

laughable sketch, entitled "Taking a Tonic;" Keno, Welch and Melrose, the celebrated comedy acrobats; Sidney Grant, in his original monologue; The Brothers French, the bicyclists; Forrester and Floyd, in a comedy sketch; Dorothy Stewart, the popular and talented singer; Orth and Fern, the well known comedians and parody singers; Leighton and Leighton in refined dancing specialties; The Golden Gate quintette, colored vocalists and comedians; Delmora and Oneida, in their perch act, and with sixteen other notable features, was the strong program with which Mr. Keith ushered out the old year, which has been a very prosperous one to his theatre, and ushers in the New Year.

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New Triumph of Chemistry

It was long ago discovered by chemists that it is easier to find out the composition of a substance than to create the latter anew. Analysis is a much simpler matter than synthesis. One can find out precisely what elements are required to make alcohol, for instance, and what is the proper proportion. But when the necessary ingredients are put together by man they obstinately refuse to unite chemically. At present the only way to obtain alcohol is to isolate it after nature has already manufactured it.

Within the last twenty or thirty years chemists have found the way to reproduce a few such rare and comparatively costly substances as the perfumes of flowers. Reference is not made here to cheap imitations, which are not identical with the real article, but to true synthesis, or putting together of the right elements in the right proportions. The same thing has been done with indigo, which can now be produced more cheaply by chemical means than it can be extracted from the plant which was once its only commercial source.

One of the latest achievements of chemistry is the discovery of a cheap process of making a certain compound that exists in tea, and which has a medicinal value. The substance was formerly known as theophylline, but is now called theocine. When it is derived from the tea plant the price is \$93 an ounce. Produced by synthetic chemistry, it is said to cost only \$2.20. Cocaine and a few other vegetable products that doctors have a use for can be manufactured by the same system, but the series of operations necessary to that result makes those articles more costly than when they are obtained by other means. Indeed, several chemists had previously found a way to make theocine by synthesis, but their processes were much too expensive to have a commercial value. The new method was discovered in the laboratories of a great German house, the Farbenfabriken of Elberfeld.

TO ACT AS ARBITRATOR



Oscar Strauss, one of the representatives of the United States at the Hague court of arbitration, may be called upon to act as one of the judges to decide the Venezuela dispute.

Childhood

The illustration on page one of this issue of the Courier is taken from a photo of the three children of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hall, of 1405 G street, Helen E., Marian B. and Stanley Joshua, aged nine, seven and two years respectively.

Knicker—The arbitrators can't reach a decision.
Bocker—Then why don't they arbitrate?

SOCIETY NOTES

LIFE'S MAZY WHIRL

Notwithstanding the fact that Elizabeth of German Garden fame proclaims the rose the world's favorite flower, it has in the carnation a rival which bids fair to supplant it in the affections of many.

The rose was long since banished from the buttonholes of fashionable men, the carnation being used almost exclusively now for boutonnières.

The carnation is a hardy flower, enduring bravely the heat of a crowded room in which a rose would droop and wither.

Doubtless President McKinley's preference for this spicy blossom helped to popularize it, and it is also said to be a favorite with President and Mrs. Roosevelt and frequently predominates at the social functions at the White house.

Carnations were formerly modest in size, but now, thanks to the hybridizers, stems from eighteen to thirty inches in length flaunt blossoms from three to four inches in diameter.

Mr. H. N. Higinbotham of Chicago is said to have the largest carnation gar-

Jackson, which was solemnized at 7:30 o'clock. Since the announcement of the engagement several months ago, society has anticipated the wedding as among the important social functions of the winter, and as such it will be remembered, for, though lacking all pretense, it was one of the prettiest of the many pretty weddings that have occurred this season. There was little pretense at decoration of the church, excepting the chancel, the Christmas wreaths and festoons being in place, trimming the side walls. The chancel was latticed off with ropes of asparagus ferns that were tied back from the chancel steps, and from an arch above was suspended a large wedding bell of white blossoms. The several attendants made the bridal procession particularly effective as it entered to 'The Lohengrin' wedding march. Lieutenant David Stone of Fort Crook and Mr. George McIntyre preceding, stretching the white satin sashes the length of the aisle to the chancel steps. Lieutenant Huguet and Mr. Charles



MRS. CLINTON R. LEE.

One of Lincoln's best known matrons.

dens in this country, but a number of other wealthy persons grow them for their own fancy. The carnation is to have a show all its own, in New York, next month, at which millionaires from all over the country will compete with each other and the commercial florists for prizes.

New varieties which have lately been produced, are "President Roosevelt," "Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt," and "Miss Alice Roosevelt."

The first is an immense flower of one color; the second has a dark red centre growing lighter toward the edges and terminating in a white rim; the third is a bluish white.

The marriage of Miss Edith Jackson, a member of Nebraska chapter of Delta Gamma, and Mrs. Paul Hoagland, both of Omaha, but having many friends in Lincoln, is described as follows in the Omaha Bee:

"All Saints' church was filled with a fashionable gathering last evening, bidden to witness the marriage of Mr. Paul Ingalls Hoagland and Miss Edith Jackson, daughter of Mrs. Henry James

George, Mr. Tom Creigh and Mr. Ed. George came next, followed by the bridesmaids, Miss Blanche Garten of Lincoln and Miss Louise Tukey, gowned alike in white organdie, and Miss Helen Hoagland and Miss Mary Holdrege, in white chiffon and lace, carrying showers of swansonella and asparagus fern. Miss Fannie Cole, as maid-of-honor, came next. Her gown was of white mull, with trimmings of Irish point, and she carried American beauty roses. The bride, with her uncle, Mr. F. H. Reddington, came last, gowned in white mull, with trimmings of tucking and point applique. Her short veil was edged about with lace of the same and she carried a prayer-book. At the chancel steps the groom and his brother, Mr. Will Hoagland of Colorado, met the bride, the entire party advancing into the chancel after the betrothal was said, Rev. Mackay reading the marriage service.

"Following the wedding a small informal reception was held at the bride's home, 1902 South Thirty-third street, for the members of the bridal party, the families and a few friends.

"Mr. and Mrs. Hoagland left last even-

ing for an extended trip through California and the west, to be gone about two months, and will be at home upon their return at their new residence, Thirty-second and Woolworth avenue. Mrs. Hoagland will receive informally the first and third Wednesdays in May."

Announcement was made last week of the engagement of another well-known member of Delta Gamma, Miss Gertrude Macomber of Omaha. The Bee gives the following account of the function at which the announcement was made:

"Another pleasant surprise in form of an announcement came on Saturday at the luncheon given by Miss Gertrude Macomber in honor of Miss Edith Jackson, at her home on Emmet street. Eighteen young women, mutual friends of Miss Macomber and Miss Jackson, had been bidden to attend ostensibly to celebrate a little reunion before Miss Jackson's marriage, which occurs on Wednesday. When all had been seated at the table Mrs. Macomber, in a bright little talk which seemingly pertained entirely to the prospective bride until the names were used, announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Gertrude Macomber, and Mr. Frederick Warner Robinson of New York. The surprise was complete.

"The table was especially pretty, though simple, with two mounds of narcissus and carnations connected with sprays of smilax. The young women present were: Misses Fannie Cole, Blanche Garten and Helen Welch of Lincoln, Edith Thomas, Eona Martin, Vera Wattles, Tukey, Louise Tukey, Jaynes, Edith Dumont, Faith Potter, Holdrege, Susan Holdrege, Jessie McCune, Edith Jackson, Mrs. Frederick Cuscaden and Mrs. Ray Edmiston."

Monday afternoon at two o'clock, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Frampton, 1728 South Fourteenth street, occurred the wedding of Miss Mae Akeson and Mr. George Hedges, Reverend Mr. Nichols of Waverly officiating. Miss Carrie Akeson and Mr. Will Beach attended the bride and groom, and little Miss Eleanor Frampton was flower maiden. The bride was gowned in white silk mull trimmed with silk applique, and pearl medallions, and carried bride roses. Her maid wore pink mousseline de sole, and the flower girl had a pretty little white silk frock. The house was adorned with carnations and smilax. The wedding march, and soft music during the ceremony, were played by Mrs. Frampton on the zither. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful gifts. Twenty-five guests were present and after the ceremony a luncheon was served on small tables. Mr. and Mrs. Hedges went to Chappell, Nebraska, where they will be guests of the bride's father for about ten days after which they will begin housekeeping on a farm about four miles from Havelock. A reception in their honor will be given by the groom's brother and his wife in about two weeks.

She had applied for the position of serving maid. She rang the bell, and was admitted by the hall-boy into the corridor of an uptown apartment house. "I have an appointment with Mrs. B—Take me to her boudoir," she said to the elevator boy when the car was under way.

She stepped out on the tenth floor, and the door of a handsome apartment was opened to her.

"And, madam," she said, when the woman of the house had entered the room, "what salary do yer pay?"

"Twenty-five dollars a month," was the meek answer.

"And what kind of a room do I get?" A cosy room, overlooking the Hudson and the Palisades in the distance, was shown to her.

"Humph," she murmured, as she looked about the room, "and where is my bathroom?" A door swung back, showing a tiled bathroom, with porcelain tub and silver mountings, and equipped according to the most modern fashion.

"Is this my special bathroom or do the servants dabble in it, too?"

"It is for all the servants," whispered the woman of the house.

"All the servants!" she exclaimed, as if about to swoon. "Then I don't want the position."—New York Tribune.

The sixth annual reunion and banquet of the Dartmouth association of the plain, was held Tuesday evening at the Lincoln hotel. President Tucker was the guest of honor. Mr. S. H. Burnham, president of the association, welcomed President Tucker and gave a part of the early history of the college; then introduced the toastmaster, Mr. Henry E. Lewis, of the class of '72, who announced the following program: