HEARTH & BOUDOIR.

WAYS OF THE WORLD.

Aerial New-York at Sunset—Temper in Dog Days.

"It is a very curious sensation," said a young architect, whose glass covered office is at the top of one of the famous skyscrapers of Manhattan, "to pass the best part of one's days in such an aerial habitation. It is a nest for a poet or an artist rather than a business man, although I have enough love for the beautiful to enjoy the wonderful panoramic view on every side and sufficient poetical appreciation to feel the elation of being lifted so far above the clamor and turmoil of the streets. I have a good deal to do just now," he continued, "so I have got into the habit of making myself a cup of strong tea on a spirit lamp and taking a biscuit when my clerk and typewriter go home, and then working until it is dark, and I really enjoy it. You have no idea how wonderful the atmospheric effects are sometimes at sunset. The grimy smoke below me assumes the loveliest tints of pink and mauve, the stretches of water on every side gleam like iridescent silver and everything one sees as far as the eye can reach is bathed in rosy light. At such times it is hard to feel that money grubbing is the chief end of one's existence."

WHEN WORDS OF WISDOM TELL.

"Mother, dear," said a frank young woman to her parent, who had just been giving her a lecture, "if you would only stop when you have scored your point and said what I feel is a truth you would make so much more impression, but you always go on and on, and say so much that it puts us both out of temper, and you lose all the advantage you have gained."

Moral teachers always make a mistake when they do not stop at the right moment. Many a truth would be carried home to a culprit and do good work if it were not diluted with discursiveness to such an extent that its effect becomes obliterated. But the fact is that the generality of people talk too much about everything, themselves, their affairs and their neighbors. Talking never does any good, and it is apt to do a great deal of harm.

ACRIMONIOUS HUMORS.

In one of Scott's novels one of the characters depicted is that of an irascible old man who, because things went contrariwise, worked himself up to such a pitch of irritation that he made himself perfectly intolerable to all about him, "until finally," says the novelist, "his acrimonious humors settled into a hissing hot fit of the gout." In hot weather especially it is a great advantage to "keep cool," mentally as well as physically. Heat undoubtedly begets irritability and want of self-control. It is a well known fact that suicidal mania and insanity increase with a hot wave, and subside when there is a pleasant change of temperature, while every one is aware how much more apt even the mildest person is to "snap" when the thermometer is in the nineties. At such times, it is said, mental irritation has a direct influence on the health, and that the "acrimonious humors" are no imaginary figure of speech, but actual secretions which may affect the general system. Many men have in summer an easier time than their wives. They go to their cool offices, where the routine of business is rarely disturbed, and, although it goes without saying, that they have much to worry them, and many anxieties to endure, these are not of a nature to cause irritability, inasmuch as their very magnitude and importance render calm reasoning a necessity. It is the pin pricks of life that excite the temper and get on one's nerves, so to speak—the contact with uneducated, unreasoning creatures that the generality of women are obliged to endure daily in managing their servants, the fretfulness and exactions of small children. All these little tribulations are without doubt very trying to the temper, but the only known panacea for such evils is calm endurance, and, although this of course cannot remove the cause, it will greatly lessen the effect.

NOVELTIES IN FANCY WORK.

Novelties in the way of fancy work are being eagerly sought for by women who are going out of town, and who like to occupy their summer leisure on their shady veranda with some light occupation. "I wish you would suggest something new for me to do," said one of these Penelopes, "I am so tired of knitting and embroidery." "Why not try painting a set of white organdy curtains for your mauve room?" said her friend. "You said you were going to do your sitting room up in that color, and you could make lovely curtains to match. It is not generally known that muslin and chiffon can be painted on as easily as thicker textiles, and the transparent effect, when finished, makes it particularly pretty. Sketch a design on muslin of a wistaria vine. (I always go to floral catalogues for my patterns of flowers.) The bunches of lilac colored flowers are very easy to paint, and the vine and leaves are bold and effective. I find the best way to paint on muslin is to pin a newspaper to the under side, so that it cannot slip. The wet paint runs through and remains on the paper, which when dried can be taken away, and the outlining of the flowers done on a fresh sheet."

Muslin frocks may be painted in the same way, and are very pretty. In this case the designs may be either picturesquely artistic or conventional. In the latter case sprigs of rosebuds or disks of forget-me-nots would be effective.

Tea table cloths afford a good deal of scope for ingenuity and interesting work. Heavy cutwork looks well, and, what is most important, washes well.

Here is a suggestion for a tea cloth which ought to work out effectively: Cut a square of fine linen sheeting, turn up a hem about an inch and a half deep and hemstitch it, then in the corners draw with a pencil four or five circles with a silver half dollar. Cut these out with a sharp pair of scissors, and with the heavy white linen mercerized floss, which comes for cotton embroidery, button hole stitch the edges with long stitches, then take long stitches across the holes at equal distances, drawing them all together in the centre, like the spokes of a wheel. This makes the centre of a conventional flower, the petals of which can be either outlined or filled in solidly with the floss, the flowers being connected by a vine and leaves also in outline stitch.

Colored wash borders to tea cloths are very pretty in cut work, in which case the open spaces have bits of colored gingham sewed underneath the embroidery stitches, and the petals and leaves are outlined with colored cottons. If a more elaborate effect is desired the leaves can also be cut out and the opening cross stitched over colored gingham.

BACK TO MOTHER EARTH.

Old Women in Farm Colony Take Pride in Their Gardening.

As said the small girl whose bare toes revelled for the first time in the bliss of beach sand and warm brown earth, "I'd just know I was made of mud, even if the Bible hadn't said anything about it, 'cause it feels so good to get close home to it." There is a certain elemental pleasure in "getting close home" to old Mother Earth that the most cultured cannot outgrow, and that even the crudest feel. From early spring, when the ground is spaded for the first seed planting, until now, when such things as radishes, lettuce and green onions are matters of everyday diet, the old women of the "New-York City Farm Colony," on Staten Island, welcome with a joy that is childlike every chance to "do a chore outside." To the old men, of course, falls all the heavy work, but there is much light planting and gathering and weeding to be done that the aged inmates of the "women's quarters" beg to be allowed to share. For many of them such work recalls their childhood homes and happy scenes, when "the poorhouse" was an almost meaningless word. For others the pleasure of outdoor work lies in the change it gives from the monotony of long, bare corridors of beds, bare walls and the scarcely varying round of woe-wrinkled faces.

"Old Mag," who has forgotten her other name, who has known no other home than the farm colony for the last fifty years, and whose age is "somewhere along about ninety-nine or maybe ninety-five," finds the same simple delight in the "feel of the earth" as does the white haired "Miss Kressie," who has been there only a few days, and already misses the clamor and jargon of the crowded cobbled streets and pines for "folks, it bein' so lonely here, and no sociability to speak of, which is hard on a lady that's been used to better things."

Almost all sorts of small fruits are raised on the farm colony, strawberries, raspberries, currants, cherries, grapes, as well as apples, peaches and pears, the blossoming, ripening and gathering of which are matters of supreme interest even to the most listless and dull of the "women folks." In the truck gardens every sort of vegetable appears—peas, beans, cucumbers, spinach, as well as the staples, potatoes, turnips, cabbages, tomatoes and the savory sage, parsley, celery, etc.

"It tastes like when I was knee-high to a grasshopper and happy as a June bug on a blackberry vine," said a toothless old crone, bruising bits of thyme in her bony fingers and smelling and eating them with a happy smile in her faded blue eyes.

Of the average of something like two hundred inmates, a quarter are usually women. It is fittingly called a colony, for the farm is like a little world in itself. It raises its own supplies, has its own physician, carpenter, builder and working force in general, buries its own dead, even making its own coffins, some half a hundred of which were required last year. There is a paid seamstress, but there would certainly not be "enough of her to go 'round," as she says, among the two hundred were it not for the regular and efficient help given by the women inmates. Some, of course, are not able to do anything. Their eyesight or their minds have failed perhaps, or a restlessness that amounts to a nervous disorder prevents their applying themselves to anything, and yet they cannot be classed as insane. The superintendent, indeed, has a cook quite crazy on every other subject but that of her single vocation, who nevertheless is a wonder in her way.

"Poison me?" exclaimed the man who enjoys the products of her skill three times a day, "why, she is no more capable of such a thought than you or I would be if we took her place this minute. She has times when she thinks the trees are following her about and the window panes making faces at her, and she will always run at the sight of a stranger. But cooking is her religion. She thinks eternal torments can only be avoided by taking the most scrupulous pains with every detail of her work. Crazy as a loon, as she is, my life's safer in old Catherine's hands than in those of your thousand dollar chefs."

The new laundry, with some simple labor saving appliances; the new shower baths and bathtubs, the big, airy sewing room; the substitution of hot air pipes for the uncertain and "cranky" old stoves, since January, 1902, have all been sources of pleasure, comfort and interest to the weary old people for whom the colony must be "home' 'to the end of life. The substitution, too, of woven wire mattresses for the old rye straw beds is a source of cleanliness as well as comfort. The addition of butter and prunes to the otherwise unappetizing breakfast and the gift of a woollen shawl to each shivering old crone were epoch-making incidents in the colony life. The cost of medicines now needed averages only about two mills daily for each inmate.

There is a kindly rivalry between the "stocking darners" as to the number and neatness of the "pairs" turned out weekly from their "work baskets," which are really huge hampers. The appearance of the superintendent in any of the buildings (of which there are sixteen—most of them dating back to 1829 or '30) is the signal for general joy. The very dutiful and hard working are rewarded with a credit check for an extra ounce of tea or half pound of sugar. He is "governor" or "boss" or "mister" as the mood dictates, but he is always greeted with a smile and a "Why don't you come around oftener?" "We ain't seen you for a day or more." Old Ellen McEnerny, crouching on the stairs telling her beads, calls out: "May the Lord love you and let ye have yer own way with things till He takes yer to glory." "I hope yer'll live to die within a day o' yer wife" was the wish of another old body, "sure she couldn't have a better husband; my own was the same, God rest his soul."

"And how are you to-day, Mehetable?" asked the superintendent of a wrinkled old woman who was putting bedticking patches on canvas overalls. "Well, I'm as I may be," was the enigmatic reply, "but I'm thinking I'll be better when my rheumatiz lets me get out in the garden a bit."

None are forced to work and there are few shirkers. The great hope of old men and women alike is the prospect of being together once more in the proposed "family cottages." The project, of course, cannot materialize for some little time, but the thought of it, miragelike, cheers the lonely travellers on the road, none too easy at best, that leads to the potter's field.

WOMEN OF NEW-AMSTERDAM.

The anniversary of the past week has called to mind some of the notable women of the New-Amsterdam period whose records have been preserved in an ancient manual. Annetje Philipse is described as "a beautiful young lady and a great heiress, whose charms were, therefore, a fit subject of story or song in any language." As there was no one in New-Amsterdam who could reasonably aspire to the hand of this great heiress, "although young men looked with languishing eyes," connection with a European family of high estate was sought (much after the fashion of to-day). She married Philip French, of England, and the couple lived in great state in Broad-st.

THE KIERSTEDE GIRLS.

At the time when blackberries could be picked along the hill between Broadway and New-st., a little sign swung out from the corner of Pearl and Whitehall sts., giving notice that "Surgeon Hans Kierstede dispensed drugs to the invalid and was in readiness to perform amputations or the extraction of teeth from suffering humanity." He married the daughter of the famous Annetje Jans, and three daughters were born to them. "Catrina, a staid and sober maid, with a fair share of womanly charms," was won by Johannes Kip, son of Hendrick Kip, the original tailor of New-Amsterdam, who lived on Bridge-st.; Blandina, the second daughter, "of a more romantic turn," married Master Pieter Bayard, nephew of Governor Stuyvesant, and the third daughter, Rachel, "remained in a single condition."

Catherine Van Cortland, "noted for her dignity of character, her charity and obedience to the duties of her church," was educated to adorn a social and industrious life "and was a model of excellence."

Catherine de Boagh, "a beautiful young lady daughter of a schipper or sloop captain on the North River," attracted the attention of one of the most promisig younng men of the time, William Beekman. She enjoyed a high social position and is the maternal ancestor of several people of distinction."

It is learned from the records that many of the Dutch women about the year 1640 were successful in carrying on the business lines left by their deceased husbands: Elizabeth Van Es (Van Ness); Hielke Pieters, wife of Cornelius Clopper, Maiden Lane and Pearl-st.; Margaret Philipse, Madam Van Varick, Geesie Vandercliff and Anneken Litschal are among the most thrifty mentioned.

A BIRTHDAY GIFT.

Tommy—To-morrow's your birthday, aren't it, ma? I wisht I had a dollar; I'd buy you a present.

Ma—That's thoughtful of you, my dear. But why do you need a dollar?

Tommy—'Cause that's the price of it. It's the dandiest catcher's mask you ever saw.—(Philadelphia Press.

JUNE BRIDES.

MISS FRANCES LILLIAN POMARES. MISS VIOLA SONDIME.

Teas, Receptions, Weddings and Other Social Incidents.

SPENCER—WILLIAMS.

THE marriage of Miss Mabel Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Williams, to Dr. Selden Spencer, of St. Louis, will take place on June 3 at St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church, West End-ave. and Eighty-sixth-st., the Rev. Dr. Eckman officiating. There will be no bridesmaids, but the bride, who will be attired in white chiffon cloth and point lace, with a point lace veil, will be attended by Mrs. Hugh Sutherland, of Philadelphia, her sister, as matron of honor. Mrs. Sutherland is to wear violet crêpe de chine and cluny lace. Dr. Spencer will have as his best man his brother, Horatio Nelson Spencer, jr., of St. Louis, and as ushers Dr. Percy Herbert Williams, of New-York; Dr. Frank Haussling, of Newark, N. J.; Willard Ray Totten, of New-York; Benjamin Harvey Thompson, of Pittsburg; William Alexander Nicholson, of St. Louis, and John Randolph Graham, of Winchester, Va.

The family being in mourning, only relatives are invited to the wedding breakfast, which will be served after the ceremony at the house of the bride's parents, No. 60 West Eighty-second-st.

MACHEN—RUSSELL.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Grace Lillian Russell, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Ingraham Russell, and Henry Bennett Machen, of New-York. Only the relatives and most intimate friends of the bride and groom have been invited to attend the ceremony, which will take place at the house of the bride's parents in Netherwood, N. J., on Tuesday, June 9, at 4:30 o'clock. There will be no bridesmaids or ushers. The groom will be attended by his brother, Charles Hudson Machen, as best man, and the bride's sister, Marjorie Dorothy Russell, will be her maid of honor.

SHAILER—WILSON.

At the Marble Collegiate Church, on Wednesday, at 4 o'clock, Miss Aimée Marie Wilson, daughter of Mrs. Samuel Knox Wilson, and Dr. Sumner Shailer were united in marriage. The bride, who was given away by her brother-in-law, George Edward Pfeiffer, wore white mousseline de sole and duchess lace. Her veil of tulle was fastened with lilies-of-the-valley, and she carried a bouquet of lilies-of-the-valley and orange blossoms. Miss Marion Shailer, the groom's sister, attended the bride as maid of honor, and the two bridesmaids were Miss Florence Antoinette Pfeiffer and Miss Daisy Emerson Larom. They wore gowns of white muslin, with pink muslin sashes, and carried white parasols. Bernard Giffon Barton was the best man, and the ushers were Louis Howell Hood, Walter Adriance Kip, Dr. Walter Conway and Nelson Ayres. Dr. David Burrell performed the ceremony. The church was decorated with palms and Easter lilies. After a small reception at the house of the bride's mother, No. 111 West Eleventh-st., for the bridal party and relatives only, Dr. and Mrs. Shailer left for a honeymoon of a few weeks in the West. They will live at No. 271 Clinton-ave., Newark, N. J., where they will be at home to their friends after June 15.

BULL—TOLLEY.

The wedding of Miss Altana Sands Tolley, of Glen Ridge, N. J., and Dr. W. H. Bull, of Bloomfield, N. J., will take place at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. George W. Hulsart, No. 141 Ridgewood-ave., on June 3 at 4:30 o'clock.

FARMER—HOLT.

Christ Episcopal Church, in Bloomfield, N. J., will be the scene of the wedding on June 1 of Miss Corinne Holt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Holt, and Edward D. Farmer, of Montclair. The Rev. Edwin A. White will perform the wedding ceremony. Miss Edith Holt will be the maid of honor, and the bridesmaids will be the Misses Helena E. D. Farmer, of Montclair; Bertha W. Messinger, of Hartford, Conn.; Edith W. Clement, of Brookline, Mass., and Mildred Fisher, of Sayreville, N. J. Frederick S. Kellogg, of Montclair, will act as best man. The ushers will be William A. Holt and Joseph B. Damal, of Philadelphia; Clifford H. Berrian and Arthur Russell, of Glen Ridge; David Oakes, of Bloomfield, and Gifford E. Sutton, of Montclair.

POWER—REID.

Mrs. William Johnson Reid has sent out invitations for the marriage of her daughter, Miss Marie Beatrice Reid, to Lieutenant Carroll Power, of the 52d Company, Coast Artillery, U. S. A. The wedding, which is to take place at noon on June 6 in All Souls' Episcopal Church, Madison-ave. and Sixty-sixth-st., will be a military one, the bridegroom and his ushers wearing full dress uniform. Miss Reid's gown will be of ivory satin, with a deep flounce of point appliqué and a bertha of the same. Her veil will be of tulle, and she will carry a bouquet of French lilacs. Miss Lida Power, of Flemingsburg, Ky., the bridegroom's sister; Miss Florence Sanders, of Nyack, the bride's cousin; Miss Anne Gilbert and Miss Grace Imlach, both of New-York, will act as bridesmaids, and will wear gowns of pink sunpleated chiffon, with berthas of old lace, and pink chiffon hats, trimmed with pink roses and black velvet. Lieutenant Power has chosen his brother, Joseph Power, of Lexington, Ky., to be his best man. The ushers will be Lieutenant Lyster, U. S. A.; Lieutenant Ellis, U. S. A.; Charles Power, brother of the bridegroom, and Reginald Reid, brother of the bride. The Rev. Dr. McConnell will officiate. The bride will be given away by her uncle, Colonel Ethan Allen, at whose house, No. 35 West Fifty-second-st., a wedding breakfast will be given for the bridal party and relatives, following the ceremony at the church. Among the guests who have been invited are General and Mrs. Chaffee, Governor and Mrs. Beckham, of Kentucky; Senator and Mrs. McCreery, Mrs. Daniel Butterfield, Judge and Mrs. Arnoux, Prince and Princess Rospigliosi, Amos F. Eno, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Houston, Dr. and Mrs. Edward L. Keyes, Colonel Norman S. Dike, Mrs. C. C. Dike, Dr. and Mrs. von Beverhout Thompson, Dr. and Mrs. R. Heber Newton, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Hills, Mrs. Algernon Sidney Sullivan, General and Miss di Cesnola, General and Mrs. Eugene McLean, Mrs. Henry M. Day, Dr. and Mrs. Harvie Dew, Judge and Mrs. Lindsay and General and Mrs. Oscar Long. After a wedding trip, Lieutenant Power and his bride will live at Fort Rodman, Massachusetts, where Lieutenant Power is stationed. The wedding gifts, which are numerous and valuable, have been sent to Fort Rodman, and will not be shown at the wedding breakfast.

BUTLER—TOMKINS.

A pretty wedding took place on Wednesday at Christ Church, East Orange, N. J., all the gowns and decorations being of pure white. The bride was Miss Edith B. Tomkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander H. Tomkins, of Hyde Park, East Orange, and the bridegroom was Robert Gordon Butler, of Brooklyn. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. William Whiting Davis, rector of the church. Owing to a recent death in Mr. Butler's family no colors were used. The bride carried lilies-of-the-valley, and the maid of honor, Miss Lillian S. Leavitt, carried white roses and sweet-peas. Miss Anna Miller served as flower girl. Sydney Moore, of Brooklyn, was best man, and the ushers were C. M. Burtis, H. N. Mathews and H. W. Lewis, of Brooklyn, and Walter Hill, of East Orange. The bride wore a chain pendant set with a large pink pearl, the gift of the bridegroom. The choir boys met the bridal party at the church door and formed a procession up the aisle. A reception of relatives and a few friends followed the ceremony.

FERRAR—POMARES.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage on Wednesday, June 10, of Pedro F. Ferrar to Miss Frances Lillian Pomares, to take place at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Seventy-first-st. and Broadway. Miss Pomares is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marino Pomares, of West Seventy-eighth-st. A reception at the home of the bride's parents will follow the marriage.

SPENCER—BOGART.

The engagement is announced of Miss Viola Bogert, daughter of Mrs. E. E. Bogert, to Howard Bonnell Spencer. Miss Bogert is a member of the Larchmont set, and has lived for several seasons with her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Baudouine, who named their steam yacht after her.

LEHMANN—KRANZ.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kranz, of No. 627 Dearborn-ave., Chicago, announce the engagement of their daughter Laura to Frank Lehmann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bernhard Lehmann, of Dresden, Germany.

HALL—ELLIS.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ellis, of Hartford, Conn., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Maude Bradley Ellis, and Mr. Harry Stewart Hall, of this city, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Brigham Hall, of No. 202 West One-hundred-and-third-st. Mr. Hall is a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity and a Columbia man of the class of 1898. Miss Ellis is well known in the social circles of Hartford.

FICKLING—SONDIME.

A June wedding in which considerable interest is being taken will be that of Miss Viola Sondime to W. Irving Fickling, formerly of Washington, D. C., but now of New-York. The ceremony will take place on June 17 at Nellcote, Riverdale-on-the-Hudson, the summer home of the bride's mother, Mrs. S. L. Goldenberg, and will be followed by a wedding breakfast on the lawn. Miss Sondime will be attended by Miss Maud Starke, of Memphis, Tenn., and Roscoe Conkling will be best man. The ushers will be Albert Sondime, brother of the bride, Harry F. Holbrook, Robert E. Fulton and Frank C. Kingsland. Mr. Fickling is a graduate of Georgetown University, District of Columbia.

BEYEA—WESTON

The marriage of Mrs. Frances Amelia Weston to Dr. James Louis Beyea will take place very quietly on the evening of June 22, at 8:30 o'clock, at the Madison Square Presbyterian Church. The bride, who will wear a beautiful gown of white embroidered crêpe de chine, will be given away by her brother, Charles H. Wessells, and will be unattended. The bridegroom will be attended by John Sherman Roake and there will be four ushers—Charles Henry Wessells, jr., Eugene Herbert Wessells, Dr. Willard Ide Pierce and Dr. David J. Roberts. Only a few relatives and intimate friends have been invited to the reception, which will follow the ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Wessells, but all friends of the contracting parties will be welcomed to the church. The marriage is one in which much interest is taken, as both bride and bridegroom are widely known. Dr. Beyea is an old 7th Regiment man and was in the Civil War. He is now a member of the Grand Army and surgeon of Lafayette Post. He is also well known in church and medical circles.

SHUMAN—EHRENREICH.

The marriage of Miss Lillian Beatrice Ehrenreich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Ehrenreich, to George Harrison Shuman, son of A. Shuman, of Boston, will take place on June 17 at Delmonico's. The bride will be attended by her sister, Miss Nina Ehrenreich, and Edward A. Shuman, brother of the bridegroom, will be best man. There will be nine ushers—Edward A. Shuman, brother of the bridegroom; Sidney E. Shuman, James J. Ehrenreich, Leo Ehrenreich, Carl Fishel, Louis Seligman, Walter Klober, Theodore Harold Joseph and Edwin Ehrenreich. A large number of guests are expected from Boston, and a special train will be run for their convenience.

STUMP—DE VELASCO.

Mr. and Mrs. John Haldane Flagler have sent out a thousand invitations for the marriage of their sister, Miss Mary Fernandez de Velasco, to Herman Stump, of Baltimore, which will take place at the Church of the Transfiguration on Wednesday afternoon. The cards have gone to Germany, France and England, Cuba and the Philippines, and to twenty-four States of the Union, and although many of those invited will be unable to be present, a large number of people are expected from other cities. Both bride and bridegroom are widely known, and the announcement of their engagement has attracted much attention. Miss De Velasco, who is a member of New-York City Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, derives her name from Admiral de Velasco, who for his bravery was created Duke of Frias by Ferdinand and Isabella. As an additional honor it was decreed that there should always be a vessel in the Spanish Navy bearing the name of Velasco, and the last man-of-war of the name was sunk at Manila by Admiral Dewey. Miss De Velasco is a great-granddaughter of Col. Henry Haldane, who came to America with Lord Cornwallis, and was at the surrendar of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown. She is also descended from Don Miguel Fernandez de Velasco, Governor-General of Cuba and Mexico. Mr. Stump was Commissioner-General of Immigration for eight years. He is a descendant of Count von Stumpf, who came to this country in 1709, having been banished by Frederick the Great because of his attentions to his majesty's sister, the Princess Amelia.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

"President's Day" was observed by the Woman's Press Club on Saturday afternoon, when a social meeting, the closing one of the season, was held in the myrtle room at the Waldorf-Astoria. Miss Anna Morgan, of Chicago, was the guest of honor, and there were greetings from Mrs. Charlotte B. Wilbour, president of Sorosis; Mrs. Miriam Mason Greeley, corresponding secretary of the State Federation of Woman's Clubs; Mrs. Fannie Hallock Carpenter, president of the National Society of New-England Women; the Rev. Dr. Augusta J. Chapin, and the Rev. Antoinette Brown Blackwell. Mrs. Elizabeth Bacon Walling gave an address on "The Woman Womanly," and there were violin solos by Richard C. Kay, vocal solos by Miss Lillie D'Angelo Bergh, Mrs. Beatrice Fine and Miss Maud Louise Kennedy; piano solos by Miss Mary Lockhardt, and recitations by Miss Anna Warren Story, Mrs. Harriet Webb and Mrs. Olive Muir Fuller. Tea was served at 4:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Walling, in her address on "The Woman Womanly," said that manliness and womanliness were one and the same thing. "There are no such things," she said, "as masculine justice and feminine justice, masculine generosity and feminine generosity, masculine goodness and feminine goodness. Honor, courage, justice and loving kindness are not sex qualities. They are soul qualities, and the soul has no sex."

The social event of the week in the Oranges, N. J., was the entertainment given on Wednesday by the Woman's Club Realty Company for the building fund of the new clubhouse. It was held at Silver Spring, South Orange, the home of Mrs. Thomas A. Gillespie. The place was formerly owned by Dr. Lowell Mason, of musical fame, and by his son, Dr. William Mason. For many years it was the property of John Pettit. It occupies one of the most picturesque sites in that part of the country, which is now becoming noted for the splendid homes recently erected by wealthy New-Yorkers.

The guests assembled in the spacious hall, which was decorated in white and gold, with pale green wall tints and draperies. The entertainment was Tennysonian. William Harper sang the lyrical portions of "Maud," and Mrs. Amy Grant recited "Enoch Arden," accompanied with a dramatic musical setting by Richard Strauss, played by Bruno Huhn. The affair gave substantial aid to the fund for the clubhouse, which will be started within the year, on a convenient site, at Prospect and William sts., East Orange. There was an audience of nearly three hundred, including members and guests. Among those present were Mrs. Henry P. Bailey, president of the club; Mrs. Albert O. Field, president of the Realty Company, and the Misses Field; the other officers and chairmen of the company, including Mrs. William Barr, Mrs. James B. Dill, Mrs. A. C. Van Gaasbeek, Miss L. A. Hiss, Mrs. Stewart Hartshorn, Mrs. Wilson Farrand and Mrs. Archer Brown; officers of the club, including Miss E. H. Shelton, Mrs. John Gore and Mrs. H. B. Gombers, Mrs. Charles B. Yardley, Mrs. Charles Hathaway, Mrs. Alexander King, Mrs. Cyrus Hitchcock, Miss Adeline W. Torrey (regent emeritus Daughters of the Revolution), Mrs. G. A. Vail, Mrs. E. O. Stanley, Mrs. Theron Rockwell, Mrs. W. H. Mitchell, Mrs. R. S. Graham, Mrs. Gabriel Furman, Miss Boylan, Mrs. H. G. Atwater, Mrs. W. Thayer Brown, all of East Orange; Mrs. A. J. Dotger, Mrs. E. H. Graves, Mrs. Connett, Mrs. Morrow, Mrs. H. P. Kirby, Mrs. C. F. Loutrel, Mrs. Stephen S. Johnson, all of South Orange; Mrs. E. J. Lawless, Mrs. D. A. Kennedy, Mrs. Henry Graves, Mrs. F. W. Kelsey, Mrs. Adolph Roeder, Mrs. Theodore F. Seward, Mrs. W. A. Shaw, Mrs. Stephenson, all of Orange; Mrs. Frederick Worth, of West Orange; Miss Adeline Sterling, of Englewood, president-general of the Daughters of the Revolution. Among the men present were Alden Freeman, Leonard Auty, the Rev. Adolph Roeder and E. W. Eaton.

The members of the Society of Founders and Patriots will have a special service at 4 p. m. on June 7, in Trinity Chapel, conducted by the Rev. Mr. Sherman, the society's honorary chaplain. At the recent yearly election of this organization the following officers were installed: President, Mrs. Montgomery Schuyler; vice-president, Mrs. Thomas H. Whitney; secretary, Mrs. Leroy S. Smith; treasurer, Mrs. M. L. Holbrook; corresponding secretary, Miss Lydia Day; registrar, Mrs. Helen Fisher; historian, Mrs. D. F. Marsh; color bearers, Mrs. Albert Berg and Mrs. Niebuhr.

The golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lewis will be celebrated on June 9 at their country home at Elberon, N. J. Nearly three hundred invitations have been issued, including the families of ex-Senator Rufus Blodgett, Judge MacLean, General Moise, of South Carolina; A. Alexander, Colonel Ethan Allen, Dr. De Sola Mendes, Judge Rufus B. Cowing, Judge Patterson, as well as Chauncey M. Depew, Dr. H. P. Mendes, Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson Seligman, General Alexander S. Webb, Mrs. L. Lavenburg, Mrs. S. L. Jacobs, William C. Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. James Seligman, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Lewis, of San Francisco; Andrew H. Green, Dr. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Kuhn, Mrs. Joseph Bach, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lavenburg, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Schmitt, Jared S. Babcock, Dr. and Mrs. S. N. Leo, Theodore W. Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Peixotta and George A. Davis, of San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. William Edelstein, Mr. and Mrs. Ansley G. Davis, Mrs. Louis Beloni, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Lewis, of Honolulu. The seven sons of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lewis will all be at home on June 9, some of them coming from the Pacific Coast for the occasion. Mr. Lewis was twice president of the Board of Aldermen under Mayor Wickham, and it was he who raised the first money, some $2,000, for the Teachers' Fund. He was one of the committee of School Commissioners who practically built the Normal College. He was a trustee of the College of the City of New-York, and gave the first dollar toward the erection of the Mount Sinai Hospital. The reception on the afternoon of June 9 will be from 2 to 6 o'clock.

The Young Women's Parish Aid Association of St. Michael's Church has sent out invitations for a "humanophone" and strawberry festival to be held on the evening of June 9 in St. Michael's parish house, No. 225 West Ninety-ninth-st. The precise nature of the function has not yet been revealed.

Invitations are out for the graduating ceremonies of Vassar College, which will begin on Sunday, June 7, with the baccalaureate sermon and close on the morning of the following Wednesday with commencement. On Monday at 8 o'clock the Phi Beta Kappa address will be given, and Tuesday will be class day, with the tree exercise in the afternoon and the president's reception and a glee club concert in the evening. Nearly all the visitors go for this day, but parents of the graduates usually arrange to stay through the whole of the ceremonies. The members of the class day committee are Helen Louise Whitmore, Clare Allen, Caroline Metcalf Benton, Jane Priscilla Sousa, Louise Hoyt Merritt, Louisa Chapin and Lillian Elmina McCarthy.

Lieutenant and Mrs. William Bishop Brister, who were married in Jersey City on April 29, have returned from their honeymoon, spent in Washington, Norfolk and Richmond, and are now in Newport, where Lieutenant Brister is stationed.

Mr. and Mrs. James Irvin Murray, No. 173 West Eighty-fifth-st., have sent out cards for a reception following the marriage, in Washington, of their son, James Irvin Murray, jr., to Miss Victoria Regina Ludgate. The invitations are for Wednesday evening, June 10, from 9 to 11.

Mrs. Robert L. Abbe, president of the City History Club, was the only woman member of the Mayor's advisory committee appointed to assist in the 250th celebration of the city's birthday. The other members were General James Grant Wilson, Henry M. Rochester, Herbert L. Osgoode and Charles Strong. Each member of this committee received a medal bearing the words "Mayor's Committee." Mrs. Abbe's appointment was made in recognition of her work for the City History Club.

The Young Women's Physical Culture and Fencing Club, formerly the Bronx Physical Culture class, gave an entertainment and dance in its class rooms at Stellwagen's Woodstock Sänger Hall, One-hundred-and-fifty-eighth-st., between Forest and Tinton aves., on Thursday evening. An enjoyable programme, including wand, Indian club and fencing drills by the club, was given. There was music by an orchestra, a cornet solo by P. Maurer, vocal solos by Edward F. Morgan and Miss Trixie Kiefer, an Indian club solo by Miss Alice Kirst, a fencing bout between Miss M. D. Glassmacher and William F. Kirst, and a chorus by the Franz Schubert Männerchor. The officers of the club are: Mrs. M. Agnes Loos, president; Miss Ethel Bryant, financial secretary; Miss Victoria Berlinghoff, corresponding secretary; Miss Emily Dambmann, vice-president; Miss Augusta Loos, recording secretary; Miss Amelia F. Bruch, treasurer; instructor, William F. Kirst.

The women of St. Peter's Church, Port Chester, are to give an interesting entertainment on Saturday afternoon and evening, June 6, to be known as a Colonial Tea. Tea will be served by women in Colonial costumes, and there will be an exhibition of Revolutionary relics, consisting, among many other things, of General Lafayette's silver mess chest; a battle flag from the frigate Bon Homme Richard; a gown worn at the inauguration of Washington; the sword won by General George Rogers Clark at the capture of Vincennes; an old copy of the Declaration of Independence; one of the numerous tomanawks supposed to have been used by Tecumseh, the Indian chief, and weapons and clothing of Revolutionary soldiers. The exhibit is contributed by various members of the Society of Colonial Wars. The receipts will go to a fund to build a new parish house.

It is announced in New-Rochelle that the Baroness von Memmert will occupy her home, Sans Souci, at Davenport Neck, on the Sound, this year. The baroness, who was Miss Anita Evans, daughter of the famous South American bridge builder, has been living in Paris for several seasons, and James Clarke, the New-York publisher, has had her place.

A royal good time was enjoyed by every one present at the Chapter Day celebration of Mohegan Chapter, D. A. R., which was held at the home of Miss Clara C. Fuller, Ossining, N. Y. The house was tastefully decorated with palms and flowers. Besides the music furnished by an orchestra, vocal solos were given by Miss Helen Allyn and Miss Katherine Moran. Miss Fuller gave the address of welcome, to which Mrs. Donald McLean responded. Among the other speakers were Mrs. Little, Mrs. Putnam, Miss Forsythe, Mrs. Carpenter, Mrs. Slade, Mrs. H. S. Bowron, Dr. Steele, Mr. Pugsley and Mrs. Earle. Among those present were Mrs. William S. Little, New-York State regent, of Rochester; Mrs. Mary Nicoll Putnam, New-Jersey State regent, of Elizabeth, N. J.; Mrs. Mary Isabelle Forsythe, of Kingston, N. Y.; Mrs. Donald McLean and officers of New-York City Chapter; Mrs. Philip Carpenter, president of the National Society of New-England Women; Mrs. Charles H. Terry, first vice-president of New-York State, of Brooklyn; Mrs. William Gerry Slade, president of Daughters of 1812; Mrs. Alice Morse Earle; Mrs. M. W. Primey, of Connecticut; Mrs. T. H. Whitney; Mrs. Rankin and officers of Van Cortlandt Chapter; Mrs. Coleman and officers of Briarcliff Chapter; Mrs. Vernon M. Davis, Mrs. Mathews, Mrs. William S. Coxford, and Dr. Steele, of Holy Trinity.

One of the leading social events of the spring season on Staten Island occurred last Thursday evening at the German Club rooms, where the Staten Island Chorus gave its second concert of the season. Among those who took part in the concert were George F. Morse and Franz Kaltenborn.

Miss Emma Tyler, No. 4 Prospect-st., New-London, Conn., will entertain a house party for the races on June 26. Miss Margaret Wise, Fred Ullmann and several other New-York people will be of the party.

SUMMER PLANS.

Mrs. George Howes will remain in town until July, when she will go to Wellsville, to be the guest of Mrs. Frank B. Church.

Mrs. J. Alexander Brown expects to go to Niagara this month, and will afterward go to Saratoga and Hempstead.

Mrs. Donald McLean will go to Muskoka, Canada, this summer, but will previously spend some time in Long Island and Massachusetts.

Miss Mary Springer will leave town about the middle of June for Saratoga.

Mrs. Samuel Gilpin, No. 124 West Eightieth-st., will leave town in June for Saratoga and Seabright. She will remain in Seabright till the close of the summer, and will then go to