

JUST BEFORE THE NEW YEAR.

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

1886 CLOSING WITH A WHIRL.

Parties and the Opera Keep Society Going at a Breathless Pace—Receptions and Celebrations—Personal Mentions.

New Year's Calls. New York Sun: Will you kindly answer a few questions in your columns...

A YOUNG HOUSEKEEPER. New Year's calls are a subject of perennial interest, and we enter upon their renewed discussion with satisfaction.

In regard to the question of time, we can speak with greater certainty and conviction that the answer will safely apply to all circumstances.

Omaha Social Circles. Society has had its hands full the past week, with attending the opera and giving due attention to parties.

The Lininger Reception. The reception at G. W. Lininger's Tuesday was largely attended, and all who were present seemed happy and well entertained.

Silver Wedding Celebration. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Higgins celebrated their silver wedding Wednesday with a brilliant reception from 3 to 10.

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Small and Early.

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Brevities.

Mrs. Annin is visiting her aunt in Beatrice.

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 Melle Morrison of Denver, will spend the holidays in Washington, the guest of Mrs. A. U. Wymann and Mrs. Gannett.

An event which is being looked forward to with interest is the dress social to be given on Wednesday, December 23, at Metropolitan hall, by Mrs. Magrath and her scholars and friends.

The Panama Canal. PARIS, Dec. 18.—De Lesseps, at a meeting of the French Geographical society, declared that the Panama canal would be open for traffic in 1887, but that there will not be time in the interval to construct locks.

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