

Doings of Society.

IN THE realm of society all is agog with expectation and preparation. Little affairs and big ones, informal and elaborate, dinners, teas, card soirees and linen showers follow one hard upon the other, all in honor of a June bride.

One of the daintiest tributes which society has of late years paid to a prospective bride has been expressed through the medium of the linen shower. There is nothing which the feminine eye sooner desires than the handsome piece of dainty linen. The domestic spirit of the thrifty Puritan grandmother made it her joy and pride to have accumulated against the nuptial day vast hoards of fine homespun, scrupulously neat and perfect of fibre, the product of her own handicraft. This same spirit finds manifestation with the maidens of today in the discriminating collection of fine linens, doilies, table scarfs, etc.

When one overhauls one's precious stock and selects therefrom some of the

has only recently been revived in society circles.

Butte's blue-book personnel are not behind-hand when it comes to the adoption of anything strictly en regle, and Miss LeBeau's linen shower on Wednesday afternoon was one of the prettiest affairs of the season.

Mrs. W. L. Rennie was the hostess to Miss LeBeau and about 40 of her friends. The interior of the Rennie residence presented a gala and pretty appearance. Carnations and smilax were profusely used in the decorations and a huge cornucopia wound with pink carnations and ribbons, hung from the archway between the drawing-rooms. This was the receptacle for the offerings of the guests, and into it was poured such a stream of beautifully woven linen articles as would delight the soul of a connoisseur. There were daintily designed doilies, intricately patterned centerpieces, Mexican drawn-work articles of different kinds, damask linen towels,

reason, is probably better known further West than in Butte, as she has been starring for several seasons in a San Francisco stock company and only last season began to travel. Merit has made her very popular in the West, and she can hardly fail to appeal strongly to Butte theater-goers. Matinee girls will surely find her "Camille" a source of tears. This is her best hold and peculiarly adapted to her talents. Her "Juliet" and "Nell Gwynne" are also exceptionally good.

Several box parties are being planned, and the coming theater attractions will probably be patronized brilliantly.

Little Storm for Miss LeBeau.

A charming innovation has reached Butte. The linen showers for prospective brides is not a new custom, but an old one revived. Some 10 or 12 years ago all manner and kind of the substantial temptations, from tin and silver showers to dainty lace showers, were the mode, but the custom died out for some reason, and tablecloths, and numerous other linen things of faultless fibre for domestic use and personal adornment.

When the cornucopia had been filled to overflowing by her merry friends, Miss LeBeau was "showered." While she stood under the flower and ribbon-bedecked receptacle the hostess cut the silken band that held it pendant, and upon the head of the bride-to-be poured the miscellaneous dowry of linen.

The occasion, aside from being a very pretty one, was one of real fun and pleasure, and Mrs. Rennie is to be congratulated upon her splendid introduction of the charming custom into Butte society.

Mrs. Holbrook's Luncheon.

One of the prettiest affairs of the week was the dainty luncheon given by Mrs. Fred Holbrook on Friday afternoon, in honor of Miss LeBeau. The Holbrook apartments were tastefully decorated in pink and white, and the table was charmingly trimmed in pink and white carnations, with a center cluster of the same flowers.

The guests were: Miss Belle LeBeau, Miss J. Turner; Mrs. Will Clark, Mrs. Charles Clark, Mrs. L. Rennie, Mrs. Walter Lewis, Miss Viola Horgan and Miss Hattie Young.

At Luncheon and Cards.

Mrs. Arthur Stanbury's luncheon given on Wednesday in compliment to Mrs. C. P. Callahan was a most delightful affair. The table was beautifully trimmed with American Beauty roses and there were corsage favors of the same beautiful flowers.

After the luncheon the guests were entertained at cards. Miss M. Driscoll won the first prize, a Haviland spoon tray in pretty design, and a handsome Butte souvenir spoon was won by the guest of honor.

Those entertained were: Mrs. C. P. Callahan, Mrs. Harry Kennedy, Mrs. G. A. Cheyney, Mrs. J. T. O'Brien, Miss Driscoll, Miss Mamie Driscoll, Miss Redweit and Miss E. McDermott.

Mrs. Curtis Leaves Butte.

Mrs. F. E. Curtis has broken up house-keeping and will leave on June 1 for Seattle, where she will make her home with Mrs. C. D. Mason.

Mrs. Curtis will meet her Butte friends in a farewell reception at the home of Mrs. E. C. Wells, 102 East Granite street, next Wednesday afternoon, and will be glad to welcome her numerous coteries, an invitation being extended to all who know her.

Concerning the Minstrels.

While an air of profound mystery envelops the preparations and rehearsals of the Overland minstrels for the coming performance, and many surprises of a pleasing and startling nature are promised by Mr. Bert Stevens, the ringleader of the conspiracy and by aides and abettors, none of these promised features are surer of a greater hit than is the specialty to be contributed by the 12 little rosebuds of society

who are now arduously practicing a pretty Terpsichorean turn.

Mrs. Harry Simons is acting as manager for this portion of the program and, assisted by the participating buds and their friends, is busy devising and superintending the making of the costumes, which are to be particularly novel and handsome.

Now and then those who pass the opera house at rehearsal hours, may have their tympanums set a-vibrate by the sound of three blended male voices singing novelty jingles. The voices belong to Harry Doering, Fred Greene and George Busch.

Manager Stevens wears, like Cassius, a lean and hungry look. He thinks too much. It is a safe guess, however, that his cogitations will be to good purpose.

The girls who will assist the Overlands are: Misses Florence Tuohy, Carrie Lowry, Drea Johnston, Helena Hanson, Nan Vivian, Willie Nichols, Hazel Gindrop, Eudalia Ferrel, Alfreda Smith, Annie Hawke, Lola Nichols and Geraldine Forbis.

Ping-Pong at Rectory.

Mr. V. E. Matlack, organist for the Episcopal church, invited a number of friends to ping-pong with him at the rectory Monday evening. A spirited round of the game was followed by refreshments, the latter being presided over very gracefully by Miss Margaret Blackiston. The tables and rooms were prettily decorated with greens and cut flowers.

The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Barrie Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Kremer, Mrs. A. Harris, Miss Nell Lloyd, Miss Blackiston, Mr. Fred Slemmons, Dr. Hall, Dr. Pigot and Mr. Henry Newman.

Informal Dinner Party.

Mrs. John S. Harris gave an informal dinner party for Mrs. R. S. Ford of Great Falls on Monday evening at the Montana. Mrs. Ford is visiting with Mrs. Harris and other friends this week and will go to Helena to visit friends there before returning to her home in Helena. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Weirick and Miss Sanders were the guests invited to meet Mrs. Ford.

Miss Laughlin to Remain.

Miss Margaret Laughlin, the eminent woman's rights lecturer, spoke to a large audience in Walkerville Tuesday evening. She left Butte the latter part of the week to deliver a series of lectures in Anaconda. She will remain in the state during the rest of the year laboring for the progress and emancipation of women.

Other Lecturers Depart.

Miss Gregg, associate lecturer with Mrs. Carrie Chapman-Catt, left Thursday for Helena, the headquarters of the state association of woman's clubs, to participate in the work there. She will enter very actively into the spirit of progression at the convention and her force and earnestness will surely be felt.

Mrs. Catt also left Butte on Thursday, going East to complete her lecturing tour.

Ethical Culture Birthdays.

Two birthdays were celebrated in one party Friday evening, Miss Mary O'Neill and Miss Emily Coy, two of the most active members of the Ethical Culture club, found themselves the guests of the other members at Columbia Gardens with dancing and feasting on the program. Several friends of the club members joined in the celebration and there were in the neighborhood of a hundred merry-makers that participated in the Terpsichorean amusement and partook of the excellent luncheon provided. Pretty favors of flowers and ribbons were distributed.

Bachelor's Soiree.

Mr. Cole Campbell delighted a number of his friends with another of his famous Dutch luncheons in his bachelor apartments at the Goldberg Sunday evening. Music and dancing preceded the Welsh rabbit and its supernumeraries of sauerkraut, etc.

Birthday Celebration.

Another charming affair of the week was that of the Birthday club, whose pretty



MRS. JOHN B. WELLCOME, Whose Heroism in Saving Her Two Children From Drowning Wins Merited Praise.

Mrs. John B. Wellcome, who, as related in yesterday's Inter Mountain, leaped last Thursday into a swollen, surging stream of water to save her two young daughters from death by drowning, is a very beautiful woman.

Mrs. Wellcome is a heroine who willingly risked her own life for that of her child. Perhaps it is true courage and un-

selfishness stamped by nature on her features that make her face an unusually attractive one.

The Wellcomes have a beautiful country home at "Creekyne," in Madison, where social pleasures make the time passed by visitors at the place a constant delight. Butte society is ringing with praises of Mrs. Wellcome's heroism.

custom it is to meet only in celebration of the birthdays of its members. It departed from its rule so far on Thursday afternoon as to gather socially in compliment to a non-guest whose natal day it was. Mrs. E. Carlson will not soon forget the delightful affair given in her honor. She has been an invalid for several years and the charming party and luncheon given her was a graceful and thoughtful tribute to her personality.

Mrs. Decker's Luncheon.

Covers were laid for nine at the elaborately pretty luncheon given by Mrs. George Decker on Thursday afternoon. A profusion of American beauty roses, artfully arranged about the rooms and table, delighted the eye and diffused a sweet fragrance, while the more practical sense of the palate was deliciously catered to by the daintiest of luncheon viands.

Mrs. Decker's guests were Mrs. Elmer Ray of Bozeman, Mrs. W. M. McManamy of Anaconda, Mrs. A. Anderson, Mrs. W. H. Nichols, Mrs. A. E. Hobart, Mrs. C. G. Ferrel, Miss Gladys Brown and Mrs. Adeline Nichols.

New Butte Residents.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Blua, recently from New York, and who were married only a few weeks ago, have taken up a residence in Butte. They have apartments in the Lisa block. Miss Tina Maganini, also recently of New York, will make her home with Mrs. Blua.

Peanut Hunt.

The Young People's Social club of the Mountain View church met with Miss Pyber in Colorado street last week and enjoyed a merry evening. A peanut hunt was the main feature of the evening, the bags hidden throughout the house being tied with purple and lavender ribbons, the club colors.

Refreshments were served and the guests, numbering in the neighborhood of one hundred, enjoyed themselves generally. A short business session preceded the social abandon. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Mrs. Fannie Seymour; vice president, Chas. Bond; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Jennie McLagin; chairman of lookout committee, Alex. Penland; and chairman of social committee, Miss Katie Penland.

Fortnightly Club at Whist.

Mrs. P. H. Regan entertained the members of the Fortnightly Whist club Friday evening, May 16, in a delightful manner, the affair being given in honor of Mrs. H. Hauswirth, who leaves for Seattle soon.

Cards and music were followed by a pretty supper, served in the dimly-lighted dining-room, the table being artistically trimmed with carnations and sprays of green, and laden with a burden of good things.

A pretty collection of Haviland china awaited the summing up of the whist scores. The first prize, a porridge set, was awarded to Mrs. W. Smith and Mrs. W. A. O'Brien carried away a handsome set of cups and saucers as second prize. A cream pitcher was awarded Mrs. D. Johnson as winner of the third honors.

A Sipping of Tea.

Mrs. Charles Clark entertained a number of friends informally at her tea table Tuesday afternoon. The decorations were in pink carnations and about 15 ladies sipped with the hostess.

The Kismets.

Mrs. Pat Mullins was hostess Monday afternoon to the other members of the Kismet club, entertaining them at euchre and refreshments.

Miss Mae Reinhardt scored highest and Miss Supernant won the second prize. Mrs. Dennis Driscoll won the lone hand prize. Mrs. J. Shively, who had the misfortune to score lowest, was consoled by a pretty piece of hand-painted china. The rewards of scoring merit were all of china.

Mrs. Ed. Sachs informally entertained at ping-pong in her apartments at the Dorothy on Friday evening, May 16.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Miller have gone to San Francisco and other coast points on a trip of combined business and pleasure.

Miss Daisy Dawson has returned from Bridgeport, Conn., where she has been the guest of Mrs. Andy Davis for two months past.

As soon as the absent members of the Woman's club return from Los Angeles there will be a social reunion at the gardens.

Miss Margaret Finnegan and Mrs. Carlos Sheldon, together with little Carlos Ryan, have returned to their home in Michigan.

The Needle club was entertained this week by Mrs. E. C. Wells. A light luncheon and tea refreshed the ladies after an hour's playing of the bodkin.

The announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Rhea Jacobs of Helena to Mr. Fred Feligman of Great Falls. Miss Jacobs is well known in Butte.

Miss Mary G. Kellee, who has just graduated from the Emerson School of Oratory in Boston, is expected to return

prettily painted by Mrs. Hugh Laughlin. Mrs. Dennis Driscoll will entertain a club next Monday afternoon.

Tuesday Night Club.

There was no meeting of the Tuesday Night club this week on account of the whirling snowstorm that made it almost impossible for the members to leave their own firesides. The club will adjourn the first week in June.

First Montanas Will March.

The Butte contingent of the First Montana volunteers will be out in full uniform on Decoration day. Lieuts. H. E. Greene and Bert Stevens will ride as aides to Grand Marshal Cook in the military procession.



MISS DOROTHY SUPERNAUT.

daintiest pieces, which years of association have made dear, it is almost like giving a part of oneself. Such a gift means infinitely more, ten times, than the bulk or value of store-bought tokens.

— "Something old and something new; Something borrowed and something blue."

So runs the old adage apropos of the proper outfitting of a bride. Judging from the zeal with which Miss LeBeau is being entertained and from the mysterious whisperings together and secret conferences of her girl friends, the stipulations of this quaint old poetry are apt to be abundantly complied with.

And what of the intending benedict? "For him no minstrel raptures swell."

Nor do the poets on his trosserous dwell.

Although we occasionally hear of attempts to set right this ignoring of his share in the exigencies of the friends. In an Eastern city recently five or six hundred university students, meaning to balm the feelings of a fellow-student, a bridegroom-elect, who had been left out of numerous linen, hosiery and handkerchief showers tendered the bride, gave him a "sock shower." Each of these students brought two pairs of hosiery. The color scheme of something over a thousand pairs of these half-hose compelled the spectrum to retire from business. The shower began shortly after sunrise, and student-wise, kept up considerably after nightfall, the continued shift and play of colors so dazzling the recipient of the shower, that, whether or no some supplementary offerings brought thither in iron-hooped receptacles had anything to do with it, his vision became so aberrated that he was unable to recognize his bride-to-be, whom he chanced to meet the following morning.

THE CLARK BALL.

Brilliant Social Function Given by Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Clark, Jr.

Transcendently splendid and the eclipsing event of the week was the reception and ball given by Mr. and Mrs. Will A. Clark Thursday evening, in honor of Miss Belle LeBeau and Mr. John Little Templeton, who are so soon to be the principals at the society wedding of the season.

The Clark residence was ablaze with illuminations and beautiful beyond description were the magnificent decorations of cut flowers and greens. The library was artistically done in scarlet carnations, palms and rubber trees, and the handsome drawing rooms were resplendent with masses of American Beauty roses.

In the reception hall beautiful fuchsia and rare ferns were arranged in great profusion. The dining room, wherein was served the most elaborate buffet luncheon, was decorated most charmingly with bride and maid roses, the white and pink blossoms being arranged in a shower from the chandelier, the pendent festoons intertwining with a great massed pyramid that formed the central piece of the table which held beautifully patterned doilies of real old lace.

Through this maze of floral loveliness the guests thronged, and out into the dancing room, where the decorations rivalled those of the reception rooms in

profusion and beauty. From behind a leafy covert of palms an orchestra softly discoursed a concord of sweet sounds, furnishing the measure for deux temps and waltz.

Mrs. Clark, with her guest of honor, Miss LeBeau, received at the entrance of the drawing room. She was gowned most becomingly in a beautiful maize chiffon costume, cut entraîne and decollete, with appliques of rare lace medallions. She wore also a collar of peerless pearls and a diamond cuffure ornament.

Miss LeBeau wore with charming grace a pretty frock from organdy in delicate pink, with diamonds.

This sumptuous home with its surpassingly beautiful decorations was but a fit setting for the many elaborately gowned fair women and immaculately tailored brave men, upon whom the light shown bright in their revelry. And when music arose with its voluptuous swell, the dancing room with its whirling "beauty and chivalry" presented a truly splendid appearance in the bon-ton ball of the season.

The invited list of guests were:

Mr. and Mrs. Atwater, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Hennessy, Mr. and Mrs. John Forbis, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Hodgins, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Heslet, Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Rennie, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lavelle, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cotter, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Long, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Forbis, Dr. and Mrs. Donald Campbell, Dr. and Mrs. F. W. McCrimmon, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse B. Roote, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bickford, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roote, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Leggat, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Carrol, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Conroy, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. F. Holbrook, Dr. and Mrs. I. Freund, Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Kremer, Mr. and Mrs. George Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. Fayette Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson, Mrs. Largey, Mrs. Sharp, Misses Lloyd, LeBeau, Gardner, Russell, Sanders, Bickford, Young, Wilcox, Walker, Hanson, Blackiston, Cullen, Pfouts, Scallon, Marks; Messrs. A. J. Johnston, William Scallon, Ed. Blossom, F. W. Bacorn, F. A. Heinze, Robert Carnochan, Will Thornton, J. L. Templeman, William Mangam, Sellers Largey, George Busch, Will Horgan, Ed. Horgan, Glenn Harrington, R. E. LeBeau, Fred Slemmons, Ben Cosby, Tom Markley, Tom Walker, Drs. W. H. Hall, Jed Freund, Ray Freund, Swartz.

Coming Theater Attractions.

In the theaters all is dark and has been all week. Consequently, the patrons of the Thespian amusement have had a small famine of their favorite diversion. However, the feminine contingent of the theater-going element is pruning up its plumes for the coming of Richard Mansfield and the Morrison-Roberts company, both of which will be real histrionic treats. No commendatory note need be made of the incomparable Mansfield. Miss Florence Roberts, who is Miss Roberts only on the stage, being in private life Mrs. Mor-



MRS. W. A. LARKIN, Who is Visiting Her Parents in Ishpeming, Mich.