

# SOCIETY NEWS AND CHAT.



Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. Russell Harrison, whose artistic tastes are well known, greatly enjoyed a visit on Friday morning to Mr. James Henry Moser's exhibition of water colors at Fischer's. Mrs. McKee and "Baby McKee" were also of the party. The distinguished ladies were so pleased with the exhibition that they expressed their intention of paying another visit.

Mrs. Harrison's last afternoon reception for the season took place yesterday. A great number availed themselves of the opportunity of calling. Mrs. Harrison was assisted by Mrs. Russell Harrison. Mrs. McKee is still in Boston, and is not expected at the White House until the middle of the week.

At the dinner in honor of the Judiciary the State apartments of the White House presented on Tuesday evening a picture of blooming spring. The large East Room contained a small forest of tropical plants, and the mantels were banked with cut flowers of various colors. Hyacinths, magnolias, and carnations. The suite of drawing-rooms presented a charming appearance, with the profusion of blooming plants decorating the mantels and set about on the floors and tables. The Marine Band was in attendance, as usual. The elaborate table was in the shape of the letter I, and was set with covers for fifty. The central floral piece represented the Scales and Swords of Justice. The blades of the swords were formed of white flowers; the hilts were of green. The scales were made of pink carnations, suspended by ropes of smilax from an upright of glossy-green leaves and white primroses. Cushions of moss with roses on them, baskets filled with lilies of the valley, tulips, and Nephros roses were placed at intervals on the shades and ends of the table. The tapers and the blades of the bronze candelabra were white. Mrs. Harrison wore a gown of white satin and violet-colored velvet, trimmed with white ostrich feathers and passementerie of pearls. The guests were the Chief Justice and Mrs. Fuller, Justice and Mrs. Miller, Justice and Mrs. Field, Justice and Mrs. Blatchford, Justice and Mrs. Brewer, Justice Lamar, Justice Bradley, Justice Gray, the Attorney General and Mrs. Miller, Senator and Mrs. Edmunds, Senator and Mrs. Ingalls, Senator and Mrs. Spooner, Senator and Mrs. Vance, Senator and Mrs. Hoar, Senator Blackburn, Representative and Mrs. Oates, Representative and Mrs. Flower, Judge and Mrs. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Estee, Senator Pugh and Mrs. Cochran, Judge and Mrs. Taft, Representative and Mrs. Rogers, Professor and Mrs. Gray, Representative McKinley, Mr. W. P. Fishback, and Assistant Postmaster General and Mrs. Clarkson.

The cabinet receptions were resumed on Wednesday at the houses of Secretary Windom, Postmaster General Wanamaker, and Attorney General Miller. Mrs. Morton was absent from the city, as she went to New York early in the week to place two of her daughters in school. Mrs. Windom was assisted by her two daughters and Miss Green, of New York. The tea table was set in the back parlor, and Miss Florence Windom served "the cup that cheers." Mrs. Miller had with her besides her daughter Miss Miller, Mrs. Fishback, of St. Paul; Mrs. Strickley, and Miss Studebaker. As usual, Mrs. Wanamaker had a great number of callers. She wore a stylish house dress of smoke-gray silk, trimmed with lace. Mrs. Lowrie Bell poured tea in the dining-room. Miss Wanamaker looked very sweet and attractive in a pretty gown of gray wool, with garniture of Irish point. Miss Peitt, the guest of the house, wore black lace.

Mrs. Noble's Easter Sunday breakfast was a most unique affair. All the floral decorations were symbolic of the Christian feast of joy. The breakfast was served at four tables, the first of which was decorated with a large butterfly made of roses, the butterfly symbolizing the Resurrection. The second table had a circular centre-piece made of white carnations, with the letters X. P., the Christian monogram, in scarlet carnations. The third table had the triangle and square outlined in parti-colored carnations upon a cushion of fragrant mignonette, white violets, and lilacs. The fourth table had a mound of lilacs, white and purple, violets, and mignonette. For the ladies there were bunches of roses, and for the men knots of violets. The menu was elaborate and elegantly served. The breakfast was what might be called "a progressive breakfast," to a certain extent, as during the ten courses the host and hostess and the Misses Halstead changed their places after every two courses, thus enabling them to enjoy a chat with all the guests, returning at the close of the breakfast to their first table. The guests were twenty in number, as follows: Sir Julian and Lady Pauncefoot, Chief Justice and Mrs. Fuller, Mrs. Morrison Fuller, General and Mrs. Greely, Mr. H. Gordon Strong, Miss Nicolay, Baron de Struve, Senator and Mrs. Hawley, Justice and Mrs. Miller, Senator and Mrs. Dolph, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Strong, Gen. Schofield, and Senator Sherman.

A prettier feast than Miss Wanamaker's Easter breakfast cannot be imagined. The handsome ball-room of the I-street mansion of the Postmaster General is admirably adapted to the perfect carrying out of such an ideal entertainment as Miss Wanamaker made a reality on Monday last. Graceful palms and masses of lovely lilies were set all about the room. The gallery was filled with palms and hydrangeas in full bloom, behind which the musicians were concealed. Soft, low music added to the charm of the entertainment. Twelve tables, each for six guests, were arranged in the ball-room. The corsage bouquets for the girls were made of different varieties of roses in loose, long-stemmed bunches, tied with green satin ribbons, the name of the recipient being outlined in gold on the ribbon. The boutonnières for the men were composed of white and purple violets, jonquils, and valley lilies. These bouquets formed the floral decorations. The tables were lighted by white tapers with white shades, set in beautiful white china candlesticks. Miss Wanamaker wore a gown of blue and white foulard, trimmed with white lace. Mrs. Robinson Wanamaker, of Philadelphia, chaperoned the party. There were over sixty guests, several of whom came from Philadelphia for the occasion.

The Postmaster General and Mrs. Wanamaker were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Foulke at a sumptuous dinner on Tuesday evening. The table decorations were symbolic of the Eastertide. The guest cards were shaped like lily leaves, with the names inscribed in gold lettering. There were covers for twelve. Besides the guests of honor there were at the dinner Senator and Mrs. Sawyer and Mrs. White, Senator and Mrs. Dolph, Dr. and Mrs. Hammond, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Lowrie Bell.

A brilliant wedding on Tuesday evening was that of Miss Emily Newcomb, daughter of Professor Newcomb, and Mr. Frank Wilson, of Boston. The ceremony took place in the Church of the Incarnation at 7:30 o'clock, and was performed by Rev. Dr. Townsend. Best man,



MRS. S. M. BURCH-JENNINGS.

Everyone is more or less familiar with the charms of a summer residence in Chautauqua, N. Y., but comparatively few know that this delightful resort has its counterpart in Florida or that the latter owes its origin and establishment to a woman who is now a temporary resident of this city, and the subject of this sketch. Mrs. S. M. Burch-Jennings is the wife of Lenson DeForest Jennings, who was recently connected with Judge Tourgee as one of the editors and managers of the *Continent*. Mr. Jennings is now a correspondent of a New York literary syndicate, and expects to go to Central America in a few days in that capacity. Miss S. Burch was born and educated in Meadville, Pa. Her tastes led her to cultivate the fine arts as applied to decorative purposes. She is a graduate of the New York School of Decorative Art, and has since been a successful teacher in New York and other places. Specimens of her work took four prizes at the recent exhibition of the Royal Art School in Toronto, Canada. She was president of the Chautauqua Woman's Department of Art at the New Orleans Exposition. She had been a warm friend of the Chautauqua movement from the start, and for years spent all her summers with her invalid mother in her elegant cottage fronting the lake. At New Orleans she met many people of influence and ideas, among others Mrs. Julia Ward Howe and Miss Ida Harper, the correspondent. The Florida people and Northern visitors began to plan for a Southern Chautauqua. Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, Judge Tourgee, and Dr. Dickinson, superintendent of the Bureau of Education in Boston, recommended her to the Chautauqua board of managers as a suitable person to inaugurate the Florida movement, and she was thus appointed a commissioner. A very enjoyable trip of inspection was made during the winter in company with Miss Ida Harper and other literary people, among them Joaquin Miller. To this tour the town of Lake de Funiaque owes its origin. Miss Burch and her brother superintended the building of the cottages and the tabernacle, and set up the working paraphernalia of the Chautauqua idea in so far as practicable. Miss Burch was married some five years ago to Mr. L. De Forest Jennings, who had three motherless little ones. Judge Tourgee introduced her to her future husband in New York City. Mrs. Jennings has been a lifelong member of the Methodist Church. Through her friendship with Mrs. John A. Logan she became an active member of the Garfield Sewing Circle, where many of the specimens of her embroidery and painting find a ready sale for the benefit of the hospital. In person and manner Mrs. Jennings is winning and womanly.

Mr. Ellis Hollingsworth, of Boston. Ushers: Mr. Robert P. Bigelow, Mr. Delano Ames, Professor Charles Borst, and Dr. Magender Muncaster. The bride wore a gown of rich white corded silk, a necklace of pearls with diamond pendant, and her bouquet was of lilies of the valley. The two bridesmaids were Miss Mattie Wimer and Miss Mena Williams. The first named wore pink and white silk, and the latter blue and white; both carried bouquets of pink roses. Miss Anna Josephine Newcomb, attired in white crepe and carrying Jacqueminot roses, attended the bride as maid of honor. A reception at the bride's home, No. 1620 P street, was attended by a large and fashionable company. The guests included Justice Gray, Miss Almira Williams, Baron Struve, Senator, Mrs., and Miss Dawes, the Misses Henry, Professor and Mrs. Alex. Graham Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nordhoff, Hon. John A. Kasson, Mr. and Mrs. Bigelow, Mrs. Dulaney, Dr. and Mrs. O. M. Muncaster, Mr. and Mrs. Nurse, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wimer, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McKee, Captain and Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Clotworthy, Mrs. Williams, Dr. and Mrs. Craig, Captain and Mrs. Hassler, Major and Mrs. Powell, Dr. and Mrs. Sowers, and Mrs. Dall.

In St. Paul's Church, near Washington Circle, Wednesday, at 11:45, Miss Helen Frances Toland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Toland, of 714 Nineteenth street, was married to Mr. John Bassett Moore, Third Assistant Secretary of State. Rev. Alfred Harding, rector of St. Paul's, officiated. The bride wore a white moiré antique, made with full train and trimmed with sprays of orange blossoms. Her veil of tulle was held in place by orange blossoms, and she carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley. The bridesmaids were Miss Toland, Miss Courtwright, of this city; Misses Mildred and Juliet Biddle, Miss Camie and Miss Tilghman, of Philadelphia, and Miss Lynch and Miss Le Franc, of New York. They were gowned in white dotted muslin, with Leghorn hats, trimmed with garlands of roses, and carrying bouquets of *la France* roses. Mr. Os-good Welsh, of New York, uncle of the bride, gave her away. Mr. Henry Randall Webb was best man. Ushers: Mr. Spring Rice, Mr. St. Julian Fillette, Mr. Wilson Bayard, Mr. Jostiah Pierce, Mr. Willard Saulsbury, Mr. Randolph Fitzhugh Mason, and Mr. Charles McFee. After the church service there was a wedding breakfast at the home of the bride's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Mertz gave a delightful progressive euchre party last Wednesday evening, Miss Johnson and Mr. William King winning the first prizes and Mrs. Alexander Britton and Mr. Moses winning the booby prizes. A collation was served and every one spent a most enjoyable evening. Among those present were Mrs. Hine, Dr. and Mrs. Finley, Mr. and Mrs. Hungerford, Miss Sue Britton, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Britton, Mr. and Mrs. King, Mr. and Mrs. William King, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hensley, Mr. and Mrs. Nabers, Miss

Otto, Mr. and Mrs. McKnew, Mr. and Mrs. Rundell, Miss Bessie Hine, Mr. Sharretts, Mr. Johnson, Miss Johnson, Mr. Dubois, Mr. Moses, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Miss Hine, Miss Gaylord, and Dr. Munson.

The concert of the Yale Glee and Banjo clubs on Monday night was a decided success. A very large and extremely fashionable audience greeted the performers. Nearly every lady was adorned with "sweet violets," for these lovely little flowers are affected by the students of Yale as well as the Bonapartes—no chance of a monopoly in the floral kingdom. After the concert Mrs. John Dalzell, of 1501 Massachusetts avenue, gave a delightful reception in honor of the Yale boys. A very large number of belles and beaux were in attendance. Mrs. and Miss Dalzell were assisted by Miss Pearson and Mr. John Dalzell, Jr., who is a student of Yale. Mrs. Dalzell wore blue moiré, and Miss Dalzell white crepe and violets.

Mrs. Edward McCauley's Easter Monday tea was a very charming affair. She is always a perfect hostess, and on Monday she was assisted in entertaining the very large company by a number of well-known society women. Mrs. Hammond served the café frappé in a lovely gown of pansy-colored faille; Mrs. James Johnson, in delicate ashes-of-rose silk, poured tea. The other assistants were Mrs. George Lothrop Bradley, in violet faille; Miss Julia Edie, in white and blue crepe, and Miss Carroll, in stone-colored silk. Among the members present were Mrs. Langhorne, Lieut. and Mrs. Clover, Admiral and Miss Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hinckley, the Misses Windom, Mrs. Kearney Warren, Admiral and Mrs. Queen, Miss Barry, Mrs. Handy, Miss Mitchell, Miss Elena Porter, Mr. Charles Campbell, Miss Dahlgren, Miss Grace Davis, Dr. McClurg, Mr. Von Mumm, Mr. Crozier, Mr. Clifford Richardson, Mr. Webb, and Mr. Paul Andrews.

Mrs. Moses, of the Normandie, received congratulatory calls on Monday, after the musicale of the preceding week. She was ably assisted by her charming daughter, Mrs. A. H. L. Gosling, of New York. Mrs. Moses wore an elegant gown of flowered brocade, and her daughter was in a dress of soft gray wool, trimmed with vandyke lace. Mrs. Gosling has been visiting her former home since the middle of March. She returned to New York on Thursday. There were many callers, among them Mrs. Skidmore, Vice Consul of Japan; Mr. Staylor, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Dr. Little, Mrs. M. D. Lincoln, Mrs. Kurtz Johnson, Mrs. W. H. Smith, Dr. B. F. Brown, Mrs. Patro, Mr. and Mrs. Beveridge, Mr. and Mrs. Maloy, of New York; Mrs. Vernon, Miss Cynthia Cleveland, and Mrs. and Miss Sinsbaugh.

A very jolly affair was the dance given by the men of the Dancing Class to the girls of the class on Easter Monday night, at Masonic Temple. The hall was adorned with a mass of handsome foliage plants, relieved by the pure white of numberless Anunciation lilies. Mrs. Fuller,

elegantly robed in wine-colored velvet, trimmed with pink satin, with a large, loose bunch of roses in her hand, acted the part of hostess. All the girls of the class, in their loveliest spring ball gowns, were present, with their chaperones, who wore their richest robes and jewels. The occasion was most highly enjoyed by the company invited. A substantial supper was served. Among the girls present were the Misses Mendonca, Miss Mildred Fuller, Miss Rook, and Miss Wanamaker. Dr. Ruth led the german with Miss Wanamaker. The "wee sma' hours" had come on before the company separated.

There will be a Hahneman reception at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Cabell, 1407 Massachusetts avenue, Monday evening, April 14, at 8 P. M. There will be dancing and refreshments *à la carte*. The reception committee guarantees a success as to finances and social pleasures. The committee consists of Mrs. Charles Nordhoff, Mrs. W. D. Cabell, Mrs. James S. Clarkson, Mrs. Hugh S. Thompson, Mrs. W. T. Hildrup, Madame Romero, Mrs. Senator Gorman, Mrs. J. H. Outhwaite, Mrs. William M. Springer, and Mrs. J. H. Soule. The committee of arrangements consists of Mrs. J. H. Sypher, Mrs. J. W. Pilling, Mrs. John Tweedale, Mrs. Dr. G. W. Pope, Mrs. William Birney, Mrs. A. H. Martin, Miss Janet Richards, Mrs. G. H. Wilcox, Mrs. Charles Lyman, Mrs. Lewis Clephane, Mrs. C. B. Bailey, Mrs. H. A. Preston, Mrs. J. J. Edson, and Mrs. George C. Gorham.

Wednesday morning in Trinity Church Miss Mary S. Ashby and Mr. Charles F. Bacon were united in marriage. Rev. Dr. Addison officiated. The bride wore a traveling dress of light-brown cloth, with braiding of gold and brown. She was given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Irving Ashby. The groom was attended by his brother, Mr. Seward Bacon, as best man. The ushers were Messrs. A. W. Bacon, Taylor Ashby, J. P. Kennedy, and A. E. Acker. Mr. and Mrs. Bacon left on the morning train for a wedding journey to New York. On their return they will reside at 1408 Eleventh street, where they will be at home Thursdays after 2:30 instant.

There has not been a more delightful tea this season than that of Mrs. S. O. Richey on Tuesday afternoon. Miss Rachel Cameron, the Misses Taylor, grand-daughters of Gen. Meigs, and Miss Julia Edie ably assisted the hostess in making the tea a charming entertainment.

Mrs. Bancroft Davis's tea on Tuesday afternoon, in honor of Bishop and Mrs. Leonard, was largely attended. St. John's congregation having turned out in force to welcome the short visit of their former pastor and his wife.

Mr. Hal Dulaney is traveling in Europe with his sister, Mrs. Robert Neville. Miss Whiting of this city, is with them. The rumors of Mr. Dulaney's death in Paris from la grippe are utterly without foundation.

Miss Katherine Atterbury, of Brooklyn, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Gray, on R street. Mr. Charles Gray came home for the Easter holidays.

Miss Emilie S. Despard, of Parkersburg, W. Va., spent Easter week with Rev. and Mrs. Williams at Christ Church rectory, East Washington.

Mrs. Munro Ferguson, of London, was a guest of the Cameron family during the past week at their Lafayette Square residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Garrett will leave Baltimore the latter part of April, intending to pass the summer at Carlsbad.

Mrs. Robert Heiner, wife of Capt. Heiner, of the Army, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Slaymaker, at 1733 I street.

Gen. and Mrs. Spinola have cards out for an at home at the Arlington for Wednesday, April 23, from 4 to 7 P. M.

Miss Ferndon, née Beach, is making an Easter visit to her mother, at the family residence on Farragut Square.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Warner have returned from their trip through Texas, which they thoroughly enjoyed.

Mrs. Leo Knott and her sister, Miss Keenan, are passing the Easter time at the Shelbourne, Atlantic City.

Mrs. Robert Christy, accompanied by her son, Master Robert Christy, spent Easter week in Philadelphia.

Senator and Mrs. Allen have removed from 1234 Massachusetts avenue to No. 10 B street northeast.

Ex-Secretary and Mrs. Bayard spent Easter week here with Mrs. Clymer, the mother of Mrs. Bayard.

Mrs. Menocal is in New York, where she will remain until Mr. Menocal leaves for Nicaragua.

Mrs. Senator Stewart is at home Thursdays and Sundays after 5 o'clock at the Shoreham.

Mrs. George Lothrop Bradley, of 2035 P street, will be at home Saturdays after 4 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Burlingame are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Gonnott, of 1731 De Sales street.

Hon. A. Schoonmaker and Mrs. Schoonmaker have returned from Fortress Monroe.

Miss Mary Slingluff, of Baltimore, spent Easter week with friends in this city.

Hon. Rufus E. Lester, of Georgia, and family are now located at the Richmond.

Mrs. J. Bartlett Hills is slowly convalescing from a severe attack of typhoid.

Miss Alice Meade, of Fauquier County, Va., is visiting friends in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Edmunds spent Easter week at Virginia Beach.

Miss Rena Trust, of Baltimore, is in the city visiting Mrs. Sowers.

Mrs. Willard Warner has gone to visit friends in Newark, Ohio.

Mrs. and Miss Sherrill are spending Easter week in New York.

Mrs. W. E. Chandler has resumed her Thursday receptions.

Mrs. Foxhall Parker has taken apartments at 1827 I street.

Mrs. Don Cameron spent the week in New York.

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