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THE LATEST DESIGNS IN "LOUNGE" WRAPS.

Some Ways of the World.

"There is one thing which I find it is very annoying not to be able to control, and that is the relations of my servants to my guests," remarked a woman who entertains a good deal. "Of course, I can see that the servants are civil and attentive, but the unwritten laws that govern the sense of obligation on the part of my visitors and the mercenary expectations of my domestics are quite beyond my power to regulate, and I can only hope that people who stay with me will be too sensible to give more than they wish to in the way of tips. Why we should permit this system to exist when we pay enormous wages, and would greatly prefer to have the privilege of an entire hospitality, always surprises me. It seems unavoidable, but when I hear stories of extortion at other houses I always feel that it is possible that my own guests may be exposed to similar annoyances.

"A case in point," she continued, "happened to us not long ago. We were spending a night at a country house, and the next morning when we were leaving, after I had tipped the maid who had served me, my husband found he had no small bills, so he asked the valet who packed his bag to get a $5 bill changed, intending to distribute it among the men servants. The man never appeared again until we were in the hall with our host at the carriage calling to us that it was time to go, when, of course, it was impossible to make a distribution. So my husband simply said all right, and waved him to keep the money. The valet murmured, 'Thank you, sir,' and pocketed it. We knew that he came late on purpose, but, of course, there was nothing else to do."

ART OF ENTERTAINING.

"Did you know," said a man to a young matron who was discussing the art of entertaining from a philosophical point of view, "that light has a great influence on sentiment? I have visited in many houses, and I always notice that there are more flirtations and matrimonial alliances at those places where the hostess has a feeling for effect, and arranges her rooms with a view to æsthetics in the way of subdued and becoming lights in retired corners and small withdrawing rooms. Red light is especially subtle in its effects, rose light comes next; yellow promotes gayety, but not sentiment; green predisposes to romantic sensations, while pure white favors conventionality. There are other influences," he continued, "that a woman who is ambitious to make entertaining a fine art should consider. Chairs, for example, play a very important part in social diplomacy. In the first place, their size, shape and general comfortableness are to be carefully considered, and after that their juxtaposition and relations to each other appropriate to the various rooms in which they are placed. A clever woman that has the instinct of a true hostess knows by a sort of intuition where to place the chairs of her room so that they will promote agreeable intercourse.

"The other afternoon I called at a house on a reception day. There were a number of people in the room that I knew, but the prevailing stiffness was uncomfortable, and I made as short a visit as I conventionally could. At another house in the same street, where the surroundings were substantially the same, the conditions were entirely different. Here was an ease and gayety about everything that was delightful. On thinking it over afterward, I tried to analyze the reason of the difference, and came to the conclusion that one of the chief causes was the chairs and sofas and their grouping.

"Have you ever noticed, too," the masculine critic went on to say, "how futilely some people entertain? They want to be hospitable, and yet nothing that they do seems to count for anything. They totally lack the perception that insures success. They will spend money and time all to no apparent purpose, while others, with half the effort, will make a social hit. One woman I know brought out her daughter at the most elaborate ball of the season. Everybody was invited, and every one came, but the girl herself was hardly noticed, and at the very next dance had no partners for the cotillion or supper. And yet, she was a pretty little thing, and ought to have had as great a success as one of her friends whose mother that same winter gave a succession of small dances that were perfect in their way for her daughter before every smart dance, thus insuring her partners, and rewarding the polite cavaliers by charming little theatre parties and delicious suppers."

ABSENT-MINDED COURTESY.

Absent-minded politeness is sometimes very funny and goes to show how strongly habit dominates us, all unconsciously to ourselves. "I beg your pardon," exclaimed a majestic looking woman who was walking in Madison-ave., as she stepped inadvertently on the tail of a large cat which was sunning itself before the steps of a brownstone front, and which disappeared with a squall down the area. Then, realizing that she had begged the pardon of a cat she looked furtively around in an embarrassed manner to see if any one had overheard her, and meeting the involuntary smile on the face of a passerby, colored high and walked dignifiedly on.

Another absent-minded woman who was apt to be rather cold in her manner with her servants, treating them as if they were machines, had a large house party at her country place recently. After her usual Sunday inspection of the stables, with some of her guests, she stood talking for a few moments with the head groom about some of the horses. Then, to the astonishment of the women who were with her and the embarrassment of the man, she concluded with one of her most gracious society smiles, "Well, I must be going. Goodby." The groom touched his cap, "Goodby, ma'am," he responded feebly. Mrs. Z. suddenly remembered herself, but feeling that any betrayal of the consciousness of her mistake would be out of place, waited until they were well away from the stables before laughing at the joke upon herself among her friends, who, however, would not let the matter rest, and whenever the occasion presented itself, continued to quote, "Well, we must be going. Goodby!"

A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION.

Women who worry incessantly about trifles, keeping themselves and every one about them in a continual state of discomfort, are often incomprehensibly "easygoing" about things of obvious importance. Mrs. M., for instance, is perfectly miserable if her son forgets his goloshes on a wet, snowy day, or if he wears a thin overcoat, instead of a thick one, when, in her opinion, he needs the latter, but she does not inform herself at all about his associates, or appear to concern herself that apparently he is contracting habits which may have disastrous results. The habit of "nagging," as children are ungratefully apt to call their mother's oversolicitude about their welfare, which shows itself in constant reminders and overanxious criticisms, always impairs a mother's influence when it is most needed, and destroys the respect for the really good judgment which experience has necessarily given her, and which might carry weight at crucial times, if it was not all discounted beforehand. Among the many good New Year's resolutions which parents generally think it is necessary to suggest to their children, they might save a few for themselves, and an excellent one to choose would be to save their powder (as the saying is) until it is needed.

English lawyers appear to be having a hard time to hold their own against an energetic young woman, Bertha Cave by name, who has made up her mind to invade their preserves. Miss Cave's petition to be admitted to Gray's Inn for the purpose of studying for the bar was rejected by the benchers, and a few weeks ago seven judges decided against her. Public opinion, however, is to a large extent in her favor, and Miss Cave's friends believe that her victory is only a question of time. Miss Cave's case was that, though there was no precedent or rule in favor of the admission of women to the bar, there was no rule against it. The judges replied that they were not prepared to create such a precedent.

Twelve hundred and seventy-one women were enrolled as students in the German universities last year, whereas the number this year is only 850. This decrease is due to the fact that the conditions of entrance have been made more difficult than usual. The change was made, it is said, to bring about this very result, and was aimed especially against insufficiently prepared Russian Jewesses.

At a congress held recently in Chicago for the purpose of aiding boys, one of the members suggested that an attempt should be made to repeal the Illinois child labor law, as being responsible for much crime among young people. She asserted that many "gangs" composed of boys whom the law restrains from working make a regular business of thieving during school vacations.

Think of securing a cook for $7 a month. That is the price Mrs. Maud Howe Elliott says she pays in Rome. A seamstress works for 50 cents a day and an up to date doctor receives $1 for a visit. Good hotels charge 12 francs (about $2 40) a day. Meat, chickens, eggs, fish, fruit and groceries are also cheap, but their cost is made up for by the exorbitant price of all imported groceries. Even the very rich cannot procure rapid transit, steam heat or express service, conveniences which the great majority of Americans enjoy.

It is said that those who see Queen Alexandra cannot realize that she passed her sixtieth birthday on December 1. Her perfect complexion and slender, girlish figure remain with her, as does the vigor of youth. Her interests are as varied as ever, and she takes a keen enjoyment in her charities, her grandchildren, her animal pets and all sorts of outdoor exercise.

"Social success in these days is merely a question of sauces and vintages," says an English paper. "Feed the brute" is not only the foundation of matrimonial bliss, but of all social popularity. The cook, and not the hostess, is the determining factor by which the establishment is judged.

It is understood that the number of French historical treasures in the Luxembourg is to be increased by a set of six Louis XVI chairs, which are said to have been made for Marie Antoinette. They are upholstered with Gobelin tapestry, and recently brought £20,000 at an auction in London.

Three thousand three hundred and fifty pounds sterling was the price paid at the Hecksher sale by a well known firm of London for a snuffbox. It is made of gold and enamel, and saw service in the Louis XV period.

In one of the corridors of Windsor Castle stands a large wooden case, locked by a key in the possession of the Master of the Household, and opened only at rare intervals at the command of the Queen. Upon removal of this wooden screen an almost life size group of statuary of Queen Victoria and the Prince Consort is seen. Both are represented as they looked at the time of their marriage, when she was a slight and graceful girl and he the manly young lover. His right arm encircles her slender waist, and his left is raised toward heaven. The inscription, furnished by Arthur Hugh Clough, reads: "Allured to brighter worlds and led the way."

Bran water, made by adding four tablespoonfuls of bran to a quart of water, is the best thing in which to wash fine silk stockings. Soap is thought by some housewives to make the silk tender and rotten.

A "Coupé Jacque" sounds new, at least on this side of the water. It is described as consisting of a lemon ice, with a few delicious fruits, sweetened as in a salad, on top of it, and a dash of cream, flavored with maraschino, on top of that.

An ingenious housekeeper has devised a towel rack for her kitchen which works with ropes and pulleys. She says that besides finding that the towels dry more rapidly when near the ceiling, where the air is warmer, she is glad of the extra space. This same housekeeper, not having a dark closet in which to store her preserves and jellies, has covered the shelves of her closet with black cotton. She lets the cotton hang over in a curtain, and the light is excluded almost as well as if the place had been built originally for storing purposes.

The nasturtium is being grown by fashionable florists for the decoration of early winter tables. To place a cut glass bowl in the centre of the table, with the nasturtiums trailing from it to the cloth and radiating from it in graceful lines across the table, is perhaps the prettiest way to use this favorite old flower. Nasturtiums are among the easiest and most satisfactory plants to grow in the house if one has warm rooms and a sunny exposure.

To remove medicine stains from silver spoons rub the spoons with lemon juice and salt. A little salt rubbed wet on a spoon will remove egg stains. This should be done every time the spoons are used for this purpose, as the stains are much harder to remove if allowed to stand. Whiting mixed with ammonia and water makes a good cleaning preparation for silver. It can be applied in the wet method or the dry, the former being easier and cleaner. To clean silver in the wet method apply the whiting and let it dry. Then wash it off thoroughly in warm, soapy water, and polish with chamois skin. Or, instead of washing off the paste, the latter may be wiped off with a dry, soft duster. A plate brush will be necessary to get the dried powder out of the crevices. This method makes a good deal of dust, and there is danger of scratching the surface of the plate.

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Teas, Receptions, Weddings and Other Social Incidents.

WAKEFIELD—WILSON.

THE marriage of Miss Henrietta Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bangs Wilson, of Washington Heights, and George Richard Wakefield will be celebrated at noon on January 6, at the Holyrood Episcopal Church. The Rev. C. Morton Murray, the rector, will officiate.

The bridal gown is of white broadcloth, trimmed with Irish point lace. A diamond and pearl pendant is the gift of the groom.

Miss Lillian Corrigan is to be maid of honor, William G. Wilson will be best man, and the ushers will be William Corrigan, Gregor MacGregor, Heman B. Wilson, jr., and H. Griswold Wells.

The bride is a great-grandniece of James Wilson, of Pennsylvania, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, and granddaughter of the late Heman B. Wilson, for thirty years superintendent of the Eighth Avenue Railway Company. She is the solo contralto of All Saints' Roman Catholic Church.

The bridal tour will include Washington and the South, and on their return, Mr. and Mrs. Wakefield will reside at Lafayette Court, on Washington Heights. Among the guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Ralston Guthrie, Mr. and Mrs. G. Potterton, Mrs. F. Simpson, Miss Edith Wakefield, G. Wakefield, Miss Jennie Hebbard, M. MacLaurie, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Bliss, Judge and Mrs. F. J. Worcester, Mrs. C. Wakefield, Mrs. William Guthrie, Miss Ray Guthrie, Miss Agnes Duncan, Albert Wilson, Miss Imogene Wilson, Miss Margaret Wilson, Mrs. E. L. B. Fay, Mrs. Charles Gournee, Miss Emily Winant, Mrs. Isabel Corrigan, Mr. and Mrs. William Corrigan, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hastings, Mrs. H. MacLear, Mr. and Mrs. Gregor A. MacGregor and Mr. and Mrs. Alex Wilson.

TRAVIS—POTTER.

Miss Annie Hayward Potter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Potter, of De Witt-ave., Belleville, N. J., and George Francis Travis, of New-York, were married Thursday evening at the home of the bride's parents by the Rev. C. S. Abbott, rector of Christ Episcopal Church.

Miss Edith Octavia Potter, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Joseph Larkin, of New-York, acted as best man. The bride was gowned in white organdie over silk, her veil was caught with orange blossoms and her bouquet was of lilies-of-the-valley. The maid of honor wore white mousseline de soie over lace, and carried pink roses. Mr. and Mrs. Travis will make New-York their home.

PROUT—GIBSON.

Miss Margaret Gibson, daughter of Alderman and Mrs. Francis Gibson, of Belleville, N. J., and Herbert Prout, of Yoners, N. Y., were married at the home of the bride's parents on Thursday evening, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. William W. Connors, pastor of the Reformed Church, assisted by the Rev. C. S. Abbott of Christ Episcopal Church.

Miss Belle Gibson, the bride's sister, was maid of honor, and Charles Jones, of Yonkers, N. Y., was best man. The bride was gowned in mousseline de soie over taffeta, and carried bride roses and lilies-of-the-valley. The maid of honor wore a gown of nile green mull over taffeta and carried a bouquet of pink roses. A large reception followed, after which the bridal couple went to the South on a wedding trip.

FREEMAN—GRAY.

On account of the illness of Mrs. J. S. T. Stranahan, the marriage of Miss Ulabelle Retta Gray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Mason Gray, to Frederic Delaskie Freeman was very quietly solemnized on December 22, at No. 269 Union-st., Brooklyn, the Rev. Dr. Albert J. Lyman officiating. Only the members of the immediate families were present at the ceremony.

MEIGHAN—UNDERHILL.

One of the largest weddings of the winter in New-Rochelle is to take place next Tuesday evening, when Miss Anna Underhill, daughter of ex-Congressman and Mrs. John Q. Underhill, will become the bride of Howard S. Meighan.

Mr. Meighan is a young lawyer of New-Rochelle and New-York and the son of Thomas J. Meighan, of Orienta Point, Mamaroneck. Miss Underhill is a blonde and one of the most dashing and attractive young women in New-Rochelle. Athletics are a hobby with her. She is fond of yachting, golf and tennis and was recently elected president of the Young Women's Bowling Club.

The wedding will take place at the house of the bride's parents, on Locust-ave., at 5 o'clock and will be attended by several hundred relatives and friends.

Miss Underhill will be gowned in white crêpe de chine. Her only attendant will be Mrs. Hoyt Stoddard Gale, of Washington, D. C., who will be the matron of honor. Burton C. Meighan, of Mamaroneck, will attend his brother as best man. A wedding supper will follow the marriage ceremony, after which Mr. Meighan and his bride will leave for the South.

Among the invited guests are: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Meighan, Miss Meighan, Mr. and Mrs. Morrell O. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. William Ulrich, Edgar Bates Pinckney, the Misses Pinckney, Mr. and Mrs. Bradford Rhodes, Prentice Sheathar, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pryer, Mr. and Mrs. J. Arthur Huntington, Miss Cornelia Huntington, Mr. and Mrs. Ludlow Valentine, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Harris, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Underhill, of Cleveland; Mr. and Mrs. Clark Miller, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Capron, of Washington, D. C.; Representative and Mrs. George Lawrence, Senator and Mrs. Latimer, of Washington, D. C.; Representative and Mrs. Buck, O. W. Underwood, Joseph Cannon, Speaker of the House; Miss Cannon and Mr. and Mrs. William Youngman, of Boston.

SELIGSBERG—SELIGMAN.

Miss Alnea Addie Seligman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt J. Seligman, and granddaughter of James Seligman, the banker, was married to Franklin Leonard Seligsberg last Wednesday at Delmonico's. The marriage was performed by the Rev. Dr. Joseph Silverman, Rabbi of the Temple Emanu-El, in the presence of a large assemblage. The gold room, in which the ceremony took place, was beautifully decorated, the bridal couple standing under a canopy of palms, interspersed with white and pink roses. The bride was given away by her father.

Alfred Seligsberg, the bridegroom's brother, was the best man. The bridesmaids were Miss Beatrice Bernheimer, Miss Edith Jacobi, Miss Marjorie Bernheimer, Miss Lilian Grey, Miss Grace Bernheimer and Miss Lucile Gross. Miss Ethel F. Seligman, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. The bridegroom's attendants were James Bernheimer Seligman, Lorin S. Bernheimer, Albert Seligsberg, Hugo Seligman and Byron A. Cohen. Irving S. Bernheimer was master of ceremony.

The bride wore a white satin gown, trimmed with Pointe de Venise lace and embroidered in orange blossoms. Her only jewel was a diamond heart, a present from the bridegroom. After the ceremony the guests sat down to refreshments served in Delmonico's large ballroom.

Mr. and Mrs. Seligsberg are now on their way to California, by way of Washington and New-Orleans. They will be gone about six weeks, after which they will take up their residence in New-York City.

Among the invited guests were Mr. and Mrs. James Seligman, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar S. Straus, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob H. Schiff, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stern, Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Rothschild, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Seligman, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Stern, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Irving S. Bernheimer, Mrs. William Seligsberg, Judge Joseph Newburger, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Hall, Mrs. Frederick Butterfield, Mr. and Mrs. Max Drey, Dr. Thomas Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Borg, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bloomingdale, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Einstein, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Nathan, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Seligman, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. C. Evans Hughs, Mrs. Simon Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Isidor Straus, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Carlebach, Mr. and Mrs. John Bowers, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Guggenheim, Mr. and Mrs. Julius A. Kohn, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Holly, Mrs. Julius Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Backeland, Mr. and Mrs. James Bowers, Abram Bernheimer, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Brettouer, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Henry Kohn, Eugene Seligman, George Casliear, Elias Asiel, Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson Seligman and Dr. and Mrs. Charles E. Simmons.

SCHAPIRA—ROSALSKY.

The wedding of Miss Bella Ida Rosalsky, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Rosalsky, and Dr. Samuel William Schapira, which will take place on Tuesday, December 29, at the Congregation Mishkan Israel Ansher Suwalker, Nos. 64 and 66 Chrystie-st., will be an event of great interest to the many friends of the bride and groom. Miss Rosalsky is a sister of ex-Assistant District Attorney Otto A. Rosalsky, and Dr. Schapira is one of the best known young physicians on the lower East Side. The young people met last spring, when Miss Rosalsky was ill, and Dr. Schapira, in prescribing for her, fell in love with his patient.

The marriage ceremony will take place at the Congregation Mishkan Israel Anshei Suwalker at 4:30 o'clock, the Rev. Dr. Drachman officiating.

The bride will wear an imported Renaissance robe inserted with blocks of tucked mousseline de soie and rosettes of Honiton braid. The sleeves have big puffs of crepe chiffon and the belt is of chiffon velvet. The whole is worn over a taffeta and chiffon slip.

The bridal procession as it passes up the aisle to the altar will present an imposing appearance, for Miss Rosalsky will have eight of her girl friends as attendants, while Dr. Schapira has asked nearly twenty of his men friends to assist as ushers. Miss Maud Rosalsky and Miss Rose Schapira are to be the maids of honor, and Miss Dorothy Rosalsky, Miss Matilda Sapiro, Miss Rose Bloom, Miss Celia Newberg, Miss Celia Solomon and Miss Rae Robinson are to be the bridesmaids.

Dr. Schapira will have as his best man Louis Schapira. The ushers will be Otto A. Rosalsky, Charles S. Adler, Joseph S. Rosalsky, Max Franklin, William Sapiro, Isaac Solomon, Isaac R. Pereira, Joseph Schulum, Aaron A. Feinberg, Michael Ball, Charles Dress, Louis Bernstein, Nathan Hirsch, Louis Freidel, Norberth Pfeffer, Louis Danson and N. Delson.

A large number of invitations have been issued. Dr. Schapira has been prominent politically, and among those who have promised to come and see him married are Governor Odell and Mr. Murphy, the Tammany leader, both of whom are personal friends. Every judge on the bench has also been invited.

Among the guests who are expected are Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Murray, Charles S. Adler, Joseph E. Newberger, Julius M. Mayer, John B. Mayo, Joseph Pool, George F. Roesch, Benjamin Hoffman, Julius E. Kramer, Herman Joseph, Edward Lauterbach, William M. K. Olcott, Abraham Gruber, William N. Cohen, Judge Blanchard, Mr. and Mrs. David Bloom, Mr. and Mrs. Finklestein, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac R. Pereira, Mr. and Mrs. Newberg, Mr. and Mrs. B. Trosky, Mr. and Mrs. Berlin, Mr. and Mrs. S. Troske, Dr. N. Trosky, Mrs. and Miss Wimpe, Miss Berlin, Miss Clara Schapira, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Krug, Mrs. D. Avramowitz, Mr. and Mrs. Gittes, Mr. and Miss Radin, Mr. and Mrs. Zipkin, the Misses Finklestein, Miss Celia Solomon, Edward Frank, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Hirshfield, Charles Trosky, Mr. and Mrs. Simansky, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Schapira, the Rev. Dr. Drachman, Mrs. Solomon, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Noonan, Borough President-elect John F. Ahearn, Dr. Ramond Guiteras, Dr. Robert H. Greene, Dr. W. Ayres, Dr. Colin L. Begg, Dr. Osgood, Dr. Cornwell, Dr. Johnson, Dr. and Mrs. Leveridge, Dr. and Mrs. J. Jaches, Dr. and Mrs. S. Hermann, Dr. and Mrs. Caspe, Dr. and Mrs. Moscowitz, Dr. and Mrs. Lewy, Dr. and Mrs. Douglass, Dr. and Mrs. J. Bloch, Dr. M. Friedland and Dr. and Mrs. Freedman.

Dr. Schapira and his bride will make an extensive wedding trip through the South. Upon their return they will live at No. 64 Rivington-st.

MRS. CHARLES EDWARD NAMMACK.

ITEMS OF SOCIAL INTEREST.

Mrs. James Griswold Wentz, Miss Maud Bulkley Leake and Miss Georgiana Leake will be at home on Saturday, January 2, from 4 until 7 o'clock, at No. 312 West Eighty-second-st. They announce Tuesdays in January as their receiving days.

A large military euchre will be given for charity at the Hotel Endicott, through the courtesy of William F. Ingold, on Monday evening, January 11. An upright piano will be the first prize, and there will be a hundred handsome consolation prizes for those who do not win the piano. The proceeds will go toward the support of worthy aged and cultured poor people of New-York. Among those who are actively engaged in the management of the benefit are Mrs. George W. Finck, Mrs. Theodore Harris, Mrs. A. F. Wainwright, Emily L. B. Fay, Belle Durkee, Mrs. Edward Payson Terhune, Mrs. James McComb and Harriet Potter Nourse. A meeting of the committee will be held in the Palm Court of the Hotel Endicott on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock for final arrangements.

Mrs. W. D. Warranier, of Quebec, gave an elaborate yellow dinner recently at the Gregorian Hotel, in West Thirty-fifth-st., in honor of three young women friends on their return from China. China suggested yellow, hence the yellow dinner. Covers were laid for twelve, all the guests being women. Everything was as yellow as nature would permit. The menu included, among other things, filet of yellow perch, sorbet celestial, yellow-leg snipe and yellow chartreuse. The menu was printed in yellow ink, the floral decorations consisted largely of yellow chrysanthemums, and the waiters wore yellow waistcoats. The favors were miniature Chinamen, about a foot tall, dressed in the national Chinese costume of yellow. The dinner, which followed a theatre party, is said to have cost $35 a cover.

The pupils of the Madison Avenue School, at No. 1,189 Madison-ave., gave a children's play, entitled "Christmas Fairies," on Tuesday evening at No. 67 East Eighty-ninth-st., before a large and enthusiastic audience. Mollie Cossart and Reva Ritch represented the sun and moon fairies, with attendant trains of sunbeam and frost fairies. The acting and dancing were admirably done, and the elaborate costumes excited much admiration.

Mrs. B. Benjamin Ramsdell has kindly consented to open her house, at No. 76 Convent-ave., near One-hundred-and-forty-fourth-st., for a Japanese tea to be given for the benefit of the Free Industrial School for Crippled Children, located at No. 471 West Fifty-seventh-st. The tea will take place next Tuesday, from 3 to 6 o'clock in the afternoon and from 8 to 10 o'clock in the evening. Mrs. Camille Birnbohm and Alexander Howell will sing, and Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox is to read palms. At 4 p. m. there will be a Japanese love song and characteristic dance by the Misses Helen Talford and Annie Calesher, who have been trained by Mrs. C. H. Rivers, jr.

Fancy articles made by the crippled children will be on sale. Ticket, at $1 each, can be secured from Miss Florence Guernsey, No. 180 Central Park South; Mrs. Ramadell, No. 76 Convent-ave., or at the school. Some of the women who will receive with Mrs. Ramadell are: Mrs. William Arnold, Mrs. Henry Merlin Barbour, Mrs. Marie Jose de Bermingham, Miss Kate Bermingham, Mrs. Lawrence F. Braine, Mrs. D. J. Burtis, Mrs. Charles Crossman, Mrs. William C. Calhoun, Mrs. A. B. Casshart, Mrs. M. E. Cox, Mrs. O. H. Dana, Mrs. Arthur Elliot Fish, Miss Florence Guernsey, Mrs. James A. Hetherington, Miss Helen Hicks, Mrs. Dubois Hudler, Mrs. David Knapp, Mrs. H. Knoble, Mrs. S. D. Lewis, Mrs. Charles E. Mandelick, Mrs. Henry N. Marvin, Mrs. Abner Mellen, Mrs. John Milderberger, Mrs. L. F. Pitkin, Mrs. G. W. Parkhurst, Mrs. A. R. Starr, Mrs. W. H. Peck and Mrs. Richard Stearns.

On last Tuesday evening Miss Henrietta Wilson gave a song recital in the rooms of the Washington Heights Young Men's Christian Association. She was assisted by the Kaltenborn Orchestra. A large and enthusiastic audience was present.

The first of the series of dances given under the auspices of the Alumnæ Association of the Champlain Assembly will take place next Wednesday evening at the Hotel Majestic. A large attendance is anticipated as the subscription list is well filled already. The arrangements are under the management of Mrs. Charles Edward Nammack, Miss Vivien Hart and Miss Margaret C. Lavelle.

The College Women's Club will have a meeting next Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock at the Waldorf-Astoria. There will be a symposium of poets. Edwin Markham, Mrs. May Riley Smith, Charles De Kay and Mrs. William Le Baron Alles ("Townsend Allen"). Vocal solos will be given by Mrs. Elizabeth Hazard and Professor F. Bossenberger. Professor Bossenberger will give a piano solo. Mrs. Terhune ("Marion Harland") is to be the guest of honor at the meeting.

The progressive euchre and reception to be given for the benefit of St. Rose's Settlement, at Grand Central Palace, on January 7, promises to be most successful. The various committees have been untiring in their efforts to perfect all arrangements that will add to the comfort and pleasure of the guests. Frank W. Smith, chairman of the euchre committee, and his assistant, Mr. Reichard, have arranged the tables for three thousand players. The euchre will be followed by a reception.

The committee on boxes, composed of Mrs. William Arnold and Miss Lalor, have disposed of most of them. Among the boxholders are J. D. Crimmins, Robert Hoguet, Mrs. Joseph O'Donohue, Peter Lalor, the Misses Delmonico, Joseph J. Manning, Edward Keys, Mrs. Bowron, Mrs. Breslin, Mrs. J. Henry Haggerty and George Ehret.

The following committees are in charge of the euchre: Committee on boxes, Mrs. William Arnold and Miss Lalor; cards, Jacob Reichard and John A. Henneberry; prizes, the Misses Manning, Clonan, Meehan, Jones and Treacy; press, Miss Mackey, Mr. Finnegan and Mr. McGinnis; captains, Mrs. Nagle.

St. Rose's Settlement House is at Nos. 257 and 259 East Seventy-first-st., and many prominent Catholic men and women are interested in its work. The officers of the settlement are as follows: President, Mrs. William Arnold; vice-presidents, Mrs. F. Burrall Hoffman and Mrs. J. Henry Haggerty; treasurer, Mr. Barnard; secretaries, Miss Manning and Miss Jones; resident manager, Miss Edith Wilson.

Arrangements have been made for a series of subscription dances at the Larchmont Yacht Club, the first of the series to be given on Tuesday night, to be followed by others Friday, January 15 and February 5. The committee consists of Frank V. Alexandre, T. J. S. Flint and Peter Kane. The announcement has been greeted with great favor by the young people who are spending the winter in the Manor.

At the last meeting of the Daughters of Ohio, the short business session was followed by a delightful programme of music and readings under the direction of Mrs. F. Tracy Taylor, chairman of entertainment. Among the numbers were vocal solos by Miss Corinne Welsh, and the reading of several poems by their author, Miss Maltelle Justice. The next meeting of the society, on the second Monday in January, will be held as usual at the Waldorf-Astoria, and will be a reception in honor of Mrs. C. C. Shayne. An elaborate musical programme will be given.

The second of two debutante teas was given yesterday by Mrs. Frank Overton Evans, No. 147 West One-hundred-and-thirtieth-st., for her daughter, Miss Josephine Evans. Mrs. Evans wore a gown of black lace with touches of blue velvet. Miss Evans was gowned in white silk net trimmed with lace, and carried a bouquet of pink roses and white hyacinths. Mrs. Evans and her daughter were assisted in receiving by Mrs. Frank Littlefield, Mrs. Isaac Mills, Mrs. Berkley R. Merwin, Mrs. Edward Clinch, Mrs. Alexander Reed, Mrs. Frank H. Stevens, Mrs. Alfred E. Fountain, Mrs. William C. Bitting, Mrs. Remsen Darling, Miss Evans, Miss Margaret Sharkey, Miss May Daeniker, Miss May Elderd, Miss Florence Nichols, Miss Muriel Lund, Miss Alice Smith, Miss Edwina Evans, Miss Rita Holt, Miss Ethel Erskins, and Miss Henrietta Sherwood, of Orange, N. J. The young girls of the receiving party were all gowned in white, and Miss Evans gave a card party for them in the evening. All of them were formerly her classmates.

The managers of the Silver Cross Day Nursery have arranged to give two subscription dances, the first to take place on December 29, at the Ellerslie. The patronesses are Mrs. Henry T. Peirce, president; Mrs. Alfred E. Fountain, treasurer; Mrs. Arthur A. Stilwell, chairman of the dance committee; Mrs. Frank O. Evans, Mrs. Charles B. Morris, Mrs. Alexander Reed, Mrs. George W. Best, Mrs. Charles E. Cornell, Mrs. Charles W. Dayton, Mrs. Henry H. Daeniker, Mrs. Hamilton Higgins, Mrs. Samuel O. Howe, Mrs. Frederick F. Lockwood, Mrs. Isaac Mills, Mrs. H. W. McMann, Mrs. Berkley R. Merwin, Mrs. Walter Silleck, Mrs. Orison B. Smith, Mrs. Judson G. Wells, Mrs. Abner P. Bigelow, Mrs. Mott D. Cannon, Mrs. Henry Mason Day, Mrs. Richard J. Godwin, Mrs. Oliver N. Hitchcock, Mrs. Eugene L. Hand, Mrs. William A. Marble, Mrs. Sidney B. Mills, Mrs. J. Clarence Sharp, Mrs. William B. Lymmes, Mrs. Frank H. Stevens, Mrs. Charles A. Terry, Mrs. George W. Wallace and Mrs. E. P. Whitchorne.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Howell, who were married in September in the Olin M. E. Church, Williamsbridge, have returned from their wedding trip and taken apartments at Woodlawn Heights. On Tuesday evening they gave a dinner party to their bridal attendants, the guests being Miss Florence Goodsell, maid of honor; Henry McCorkle, best man, and Frederick James, Harry Dohm, James A. Darragh and Sidney Howell, ushers.

Mrs. Richard Leland Swezey and her daughter, Miss Swezey, No. 61 Convent-ave., have sent out cards for receptions to be given at their home on Mondays in January, February, March and April.

Mrs. J. J. Nestell, No. 237 Lenox-ave., has sent out at home cards for the second and fourth Fridays of January and February.

Mrs. Edward Owen and Miss Owen, No. 32 Manhattan-ave., will be at home on the first and third Sunday evenings of each month during the season.

Miss Julia Lathers, a daughter of the late Colonel Lathers, of New-York and Winyah, New-Rochelle, has instituted and carried on for several years one of the most successful "bureaus" in New-York. In conversation with a representative of The Tribune she regretted that recently articles had been published giving to the public an erroneous idea of what she is doing. Instead of putting within the means of people in straitened circumstances ball dresses and tawdry finery, she supplies suitable clothing and articles of many kinds