FOR THE BUSY MAN.

Constant Reader Tells What He Missed in Last Week's Papers.

"How much longer must the public wait for that insurance report?" asked the Busy Man as soon as he caught sight again of the Constant Reader.

"The report is out and the eight bills based on the investigation of the insurance companies have been introduced at Albany," was the response. "They practically revolutionize the life insurance business. They strike at the root of the evil of speculation, and prohibit the companies from buying all except municipal stocks. All prohibited stocks must be sold within five years. They overthrow the one man power in companies and provide that the policyholders shall cast votes directly for officers. They check the expansion of the companies, preventing the sacrifice of the interests of the old policyholders to get new. The three big companies are not to obtain more than $150,000,000 new business a year."

"How about political contributions?" interrupted the Busy Man.

"They are entirely prohibited," was the reply. "Legislation is also asked to prevent lobbying, or the use of 'yellow dog' funds to bribe legislators. Dividends on policies are no longer to be deferred, but paid annually in cash or deducted from the premiums. Each company shall give an annual accounting. The present and future types of policies of the various companies are to be standardized. The work of the committee was shown to be remarkably exhaustive, but in spite of the wisdom of its recommendations some of them will be fought bitterly by the insurance companies, especially the bill to prohibit their buying stocks. The Standard Oil people are extremely anxious to defeat this measure, as it will prevent their using the vast wealth of the Mutual, of which they have just obtained control, to back their various enterprises. The Mutual, by the way, bids fair to have as much of civil war as the Equitable. The reform element has crossed swords with the Standard Oil faction. The counsel of the Truesdale housecleaning committee all resigned because they could not do a thorough job. So did Stuyvesant Fish. Suits have been brought against the McCurdy family by the Mutual and the McCurdys have started counter suits."

"Has the Gas Trust defeated the bill for cheaper illumination?" asked the Busy Man.

"Time will tell," was the reply. "The Gas Commission has at last ordered the Manhattan gas companies to charge 80 cents, instead of $1, a thousand feet, beginning May 1. The gas companies will fight the order in the courts. The bill providing that the New-York Central shall depress its tracks in 11th-ave. passed the Senate. The railroad's attorney, however, said it would refuse to build a subway, but would be willing to erect an elevated structure. There have been two big realty deals in this city. The old Broadway Tabernacle site and a neighboring parcel were bought for $2,000,000 by the head of Rogers, Peet & Co., clothiers. The whole western block front in Broadway between 34th and 35th sts. was bought by the United Cigar Stores Company. A forty story office building, 584 feet high, is to be erected at the northwest corner of Broadway and Liberty-st. It will be the tallest office building in the world, and will overtop the Washington Monument by thirty-nine feet. The fight to oust John P. Haines from the presidency of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was carried to Albany, where Attorney General Mayer was asked to make an investigation and remove Mr. Haines. It is charged that in the last ten years the society has collected $1,000,000, but has made no reports of the money's disposition. William M. Ivins, who ran third for Mayor last fall, attacked District Attorney Jerome, and challenged him to tell where he got his campaign funds. Mr. Jerome said he wouldn't tell, simply because he 'didn't want to.'"

"What's going to be done at Panama?" interrupted the Busy Man, impetuously. "Will it be a lock or a sea level canal?"

"A lock canal," was the reply. "Such was the recommendation of the Isthmian Commission, which the President transmitted to Congress. The President favors the commission's findings. The Hepburn Railroad Rate bill, which has passed the House, was reported from committee to the Senate, but in charge of Mr. Tillman, the Democratic pitchfork from South Carolina. This has caused a split among the Republican Senators. Senator Knox, who wants the rate decisions of the Interstate Commerce Commission reviewed by the courts, introduced a bill embodying that idea. Meanwhile the United States Supreme Court decided that a railroad which is a purchaser and seller of coal could not cut its rates for carrying the coal to such a degree that it could make a profit on the contract. An inquiry into the alleged railroad monopoly of coal and oil was voted by the House. The Senate passed the Pure Food bill, making it a misdemeanor to make or sell adulterated or misbranded foods. The House passed a bill providing for the punishment of hazing at Annapolis."

"What you said of the coal road inquiry prompts me to ask about the coal strike," said the Busy Man. "Is Mitchell still aching for a fight?"

"Mr. Mitchell, president of the miners' union, said that there would certainly be a strike in the soft coal fields on April 1," replied the Constant Reader. "As to the hard coal mines he couldn't say. Greater Pittsburg elected its first Mayor, George W. Guthrie, a Democrat, amid much rioting and disorder. Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth reached Havana, on their honeymoon. Charles H. Mayer, president, and William D. Heywood, secretary of the Western Federation of Miners, have been charged directly with the murder of ex-Governor Frank Steunenburg, of Idaho. Johann Hoch, the Chicago Blue Beard, who has fought death so long, was hanged."

"Seems to me that conference at Algeciras drags on a fearfully long while," said the Busy Man. "Has it ended yet?"

"The conference is still in session, while all Europe looks on wonderingly," responded the Constant Reader. "Each capital guesses at the result in a different way. Mr. White, the American representative, continues to be optimistic, and says Germany and France will hit on some scheme to police Morocco satisfactorily to both. France has broken off outside negotiations with Germany, however, bringing the deadlocked issues before the conferrees. M. Fallières, meantime, was elected President of France. Germany has taken a friendly stand toward the United States, the Reichstag voting to extend a reciprocal tariff arrangement until June 30, 1907. Austria and Hungary have stirred up their old racial feud again. Because the Hungarian Parliament refused to be dissolved by royal rescript, Austrian troops marched in and drove the members out. The Hungarians want their own language used in the army, but the Emperor refused their request. The Hungarian upper set is also opposed to the Emperor's plan to grant the suffrage to all the inhabitants of Hungary, although in this the aristocrats have the masses against them. In England the King in his speech to Parliament advocated a modified form of Home Rule for Ireland, which the Irish say they would be glad to have as a beginner, if nothing more. Later Irish self government was upheld by a great vote in the House. Russia, despite her defeat by Japan, is again stretching out a paw for another slice of Asia. The Bear is after Mongolia now, and is asking for concessions there through M. Pokateloff, the Russian Ambassador at Peking. The Chinese have been attacking Catholic missions, meantime, driving the priests out of several towns in the southeast provinces. The German Legation at the Chinese capital, fearing an uprising, has doubled its garrison. Japan has warned China to prevent an anti-foreign outbreak, but the Peking government seems powerless."

"I heard that one of the big insurance men was dead," said the Busy Man.

"John A. McCall, formerly president of the New York Life, died at Lakewood," was the reply. "His funeral was held last Wednesday in New York. Others who died were John F. Parkhurst, Justice of the New York State Supreme Court, whose home was at Bath; John Stanton, a well known authority on copper; Professor Nott W. Flint, of the University of Chicago; John B. Stetson, the Philadelphia hat maker; Samuel Thomas, the iron master; William A. Hovey, formerly Editor of 'The Boston Transcript'; Charles H. Turner, ex-president of the St. Louis and Suburban Railroad, who died here as an exile, having fled to the city because of the boodle exposures in St. Louis; Christopher C. Shayne, the fur merchant of New York; Mrs. William J. Florence, the actress, and Mrs. Marie Louise Edison, wife of Thomas A. Edison, jr.

QUESTIONS ANSWERED

INTERPRETATION OF DREAMS.

H. D. (Los Angeles, Cal.): Are there prophetic dreams foreshadowing future events?

In a certain respect there are such dreams, inasmuch as they sometimes are the reflections of our internal sensations, and therefore may reveal some incipient disease of which we are not conscious in the waking state. Physicians have therefore found the dream a good means of diagnosis. Does a patient complain of horrible nightmares? It is at least the indication of a morbid affection of the heart or the large blood vessels of the brain. These nightmares are produced by a defective blood circulation. A person dreaming that his limbs are transformed into stone runs the risk of having the limbs paralyzed at an early date. Conrad Gesner, dreaming that he was bitten on the right side of his body, inferred from the dream some lesion in that region, and a few days later there actually appeared on the spot dreamed of an anthrax, from which the celebrated naturalist died. Arnauld de Villeneuve dreamed one night that he was bitten on his foot, and the day following a cancerous ulcer developed there. These citations could be multiplied infinitely. Hippocrates, Aristotle and a great number of modern physicians and physiologists have recognized the utility of interrogating the dreams of the patient. Hindoo and Chinese physicians in particular avail themselves much of dreams in their diagnosis. They divide the dreams into five classes, corresponding to the heart, the lungs, the kidneys, the milt and the liver. According as there is repletion or inanition of the vessel the dream changes in nature. Thus, as to the heart, there is repletion if we dream of ghosts and monsters, inanition if of fire or light smoke. Repletion of the lungs is indicated by dreaming of arms, soldiers, fights; inanition, by plains, landscapes, difficult voyage, etc. This is, at any rate, a little more interesting than the vulgar interpretations of the dream book that tells us that a running donkey signifies misfortune, and a crying donkey calumny.

But dreams are not only the true mirrors of our physiological and pathalogical state; they also betray the sleeper's frame of mind, reveal the thoughts with which he was occupied when awake, cause latent ideas to emerge above the threshold of consciousness, and to this are due the wonderful dreams in which poetry and music have been composed and even scientific discoveries made. As the attention during sleep is undisturbed by a great number of external perceptions, memory acts with a perfection never observed during the waking state. Thus it comes to pass that the facts or things which we thought entirely forgotten suddenly arise to our consciousness when asleep and assume the character of an intuition. This gave rise to the belief that dreams were of divine or supernatural origin, and the supposition that they foreshadowed future events. This erroneous view was fortified by another circumstance. In the dreams our personality splits, as it were, in two; for as Descartes well remarks, the soul is incapable of reacting against the impressions made upon it by the senses, a state that causes us to look upon ourselves as strangers. We are, therefore, led to attribute to imaginary beings the words we ourselves mentally pronounce, the thoughts which engross our own minds. Under the sway of a religious fear, of the belief in celestial spirits, we see these beings in the dreams, ascribe to them talks and acts in accordance with our own convictions with our own hopes or apprehensions. This explains those instances of presentiment, of which history tells us with superstitious awe. Anxiety or desire, vague and indefinite during the waking state, assume during sleep form and shape, and appear as visions which sometimes have happened to agree with the naturally foreseen reality. But as regards the so-called dreams foreshadowing future events independent of the causes referred to, the belief in their existence is without foundation whatever. They are either mere coincidences—and it is these that are cited over and over again—or the event after its occurrence is unconsciously related to some previous dream to which it is made to fit.

ANCIENT MULTIPLICATION AND DIVISION.

G. G., Lisbon, Me.: How did the ancient Romans, with their awkward system of figuring, perform multiplications and divisions?

They did so by means of dactylonomy, an art in which all the numbers from one to a million were expressed by certain positions of the fingers and hands. At the same time they also employed the abacus, an instrument by means of which more complicated operations could be performed. The Roman abacus contains seven long and seven short rods, the former having four perforated beads running on them, and the latter one. The bar marked I indicates units, X tens, and so on up to millions. The beads on the shorter bars denote fives—five units, five tens, etc. In the following illustration of a multiplication of 4,600 by 23 the Arabic figures represent the respective beads:

C	M	X	M	M	C	X	I	
			*4	*6				With the multiplicators (2, 3) on the right side below was multiplied: 8x6 makes XVIII, the tens being placed in the third column, the units in the fourth.
		1		8				600x8.
	1	2						4,000x3.
	1	2						600x20.
	8							4,000x20.
1			5	8				Products, e. g., 105,800.
						2	3	Multiplicators.

*Multiplicants.

A division of 100,000 by 20,023 was performed in the following way:

C	M	X	M	M	C	X	I	
		2				2	3	Divisors.
		2						Largest divisor.
1								Dividend, goes 4 times; the 4 is placed in the lowest row to the right: 20,000x4=80,000.
		2						Remainder.
				1				The same remainder changed to C
		1	9	9				
						8		20x4.
		1	9	9		2		Remainder.
						1	2	3x4.
		1	9	9			8	Remainder.
							4	Quotient 4, remainder 19,908.

To-day these operations are, no doubt, performed in a much easier manner.

ABOUT THE MORMONS.

C. S. E., Dayton, Tenn.: Who wrote the Book of Mormon? Who founded the Mormon Church? Do the Mormons believe in Christ?

Mormonism was founded by Joseph Smith, jr., at Fayette, Seneca County, N. Y., in 1830. In 1823, alleging that he was led by the inspiration of an angel who had appeared to him, he said that he discovered golden plates on which the records of Mormon were inscribed. In 1830 Smith published an English translation of the plates under the title of "The Book of Mormon," together with certificates of eleven men who claimed to have seen the plates. Smith was succeeded by Brigham Young, who, in the spring of 1846, started with a company of 143 through the wilderness, and on July 24 arrived at the Valley of Salt Lake, which he declared was the promised land. The Mormons believe in Christ. As to your other questions, they are too much of a personal nature and can only be answered by a Mormon elder.

CONCERT BY FLATBUSH SINGERS.

Frederick O. Porter, director of the Choral Society of Flatbush, has provided an ambitious programme for the second concert of the society's season of 1905-'06, which will be given in the Flatbush Presbyterian Church on Tuesday evening. The "Raymond" overture leads, followed by Noyes's cantata "The Village Blacksmith." Schumann's "The Two Grenadiers," Barnby's "Who Shall Be Fleetest?" "How Sweet the Moonlight," Henry Leslie's music to Shakespeare's words, Grieg's "Landsighting," "It Is Enough," from "Elijah," "The Lost Chord," and "Fair Ellen," Max Bruch's story of the relief of Lucknow, complete the vocal numbers, with "Dreaming," Dunckler's "Spinning Song," and a canzonetta written by himself, as 'cello solos by G. E. Clauder. Miss Alice McNeill at the piano, Mrs. Royal W. Raymond at the organ and a string quartet will provide the instrumental music, and Mrs. George R. Whitehead, soprano; Andreas Schneider, barytone, and Edward K. Botsford, bass, will be the soloists.

OF SOCIAL INTEREST.

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Mrs. Walter Howard Chase and Miss Olive Kimball, of New-York, are in Atlanta. Among those who gave dinners and other parties last week in their honor are Captain and Mrs. W. R. Joyner.

The last university tea of the season will be held on Wednesday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock at Earl Hall, Broadway and 116th-st. Mrs. A. D. F. Hamlin, of Morningside-ave., who was hostess at last Wednesday's tea, is being highly congratulated on the conspicuous success of that affair, at which Mark Twain and Sir Caspar Purdon Clarke were the chief guests. Mrs. Hamlin was ably assisted by Mrs. F. M. Burdick, Mrs. J. H. Robinson, Mrs. T. C. Egbert, Mrs. J. C. Fletcher, Mrs. F. D. Sherman, Mrs. W. H. Carpenter, Mrs. J. V. Van Pelt, Mrs. J. Dewey, Mrs. F. Boas, Mrs. C. P. Warren and Mrs. R. J. Gottheil.

Miss Agnes Taylor, of South Boston, is the guest of Mrs. William Hammond, of Park-ave.

The social committee of the Woman's Guild of St. Luke's Church, Washington Heights, will give an entertainment called "A Darktown Wedding Reception" at the Young Men's Christian Association Hall, in 155th-st., near Broadway, on Tuesday evening. The piece was written by William Case, and represents the wedding of Eliza Jackson, including tableaus, songs, jokes, and a cakewalk. The cast is as follows: Eliza Jackson, bride, Mrs. M. A. White; Wash White, bridegroom, Theodore Morris; deacon, Major A. White; best man, William Case; best gal, Mrs. Charles B. Peck. Mrs. E. M. Tower is chairman of the social committee.

The New-York City Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, held a unique patriotic celebration at Sherry's on Washington's Birthday. An illustrated lecture was given by William Speiden, of the Custom House, Port of New-York, on "How the United States Opened Japan to the World." Although very young, he was a member of the great expedition to Japan in 1853 under Commodore Matthew C. Perry.

The ballroom of the hotel was decorated with American and Japanese flags, emblems of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The committee badges were headed with a cluster of cherries and leaves, tied with red, white and blue ribbon, and fastened with a Washington pin set in gold.

A reception was given to Mr. Speiden at the close of the lecture by the officers of the chapter, who are: Miss Emma Goble Lathrop, regent; Mrs. Edwards Hall, Mrs. Vernon M. Davis, vice-regents; Mrs. Ovid A. Hyde, Mrs. Frederick L. Bradley, secretaries; Mrs. Thomas H. Whitney, treasurer. The committee consisted of Mrs. Frank J. Blodgett, Mrs. J. Wray Cleveland, Mrs. George Möller, Mrs. Edward T. Bartlett, Miss E. E. Davis, Mrs. Wilbur McBride, Mrs. Frederick Downes, Mrs. Emma Wynkoop Clark, Miss Fannie Wynkoop Clark, Miss Mary Flagler Dodge and Miss Charlotte Chambers Hall. The proceeds of the lecture are for N. Y. C. C. Room of the Memorial Continental Hall in Washington, D. C. Among the large audience present were Donald McLean, Justice and Mrs. Vernon M. Davis, Commander and Mrs. Walter J. Sears, United States Navy; Judge and Mrs. Henry W. Bookstaver, Colonel and Mrs. John C. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. James Randell, Miss Mary Haines Doremus, Mrs. Watson A. Bowron, Miss Mary F. Bowron, Mrs. Webster Elmes, the Japanese Consul General and Mrs. Uchida, Mr. and Mrs. Imanishi, Miss Tze, of Shanghai, China; Rev. and Mrs. Alonzo E. Austin, late of Sitka, Alaska; Dr. and Mrs. A. Eugene Austin, Mrs. Howard Duffield, Professor Daniel S. Martin, Ph. D.; Mr. and Mrs. James A. Skinner, Mrs. John Bright Stevens, Mrs. Helen J. Tausley, Mr. Tausley, Mrs. Jacob Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe, of St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Edward Tuttle, the Misses Ingraham, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Gardner, Mrs. M. Angelo Heath, Miss Laura P. Halsted, Miss Frances A. Cowles and Mrs. Ronald E. Bonar.

Miss Martha Edna Bergè has been called South suddenly and has recalled the cards for her at-home March 1. Miss Bergè will receive on the first Thursday in April.

Mrs. Samuel J. Kramer, president of the Washington Headquarters Association, represented that organization on the programme of the Washington's Birthday celebration at the Jumel Mansion on Thursday. Besides reading a formal note of regret from President Roosevelt and personal notes from Governor Higgins, General Horace Porter, Herbert Parsons and others, Mrs. Kramer referred in cordial terms to the support which the Daughters of the American Revolution had received from the Parks Department of the city. When the restorations on the Jumel Mansion are completed it is the purpose of the city to turn the historic edifice into a museum. It is expected that the Daughters of the American Revolution will be made custodians, and that a guard in Colonial uniform will be stationed there as a protection and for the benefit of sightseers.

Among those present at the Washington's Birthday celebration were, besides Mrs. Kramer, Mrs. Frederick Hasbrouck, Mrs. William Cummings Story, Mrs. N. Taylor Phillips, Mrs. Robert Dhu MacDonald, Mrs. Charles Terhune, Mrs. Stuart Osborne, Colonel and Mrs. Francis Bacon Jones, Charles Boucher, Mrs. J. Alexander Brown, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Dease, the Rev. Charles W. DeLyon Nichols, Mrs. Bradley-Jones of Baltimore, the Rev. Dr. H. Pereira Mendes and the Rev. David James Burrell.

Wallack's Theatre was the scene on Tuesday afternoon of the fourth annual entertainment of the Anne Brown School Alumnæ Association in aid of their free kindergarten at Nos. 48 and 50 Henry-st. A fine programme of piano sketches, cartoons, illusions and legerdemain, dialectic imitations, etc., was presented, among those who appeared being Frank Lincoln, Herbert Brooks, Carrie Hill, Hal Merritt, DeVeaux and DeVeaux and Paul Barnes, the author of "Dolly Gray."

The patronesses of the kindergarten, which does a valuable work in one of the poorest sections of the city, are Mrs. Montgomery Roosevelt, Mrs. Page Brown, Mrs. George F. Valentine, Mrs. A. M. Dodge, Mrs. Herbert Reginald Bishop, Mrs. Frank B. Schley, Mrs. John Boulton Simpson, Mrs. Charles H. Denison, Mrs. Edward Perry Townsend, Mrs. Daniel Manning, Mrs. Sterling Beardsley, Mrs. Charles Henry Cates, Mrs. Henry Butler, Mrs. Lewis Rutherford Morris, Mrs. Edgar Storm Appleby, Mrs. Kate Douglas Riggs; Mrs. Walter Cowperthwaite, Mrs. C. Montieth Gilpin, Mrs. Andrew H. Lipsett, Mrs. H. F. Ballantine and Mrs. Pratt A. Brown.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Miss Louise Mingle, daughter of Mrs. Sampson Q. Mingle, to Samuel E. Lewis. The ceremony is to take place at the home of the bride's mother, No. 315 West 86th-st., next Tuesday afternoon, at 5 o'clock. A large reception will follow.

The Vassar Students' Aid Society will hold its regular social meeting at the Hotel Astor on the afternoon of March 3 from 3:30 until 6 o'clock. The members of the society will entertain the presidents of the different educational and philanthropic clubs of the city, some of whom will give addresses concerning the object and work of the clubs which they represent. During the reception music will be furnished by the Whittier Hall Mandolin Club, composed of twelve young women.

Mrs. Maria C. Weed, a lecturer, left New-York Tuesday on an extended tour. Tuesday night she lectured in Albany. Mrs. Weed will deliver forty lectures, all in the interests of the anti-Mormon campaign, before her return.

Mrs. William Wells, No. 128 West 95th-st., entertained the Afternoon West Side Assemblies (Mrs. Andrew Lipsett, president) at their tenth meeting this season last Monday. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Edward Russell, No. 158 West 105th-st.

The third dance of the West Side Assemblies at the Leslie, Broadway and 83d-st., last Friday evening, was largely attended. The patronesses of this series of dances, most of whom were present and assisted in receiving, are: Mrs. Charles A. Cowen, Mrs. Enoch Dutcher, Mrs. John C. Hanson, Mrs. Michel Kirtland, Mrs. Charles Lawrence, Mrs. William J. Lawson, Mrs. John H. Lay, Mrs. Andrew H. Lipsett, Mrs. Wilbur T. Lunt, Mrs. William P. Odell, Mrs. George E. Walsh and Mrs. William Wells.

The Phi Phi Mu Fraternity of Wadleigh high school gave a dance at the Nevada on Wednesday evening. The patronesses were: Mrs. N. Bolet, Mrs. F. Ferguson, Mrs. C. Hauptner, Mrs. H. Haaker, Mrs. A. Bruggemann, Mrs. E. Heuel, and Mrs. A. L. Richmond. On the committee which arranged the dance were Misses C. G. Hauptner, E. Hugart, M. McMahon and E. J. Heuel.

Mrs. N. E. Hulbert, chairman of the entertainment committee of the New-York City Indian Association, has arranged an interesting programme for the concert at the Waldorf-Astoria to-morrow evening. The following artists will appear: Miss Clementine Tetedoux, soprano; Edward Barrow, tenor; William Harper, barytone; Gustav Dannreuther, violinist; Miss Mari Rulf Hofer, of Columbia University; Mrs. Addison Rothermel, reader, and Smith N. Penfield, pianist. Miss Hofer will give some native Indian songs, and Mrs. Rothermel will recite an Indian story in addition to an original monologue. There will be numbers by Verdi, Purcell, Bach, Tours, Nevin and Pugno, and a sonata for piano and violin by Mr. Penfield will be played by him and Mr. Dannreuther. In the absence of Mrs. Robert Harris, the president, Mrs. Amelia S. Quinton will give a short account of the origin and work of the organization.

The last dance of the Bide a Wee series was held at the Hotel Nevada, Broadway and 17th-st., on Thursday evening. Among the patronesses were Mrs. Henry Lippincott, Miss Mary E. O'Keefe, Mrs. Robert McWilliam, Mrs. Charles R. Stilwell, Mrs. Marshall E. Curry and Mrs. Nathaniel Tuttle. Among the guests were the Misses May Dumas, Hazel Huggins, Ethel Bromme, Viola Deeves, Alice Lippincott, Jessie Arnold, Marie James, Alice Bartlett, Edith Holahan, Alice Holahan, Mary Jenkins, Claudia Marrian, Louise Wulf, Wilhelmine Curry, Lotta Acker, Elizabeth O'Keefe, Anna Holahan, B. Gries, May Cowan, Mabel Lester, Jessie McGovern, Susie Carrean, Clarice Carrean, Ethel Capen, Louise Craigen, Helen Dickinson, Edith Barlow, Caroline Stilwell, Sally Curry, Florence Tuttle, George Miller, Fred Warriner, Henry Jackson, H. Fitz, Albert Bole, Lawrence Post, Frank Syms, Harold Cloyd, William Clements, Joseph Devlin, L. Rushington, H. Bartlett, Karl Struss, Ambrose Arnold, Clarkson V. Morton, Russell Nixon, Herbert Neal, Moses King, Robert Moore, G. Stewart, S. Morton Buckley, James Finnegan, Curran Rogers, B. Myers and Earl Smith.

The officers of the State Society of the Daughters of the Revolution were entertained at a Washington's Birthday luncheon last Thursday by Mrs. Zeb Mayhew, the recording secretary, at her home, No. 862 Carroll-st., Brooklyn. The table was decorated with red and white carnations, with a cherry tree in the centre, and the courses were served in cocked hats and similar receptacles. The salted almonds reposed in miniature drums, the sherbet came on in camp kettles, and the ice cream was in the form of cannon. Among the guests were Mrs. D. Phoenix Ingraham, president general of the national society; Mrs. Joseph J. Casey, register general; Mrs. John Howard Abeel, regent of New-York State; Miss Josephine Wandell, vice-regent, and Miss Juanita K. Leland, corresponding secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ross, of Plattsburg, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Sutherland Ross, and Frank E. Smith, of this city.

Cards have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edward Bateson, of No. 145 West 58th-st., Manhattan, announcing the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mary S. Bateson, and William E. G. Gillard, on Washington's Birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Gillard will be at home on Mondays in April after Easter, at No. 44 West 45th-st.

The Cantata Club, of Montclair, N. J., will make its initial bow to the public under the direction of Albert Gérard-Thiers, February 27, for the benefit of the Homœopathic Hospital. Signor Bell Berky and Albery Mildenberg will be the assisting artists.

BROOKLYN SOCIAL CHAT

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nounced a few weeks ago, was the guest of honor at a tea given yesterday a week by Miss Elsie Arnold, at her home, No. 283 Henry-st. Miss Arnold and Miss Smith were assisted in receiving by Miss Maude V. Jones, Miss Marion Smith, Mrs. Edward Irving Graff, Mrs. James Watt, Miss Gladys Greeley and Miss Mary Eckert, of Manhattan. The rooms were decorated with pink roses, palms and ferns.

The large attendance, numbering about three hundred, at the annual ball of the Bachelors and Spinsters' Monday evening was representative of every section in the borough. As in previous years, the ball was given at the Pouch Gallery, which was effectively decorated for the occasion. The ballroom was in pink, and the banquet hall in red. The patronesses, Mrs. Charles Seidler Adams, Mrs. Reinhart C. Bachofen von Echt, Mrs. Clarance Stacey Bender, Mrs. Roland Whitney Betts, Mrs. Edwin Parke Benson, Mrs. Charles I. de Bevoise, Mrs. Alfred Bangs Carhart, Mrs. Hugh de Haven, Mrs. Richard L. Edwards, jr., Mrs. Edward T. Horwill, Mrs. Calvin Edwards Hull, Mrs. John Clapperton Kerr, Mrs. Herbert Y. Ketcham, Mrs. Charles L. Livingston, Mrs. Edgar F. Luckenbach, Mrs. Harry S. Moul, Mrs. Walter L. Pate, Mrs. Chester Ingersoll Richards, Mrs. William R. Simons, Mrs. Henry C. Van Cleef, Mrs. Henry Hayes Wood and Mrs. Frederick W. Wurster, received in the white and gold parlor, which was ornamented with white flowers and palms. The committee in charge included R. Aubrey Barker, Frederick M. Butler, Ira B. Downs, Clarence Dunning, Rudolph Goepel, Rufus L. Scott, jr., Howard B. Smithers, Edward R. Linker, jr., John L. Vanderbilt, Hubert C. Zellhoefer, Miss Adele Bull, Miss Kate Carleton, Miss Anna Francis, Miss Florence Hegeman, Miss Maude V. Jones, Miss Louise Lefferts, Miss Louise Mayhew and Miss Louise Wurster. The subscribers were Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Ogilvie, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene A. Widmann, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Middendorf, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore L. Lutkins, Judge and Mrs. E. G. Higginbottom, Mr. and Mrs. Le Roy W. Ross, Miss Grace L. Kerr, Miss Florence Calhoun Burke, Miss Helen Hunter, Miss Mabel Gardiner, Miss Lucy Jenkins, Miss Marie Appleton, Miss Eva Finley, Miss Constance Trowbridge, Miss Elizabeth Weeden, Miss Ethel Pate, Miss Kate D. Ketcham, Miss Elsie Fuller, Miss Jessie Righter, Miss Marie Zimmerman, Miss Marguerite Zimmerman, Miss Madeline Spear, Miss Cornelia La Vie, Miss Nellie F. Stokes, Miss Ruth Ryder, Miss Beatrice Oltrogge, Miss Grace Norton, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Lefferts, Miss Gretel Liman, Miss Christensen, Miss Annette Dotter, Miss Alice Hawthorne, Miss Lulu Wanamaker, Miss Isabel W. Mackay, Miss Carrie W. Peters, Miss Mary McCabe, Miss Adelaide Schlerenbeck, Miss Emma Crane, Miss Ida Decker, Miss Maizie Crane, Miss Bradford, Miss Price, Miss Gwendolyn Lloyd, Miss Helen Greason, Miss Hazel Carpenter, Miss Eugenie Alger, Miss Leona R. Block, Miss Ida Emory, Miss Ernst, Miss Eka Weston, Miss Lucy Clair, Miss Louise Earle, Miss Gertrude Sullivan, Miss Elsie B. Preston, Miss Arthur, Miss Mabel K. Swezey, Miss Olga Rose, Arthur Gotthold, Howard B. Smithers, Foster Crampton, Alfred G. Belden, Bernardus Eversten, Joseph W. Vose, Robert Fletcher, Arthur S. Jones, Charles C. Putnam, Clarence F. Weston, Francis E. Walton, Gilbert B. Woodhull, Elmer M. Burden, Herbert S. Downe, William F. Atkinson, Howard S. Rickerson, Henry Mackay, John J. MacCrum, Albert Schierenbeck, George D. Hapgood, Ralph E. Crego, Harry T. Rose, Waldemar H. Rose, Lewis L. Foster, A. C. Stern, Chester H. Mount, Harold McCollum, Frank Squier, Howard C. Plackwell, C. W. C. Child, Beverley S. King, Creighton Porter, John B. Wolf, Henry Llenan, Rutger J. Planten, Edwin G. Babcock, Palmer Jadwin, Albert M. Shannon, Joseph Slipper, Arthur E. Hart, Willard P. Spaulding, James P. McLaren, Harold L. Lloyd, Jerome C. Cook, H. B. Swortfinger, S. Arthur Graves, Randolph Sexton, Rudolph Goepel, Allen Taylor Smith, E. Irving Dodge, De Witt C. Peterkin, J. H. Killin, David Duncan, Russell W. Earle, Vincent C. Arquimbau, Jean C. Caldwell, Theodore A. Hellwig, Charles Curie, jr., Charles Norton, Frederick V. Clark, A. Julian Klar, F. L. Pomeroy, jr., Gilbert B. Woodhull, Alfred Boerum, J. Everett Sparrow, W. Fordham Paye, William M. Jones, Carlton O. Pate, William Hill Burr, Charles Seidler Adams, Clarence Stacey Bender, Edwin Parke Benson, Alfred Bangs Carhart, Hugh de Haven, Edward T. Hornill, John Clapperton Kerr, Charles L. Livingston, Harry S. Moul, Walter L. Pate, Chester T. Richards, William R. Simons, Henry H. Wood and H. C. Van Cleef.

The marriage of Miss Martha Covert Daggett and Frederick Alfred Burgess took place on Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock, the Rev. William Jackson officiating. The ceremony was performed at the home of Mrs. Robert Reinhart, a cousin of the bride, at No. 332 Hancock-st. Miss Daggett was gowned in white silk mull and lace, and carried Bride roses and lilies-of-the-valley. The maid of honor, Miss Edith L. Daggett, was frocked in white swiss over pale pink. Eugene B. Daggett was best man. The ribbons for the bridal party were held by Miss Lillian Bueno, Miss Emma L. Daggett, Master Ross Daggett and Master Joseph N. Daggett. The house was decorated with pink and white roses and greens. A reception followed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Burgess are to make their home in Lebanon, Conn.

On Wednesday and Thursday, February 14 and 15, Mrs. Hubert Stanley Connell, of No. 410 West End-ave., Manhattan, received with her sister, Miss Morgan. On the first day Miss Norton, of Manhattan, and Miss Rison, of Virginia, assisted them, and on Friday Miss Norton and Miss Corbett, of this borough, were in the receiving party. Mrs. Connell's gown was of pale lavender crêpe de chine, with cream lace and opal spangled trimmings, and her sister wore a frock of white chiffon and lace over pink. Pink roses and carnations, combined with maidenhair ferns, formed the decorations.

At the dinner following the reception of Mrs. Clinton Elliott and Miss Elliott, of No. 1,235 Dean-st., and Mrs. Henry Elliott, on Friday of the week before last, the guests were Mrs. Daisy Beard Shults, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hinman, Mr. and Mrs. Julius E. Prior, Frederic C. Brown and Lemuel C. Benedict.

In the receiving party with Mrs. Charles W. Frazier on February 17 were Mrs. William H. Williams, Mrs. Charles Frazier, Miss Marion Frazier, Miss Henrietta Williams, Miss Agnes Williams, Miss Hedelind Beck, Miss Florence Shepard, Miss Kate Ketcham, Miss Amy Dunlap and Miss Florence Garrison. The Frazier house, No. 174 Prospect Place, was decorated with pink roses and palms.

The two consecutive "at homes," on Tuesday and Wednesday of the week before last, of Mrs. Herbert Wallace Todd, née Hawkins, of No. 312 West 93d-st., attracted a large number from this borough. Miss Harvey, of Chicago, was the guest of honor. The receiving parties included Mrs. A. T. Birdsall, Mrs. Frank Harvey Field, Miss E. T. Stevens, Mrs. R. C. Smack, Mrs. H. D. Atwater, Mrs. F. H. Mills, Mrs. Victor Hawkins, Mrs. P. C. Todd, Miss Sprague, Miss Aller, Miss Hatch, Miss Mills, Miss Baldwin and Miss Field.

Mrs. Richard Lawrence Makin gave teas on Friday and Saturday of the week before last at her home, No. 113 Montague-st. Receiving with Mrs. Makin was Miss Anna Halsey. Assisting them were Mrs. Charles E. Sexton, Mrs. Matthew R. Kintzing, Miss May E. Kintzing and Miss Green. The hostess wore a gown of white silk crepe embroidered with violets, and Miss Halsey wore a black lace robe. The rooms were decorated with white and yellow spring flowers.

Yesterday a week brought the third of the series of "at homes" which Mrs. Edward Warner Allen, of No. 14 Monroe-st., has been giving. Mrs. George F. Higgins, of Worcester, Mass., was the guest of honor. The receiving party further included Mrs. P. Austin Tomes, Mrs. William H. Burger, Mrs. Darwin R. James, Mrs. Royal S. Goldbury, Mrs. A. F. Tomes, Mrs. William Bristol, Mrs. Joseph D. Burrell, Mrs. Clyde McCarroll and Miss Maytie Simpson.

One of the largest theatre parties given recently was that of the Wednesday Evening Dancing Class, February 16. After the play, which was "Molly Moonshine" at the Montauk, the entire party adjoined to the Hotel St. George for supper. Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Williams chaperoned the party, which included Miss Miriam Bagg and George P. Fort, who were married on Monday; Miss Gertrude Baldwin, Miss Anna Van Wickle, Miss Madeline Nichols, Miss Maude McCord, Miss Claire Wright, Miss Marjorie Rossiter, Miss Ruth Eastman, Miss Gladys Henry, Miss Madeline Cooney, Miss Edith Holt, Miss Mildred Browning, Miss Marion Doty, Miss Jessie Douglas, Miss Mary Dennison, Miss Adele L. Boyer, William Chilvers, Henry McLenathan, J. Norris Oliphant, Frederick Pomeroy, William Schloff, David Duncan, Henry Cameron Eldert, Richard Wright, Henry Wheeler Vagt, Angelo Freeborn, Joseph Van Denberg, Otto Molatsch and William Evans, of Roseville, N. J.

Monday evening, April 23, is the date set by the Woodman Choral Club for their conc