

IN THE LAST SUMMER MONTH

Society People Preparing for the Coming Season's Round of Pleasure.

RECEPTION AT DR. MERCER'S RESIDENCE

One Break in a Week of Monotonous Routine—Several August Weddings—Minstrels at Grand Hill—Gossip from Spirit Lake—Personal Notes.

The residence of Dr. S. D. Mercer at Fort-Lieth and Cuming streets was filled with a merry company of young people Friday evening.

The following were present: Misses Carrie Merritt, Susie Merritt, Jennie Brown, Bessie Toole, Helen Hoangland, Pauline

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An August Wedding.

In the chapel of Plymouth church yesterday at high noon, says the Interior Ocean of Tuesday, the marriage of Charles Adolph

The chapel was tastefully decorated, the altar being ornate with ferns, palms and

The bride carried a richly embroidered ritual of the services in the company of the convivial

The ushers were Charles A. Shireau, W. A. Laler and Alfred Zeph of Freepert, Ill.

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Miss Merrett, Miss Eddy and Miss Brown were the bridesmaids, and the bridesmaid

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EARLY DAYS OF THE BIG MUDDY

Stirring Times Steamboating on the Fickle Missouri.

RECOLLECTIONS OF A SURVIVING MATE

He Fit With Indians and Bears, and Had a Lively Time Generally—Interesting Reminiscences of Hudding Towns and Townsides.

In this story of the Missouri river we shall hear of Mate Nash, writes Homer Bassford in the Detroit Free Press.

He was running on the river from St. Louis to St. Joseph, in charge of the unruly roustabouts on the main deck of the big steambot State of Kansas.

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ONE-THIRD WITHIN THE PALE

Two-Thirds of the Population Are Without Church Connection.

INTERESTING AND CURIOUS FACTS

An Amazing Variety of Beliefs and Divisions—Comparative Statistics of Growth in Membership and Buildings—Religious Notes.

The preliminary figures of the church statistics of the eleventh census have been made public by Superintendent Porter.

There are many two churches, five missions and about 4,000 communicants of the Old Church in this respect.

Mr. Newman Manning, a nephew of Cardinal Manning, has been licensed by a Baptist church in this respect.

Bishop Phillips Brooks of Boston has recently called another Boston celebrity, viz. the venerable Dr. Bartol of the University of Louvain.

In a choir of sixteen little girls at St. James Mission, New York, eight nationalities are said to be represented—Poles, Swedes, Danes, Romanians, Hungarians, Germans, French and English.

The Southern Baptists are pushing their centennial work with great interest and earnestness. They propose to raise \$250,000 above their ordinary contributions and to erect 100 new churches.

Mrs. Woodworth, the false prophet of Oakland, has succeeded in organizing a church at Salem, Ore.

The congregation of Sharric Bercho (Gates of Blessing), the oldest religious society of French Hebrews in America, will celebrate its centennial at the corner of Fifteenth street, New York on September 8.

St. Paul's Episcopal church at Hickman, Ky. has elected two women to its vestry board. This is the first time since the bishop's announcement that there is nothing in the canons of the church to forbid such action.

Bishop O'Fallen of Trenton, N. J., is perhaps the largest buyer of books in the United States. He buys every year many thousands of dollars worth for distribution among religious clergymen and others.

Rev. John H. Coleman, a Methodist minister of Troy, says that his father and his uncle are the oldest twins now living in the United States.

The new version of the bible in German, which for thirty years has been in the course of preparation, has just been published in Halle.

One reason why the appointment of Dr. Hovener as Catholic bishop of Springfield, Mass., has been so much talked about is that he was born in America.

A traveling man's experience with diarrhoea. I am a traveling man and have been afflicted with what is called chronic diarrhoea for some time.

Philadelphia Press: The majority of clergymen are good-looking. The only exception is a minister for a criminal career when he was a boy! "No; but he got a new nose."

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