

Town Topics.

Mr. Will Johnson, the genial railroad magnate of the C and O., is said to be heading matrimonial wards. Congratulations.

Mr. James W. Richardson and family have moved from 1630 5th street n.w., to the Harewood Flats Le Droit Park 3rd and Oak streets northwest.

Mrs. Julia Wade is dead. She was the sister of Amelia A. Hall, Nancy Gaines, Charles Nelson and Frank Nelson, and lived fifty-eight years. Funeral took place from the Vermont Avenue Baptist Church.

Mr. Alexander R. Posey of Indianapolis, Ind., spent last Saturday and Sunday in this city. He has just returned from a cruise to Cuba, Tampa and Palm Beach Florida and speaks in glowing terms of the opportunities of the American Negro in Cuba.

The ushers of the Second Baptist Lyceum, headed by Messrs. James E. Slaughter, Thomas E. Ware and Taswell Towles, will give a reception April 26th, for the benefit of the Lyceum. The attendance will be large. The event takes place at the Conservatory of Music.

The Oriental Pleasure Club gave its fifth reception and dance last Thursday evening at the Conservatory of Music. The members of this popular organization are James Slaughter, president; Thomas Ware, Calvin Crutchfield, Taswell Towles, Harry Gibson, Robert Dodson, and James Arthur.

Emancipation Day will be celebrated April 16th by the Blume Invincible Club at Grand Army Hall. The occasion will be devoted to eulogies of the anti-slavery heroes of both races, the speakers being many of the most prominent orators of the country. Col. Perry H. Carson is busy handling the arrangements.

Mr. Samuel E. Lacy, who has faithfully served as private secretary to Recorders Taylor and Cheatham for several years, is the recipient of the hearty congratulations of friends this week. He has just been appointed to a desirable berth in the District service, at a good salary. Mr. Lacy will prove a capable and popular official.

Assistants to several principals have been appointed as follows: Miss Cook's assistant at Garnet is Miss Julia Davis, Miss Shadd's assistant at Lincoln is Miss Mabel Lee, Miss Gibb's assistant at Sumner is Miss Ida Washington, Mr. Nalle's assistant at Stevens is Miss Mary Mulligan. Several more will probably be appointed very soon.

The people of the white race, living in the vicinity of North Capitol and P streets, object to the establishment of another colored school in that neighborhood. A new structure is needed to relieve the Jones, Douglass, Cook and Bencker schools, and another will be found necessary to relieve the Stevens and Briggs buildings on the west side. The same difficulty in finding a place for the former school is being met with from every point desired by the Board of Education.

The citizens of Brookland are in the throes of locating a colored school building. The whites and the blacks have not yet reached an agreement, but Mr. Edward Thornton Burrell, a tax-paying Afro American has written a thoughtful letter to the Commissioners which tends to clarify a very embarrassing situation. His suggestion as to a convenient site will probably be adopted—as it should be. The placing of a colored school nowadays is getting to be a laborious task for all concerned.

A Social Function.

Mr. and Mrs. William M. Hill of 255 3rd street, s. w. tendered a reception Thursday evening of last week to Mrs. Hill's sister-in-law, Mrs. William M. Wharton of Chicago, Ill. The evening was a thoroughly enjoyable one. A large number of friends and acquaintances being present. Among the number being Mr. James Frac-tion of Philadelphia, Pa., Messrs Otto, Oliver Jackson, E. Jones and wife, H. Williams, Phil. Latimer and wife, P. H. White and wife, Dr. Wm. Tignor, Chas. Tignor and Dowling, Misses Slaughter, Annie Burgess, Leona Smith, Mamie Tignor, Ida Brown, Annie Brown, Daniels, Wallace and B. Pierce. Mesdames Leteisia Banks, Wm Green and E. Tignor, all of Washington, D. C., Mr. Leanler of California, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Underdown, Messrs J. S. Le Choyers, Medel Harris, J. C. Wharton, Fred. Davis, A. Dorsey and B. McBerry, all of Cincinnati, O. and also Miss Louisa Huellett.

Refreshments in abundance were served comprising punches, chicken salad, Mayonnaise dressing, sherry wine, ice cream, assorted cakes, candies, nuts, raisins and fruits. Double creme cheese with Bent's crackers, black coffee, creme de menthe, absinthe with crushed ice. The affair was a perfect success.

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The River Queen.

These bright days and this balmy weather are gentle reminders that the spring time has come. The River Queen has been dressed up in new attire and looks as pretty as a May Queen. Excursions run this summer to Notley Hall Glymont and Lower Cedar Point. Capt. W. Hen has left no stone unturned to make these resorts the most complete in every way, and with the improvements and new dress of the River Queen, will make this season the banner season. The following dates have already been secured:

- May 5, Thomas Washington's Orchestra to Notley Hall.
- May 30 The Lone Star Pleasure Club to Notley Hall
- June 3 The Piano Movers to Notley Hall
- June 6. Junk Dealers to Lower Cedar Point.
- June 21, Young Men's Protective League to Notley Hall.
- June 24 The La Tosca Social Club to Notley Hall
- June 28 The Epicureans to Notley Hall
- May 30, Nixon Social Club.
- June 4 Bloom of Youth Social Club
- June 10. Old Point Social Club to Glymont.
- June 11. Knights of Jerusalem.
- June 17, Crescent Social Club,
- June 25, Israel O. M. E. church.
- July 4, Odd Fellows Lodge.

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