornamented a table scarf with a wide band of velvet on which are grouped wild roses. Miss Pelton has put several pretty designs on bolting. One of the most effective is the "Witch's Daughter." Miss Maggie Roeder, a young artist

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heads in crayon that show evidences of ability. Miss Shafer has lately done some very effective painting on velvet, a pretty piece being a bunch of golden rod on

Mrs. Mumaugh continues to new and charming designs for Christmas work, which is the principal occupation in the studios now.

Mrs. Balbach has made a number of fantastic meal bags from yellow satin with decorations of mice, and other equally aesthetic subjects.

Boston females are in danger of becoming bald as well as blue. The lady frequenters of the studios there, keep their bonnets on while engaged in paint-

Collins & Shantz are foremost in the rank of crayon artists. Two most striking likenesses are those of Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald. Another that shows an excellent conception of light and shade is a portrait of Mrs. Belden.

Mrs. Malvern of Malvern, Iowa, exhibits a study of blackberries in an old blue jar which shows careful blending and shading of leaves and fruit although

faulty in arrangement. Miss May Her is painting a dainty bolting scarf. One end has a design of pink azaleas and the other is decorated with ferns. Another pupil has completed a mirror which has a sky background, and four undressed kids disporting in the branches of an apple tree. It is quite an ambitious attempt and contains a good deal of anatomy.

Small and Early.

William Broderick, of the Emma Abbott company, was delightfully entertained Friday afternoon, by Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Stephens, at the home of Mr. and H. Shipman, 630 South Seven teenth streets.

Mrs. Gilbert entertained about fifteen of her friends Monday evening at an old fashioned candy pull. The Park avenue club were hand-somely entertained Monday night by

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Alexander. Brevities. Mrs. Annin is visiting her aunt in Bea-

Miss Mary Poppleton will return from Stamford, Monday.

Miss Belle Dewey is spending the holidays in Omaha. Mrs. L. M. Jacobs left Thursday for a sojourn in California.

Miss Mellie Morrison, of Denver, will spend the holidays with Miss Perrine. Miss Corinne Poissant has gone to Kansas City to spend the holiday season

with friends Miss Elia McBride, the elocutionist, is stopping at the Paxton on route to California where she will spend the winter. Miss Hattie Paddock, who has been

spending the last three weeks with her cousin, Mrs. Annin, left for home Tues-P. C. Himebaugh has returned from hicago, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Grace, who will spend the holidays

Miss Laura Hongland, who is attending Miss Graham's school in New York, will spend the holidays in Washington, the guest of Mrs. A. U. Wyman and Mrs. Gannett.

An event which is being tooked forward to a good deal is the dress social to be given on Wednesday. December 29, at Metropolitan ha, I by Mrs. Magrabe to her scholars and friends. Already : number of striking costumes designed, and it is sain that the event will be one of the most entertaining to be held this winter.

The Panama Canal. Pakis, Dec. 18 .- De Lesseps, at a meeting of the French Geographical society, declared that the Panama canal would be open for traffic in 1889, but that there will not be time in the interval to construct locks. These, De Lesseps declared to the society, can be made later, the essential point being that

All of you who have not visited this busy place at some time, and those who have, take note of the wonderful changes that have taken place there in the past twelve months. From a dozen little shanties then, you can now see she smoke carling heavenward from hundreds of cottages. Brick blocks can be seen on almost any corner. From two stores then the number has swelled to twenty or more now, with others opening out every day. They now have banks, a daily newsmaper and a dozen other might daily newspaper, and a dozen other mi-nor enterprises. But these are mere nothing compared with the great pack-ing industries, which are in operation there, with their thousands of employes and such men at their head as Hammond, Lipton, Fowler and Morris, the problem is solved. South Omaha will be the fu-ture packing town of the world. There has been more money made in real estate in South Omaha, for the amount invasted, than any other part of town. Lots that one year ago sold for \$275 are now worth from \$2,000 to \$3,000 and cheap at that, and there are just as good chances now as then, and better, for the reason that we now know South Omaha will have a repulation of 10,000 in less than live years. Now is the time to buy. We have a large list of property here, and would be pleased to show it to one and all. Call and examine our list and take a ride out and see the town. We have a list of bargains in all parts of town; come

we are also selling very rapidly, lots in Rush & Selby's addition to South Omaha. This beautiful addition is only five minutes walk from the U. P. depot. Parties buying these lots will make 300 per cent on money invested before next May. They are selling at \$350 with \$50 cash. Balance in

## 1, 2 and 3 Years. EXAMINE THIS LIST

And see if you do not find something you

A great bargain, 3 large lots, 66 foot frontage, each, on 22d st., with small house, in E. V. Smith's add, cable line built within 2 blocks. This will make four lots of 40 to 140 ach. iots of 49 x140 each. \$6,800. Only \$2,000 cash. Must be taken at once. This will sell for \$10,000 in the spring.

A bargain. House 7 rooms, 1ot 100x120, in Omaha View. Price \$3,800, \$1,000 cash,

balance to suit.
A bargain. 160x166, on Sherman ave., in Kirkwood. \$4,600, \$1,600 cash. Corner lot, 60x120, in Fairmount Place, \$2,000, \$650 cash.

A bargain. 50x140, on 20th st., in E. V. Smith's add, \$2,700, \$1,800 cash. 25x150, near William st, on S 13th, store building, 2 stories, rents for 62.50 per month. \$1,500, terms easy. This is a bargain, will net you 17 per cent per year on

investment.

25x150, adjoining the above, with two story frame store building, rents for \$50 per month. \$4,000, terms easy. This is a great bargain. Call at once as this is on the market but a short time. One whole lot in South Omaha in busi-

ness part, \$1,200. A bargain.
Two houses, one of 12 rooms and one of 3 rooms, rents for \$50 a month, in Horbaen's add. \$4,000, \$1,000 cash, a bargain. A bargain. House of 10 roo \$27.50 per month, in Horbach's add.

Eight-room house and barn, Horbach's dd, rents for \$30 per month. \$3,000, \$1,000 cash, A bargain, 66x132, on Dodge st, \$1,500.

Beautiful lot in block 6, Hanseom Place \$2,500, \$800 cash. Cor lot gin Marsh's add, \$3.100, \$1,000 eash. 30x120, in Jacob's add, with store and

4 rooms above, rents at \$40 per month. This on the Park ave, car line and a bargain. \$1,500. \$1,500 cash, balance 1, 2, 3 and 4 years. 2 beautiful lots in South Omaha near business center, \$1,000 each. They are a

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Block 18, Credit Foncier addition, & lots, trackage each side, within two blocks of coal mine. Bargain. 9-room house, Idlewild, \$5,100.

9-room house, Idl wild, new, \$6,000. 6-room house, Improvement Association, lot 99x154, cast front

\$3,500. 9-room house, Georgia avenue, heated by steam, water and

gas, full lot, barn, etc., near Leavenworth, \$7,700. House, 8 rooms, 2 lots, Windsor Place, 2 blocks west Park,

\$5,200. House and lot in Lowe's addition, \$1.800.

Fine new house in Hanscom Place, Catherine street, 10 rooms, heated by furnace, best built in the city. Bargain.

\$5.700. 5-room cottage, new, corner 19th and Ohlo streets, Lake's addition, \$2,800; \$400 cash,

balance \$25 per month. Fine lot in Washington Square 62,300.

Beautiful lot in Denise's add. 50x122 \$1,300, \$400 cash. This a bargain.

3 lots in Mayne Place. Call and get

We have several lots in Donecken's ad

to Walnut Hill on easy terms.

We have property for sale in all parts

# C. H. Sobotker,

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