

the city possesses sounder culture than Mrs. McConnell. The ladies hope she may soon return to her ordinary life of unpretentious hospitality.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Branch gave a card party on Saturday evening in honor of Miss Cowan of St. Joseph. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Burr, Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. S. Moore, Miss Moore, Mr. and Mrs. White, Mr. and Mrs. Hargreaves, Mr. and Mrs. French, Mr. and Mrs. F. Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Branch, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, Miss Saunders, Mrs. Putnam, Mr. and Mrs. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Lamberton, Mr. and Mrs. Coffroth, Mr. and Mrs. G. Bartlett, Mr. and Mrs. Kirby, Professor Owens, Professor White, Professor Lyon.

On Tuesday evening, December 10th, Prof. George C. Williams will give the second of the six recitals that he has planned to give this year. It will take place in the auditorium of the Y. M. C. A. and if the program is any indication it will be of much interest. He will be assisted in the recital by Miss Marie Hoover and Mr. A. A. Hadley of the Nebraska conservatory of music. The program will be:

Talk on "Life and Oratory of Daniel O'Connell—Oration on O'Connell," Wendell Phillips, George C. Williams.

Romanze Concerto in E minor, Chopin, Miss Marie Hoover (orchestral parts on second piano Mr. A. A. Hadley).

My Henry, Down to the Capitol, J. W. Riley, Mr. Williams.

The Prisoner of Chillon, Byron, Mr. Williams.

Cradle Song, waltz and finale, from Birthday Music, Bohm, Miss Hoover and Mr. Hadley.

A Dilemma, Williams.

"A Prairie Lullaby," a late poem by William Reed Dunroy, has been set to music by Mr. F. A. Tolhurst, a prominent composer of Troy, N. Y. The song is arranged for male voices with tenor solo.

Mr. George C. Williams returned the first of the week from a trip through the western part of the state, where he has been giving readings.

The annual charity concert is booked for Tuesday, December 17, at the Funke opera house. Boxes and seats have been bespoken in advance by the Patriarchs, Pleasant Hour club, Lincoln club and a number of lodges and church organizations throughout the city. No one will be slighted in the sale of seats, which will take place four days preceding the concert. Here is a full list of the vocalists and instrumental performers and organizations arrayed on the program: Philharmonic orchestra, Hagenow string quartet; vocalists, Mrs. C. S. Lippincott, Misses Florence Worley, Hattie Becker, Bessie Turner, Grace Franks, Maud Oakley, Carol Churchill, Eugenia Getner; Messrs. Clemens Movius, C. Bruce Smith, Telyn male quartet (Richard Williams, L. A. Bumstead, John Randolph, W. K. Tuttle), H. J. W. Seemark, E. E. McFadden, C. W. Kettering.

Piano—Mesdames Will Owen Jones, P. W. Plank, Misses Marie F. Hoover and Susie Scofield.

Violin—August Hagenow, Charles Hagenow, Misses Bertha Davis and Ina Ensign.

Organ accompanist—Miss Stella Rice. Piano accompanist—Mrs. P. V. M. Raymond, Miss Emily Perkins, Mr. A. A. Hadley, Miss Gertrude Culbertson, Miss May Bell Hagenow.

The full program will be given in next week's Courier.

On Thursday afternoon at half past five o'clock a number of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. MacDonald's friends were invited to be present at the christening of their son, John Donald MacDonald. Mr. Hewitt read the beautiful service of the Episcopal church, the baby crowed, and the guests beamed on him. Each one was presented with a little heart-shaped box with "John Donald MacDonald" and the date stamped upon it in gold letters. The box was filled with candies called Dragees de Baptême. The French know how to do these things and they prepare these candies especially for christenings. Pink and white they were, and dainty enough even for the baby hands to give to his friends.

The society circus to be held in Omaha December 11th and 12th for the benefit of the Charity Organization society will be an amusing affair. Society ladies will sell peanuts and lemonade and may attempt to ride bareback horses. In other places these circuses have been a great success from the grand entree of elegant drags, coupes, Victorias, carts, tally-hos, landaus and buckboards to the painful exertions of

the clown and his wheelbarrow. Omaha people were encouraged by the success of Ak-sar-ben and they say they will never go sound asleep for twenty-five years again.

On Wednesday Mr. O. R. Oakley fell from the loft of his barn to the floor. His back and his head are injured. For many hours after the fall he was unconscious, and unable to tell just how the accident happened. It is supposed that there was an opening in the floor over the stall and that Mr. Oakley stepped into it and fell, his body and head striking the stall. If there are no internal injuries his recovery will be a matter of a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Buckstaff entertained a number of friends at cards Thursday evening. The prizes were won by Mrs. Brown and Mr. Hawley.

Miss Florence Fawell gave a delightful little party at her home on H street on Thursday evening.

The English club of the university will meet this evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wilson on Q street. An interesting program has been prepared.

The glee club of the university will soon start out on a short trip. The young men who belong to the club have been doing some hard practicing and they sing well.

Prof. L. A. Sherman will give his celebrated lecture "Spiritual Law in the Natural World" in the chapel of the state university tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

SNOW STORM IN NEBRASKA

Nebraska was choked with snow on Monday. The face of heaven and of the soil was hidden in white. The arbors of the Hon. Julius Sterling Morton were draped in unprotected white. The Hon. Tobias Castor got his pung out. There was nothing in the world but arctics and snowshoes. Even the Hon. William Boyd Allison committed himself so far as to aver that if it continued to snow, there might be more snow. There was more snow. The cattle underneath it moored complainingly over their iced milk. The pocket gophers began to droop and die in their holes lined with encouraging reports of the Division of Ornithology and Mammalogy. It was a cold day for Nebraska. The Hon. William Jennings Bryan dug a tunnel up to the surface dusted the icicles from his tragic face, and began to rehearse his world-renowned speech on the great ratio of 16 to 1. The snow seethed into hot water. The milch cows placidly chewed hot snow, pudding and advertised an excellent offering of hot milk with red pepper. The sky flamed. The lining of the gophers' retreat shrivelled. The crows dropped from their winter roosts and offered themselves, perfectly well done, as reed birds. The clouds took on a silver lining. The oro of day peeped through the fading white and bowed three times to the brighter face of Bryan. Birds rose from mysterious nests and giggled and twittered. A large silver buzzard occupied the center of the stage of heaven. The snow storm was over.—New York Sun.

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