

SOCIETY IS ITSELF AGAIN

Lust Week a Busy One with the Swell Set in Omaha.

MUCH IS IN STORE FOR THE NEAR FUTURE

Debutantes of the Season Set the Headers to Fluttering, While All Hasten to Pay Their Homage.

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consolation prize, "Social Life in Old Kentucky," fell to the lot of Mrs. Jenks. After the prizes had been awarded most elaborate refreshments were served.

An enjoyable high five party was given by Mr. William H. Brandt at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Drexel, on Thursday evening. The first prizes were awarded to Mr. Will Jager and Miss Anna Yost and the booby prizes to Mr. Guy Baker and Miss Emma Leonard.

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Pine Bluff, Ark., has been announced. The ceremony will occur next Monday.

Miss Annie E. Houga, daughter of the late Isaac E. Houga, the oldest known New York publisher, was married to Dr. John Cameron Anderson of this city in St. Bartholomew's church yesterday.

Miss Katherine O'Brien of Grand Rapids, Mich., is the guest of Dean and Mrs. Fair. Miss Nell Bradon of Auburndale, Mass., spent a day with Mrs. Allen last week, on patrol.

Miss Lucille Pinney of Council Bluffs has been the guest during the last week of Mrs. Metcalf. Hostess and guest spent a pleasant day in Lincoln on Wednesday.

Mrs. Vanocra has been seriously ill for the last two weeks. The doctor at the town hall Thursday afternoon of last week.

Mrs. J. Wood of Omaha visited at the home of Mrs. J. N. Horton last Tuesday. Mrs. J. A. Morgan has recovered from her attack of the grip and is again able to get around.

The mid-week prayer meeting was postponed for last Thursday evening on account of the bad weather.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mulford of Omaha made a visit among old friends in Benson during the last week.

Services will be held at the Methodist church today at 10:45, at the home of Mrs. Rev. Mr. Cross, pastor.

The members of the Woodman Lodge of Benson are making preparations for an entertainment to be given at their hall in the near future.

William Hackman has purchased a large gas engine, which will soon be in working order in his blacksmith shop on the military road.

The Independent Order of Odd Fellows of this place will attend the grand festival given by the lodges of Springfield, Neb., next Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clough, who are on their way home from Iowa to Stanton, Neb., stopped in Benson to visit at the home of their daughter, Mrs. E. J. Bennett.

HE PASSED FORGED CHECKS

George W. Harris Swindles Several Individuals and Gets Into the Law's Clutches.

George W. Harris' chief ambition was to duplicate the calligraphical feats of "Jim-the-Pennman." His attempts proved failures and as a consequence he now occupies a cell in the city jail.

A series of circumstances indicate that Harris planned a systematic scheme of obtaining money by means of worthless checks. He is understood to have been held for his labor is shown by the fact of his recent arrival and his continued and daring attempts to palm off the worthless paper.

His method was to enter into a business transaction wherein he would figure as debtor. He would then offer a check for an amount somewhat larger than the debt, asking that the difference be paid him in cash. He succeeded in passing three such checks Saturday. They were for small amounts drawn on the Nebraska National bank, purportedly signed by C. Dyball.

During the afternoon Harris passed checks on Miss Mary Heald, who rents rooms at 1809 Park street, and on Mrs. H. Emery, who keeps a lodging house at 1109 Park street. In both cases Harris rented a room and offering to pay the rent in advance asked cash for the difference between the amount of the check and the amount due on account.

Officers Helfrich and Donahue found Harris in a music hall about 9 o'clock Saturday evening and placed him under arrest. At the station he was identified by W. H. Emery, Miss Mary Rowland, Miss Mattie Anderson and Alice Roebig. When confronted by the police he stoutly denied the truth of the matter.

Harris says he is a stage machinist. He admits being a stranger in the city and says he has a relative employed at Dyball's.

Most of the reports of maladministration and barbarity," he added, "are either untrue or greatly exaggerated. Naturally they are greatly exaggerated, naturally they are greatly exaggerated, naturally they are greatly exaggerated."

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The French paper at Cairo has ceased attacking British rule. The French people, almost worn out by the Dreyfus agitation, have resigned themselves to a trial, which seems to be the only possible outcome of the court of cassation's proceedings.

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Some experts say the Oceanic overreaches the limit of what is practical in a large ship and declare that the docking facilities of New York harbor must be improved before a larger ship can be accommodated.

There is much interest here in the duke of Alben's north pole expedition. Before his departure for Rome Queen Marguerite, his aunt, presented him with an Italian flag embroidered by her own hands with "Semper Parvum Sævum Albeni Rex Sævum" motto identified with the family. In receiving the gift the prince said: "I shall not return."

MONDAY MORNING'S STOCK OF FIRE DRUGS.

Our FIRE SALE of drugs, perfumes and patent medicines is pretty nearly over. One week's purchasing by the public—eager to avail themselves of our SLAUGHTER PRICES—has reduced our stock of goods with damaged wrappers to a very small proportion of the original amount.

Table with columns: No. of Packages, Fire Sale Price, No. of Packages, Fire Sale Price, No. of Packages, Fire Sale Price. Lists various items like Face Powder, Toilet Soap, Hair Brushes, etc.

Almost every article quoted above is intrinsically as valuable as it ever was—but wrapper or label scorched or smoked—These goods are going rapidly and parties who contemplate making purchases should be on hand Monday early.

1513 Dodge St., Omaha, Neb. Sherman & McConnell Drug Co. Middle of Block.

Mrs. J. Benson South 16th St. 20 PER CENT OFF on all Winter Goods. The young and pretty widow of George Lee, the New York banker, is making rapid progress in exclusive Parisian society.

Miss Golet's Reported Engagement. (Copyright, 1899, by Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, Jan. 28.—(New York World Telegram—Special Telegram.)—Society is still speculating eagerly on the rumored engagement of Miss Golet and Lord Chesterfield.

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Henry Irving's New Play. (Copyright, 1899, by Press Publishing Co.) PARIS, Jan. 28.—(New York World Telegram—Special Telegram.)—Your correspondent secured from M. Sardou an outline of his new play, "Robespierre," which he is writing for Henry Irving and which promises to be the greatest feature of the theatrical season of 1899, Sardou said.

Project New Ocean Greyhound. The Lloyd shipping agency is authority for the statement that when the White Star line was launched by a connecting transatlantic company ordered a steamer to even exceed the enormous proportions of the new White Star liner. It is said that all the details of design have been completed and that the contracts will soon be let.

More Trouble with Strikers. (Copyright, 1899, by Press Publishing Co.) COLON, Columbia, Jan. 28.—(New York World Telegram—Special Telegram.)—Railroad dock strikers today temporarily stopped traffic by intimidating the engine drivers. Mob of men and women gathered near the railroad shops and some of the artisans at work were dragged out by strikers. Military guards were reinforced and at one time they had to fire in the air to drive back the strikers.

SMART AMERICANS IN PARIS. Gossip About United States People Who Cut a Dash in the Parisian Capital. (Copyright, 1899, by Press Publishing Co.) PARIS, Jan. 28.—(New York World Telegram—Special Telegram.)—Count Boni Castellani has rented for three years a charming apartment on the Champs Elysees from the Duc de Halluin. This seems curious, seeing he has just taken up his residence in his magnificent Trianon palace.

ISABELLA'S IMMENSE WEALTH. Report of a Phenomenally Rich Strike in a Vein at Cripple Creek. COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Jan. 28.—(Copyright, 1899, by Press Publishing Co.)—A native commission from there comes on the transport to consult with Aguinaldo. Influential natives with the Americans to land. The rabble army are kicking and want to loot the town. They have already burned several villages near Iloilo. The lower classes of the island and of Cebu and Negros are reported to be attacking the land proprietors and looting estates. Manila is quiet. The general health of the troops is good. The island of Mindanao is overrun by Moro. The Spaniards are concentrated at Zamboanga.

ARCTIC ICE FLOE MENACES. Drifts Directly Into the Path of the Transatlantic Liners and May Blockade St. Johns Inland. ST. JOHNS, N. F., Jan. 28.—The British steamer Uluda, at this port from Liverpool, reports immense icebergs 200 miles southeast of St. Johns, directly in the track of Atlantic shipping and forming a serious danger to passing steamers. Reports from along the coast indicate that the Arctic ice floe is traveling south rapidly and a blockade of the eastern south part of the island is impending.

Scotfield Will Sell FINE FUR SALE. Mouton Muffs, 50c. Astrakhan Muffs, \$1.00. Ladies' Astrakhan Coats \$20. OK SCOTFIELD CLOAKS, SUITS, FURS. 1510 Douglas.

Arthur Delmore Cheney TEACHER OF VOICE CULTURE AND ARTISTIC SINGING. A CAREFUL AND THOROUGH FOLD-ADDITION TO ALL BEGINNERS. SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO ENGLISH ORATORIO. STUDIO: Suite 303 and 304 McGeorge Building, Corner 15th and Dodge Streets.

DEADLY DOSE FOR WHITECAPS. Wife of Man They Attempt to Whip Kills Leader of Gang, Who is a Neighbor.

MIDDLEBOROUGH, Ky., Jan. 28.—Whitcaps attempted to whip Tom Jackson, in Harlan county, last night, when Jackson's wife interfered, killing the leader. The dead leader proved to be William Wright, a neighbor of Jackson's.

LOCAL BREVIETTES. Miss Morris, one of the teachers in the High School, will lead the services at Unity church this morning.

APRAISERS HELD BACK. Appraisers Orchard and Schriver are holding a session at the property condemned by the right-of-way of the Omaha Bridge and Terminal company. The square placed on the lot was taken from a foundling home by the Sturgess family when she was a baby.

COUNTY TREASURER HELD BACK. County Treasurer Helmsdorf has sent out several thousand postage stamps to taxpayers that the county personal taxes will become delinquent February 1. These are bringing in the usual percentage of taxpayers from along the property of taxpayers to avoid the payment of personal taxes is likely to result in more delinquencies than occur in connection with the regular taxes.

WAIT FOR CARTWRIGHT & CO.'S SHOE SALE.

BAKING POWDER ABSOLUTELY PURE Makes the food more delicious and wholesome.