#### IN FASHION'S FERTILE FIELD

Dinners and Card Parties Participated in. by the Howling Swells.

MRS CUMING'S PRETTY DANCING PARTY

Men and Women Well Known in the Smart World-Promises for the Most Brilliant Week Since the Holiday Season.

The inner circles of society have been arrayed in two factions since the charming reception at the Millard, one side contending that calls should be made upon all the ladies whose names appeared in the invitation, while the other faction is just as positive that only those who are personally known and with whom cards have been exchanged, should be called upon. THE BEE has been importuned to give its opinion as to what is correct form in the premises.

While it is not the intention of this paper to antagonize those who hold to the former idea still there appears to be only one common sense view to take of what is really an important question.

Society usages are based upon common sense and good breeding, they aim to be a reflex of the nighest educational life and of that Innate refinement which is so necessary to

to the well being of the social system.

Where three or four lades join in a reception and invitations are sent out containing the names of those who will receive, it is quite safe in presuming that previous to the issuance of the invitations each lady prepared a list of those whom she desired to annor, and that the lists were revised in order that names should not be auplicated. Guests therefore have to look to those with whom they have exchanged cards or calls for the honor of the invitation and it narrows itself down to those with whom the entertained are

Had the ladies unknown to those invited enclosed their own visiting cards with the invitation, it would have been an unpardona ble breach of gentle breeding not to have called upon them after the reception, for a card sent with an invitation is the equivalent of a porsonal visit, so regarded everywhere on this and the other side of the water. None of the ladies. however, did this, and to those persons hav-ing only the acquaintanceship of one or more of the ladies, who received, notwithstanding an introduction was had, during the hours of the function, with all the hostesses, the course to be pursued is very clear, you call upon those with whom you have exchanged calls and courtesies in the past. Cards also should have been left, not for all the ladies receiving, but for those who were personally known to you, for within the meaning of so-ciety the reception was given by your friends, while the other ladies were simply assisting

Jack went out to dinner the other night and he came home mildly delighted because, as he said, "people were beginning to learn something at last and dinners were begin ning to be made interesting and enjoyable at the expense of conventionality."

The reason for all this approbation, it was found out afterwards, was the unusual fact that after first asking the permission of the ladies the host had ordered the cigarettes to be served with the Roman punch, and with everybody at the table the men smoked and account the results. anjoyed themselves. Sometimes, Jack says he understands the ladies indulge, too, and he says it was very funny to watch the changeable expressions of the girls as the cigarettes were passed to each one in turn. They all declined, of course, for it has not yet grow i to be considered a propriety over here for women to smoke, although now and then you hear of a charming tale a train a train. then you hear of a charming tete-a-tete being brightened by cigarette smoke.

Apropos of this pleasant dinner and the cigarettes, it is told of a smart young woman and a young banker that they were missed from a ball room recently, and the young woman's alter ego went in search of the truant. The couple were found sitting on the stairway dimity lighted by the hall light smoking cigarettes for dear life and seemingly having the ettes for dear life, and seemingly having the most companionable time in the world. An-other man took the fair Phryne to task about cutting the dance with him, and remarked that he understood she was with the young banker enjoying a nocturnal puff. young woman, who was mildly criticized by the disappointed swain, intimated that she knew her business and that an understanding had been reached between the banker and herself, which remark has been variously construed, and from this incident the ar nouncement of an engagement is likely to follow the Lenten lull. Thus eigarettes play no inconsequential part in some lives.

Socially the week past has been "delight fully quiet," as one young woman expressed it, the pace of the week previous having been too fast for the thoroughbreds, evidently, their determination to "bide a wee" being tanta-mount to a declaration of capitulation from the fortresses which they have occupied so

Pink Card Party. Mrs. L. J. Drake, 524 Park avenue, is a charming hostess; she is thoughtful and considerate and living in one of the beautiful bomes of Omaha, her entertainments are always delightful, for with everything at hand, entertaining resolves itself into a question of adaptability and affability. Thursday, Mrs. Drake gave a card party from 2 until 6, which deservedly ranks among the most pleasing of the events of last The house was exquisitely ornamented with flowers, pink being the general tone. The front parlor mantel was embowtone. The front parlor mantel was embow-ered in la France and bonsiline roses, while the grate and sides of the mantel were banked with palms and ferns. Tapers, pink-shaded, and beautiful candelabra took the place of gas lights, the effect being artis-tic and very restful. In the second parlor there was a continuation of the thoughtful consideration so much a part of the consideration so much a part of the hostess' life. The mantel was decorated with roses and relieved by hot house plants, and also the dining-room came in for a share of the very dainty decoration. The tables distributed throughout the three rooms, and there were fifteen in use, were covered with

priet cloth, a very pretty idea, one that is just coming in use in Omaha.

Mrs. Drake was assisted in entertaing her guests by Mrs. R. C. Moore and Mrs. A. F. Bosche, Miss Alice Drake looking after the scores for her mother. The score cards were exceedingly pretty, in keeping with the gen-oral design of the entertainment.

Refreshments were served after the termination of the game, high five being played, and then the prizes were awarded as follows:
The first was wen by Mrs. Palmer, a pretty silver-framed mirror, for the dressing table; the second was won by Mrs. Chapman, a sterling silver embredient selection of the dressing silver embredient selections. sterling silver embroidery seissors and case; Mrs. Tatum took the third prize, a silver to: ette case, the fourth prize going to Mrs. Col-petzer, a silver pen tray. A rather remark-able feature of the game was the closeness of the scores of a number of the ladies, five having to cut for the second prize and eleven for

During the afternoon the Mandolin club, under Prof. Sutorius, played charmingly and was a distinct feature of a lovely entertain

ment.
Those present were: Mesdames Bosche, Cowin, Paxton, DuBois, Colpetzer, Chase, Dundy, Cady, Howeli, Johnson, Kirkendali, George Squires, Swobe, S. P. Morse, Pratt, Purvis, Ames, W. V. Morse, Wood, Carter, Morehouse, Hall, Barker, Parker, McKell, Allen, Mackay, Raymond, Boggs, Baum, Coonell, T. J. Rogers, W. M. Rogers, Alexander, Bartlott, Catlin, Poweil, Harris, Laraimer, Brown, Gilbert, Megoath, Williams, Cudahy, Hawiey, Holdredge, Tatum, Barkalow, Moore, Van Cott, Sholes, Frances Chapham, Kinsler, Clafin, MacClure, Thayer, Misses Pounsford, Hipp, Mrs. Brady and Mrs. Diekinson.

Over Their Fancy Work.

In honor of Miss English, the Misses Balch gave. Friday afternoon, one of the most enjoyable kensingtons of the season. The young women present, and they were all of the smart world, brought their fancy work, principally autograph tray clothes which are now the prevaling fad, and with the lovely music rendered the afternoon was passed very desightfully. Miss Mary Poppleton sang "You," Miss Doane desighted the guests with "Afterwards," Miss English sang "Pretty as a Pink," Miss Chandler recited in

a very pleasing manner a poem by Rudyard Kipling while the Misses Balch sang "Mar-

Kirling while the Misses Balch sang "Margery Daw," arranged as a duet.

The guests were: Mrs. John McCormick, Mrs. Harry McCormick, Mrs. Newton Barkalow, Mrs. Eastman, Mrs. Bosche, Mrs. Smith of Boatrice, Neb.; Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Charles Denei, Miss Hoagland, Miss Laura Hoagland, Miss Wadleigh, Miss Parker, Miss. Hoagtand, Miss Wadleigh, Miss Parker, Miss Maude Wadleigh, Miss Ada Parker, Miss Moore, Miss Wallace, Miss May Wallace, Miss Sharp, Miss Ida Sharp, Miss Georgia Sharp, Miss Jessie Millard, Miss Hughes, Miss Doane, Miss Hargis of Louisville; Miss Church, Miss Chandler, Miss Poppieton, Miss Wakeley, Miss Emily Wakeley, Miss Jewett, Miss Balcombe, Miss Brown of Chicago: Miss Woolworth, Miss Hamilton, Miss Hambleton, Miss Peatt, Miss Smith, Miss McClelland, Miss Detwiller, Miss Cook, Miss Southard, Miss Chambers, Mrs. Rawles, Southard, Miss Chambers, Mrs. Rawles, Miss Johnson, Miss Downs, Miss Isaacs, Miss M. Brown of Council Bluffs, Miss Hell-

Grand National Pageant. Many charities have been in Omaha, but none have been so fortunate in the possession of well known patrons and participants as the National Pageant, whose initial performances take place Friday and Saturday, Februsry 26 and 27, at the Grand opera house, for the benefit of the Woman's Christian association

So far as completed the following is a list of those who will participate in the event, which has interested nearly all the social eaders of the city:

COLUMBUS AT THE COURT OF QUEEN ISABELLA. Queen Isabella Miss Angle Boyce King Ferdinand Dr. B. F. Crummer Colombus Mr. Charles R. Sherman Chancellor Mr. E. D. Van Court Monks Messrs. L. D. Fowler. W. H. Young Lords—Messrs. C. A. Harvey, E. V. Lewis, A. Mandelberg, Ladies—Mrs. H. T. Lally, Misses Bianche Hellman, Mattle Polack.

IL LANDING OF THE PILORIMS.

III. COURTSHIP OF MILES STANDISH Priscilla Mullens Miss Kate Bradley
John Alden Mr. L. F. Crofoot
Miles Standish Mr. K. C. Barton
Magistrate Mr. Warren Switzler
Patrons-Mrs. W. J. Connell, Mrs. George
Patterson, Mrs. W. B. Millard.
IV.—OLDCOLONIAL KITCHEN—WOMAN'S SPHERE.
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Colonial Mother. Mrs. Haynes
Colonial Father. Mr. W. H. Alexander
Grandmother. Mss Grace Perine
Grandfather. Mr. W. H. Alexander
Grandfather. Mr. W. Henry
Typical Old Maid of the Century. Mrs. Whitney
Bashful Couple. Mr. Charles Clarke
Children—Misses Jones. Richardson. Bessie
Wilson. Frances Gilbert, Fradericka Wessels, Lizzle Allen, Eugenia Henry, Annie
Colley, Adelaide Whitney, Susetta Taylor;
Masters Erdman, Brunner, George Gilbert,
Caulfield, Cohurn. Robert and Curtis Lee,
Charlie Taylor, Risley Gardner Haynes,
Baby Colley.
Patrons—Mrs. J. T. Duryea, Mrs. W. F. Allen.
V.—A RECEPTION TO WASHINGTON AND LAFAY-V.—A RECEPTION TO WASHINGTON AND LAFAY-ETTE. Patrons—Mrs. J. R. Brooke, Mrs. James Mc-

VI.-THE BATTLE OF BUNKER HILL.

Patrons-Mrs. Frank Wheaton, Mrs. J. G. Park, Mrs. Albert Hartsuff, Mrs. William G. Spen-cer, Mrs. J. S. Mallory. VIL.-THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE. 

PATRONS-Mrs. Harry McCormick, Mrs. Arthur Remin; ton, Mrs. Harry Mulford,

IX.—WOMAN'S PATRIOTISM—HER SPHERE—FROM 1861 TO 1865—THE ROSPITAL Nurses
Misses Emma Hoagland, Mary Sherwood
A Young Volunteer. Mr. Henry Alten X .- THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION.

First Social Gathering. The employes of the Morse Dry Goods company will give their first social gathering Tuesday evening at the new Metropolitan club, the following being the program:

Patrons-Mrs. W. N. Babcock, Mrs. J. W

Miss Mamie Allen.

Song—The Frenchman.

Mr. Ive.

Recitation—Bernardo Dei Capio..... Hermans

Miss A. Kennedy.

Song—The Soldier's Tailsman..... Oberthur

Mr. De Sale.

Duet—Love's Sweet Dream is O'er.

Misses Green and Daiton. Accompanist. R. T.

Alien.

will be a short interval, after which a pro-gram of twelve numbers will be danced.

A parlor concert will be given at the home of Mrs. J. N. Cornish, 1303 South Tenth street, Thursday evening, February 4, in aid of S. Matthias Woman's auxiliary. Following is the very excellent program:

Violin and Pianoforte.
Quartette—"Sourrows' Fwitter" L Otto
Mrs. L T. Sanderland, Miss C. Clarkson.
Miss A. Bisnop, Mrs. F. Moeller. Elocution . Miss Clara Clarkson. Needlinger

PART LL Tusean Folks Song. Parraciola
Mrs. Sunderland and Miss Clarkson.
Pyramus Thisbe. Saxe
"Belis of S. Mary's" Rodney
Mrs. Moetler. Becker "Springtide" Bocker

Elecution ... Mrs. W. S. Heiler. "Ye Spotted Snakes"

Quartette Club. .... MacFarre n Celebrating His Birthday Dwight V. Her of 464 South Twenty-fourth avenue gave a progressive high five party to his young friends, assisted by his sister, Miss Imogene, Miss Kingman and Miss Garry, in honor of his birthday Monday, January 25. The first prize, a pretty vase, was won by Miss Nellie Clark, a handsome searf pin by Harry Garry. The first booby

scarf pin by Harry Garry. The first booby prize, a drum, was won by Carl Connell. Mamie Kramer took a Japanese dancing doll. Master lier was the recipiont of many lovely presents and congratulations. Dainty refreshments were served, after which dancing was indulged in until a late hour.

The guests were as follows: Misses Fannie Standish, Mamie Welty, Mamie Kramer, Selma Iteliman. Toodie Welty, Mav fler, Ethel Bidick, Nellie Ciark, Anna Peters, Eaith fler, Tessie O'Toole, Ella Baily, Sadie Bean, Mable Reed, Jennis Selfken, May Haff, Maud fler, Effic Moxham, Blanch fler, Helen Buruham, Masters Lester Lowe, Ned Kessier, Charley Wilbur, Rob Potter, Fred Perry, Carl Counell, Dick Welty, Ralph Bush, George Purvis, Harry Garry.

From Clifton Hill. Wednesday evening some forty guests ussembled at the residence of Dr. Panter 4243 Erakin street, Chifton Hill, the gathering

being in honor of Miss Jessie Panter's seventeenth birthday. Music, high: five, dancing and a profuse supply of coffee and cake, made the evening very enjoyable. A number of presents were left with kind wishes for many returns of the young lady's tirthday. The fostivities extended into the "wee sma" hours.

A Lovely Dancing Party. I love a bail! there's such an air
Of magic in the lustre's glare.
And such a spell of witchery
In all I hear and all I see.
That I can read in every dance.
Some relic sweet of old romance.

The dancing party given by Mrs. Cuming Wednesday evening at her beautiful home on St. Mary's avenue, brought out the birds of brilliant plumage in numbers sufficient to make one of the pleastantest dances of the

The handsome establishment of Mr. Frank Murphy, whose sister Mrs. Cuming is, and who presides with grace and dignity over the home of one of Omaha's best known public men, was embellished by clusters of roses, paims, ferns, and wreaths of evergreen, making the rooms an intoxicating de-

The dining room with its massive oak finish, its exquisite color scheme, was a picture of modern city life in its wealth of roses, the handsome buffet, the immense table beneath the central chundelier, being profusely decorated. Smilax fell in festoons from the chandeller, calling attention to a slender vase which stood in the center of the table filled with beautiful flowers.

The bail room in the third story is ex-tremely large and beautifully appointed, just such a place to gladden the hearts of daucing men and women, while off is the cosless of "dens," which on this occasion was made the punch room, a magnet which attracted

the punch room, a magnet which attracted the dancers.

Mrs. Cuming was assisted by Miss Ecglish, Miss Hambleton and Miss Stella Hamilton, Mr. Caldweil Hamilton also adding his cleverness in social affairs to making the ball the distinctive success of the week.

the week.

Among those present were Misses Wakeley, Nash, Doane, Wallace, Hargis, Wadleigh, Maud Wadleigh, Yost, Poppleton, Barker, Hughes, McCormick, Hoagland, Laura Hoagland, Sherwood, Dundy, Pratt, Balch, Thede Balch, Hibbard, Woolworth, McKenna, Miss Brown of Chicago, Messrs, Barlow, Drake, Saunders, Chat and Clark Redick, Berlin, Gulou, Nat. Hall, Frank Hamilton, Augustus Kountze, John Patrick, Darling, Koenig, Dr. Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. C. Will Hamilton, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Henry Wyman, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Coles, Mr. Garnoau, Mr. Will Doane and Mr. Frank Murphy.

Walnut Hill Entertainment. Walnut Hill Entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Fleming entertained a number of their friends most delightfully Tuesday evening at their home on Lafayette avenue, Walnut Hill. The guests were avenue, Walnut Hill. The guests were:
Rev. and Mrs. Sterling, Mr. and Mrs. J. H.
Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gardner, Air.
and Mrs. G. W. Hervey, Mr. and Mrs. C. D.
Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wagoner,
Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Van Horn. Mr. and Mrs.
Redington, Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Truax, Mr.
and Mrs. Robert Wise, Mr. and Mrs. D. L.
Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Jonnson, Dr.
and Mrs. McClannehau, Mr. and Mrs. J. B.
Cowgill, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Davidson, Mrs.
I. Y. Campbell.

Reception at Benson. The new hotel at the terminus of the Benon and Haleyon Heights motor line was formally opened on Friday evening with a grand ball and reception.

The building was erected by Mr. George Snell, and is admirably arranged for the comfortable accommodation of about fifty guests. On the night of the opening the spacious parlors on the first floor were brilliantly illumi-nated with electric lights and tastefully deco-rated by the ladies of the neighborhood. over all the windows and archways the na-tional colors were gracefully festooned, and in every nook and corner handsome floral decorations were placed.

Before 9 o'clock the building, from top to

bottom, was thronged with those happy enough to secure an invitation, and when from an alcove between the rooms issued the melodious strains of Irvine's orchestra the floors were quickly filled with the lovers of

For an hour afterwards every motor car riages continued to arrive and the dance was kept up without interruption. At 12 o'clock the folding doors between the parlors were thrown open and everyone moved to the supper rooms where, on snowy tables, was dis-played a tempting array of the delicacies

played a tempting array of the delicacies calculated to appease the etherial appetite of the modern terpsicorean devotee.

Among those present were: Mayor Thomsen and wife, E. H. Cone and wife, E. L. Sooy and wife, M. Wear and wife, Frank Bigelow and wife, O. K. Pratt and wife, Charles Johnson and wife, George Snell and wife, Fred Fredricksen and wife, F. Homan and wife, J. Keller and wife, H. Woeldridge and wife, H. C. Barron and wife, George Buhler and wife, J. A. Morgan and wife, Edward Crooks and wife, W. Huntzinger and wife, D. A. House and wife, J. A. Green and wife, James McArdie and wife, W. P. Coe and wife, A. M. Walton and wife, Messrs, W. H. Crary, R. H. Howard, E. Bowles, H. Bryant, J. T. Fields, Lauritz Johnson, Axel Smith, Mcrris Montgomery, John, Charles Smith, Morris Montgomery, John, Charles and Frank Wear, Frank Bieick, J. Brove-man, and Misses Mollie Wear, Alice and Virginia Phillips, Grace Snow, Larson, Steven-son of Council Bluffs, Howard, Bleick.

Vesta Chapter Celebrates. Vesta chapter No. 6, Order of the Eastern Star, held their eign enth annual social Thursday evening at Masonic hall with the Master Mesons and their friends. Altogether about 175 participated in the festivities of the evening and a general good time was had. Refreshments were served from 10 to 11. During the year the different halis have been renovated and decorated and the guests had access to the different parts of the

temple.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Daily, Mr. and Mrs. Mount, Mr. and Mrs. Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Parr, Mr. and Mrs. Walker and son, Mr. and Mrs. Alverson and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Allison, Mr. and Mrs. Thornton, Mr. and Mrs. McEckron, Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Coon, Mr. and Mrs. Pray, Mr. and Mrs. Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Pray, Mr. and Mrs. Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Rolling, Mr. and Mrs. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Carran and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Fitch. Mrs. Whitmarsh, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Van Buren, Misses Anderson, Pray, Wilde, Stobrie, Powell and Truland, Messrs. Davis, Crum, Pinney, Batterton, Birchmore, Peterson, Pinney, Batterton, Birchmore, Peterson, Wilde, DeLorimer, Wortberg, Halligan and

Teas have been unusually numerous this winter, the colors of the rainbow having been exhausted to heighten the decorations, but none deserve so enthusiastic praise as that given Friday evening by Mrs. E. M. Morsman, in honor of Miss Wallace of Salt Lake City. On this occasion rose prevailed, and the lamps, shaded in this most charming of tones, gave to the beautiful rooms a suggestion of fairyland. Small tables were placed in the dining room and parlor, covered with exquisitely bordered lace clothes, over which were placed broad bands of pink ribwhich were placed broad bands of pink rib-bon. In addition pretty candlesticks stood in the center, with pretty rose shades, orna-mented with maidenhair ferns. At each cover were plate cards with the guest's initials in raised letters, rosebuds being attached for the women and pinks for the men.

The menu was delightfully appointed and beautifully served. But diving was only a single feature of the occasion, the guests present having an opportunity to show their iterary ability by answering a series of questions. Later on a large pie, all of pink issue paper, was brought in, to which was attached pink and green ribbons, which upon being drawn from the crust were found to contain amusing favors. Then as another innovation ribbons were distributed, upon which subjects were written, the guests being obliged to illustrate the thought upon a blackboard, which gave rise to endiess amusement, some of the guests displaying

amusement, some of the guests displaying commendable ability as cartoonists.

The guests who enjoyed this ingenious function were: Misses Wallace, Sherwood, Nash, Yost, Chandler, Brown, Hamilton, Mary Poppleton, English, Wallace, May Wallace, Beckwith, McKenna; Messrs. Smith, Henry Wyman, Caldwell Hamilton, Frank Hamilton, Gannett, Drake, Bartou, Koenig, Sherwood, Robert Patrick, John Patrick, Augustus Kountze.

Prospects for a Brilliant Week. This promises to be the gayest and most

brilliant week in the social life of the city, as the following announcements will show:
Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Moore entertain the
Bon Amt club Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gallegher, a card party in honor of Miss McC. lick.

The Sandown cleb meets at the Paxton Monday evening.

Monday evening.

Tuesday evening Miss. Doane gives a cotilion in honor of Miss Hargis, forty people
being expected to dance, the cotillion to be
led by Mr. William Doane, who for the past
two seasons has kept himself aloof from the
"madding crowd." The dancing will commence at 9 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirkendall entertain the
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Mrs. Levi Carter phi issued invitations for a luncheon at 1:30, at the Millard, Wednesday. Vednesday.
The Ail Saints Social club give the third

sociable of the season Wednesday at the new Metropolitan hall.

Mrs. George H. Boggs has issued invita-tions for a large reception from 3 to 6 on Miss Nash will give a luncheon on Thursday in honor of the visiting ladies.

Mrs. J. G. McGeath announces a reception

for Thursday, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Weller, assisted by a number of ladies, will give a recoption Thursday evening in honor of Bishon and Mrs. John P. Newman, Kountze Place. Mr. and Mrs. Hal. McCord announce a card party for Thursday evening. Mrs. Forsyth announces an afternoon card

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Miss Emily Wakelev will give a tea on Thursday in bonor of Miss Hargis.

Mrs. J. B. Hawley and the Misses Hawley, a Kensington on Friday.

Mrs. F. W. Lee, a progressive card party, 614 South Twenty-eighth street, on Saturday at 2 p. m.

Minor Mention Mr. Will McMillan has gone to Culcago, Miss Burroughs is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bierbower. Miss Hargis will be the guest of Miss Emily Wakeley this week.

General Wheaton is expected to return from Washington this week. Mrs. Redick and Miss Dundy went to Lincoln on Thursday for a week. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Smith and Miss Smith leave this week for California.

Miss Margaret Moore entertained a few riends at cards Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs J. H. Millard entertained a ew friends at dinner on Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. A. U. Wyman announce reception for February 17, from 8 until 12.

Mrs. Will Millard entertained at luncheon Thursday evening, covers being taid for ten. Mr. C. E. Squires, who has been very ill with pneumonia for the last two weeks, is convalescent. The Omaha club has postponed their re-

ception and dancing party to a date not yet Mrs. E. L. Lomax and children have returned from Chicago, Mrs. Lomax being greatly improved in heafth. Mrs. Judge Strawn entertained at luncheon

Saturday Miss Olive May and Miss Amy Busby of the Stuart Robson company. Wednesday evening a number of the young people connected with Unity church gave a pleasant dancing party at Erfling's

Miss Ford of Marysville, Mo., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. G. Gaddis, 122 South Twenty-fifth street, returned home last Sunday. Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Acheson entertained at cards, the prizes being won by Mrs. Hill, Mrs. F. M. Rich-ardson and Mrs. Stebbins.

There is some talk of a german to be given by the society men this week, possibly Wednesday exening, but the date has not been determined fully.

Owing to Sara Bernbardt's appearance at Boyd's February 22 the date of the National Pageant has been enanged to Friday and Saturday, February 26 and 27. Mr. C. E. Yost, who is now one of the directors in the Kansss and Nebraska Tele-phone company, returned from the annual

eeting of the association in Kansas City last week. Mrs. M. E. West of George A. Crook Woman's Regief Corps No. 88, has been ap-pointed national and on the pational presi-dent's staff. She is the first lady receiving

such honors in Omaha. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hospe, ir. in the presence of relatives, the mariage of Mr. J. E. Knowles and Mrs. Carrie I. Ken-von was solemnized, Thursday evening, Rev.

W. J. Harsha, officiating. Mrs. Neltie Burns Eastman is able to drive about, although her recovery is very slow. Mr. Eastman is expected from Chicago in the next fortnight and if well enough Mrs. Eastman will return with him.

Mrs. Silas Cobb entertained at luncheon Thursday, the guests being Miss Boyce, Miss Hartman, Miss Barker, Miss Bedford, Miss Van Gesen, Miss Katherine Barker, Mrs. Field and Mrs. Isadore Gluck. Mrs. Captain McCauley and children were

the guests of Mrs. George W. Ames Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. Mrs. McCau-iey was on her way to Portland from Chiago, where Captain McCauley was lately Dr. Duryea will deliver a lecture he ladies of the Cleofan on Saturday, Feb-

ruary 6, at 2:30 p. m., at the Knights of Pythias hall, Paxton block, His subject will be, "An Unwritten Chapter of the Ref-The north Omaha Musicale met at Mrs. McCalvin's, 2101 Wirt street Thursday afternoon. The next meeting will be held

at the home of Miss Ferall northwest corner Pwenty-third and Burt street, on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Patterson have instruction of the form Kansas City, where they attended the funeral of David G. Neiswanger, Esq., Mrs. Patterson's father. Mr. Neiswanger was one of Kansas City's oldest residents and most prominent citizens.

Mrs. Edgar Morsman entertained at cards Monday, Mesdames Coutant, Patrick, Richardson, Ben Smith, W. V. Morse, Hascall, Wakeley, Pritchett, Cowin, Barton, George Barker, Yost, Wessels, Bennett, McKenna. The hostess was assisted by Miss Wallace and Miss Yost.

Mr. and Mrs, N. G. Ingersot announce the marriage of their daughter Jennie Mac to Herbert L. Kennedy, Thorsday, January 12. They will be at home Wednesdays after February 1 at 1305 Park avenue. Mr. Ken-nedy is senior member of the firm of Kennedy is senior member of the firm of Ken-nedy & Blackburn, grocers, on Park avenue. Mrs. Frazier gave the Tuesday Morning cinb a very interesting lecture on Holland and Belgium this week at the residence of Mrs. Stiger. The pariors were well filled with members and their friends. At the close of the lecture the hostess served deficious Dutch chocolate in a very dainty

Lieutenant and Mrs. Truitt entertained the Magazine club at cards Thursday even ing, the members of schich are: Captain and Mrs. Ayers, Mr. and Mrs. Hussey, Mr. and Mrs. Hussey, Mr. and Mrs. Acheson, Mr. and Mrs. Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Hill, Mg., and Mrs. F. M. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Ford, Mr. and Mrs. George Stethens.

and Mrs. George Steudins.

Mrs. D. H. Wheeler of pr., gave the second of her series of Kensimitons Friday aftermoon, some of the gaests being: Mrs. Wakeley, Mrs. Hussey, Mrs. Rfall, Mrs. Orr, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Gaylord, Mrs. Lockwood, Mrs. Garmanu, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Monroe, Mrs. Cudaby, Mrs. Fred Nye, Mrs. Ames, Mrs. Keng, Mrs. Dietz, Mrs. Remington, Mrs. Cross, Mrs. Chase.

"She Stoops to Congaer" drew the society crowd in large numbers Thursday evening. Occupying one of the Boxes were Miss Hoagiand, Miss Laura Hoagifand, Miss Wadleigh, Miss Maud Madleigh Mr. J. C. Sharp, Mr. W. A. Paxton, ir. Mrs. Boyd, Mrs. Ewing and Miss Burroughs of the play of the second tier, while Mr. and Mrs. Bierbower occupied Governor Boyd's box near the

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Tuesday at 10, Miss Boyd gave an elabor Tuesday at 10, Miss Boyd gave an elaborate breastfast to eighteen women in honor of Mrs. Ewing and Miss Burroughs. The tables were set in pink, everything matching in color the pretty Japanese vase filled with pinks which adorned the center of the table. The guests were Mesdames Morris, Bourke, Lander, Funkhouser, Will Millard, Robertson, Bierbower, Misses Ogden, Ammeli, Brown, Curria Millard, Jessie Millard, Chandier, Wageloy, Bishop.

Mrs. Potter Paimer, president of the board

Mrs. Potter Palmer, president of the board of lady managers, having conceded to the women of Nebraska the honor of contribut-ing the hammer with which she will drive the last nail in the woman's building at the dedicatory ceremonies in Chicago October 12, 1392, an invitation is hereby extended to the women of the state for competition designs. A prize of \$10 will be given for the best design for the hammer, all designs to be ad-

companied by a complete description and sent to Mrs. E. C. Langworthy of Seward. Neb., on or before April 1, 1892. The materials to be used in its construction shall consist of the native woods of Nebraska, combined with gold, silver and pearl. A contribution of 10 cents, with name of each contributor will be solicited from the woods. contributor, will be solicited from the women of the state, thereby securing an ample to the cause of woman.

OMAHA MUSICIANS.

Concerts Promised for the Near Future-Soure Things Purely Personal. The most interesting musical event that has transpired within the past few weeks was the delightful recital given yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. W. J. Connell by the celebrated planist Miss Neally Stevens. This eminent artist visited us at the invitation of the Ladies' Musical society. Her program consisting of fourteen very choice numbers was faultiessly ren-dered and enthusiastically received. The opening number "Toccato and Fugue" (Bach-Taussig) was certainly the heaviest piece of the evening, inasmuch as it required great technical ability and breadth of style; it was given in a true musicianly style and with faultless execution. Her interpretation of the Beethoven sonatas, op. 31 and 110, showed her cultured Intimacy with the Beethoven school.

The manner in which she treated the compositions of Chopin, Raff, Schumann and Jadassohn, showed clearly the versatility of her high musical talent.

In the "Caprice Eshagnol" she seemed to

be completely carried away by inspiration, due perhaps to the fact that this piece was dedicated to her by the great master, Moszkowski; it was played with true Spanish abandon and completely captivated the audience.

the audience.

The other selections worthy of particular mention were Von Bulow's "La Carzonatura," and Liszt's "Tarantella" (Vonezia e Napoli). In the course of an interesting conversation with Miss Stevens we were gratified to find that she was very well pleased with her reception, and felt as though she ware now almost a resident of Omaha. She has just returned from a successful tour through the south, playing in Memphis, New Orleans, Atlanta, Indianapolis and Texas. She is now on her western tour and expects to visit, amongst other places, Denver, Atchison, Topeka, Lawrence and Karsas City; on the completion of her western trip she will visit the New England states.

Miss Stevens will always be welcomed in our midst as an artist of high standing; pos-sessed with much natural talent, and taught by such masters as Moskowski. Von Bulow and Liszt, with whom she was a special fa-vorite; she is destined to be one of the mosr reacowned artists that this country has ever

Never in the history of Omaha has the onward murch of music been so deeply felt by all classes of the community as at present. This art is daily becoming more appreciated and is increasing rapidly in strength, and it seems as though the older patrons, instead of resting on their pars, have brought further energy and zeal into their efforts and, en-thused by the recognition of their work as well as by the co-operation of the rising gen-eration of sympathizers, they have determeration of sympathizers, they have determined to do everything possible to keep up the musical standard of this otherwise well known city. There is a glorious chance to make Omaha the key-note of the great west, and it can assuredly be done by the nnion of individual persevering effort.

On Thursday evening, February 11, the Apolio club proposes to provide a treat for those who are fortunate enough to be subscribers. In addition to the attraction pre-

scribers, in addition to the attraction pre-sented at this concert, in having the baritone roles in "Fair Ellen" and "The Enchanted Swans' entrusted to the renowned Ludwig, the club has secured the services of Mrs. Murray of Chicago, the well known harpist, and Mrs. Emma Backhus-Behr of Kansas City, who has already made an enviable reputation as a pianist. Mr. Ludwig has been prevailed upon to give a song recital on the afternoon following the concert, so that those who are unable to attend the concert may have an opportunity to hear this celebrated

artist. In "Fair Ellen" the sole work has been allotted to Mrs. Wakefield, an Omaha vocal ist of note, and it is understood that Mrs. ist of note, and it is understood that Mrs. Cotton, Mrs. Nye and Miss Clara Clark will divide the honors in the more comprehensive work, "The Enchanted Swans."

Omaha is about to lose for a time one of her most faithful, energetic and promising musicians. Mr. J. E. Butler, who has for a long time been organist and choirmaster of Trinity cathedral, has been advised by his occilist to give up all work for a time. His oculist to give up all work for a time. His eyes have begun to tell him the sad tale that nature conquers art and that in his devotion to music and in his close study he has over-taxed his powers of vision. After consulta-tion with eminent oculists he finds that he must rest altogether if he would preserve his sight. Mrs. J. W. Cotton, who has been a co-worker with him in his present sphere. talks of giving a complimentary concert as a token of sympathy and appreciation of past services. If she will do this she will un-

doubtedly have the assistance of every musician in the city. The "Philomela quartette" has been engaged to sing at a musical to be given at the residence of Mrs. Cornish on South Tenth street, in aid of St. Matthias Episcopal church. The date of the musical has been set for February 4. This quartette consists of Mrs. Sunderland (better known as Miss Georgie Boulter), Miss Clara Clarkson, Miss Bishop and Mrs. Moeller. Their work at Mrs. Cotton's recital on Thursday evening

was decidedly good.

The "Arnel" quartette of Boston is expected to sing at the Young Men's Christian association concert hall on February 18.

They are assisted by John Thomas, humorist, They are assisted by John Thomas, humorist, and Mr. Walter Pick, pianist. This promises to be highly entertaining.

On Thursday, February 4, a grand concert wall be given in the Young Men's Christian association hall on behalf of a fund which has been opened to improve the appearance of the hall. The concert will be under the management of Mr. L. A. Torrens, and the following local taleut: Mrs. Wakefield, Mrs. Nyo, Miss Ogden and Miss Amsden, who form the excellent Reinecke quartette; Miss Lucilla Allan violinist: Mr. Coccland, bari-Lucila Allan, violinist; Mr. Copeland, bari-tone; Mr. Marshall, Mr. Festner and others. It is always interesting to hear of the suc-cess of Omaha pupils, especially so when they make a "hit" in New York. Miss Letha they make a "hit" in New York. Miss Letha Cook of Blair, who will be remembered as a pupil of Mrs. Cotton's of very great promise, and who recently went to New York for a two years' course at Mme. Thurber's National School of Music previous to studying in Europe, is meeting with fine success in her studies. She passed the rigid examination demanded from candidates on entering, with great credit, being the first of three selected from a class of forty applicants. At a recent performance of the "Mossiah" by the pupils of the school, she sang "Rejoice Greatly." having been selected from a class of eight young ladies who were studdying the same aria. The members of the examination committee were enthusiastic over Miss Cook's voice, declaring it was perfectly placed, and paying ing it was perfectly placed, and paying thereby a high compliment to her teacher. Such an endorsement as this, coming unsought, must be very gratifying to Mrs. Cotton, inasmuch as it bears strong testimony as to the excellence of her method.

Mrs. L. A. Torrens, who for some months past has been studying in New York, has left that city for Boston where she resumes her work of acquiring perfect vocalization Her former work will secure for her a cordial reception on her return to Omaha.

There are whisperings as to the possibility of inducing the great and only Paderewski who has spare time on hand take the matter up and astonish the musical world of Omaha by the advent of this genius. The matter is being talked about and many are willing to help financially and otherwise. A leader is wanted. to visit us. Why cannot some music-loves

Death of Mrs. H. O. Devries. Mrs. Sarah Cotner Devries died quite unexpectedly at 8 o'clock yesterday morning after a short illness of pneumonia, at the family residence, 1303 Georgia avenue. It was thought Friday evening that she was improv-ing, but during the night—she grew rapidly

worse.

The deceased was born at Miliard July 9, 1868, and had resided in this county all of her life. She was the only daughter of Samuel Cotner, and leaves a huyband and little son. She was a member of the First Christian church, the pastor of which, Rev. Dr. Cramblett, will officiate at the funeral services. The deceased was a kind-hearted, sympathetic women, and was most highly esteemed by those whose good fortune it was to intimately know her. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence.

Among the entertainments to be given in this city during the coming week will be one AMUSEMENTS.

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THE FIRE ENGINE DRAWN BY TWO SUPERB HORSES. of a literary and musical character under the auspices of the L. A. C. E. at the vestry of Temple Israel on Monday evening at 8 Temple Israel of Colored Newman will deliver a lecture upon the following subject: "A Thousand Miles on Horseback Through the

Valley of the Euphrates." NOTES OF TRAVEL. interesting Talks by Mrs. Frazar on Interesting Journeyings.
Mrs. M. D. Frazar of Boston, whose leetures of foreign trayel delivered at the St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church some wo weeks ago were so well received, con tiqued her talks at the Lininger art gallery on Thursday and Friday evenings of last week. The talks of this intelligent lady are profusely illustrated by stereopticon views which were taken during Mrs. Frazar's recent trips across the continent. Beginning at London, the party, under Mrs. Frazar's leadership, travel all over the great est city of the world and take a peep into every nook and corner of interest the American travelers. journey through England, Mrs. Frazar takes her party across the stormy English channel and lands them on the sunny shores of France. Paris, the center of the fashionable world of the continent, is visited and every possible place of interest or amusement shown and explained

at length.

Mrs. Frazar is a pleasant speaker and keeps her audience interested from the time the first picture is thrown upon the canvasuntil good-night is said. Continuing the trip the lecturer takes her party across the Alps into Switzerland and then to Lake Como, Rome, and beautiful Venice. By taking a trip with Mrs. Frazar a person can enjoy all the pleasures and see all the sights without the inconvenience of trav-

Had a Nice Time. An occasion enjoyed boyond written description occurred under the auspices of the Young Men's Institute at its parlors last Friday evening, in the way of a pleasant iterary sociatie. A piano duet by Miss and Master Gentleman, "The Fisherman" by Messrs. Emmet and Wallace McQuery. accompanied by Miss McQuery, and "The Mountain Maiden" by Miss Cosgrove were

EDEN MUSEE. Cor. 11th and Farnam Str. Week Commencing Mon-day, Feb. 1.

L'AMPHITRITE, the Angel of the Air. This marvelous iduation is not presented on a darkened stage, but on a brilliantic lighted stage set with scenery Isolated in space, she floats in every direction through the air. Charles Tripp, armiossartist. Dr. Walle's tlashes Co. Fielding's Vauteville Stars.

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and was greeted with open and appreciative

applause.
The members are meeting with very satisfactory success in their efforts toward organ-izing a Young Ladies' Institute. About forty young ladies have signified their willingness to become members of the society. It is an-ticipated that on next Friday evening the young ladies will give a leap year party in the hall of the Young Men's Institute. They are now making preparations for it and it present indications are to be considered as a prophecy their sociable will be a decided

COLONEL FAIRMAN'S LECTURE. Music, Poetry, Art and Literature Pleas.

ingly Talked About. Colonel James Fairman gave a complinentary lecture on "What Ail Should Know About Art" last night in the concert hall of the Young Men's Christian association. He, himself, is an artist and art lecturer, and talked, in the course of his jecture, of music, poetry, art, literature, stage and the drama. Colonel Fairman interested his large audience by keeping himself out of the old rut which the ordinary lecturer tumbles into be-

In his talk was mingled many bright witticisms of stage declarations and humor from the pen of funny journalists. He proved himself to be well versed in art of all descriptions and was very upt and ready in answering questions put to utin per-

Dr. Birney, nose and throat. BEE bldg.

A Los Angeles clergyman, says the Chicago Times, is in danger of being ejected from his pulpit for having declared in a sermon that no man ever made \$1,000,000 without being a thief. It would be only common prudence for clergymen of all denominations to recollect that the inerrancy of the oible does not apply to the verse in which the difficulty of a rich man's entering the kingdom of heaven is alirmed. rendered in a highly complimentary manner