

all two charming American young ladies—Misses Hesters and Blasden—delighting everybody with quaint negro melodies with banjo accompaniment.

Among the Americans about to take wing to the Riviera are Commodore Gerry and family, who will pass a month there. Mr. James English, ex-cover of the Connecticut, with Mrs. English and Mrs. Morris, have also left for Nice and Italy. Mr. Nathan Appleton of Boston, has agreed to Hanover to spend Christmas with his brother and family there, but expects to return here at the expiration of a week or thereabouts. Colonel and Mrs. Hungerford will spend the greater portion of the winter in the Riviera. Mrs. A. J. Drewell and her daughter and son-in-law, Mrs. and Mrs. Felt, will leave Paris in a few days for Cannes.

AT PARIS.

At Pan the weather is rainy and blustery, but the hippodrome races came off Wednesday with the usual eclat. The Americans putting in a strong appearance. Some forty ladies were present, among them being Mrs. and the Misses Burton, Mrs. and the Misses Burton, Mrs. de Caudra, Marchioness and Miles de Novibes, Mrs. Jeane, Mrs. Digby Boycott, Miss Brownrigg and Miss Watson.

Most of the Pan sportswomen were present, among them Mr. Torrance, just arrived, made his first appearance, the Count De Madre, Mr. W. K. Thorne, Sir Victor Brooke, M. E. II., Sir John Nument, Colonel Acton, Major Martin Paton, Count De McMahon, Major Porter Burton, Vis. Thomas Knows, M. d'Grieville and Captain Bryan.

The ground was in good condition, and the race fairly contested. There was only one fall, and that without serious results. The grand prix will take place on February 1, and on the 3d. Two important marriages will be celebrated early in the coming month—Mile de McMahon, daughter of the ex-president of the republic, with the Due de Plaineau, and that of Mile. Diane de Casso Brissac, the wife of Prince de Ligne. I have just seen a superb coat being made for the last named fiancee. It is a long pelisse of mineral blue green plush, lined entirely from top to hem in magnificent blue fox. A large Russian collar of similar fur, a broad band down the front and round the sleeves complete this princely fiancee's wrap.

A lovely evening reception dress, ready for another aristocratic bride, is of "Cise de Mal," or May sky blue, the petticoat entirely embroidered in front with pearls, cut silver and crystal beads, the overdress of rich Lyon's velvet a shade darker, with Louis XIII trim, lined with white satin, round bips in pleats beneath a taffeta corsage, with each of pale blue China cravat, forming a waistband, and finished on the left side with a square bow of satin, from which hang diamond ferrets. The arms of Austria decoupage is turned back with Flemish point lace. Down the front are silver bags hanging on either side, full sleeves of velvet, cut with bands of embroidered satin and turned up below the elbow with cuffs of Flemish lace, finished this superb dress that is to be worn at court in Belgium.

The Cabinet Crisis.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The queen maintains constant communication with the Marquis of Salisbury. It is declared that the premier has no intention of resigning. The cabinet met at 12:30 o'clock this afternoon and discussed the resignation of Lord Randolph Churchill. The other members of the cabinet, except Lord Salisbury, that Lord Hartington should be asked to join the coalition ministry.

The Storm in England.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—After a violent gale and many heavy rains, a storm, a rapid thaw set in throughout the country. The storm did great damage to crops, trees, and the Buckingham palace. In Hyde park, London, trees were blown down, and all over the country telephone and telegraph wires were destroyed and railway train impeded.

Tennyson Criticized.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Gladstone has written for the January number of the Nineteenth Century an article entitled "Locksley Hall and the Jubilee." The article is a criticism of Tennyson's poem by the light of events of the past fifty years.

The British Parliament.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—It is officially announced that the meeting of parliament has been postponed until February.

STRIKERS USE DYNAMITE.

Explosives Discovered Under Cable Tracks in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—A sensational development in the street car trouble occurred to-day on the Geary street line. An older, who descended a man-hole in the course of his duties on the road near Van Ness, was found two dynamite cartridges with fuse attached to the tunnel through which the cable runs under the track. Further search was made, and two more of these destructive agents were found. It is believed that they were placed in the tunnel on Sunday night, in readiness to be exploded yesterday morning when the assault was made on the employees of the road, and that the presence of the police and the determined fight put an end to the execution of the summation of the dastardly scheme.

The amount of dynamite secreted under the track was sufficient not only to blow up the road and the cable, but it would have caused immense damage to property in the vicinity. The master has been placed in the hands of the authorities.

Affairs of the Wabash.

St. Louis, Dec. 28.—Colonel W. H. Bidgett, general solicitor of the Wabash railroad, presented to the United States circuit court to-day the order recently made by Judge Gresham at Chicago appointing Judge Cooley receiver of certain lines of the Wabash system east of the Mississippi river. Colonel Bidgett also made an exhaustive statement regarding the lines of the entire system, their location, condition, etc., and the cause of the trouble.

Mr. George H. Muller, attorney for the Wabash, said that what course to pursue in future. Judge Treadwell stated that the decision of the Wabash purchase contemplated the payment of all indebtedness. It was not decided that the company, the property should escape obligations in respect to all other parts of the property. It is expected that the Wabash and its sister lines will bring up tomorrow the question of the jurisdiction of Judge Gresham, and in that case the dispute may reach the supreme court of the United States.

He Wants His Property.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Timothy Wright, of New York, filed a bill to-day against his agent, Thomas Lyman, for accounting and discovery, claiming Lyman failed to account for estate worth nearly \$3,000,000. The estate is to be sold in New York. While the bill was filed, his losses have been gradually wiped out by means of foreclosure suits without his knowledge. The bill says no account has been rendered by Lyman since 1876.

A Distinguished New Yorker.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—(Special Telegram to the Bee.)—The Times says John C. Endicott, a lawyer from Boston, who had come to New York and barely came to New York, spent two or three days here, consulted with the attorney about ending his troubles with the law, met a few chosen friends at a little dinner and easily talked of an early return to citizenship here. He suffered a good deal from nervous trouble last summer, but is perfectly well now.

A Brewery in Flames.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.—The walls of Heim's brewery saved in at 2:30 to-day, and it is now on fire. It is known that two men are killed and that they are the victims in the

A Deadly Practical Joke.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 28.—A Druggist (Mr. Hood) special to the Commercial Gazette says: At Junction City on Christmas day, W. T. Clarkson, a prohibitionist, drank egg-nog at the house of a friend, Daniel Twaddle. Then he was taken to a saloon, forced to drink until stupified, then placed in a wagon with a banner—prohibitionist died December 23rd. The jokers were horrified soon at the discovery that Clarkson was dead. It is expected that the perpetrators will be made to suffer.

Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Bold by all druggists. \$1; six for \$5. Made only by C. L. HOOD & CO., Lowell, Mass. 100 Doses One Dollar.

HE FOUND HIS ERRING WIFE.

A Lincoln Confectioner's Better Half Found in an Omaha Brothel.

SHE REFUSES TO GO BACK HOME.

The Council—The City Charter—Suing His Partner—Hascall's Notes
—Sixty Days—Jail Birds
—Other Local.

An Erring Wife.

A sad-eyed man from Lincoln appeared at the police headquarters at 7 o'clock last evening, and, concealing his identity under the name of Charles Johnson, invoked the aid of the police in a search for his wife, who had deserted him and was supposed to be in Omaha. He said that he was engaged in the confectionery business at Lincoln and had a family consisting of a wife and a little baby just a year old. He had always enjoyed pleasant domestic relations until about two weeks ago, when his wife showed signs of being discontented with her rather humble lot and finally threatened to leave him. He did not suppose she had any intention of carrying her threat into execution until a week ago he went home from his work and found his wife had gone away and left their baby without a word. He made investigation but found no clue to her whereabouts until on Monday he received word that she was in Omaha in evil associations, and he immediately started for the city. He gave an accurate description of the woman, and an officer was sent to assist him in his search. The erring wife was soon located in the house of ill repute kept by Big Stella Young on Fourteenth street. When Johnson entered the place he was met by his wife, who was rigged out in the most approved style of the latest fashion of the ladies of the town. She was at her moment, and then taking her into his arms burst into tears. The woman appeared very penitent, and asked for her baby and forgiveness, and promised to return with her husband to the home she had deserted and disgraced. Her penitence was not of the lasting order, however. While she was packing her trunk the other inmates of the house persuaded her to change her mind, and instead of returning to her husband ready to start on the journey home, she came with the chilling information that she had decided to stay where she was. Her husband had not been very good to her at home anyway, and she guessed, on the whole, she wouldn't take him again. Johnson, however, refused to let him go alone. The announcement crushed Johnson completely and, after a vain endeavor to get the policeman to help him remove the woman by force, he left the house. He will return to Lincoln to-day unless he can induce his wife to change her mind again.

THE TWELVE WISE MEN.

Municipal Matters Disposed of With Neatness and Dispatch.

Councilman Serhoeder, the chronic obstructor of the city fathers, is suffering from a severe cold and can scarcely speak above a whisper. He was very quiet last evening, and the business of the council was disposed of in something over an hour less than the usual time. The council met at 7:30 o'clock as a board of equalization.

A report was made recommending the assessment of private property to defray the expense of opening, widening and extending certain streets.

Mr. Danley opposed the adoption of the report on the ground that the council had no authority to assess back on property to cover the cost of private property appropriated for street purposes. In some cases the amount of assessment to property were greater than the benefits that would accrue to such property by street extensions and improvements.

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REVISING THE CHARTER.
The Amendment Committee Pushing Their Work.

The charter amendment committee met promptly at 2 o'clock yesterday, the following gentlemen being present: Messrs. Barton, Bechel, Bailey, Chase, Daily, Evans, Lee, Minville, Murphy, and Popperton. In addition to the members of the committee there were the city attorney, the city engineer, Hon. G. W. Lininger and Hon. C. J. Smyth.

An amendment was the insertion of a section authorizing the council to regulate the construction of buildings. The section was framed in compliance with the building inspector's ordinance now in force.

The public library section of the old charter was amended by the addition of a clause authorizing the city to purchase real estate and construct the necessary building for a public library.

Some discussion followed concerning an amendment authorizing a survey and replatting of the city and the establishment of permanent corner lines. City Engineer Rosewater was strongly in favor of this plan, but Mr. Popperton opposed it on the ground that it would cause endless litigation.