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SPECIAL CASH BARGAINS

—FROM—

New York Auction and Overstocked Importers.

It Will Pay You to Visit Us This Week

LADIES' READY-MADE GINGHAM APRON, ONLY 9c.

60 PIECES BEST QUALITY AMERICAN INDIGO BLUE CALICOS, MONDAY, 9 A. M., 3½c A YARD.

1,000 YARDS CHECKED COTTON TOWELING—MONDAY, 2c A YARD.

25 DOZEN PIECES HERRING BONE TRIMMING—MONDAY, 3c A PIECE.

1,000 YARDS SILESIA, IN BLACK AND GRAY, 36 INCHES WIDE, MANUFACTURERS' REMNANTS — VALUE, 12½c; ONLY 5c A YARD.

25 DOZEN BLEACHED COTTON MOMIE TOWELS, SIZE 15x30; ONLY 5c EACH.

20 DOZEN MEN'S FULL SEAMLESS HOSE, RIBBED; MONDAY, 9 P. M., 2c A PAIR.

500 YARDS WHITE CHECKED NAINSOOK, SHORT LENGTH; VALUE, 15c; ONLY 7½c YARD.

Now for Spring Dress Goods.

12½c yard—Fancy Cheviot Suitings in gray and tan mixtures; value, 20c; only 12½c yard.

20c—Beautiful Figured Mohair Suitings, Heather Suitings, Scotch Cheviots, 40 inches wide; only 20c yard.

50c—Changeable Iridescent and Diagonal Suitings, 40-inch; value, 75c; this week, 50c yard.

85c—Imported French Novelty Suitings, Greatest Suitings, Reversible Cheviots, Tweeds, Mozambique, etc., from 40 to 46 inches wide.

Black Dress Goods Specials.

35c—All-Wool French Serges, 38 inches wide; value, 40c; only 25c yard.

39c—Figured Mohair, 40 inches wide; price all over this city, 60c; only 39c a yard.

19c—Satin Armure Brocade, handsome fabric; value, 75c; only 50c.

87½c—Genuine Austrian Serge, extra fine quality, 46 inches wide; All-Wool Cheviot, the imported article; value, $1.25; your choice, 87½c.

Dress Linings.

Nearly half price is Monday's bargain inducement at our Lining counter.

Beltia in black and gray, 36 inches wide; manufacturers' remnants; value, 10c; only 5c yard.

Good quality English Hair Cloth, only 5c a yard.

Hard-Finished Rustling Taffetas, in tan, slate, drab and black, 36 inches wide; only 15c.

Extra quality All-Linen Dress Facing; tomorrow, only 15c a yard.

Hosiery and Underwear.

This is just to remind you that our assortment is selected with great care, and offered at prices not obtainable elsewhere.

Ladies' Summer Underwear, square neck, trimmed with ribbon, only 12½c.

Ladies' Egyptian Cotton Swiss Ribbed Vest, lace neck; value, 30c; only 20c.

Ladies' Ribbed Vest, long sleeves, high neck, in ecru, only 20c.

Ladies' Balbriggan Vest and Knickerbockers, in ecru, extra quality, only 50c.

Ladies' Union Suit, summer weight, in ecru, only 50c.

Ladies' Fine 40-Gauge Hermsdorf Fast Black Imported Stocking; value, 25c; only 20c a pair.

Ladies' New Fast Tan, Extra Three-Thread Hose, heavy sole; value, 25c; only 20c a pair.

Ladies' Silk-Finished, Extra Fine Super Combed Maco Yarn, double sole, extra high spliced heel; value, 35c; only 25c.

Ladies' Improved Elastic Top, Fast Black Hose; no Hose supporters required with these stockings; value, 45c; only 35c a pair.

Ladies' Out Size, Silk-Finished Hermsdorf Hose; extra fine; only 25c pair.

This Week's Bargains in Wash Goods.

Bought at a sacrifice from New York manufacturers:

Light Shirting Calicoes; worth 5c; 2½c yard.

5,000 yards Fancy Dress Calicoes, dark styles, 4c yard.

50 pieces Amoskeag Ginghams, in spring dress style; value, 8c; only 5c yard.

New Percales, 36 inches wide, only 5c a yard.

Best quality English Percales, newest pattern; value, 15c; only 12½c yard.

Outing Flannels, best quality teasel-down; value, 15c; only 10c yard.

Outing Flannels, manufacturers' remnants, in pretty styles; only 4½c yard.

See our new Dimities.

New Frou Frou Crepon.

New Piques.

New Pundahs.

New Hunters' Duck Suiting.

New Tella Vella Duck Suiting.

New Zephyr Gingham.

Tomorrow opens our April sale of Lace Curtains. Stock all new.

The sale of the season; by all odds the greatest values in Lace Curtains ever offered in Seattle.

Lace Curtains, full size, taped all around; only 35c a pair.

Handsome Curtains in new effects; value, $1, $1.25; only 65c and 85c a pair.

Imported Nottingham Lace Curtains, 63 inches wide, 3½ yards long; big value for $1.75; our price, $1.29 a pair.

Bay Window Curtains in Nottingham Lace, 64 inches wide; cheap at $3.50; only $2.25 a pair.

Point d'Esprit Curtains in cream, white, 60 inches, 3½ yards long; extra value at $3.25; this week $2.25 a pair.

Roses, every form and color; full bloom, half bloom and buds as true to nature as nature to herself.

Rose Buds from 10c a dozen up.

Moss Stem Roses, 10c a bunch.

All Silk Roses, 12½c a bunch of six.

Pure Snow White Lilies, only 10c a dozen.

Chrysanthemums, velvet leaves, forget-me-nots, lilacs, black violets, violets, hyacinths, daisies, bluets, moss roses, in their beauty of color, found here and at prices way below other millinery houses.

Sash Curtain Material.

Nottingham Curtain Lace, 40 inches wide value, 15c; Monday, 10c yard.

Extra Fine Nottingham Curtain Lace, 60 inches wide; value, 35c; only 25c a yard.

50-inch Novelty Lace Netting, in ecru and cream, only 15½c a yard.

54-inch Imported Novelty Netting, white coin dots on cream ground, very dainty; value, 65c; only 39c.

Bargains in Ready-Made Sheets.

42x36 Standard Quality Ready-Made Bleached Pillow Cases, only 7½c.

45x36 Ready-Made Pillow Cases, only 10c.

8-4 Extra Quality Ready Sheets, only 45c.

9-4 Extra Quality Ready Sheets, only 50c.

Sheeting Bargains.

8-4 Unbleached Sheeting, best pepperel muslin, only 13c a yard.

9-4, only 15c a yard.

8-4 Best Quality Bleached Pepperel Sheeting, only 15c yard.

8-4 Best Quality Bleached Pepperel Sheeting, only 17c.

Special low prices on twilled sheeting.

Underbought Linens.

Secured at a New York liquidation sale enables us to sell considerable under ruling prices.

Turkey Red Table Linen, 50 inches wide, only 15c a yard.

Extra Assaline Dye Turkey Red Linen, manufacturers' short length; value, 40c; only 35c a yard.

Extra Home Spun, Real German Half Bleached Table Linen, 60 inches; cheap at 75c; only 55c a yard.

Fifeshire Satin Table Damask, extra fine silver bleached, 60 inches; value, $1.50; Monday, $1 a yard.

Special values in Napkins from 30c dozen up to $3 dozen.

A Leader in Toweling.

16-inch All-Linen Stevens Crash, only 5c a yard.

17-inch Scotch Checked Toweling, 5c a yard.

17-inch Stevens Absorbent Crash, bleached; only 9c a yard.

Lace Department.

There's reason for wonder at the offerings we make in this department.

Dainty Valenciennes Laces, in butter and cream color, at 2c, 3c and 4c yard.

Point d'Ireland and Point de Venice Laces, in butter color, at 3c a yard up.

Cream Silk Laces, at 10c, 15c up.

SPECIAL—All-Linen Edgings, Colored Embroidered Edgings, etc., Monday, 1c and 2c a yard; worth double.

Umbrella Sale.

Tomorrow we offer New Tight Rolling Steel Rod Silk Umbrellas, latest Dresden handles, at $1.50 and $1.75.

Large Size Gingham Umbrellas, 25c.

Watch our weekly Friday Bargain Sale. Special bargain day in Hosiery next Friday.

Millinery.

Now comes the solid attention to summer's needs.

This spring's and summer's designs are more brilliant in colorings and dainty in style than the production of any recent season.

This season we show exceptional strength, not in trimmed creations alone, but in all the needful—the shapes, the flowers, the ribbons, the ornaments, the feathers, the foliage. We are on the popular side of the price line, as well as on the highest mark of quality.

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In our Trimmed Hat Department we show the newest, nobbiest and swellest effects in all the raging styles at half the usual prices.

Beautiful made Toques, worth $4 and $5, at $2.50 and $3.

Exquisitely trimmed Large Black Hats at $1.75, $2, $2.50 and $3.50.

Handsome Turbans at $2, $2.50 and $3.

Shoe Department.

Reliable, modern, up-to-date and attractive are our new shoes. We stand back of them. They were selected with care and made by responsible shoe builders. Prices lower than anywhere else.

Ladies' Fine Vici Kid Button Shoes, patent leather trimmed, value $4, only $3 a pair.

Ladies' Extra Fine Hand Made Boots, new Berlin toe, chrome kid, large buttons, value $4, only $3 a pair.

SPECIAL—Ladies' Black and Tan Oxfords, tipped, only 75c a pair.

Ladies' Cloth Top Button Shoes, patent leather tip, only $1.25 a pair.

Children's Cloth and Kid Top Button Shoes, only 90c a pair.

Misses', only $1 a pair.

Boys' Lace Shoes, extra value, $1.25 a pair.

We claim we can and do save you money on Men's Shoes.

Men's Veal Calf and Satin Oil Lace or Congress Shoes, value $2, only $1.50 a pair.

Men's Fine Calf Shoes, hand finished, extra value at $3, our price $2.50 a pair.

Received, a handsome line of latest styles in Infants' Shoes; inspection invited.

New Under Muslin.

English Walking Skirts, fine muslin, deep embroidered ruffle, only $1.25.

New Nightgowns, embroidered front, embroidered cuff, embroidered neck, bishop sleeves, only 75c.

With Eastertide comes the recognized return of social activities, and never was the gay season more auspiciously ushered in than on Monday night with the charity ball, dinner parties and theater parties. For a brief period society will receive and be received, but summer is in sight and days are crodwed with thoughts of outings. Each year in Seattle the love for life outside the city grows more marked, and the months in out-of-town houses are gradually being extended. The people of this city do not seem to realize the grand opportunities placed in their path by dame nature, for if they did the shores of Lake Washington would be studded with pretty summer homes. Until these days of summer outing, however, many pleasant affairs are outlined.

Seattle's first charity ball was a very successful affair, and has inaugurated a function that will be an honor to the city for years to come. It was a delightful opening for the Easter season and reflects much credit on the good women who have taken up the work of charity and made happy the many little waifs that would otherwise have to depend on the state for their support. Ranke's hall, in which the ball was held, was a perfect dream of loveliness, the society's color, yellow, being everywhere in graceful folds and broad effect. In the south end of the hall a booth was arranged for the patronesses. It was made to represent, as near as possible, the reception hall of a residence, and was draped and ornamented accordingly. It was made by erecting pillars from the floor to the ceiling of the balcony and decorating them to represent Corintinian pillars. Palms were used profusely in decorating these pillars, and incandescent lights strung about made a beautiful picture, the lights blending with the rich gowns worn by the ladies within. The stage, which had been decorated from an original thought by Mrs. S. L. Crawford, was made to represent a grove, with seats scattered about invitingly, the whole being most artistic. The banquet room was adorned with palms and cut flowers, and the refreshments, which were served at 11 o'clock, were both dainty and delicious. A number of handsome new gowns were worn by the ladies, and the ball was in every respect full dress. The floor was never better, and to the strains of new two-steps and waltzes by the First Regiment orchestra, a dreamy, mazy scene it was. To the following ladies belongs the credit for the success of this affair:

Patronesses—Mrs. Brooker, Mrs. Henry, Mrs. Backus, Mrs. Kloeber, Mrs. Burnside, Mrs. Tom Green, Mrs. Aronson, Mrs. Price, Mrs. Charles Stimson, Mrs. Haines, Mrs. Gottstein, Mrs. G. G. Lyon, Mrs. Hayden and Mrs. W. H. H. Green.

Committee on music and hall—Mrs. Ranke, Mrs. Lyon, Mrs. George Kittinger.

Door committee—Mrs. Boone and Mrs. Gregory.

Committee on dining room—Mrs. S. Baxter and Mrs. Harbaugh.

Committee on refreshments—Mrs. J. McNaught, Mrs. Engle, Mrs. Fulton, Mrs. Leary, Mrs. Kohlman, Mrs. McMicken, Mrs. Sackman, Mrs. Boardman, Mrs. Wing, Mrs. Gregory, Mrs. Wilson Denny, Mrs. Mayer and Miss Shumway.

Decorating committee—Mrs. Wickware, Mrs. F. Stimson, Mrs. Montgomery Russell, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Charles Stimson, Mrs. Sam Crawford and Mrs. Jones.

The grand march was one of the prettiest things ever witnessed in the city. It was led by Mr. Theodore Haller and Mrs. George B. Kittinger, preceded by Wallace Crawford, the 4-year-old son of Mrs. S. L. Crawford, attired in a dress suit of yellow and carrying a banner adorned with cherubs and bearing the inscription "Sweet Charity." The handsome sum of $105 was realized, which, considering the condition of the weather and the heavy expense in arranging the affair, was fully up to expectations.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Leary, Mr. and Mrs. Boone, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Brookes, Mr. and Mrs. George Garry Lyon, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Maddocks, Mr. and Mrs. Aronson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stimson, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stimson, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Price, Mr. and Mrs. John Y. Terry, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Henry, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice McMicken, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Engle, Mr. and Mrs. George B. Kittinger, Mr. and Mrs. Sutcliffe Baxter, Mr. and Mrs. Wickware, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Backus, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Graves, Mrs. James McNaught, Mrs. Joseph McNaught, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Furth, Mrs. L. S. J. Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. George Paschall, Mr. and Mrs. Burnside, Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Wing, Mrs. A. E. MacCulsky, Miss Struve, Miss Murray, Miss Underwood, Miss Munday, Miss Burnett, Miss Pelly, Miss Olive Baxter, Miss Waldron, Miss Elise Brooks, Miss Dudley, Mr. and Mrs. George Donworth, Miss Alice McNaught, Mrs. W. H. H. Green, Mr. Theodore Haller, Mr. Richard Cox, Mr. Josiah Collins, Mr. Bernard Pelly, Mr. Fred K. Struve, Mr. Charles Ling and Mr. M. B. Haynes.

From 2 to 5 o'clock were the hours published for the afternoon reception of the Seattle Art League on Friday, but visitors began to arrive at the gallery as early as 10 o'clock in the morning, and the stream of spectators did not cease till 6:30 in the evening, beginning again at 7:30 and continuing till 9:30. The exhibits were greatly admired and lingered over, especially the two Ariadnes—one a picture loaned by Mrs. Jacob Furth and the other a marble loaned by Mrs. N. B. Whiteman. Miss Kautz and Mrs. J. C. Haines' exhibit of photographs of antique statuary, about six dozen in all, were also a never-failing attraction. Among the other exhibitors whose latest contributions elicited many encomiums were Mrs. L. S. J. Hunt, Mrs. Fannie M. Kautz, Mrs. George H. Heilbron, Mrs. Erastus Brainerd, Mrs. George B. Kittinger, Mrs. Mary L. McDonald, Mrs. N. B. Whiteman, Mrs. Frank A. Steele, Miss Louise C. Litka, Miss Jessie Fisken, Miss Sara A. Hanna, Mr. I. P. Taylor, Mr. Frank Atwood and Mr. E. W. Barnes.

Among the members in attendance were: Mrs. Elizabeth A. M. Hanna, Mrs. D. A. Gailey, Mrs. C. L. Foresman, Mrs. J. W. Godwin, Mrs. G. E. Budlong, Mrs. Sara A. Hanna and Miss Marie A. Martin. Many inquiries were made by visitors, the trend in numerous instances indicating that erroneous impressions have been disseminated regarding the league, its methods and scope of action. This fact and the interest manifested by visitors have shown the importance of such receptions, and it has been decided to hold them twice a month. Several new members were added to the roll, and others declared their purpose of joining soon.

Although but two working sessions had been held since the opening day, the work of the beginners showed progress surprising as it was gratifying to all concerned, one of the chief merits, if not the chief cause, being in the fact that every stroke or touch was by the respective members individually and solely. The work has been from life and statuary. When the weather settles and grows warmer out of doors sketching will be taken up and excursions made to some of the innumerable picturesque spots in the neighborhood of the city.

The Cotillion Club gave another delightful party at Prosch's hall on Wednesday night. The music was good, the hall ditto, and a perfectly good time resulted. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. Steadman, Mr. and Mrs. Strout, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. MacCulsky, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Power, Mr. and Mrs. Kittinger, Mr. and Mrs. Fisken, Mr. and Mrs. Brownell, of Everett; Mr. and Mrs. G. Meade Emory, Mrs. James McNaught, Mr. and Mrs. J. Albert Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Harwood Morgan, Miss Struve, Miss Murray, Miss Furth, Miss Emery, Miss Munday, Miss Burnett, Miss Pelly, Miss Alice McNaught, Miss Allen, Miss Arquit, Miss Underwood, Miss Morgan, Mr. Fred K. Struve, Mr. John Savage, Mr. George Hurd, Mr. Austin, Mr. Meserve, Mr. Whitney, of Everett; Mr. George Hyde Preston, Lieut. Lopez, Mr. Cole, Mr. Ed Terry, Assistant Surgeon Farenholt, U. S. N.; Mr. Chick, Mr. Ling, Mr. Haynes, Mr. Bernard Pelly, Mr. Josiah Collins.

Mr. and Mrs. Paschall entertained the following at dinner Monday night: Mrs. Osgood, Mrs. Watterman, Mr. Chapin, Mr. Downing, Mr. Meserve, Mr. Edgar Ames. After dinner the party went to the charity ball.

Miss Underwood entertained the following friends at dinner at the Rainier-Grand on Monday night: Mrs. L. S. J. Hunt, Miss Pelly, Mr. Bernard Pelly, Mr. L. Pelly, Mr. Josiah Collins and Mr. George Hyde Preston. Miss Underwood left the next day for her home in New York.

A party made up of Mr. and Mrs. Stedman, Mrs. A. E. MacCulsky, Miss Murray, Miss Struve, Miss Furth, Mr. Fred K. Struve, Lieut. Lopez, Mr. Lester Turner, Mr. Falkenburg, Mr. Savage and Mr. Haynes occupied boxes at the Third Avenue theater Monday night.

The domino party being arranged by the young ladies of the Cotillion Club, assisted by several of the married ladies, will be held at Prosch's hall on Tuesday night. It will undoubtedly be the event of the Easter season, as the ladies are sparing no pains to make it such. The decorations will, in the language of one of the ladies interested, "be simply lovely."

Gibson's tableaux, to be given by the society ladies for the benefit of St. Mark's church, which will take place at Prosch's hall on April 30, promises to be the prettiest thing of the kind ever attempted in Seattle. The tableaux will be followed by a hop.

Mrs. David Kellogg gave an "At Home" on Wednesday afternoon complimentary to Mrs. James McNaught, of New York, who is visiting Mrs. Joseph McNaught. The house was prettily decorated and dainty refreshments served. Those present were: Mrs. Haines, Mrs. Hayden, Mrs. Roone, Mrs. McMicken, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Frank Bell, Mrs. James McNaught, Mrs. Joseph McNaught, Mrs. Harbaugh, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. William Whittlesey, Mrs. Charles Whittlesey, Mrs. Kittinger, Mrs. Simpson, Mrs. Struve, Mrs. Lowman, Mrs. Forrest.

The French Club met yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Charles Stimson on Queen Anne hill and spent an instructive and interesting afternoon.

The Wednesday Night Club met last week with Mr. and Mrs. Backus. The next meeting will be held at the Carkeeks', corner of Boren avenue and Madison street.

Mrs. Brownell, of Everett, visited with friends in Seattle several days last week.

Mrs. W. A. Peters is back from her visit to friends in California.

Mr. J. F. Foulkes, of Victoria, is expected in Seattle on a visit to his many friends shortly.

The Queen Anne Cinch Club met with Mrs. Charles Stimson on Friday night. Mrs. Fred Humphries and Mr. Harry Cline won the first prizes.

Cards are out for an "At Home" at Mrs. Paschall's on Monday, to meet Mrs. James McNaught.

The "Congenial Eight" met at Miss Hansard's on Friday. Tea was served.

Church Entertainments and Socials.

The entertainment given by the pupils of the Sacred Heart school on Tuesday and Wednesday nights of last week was a success, both financially and socially. The programme was changed Wednesday night, and this met with the hearty approval of all who attended. Violin, piano and vocal solos and recitations and representative marches were the principal features of the entertainment, and the teachers and prompters are to be congratulated upon the progress of their pupils. There was also a three-act operetta given, the characters being well sustained throughout. A handsome sum was realized from the entertainment and repaid the teachers for their work in arranging the performance.

The Sunday school at Renton held interesting Easter services on the evening of Sunday last in the Presbyterian church. As on former occasions Mrs. Bogert took the charge of decorating the church, her love of flowers fitting her pre-eminently for such work. The decorations were simple, but in remarkably good taste, beautifying the church with evergreens, ferns and flowers. Amongst the last, the wild ones, especially the lilies, predominated. The services consisted of an Easter concert exercise entitled "The Pilgrim's Vision," which required eight persons as principal performers, one of whom represented the pilgrim, and the others were symbol bearers, wearing white dresses. Those taking these parts were: Jennie Ditlevsen, pilgrim; Mary Cooper, lily bearer; Florence Williams, cross bearer; Clara Wallack, anchor bearer; Edith Williams, star bearer; Ella Wood, shield bearer; Katie Keown, crown bearer; Hattie Hibben, Bible bearer. The exercises consisted of recitations, by each one respectively, with regard to that which each one represented. These were interspersed with singing, either by the parties above mentioned, or the entire school. The parts were well sustained, and the recitations excellently rendered to a large and appreciative audience, which filled the house to its utmost capacity. The services began with an Easter song by the school, followed by prayer, and were closed with benediction, after a brief address, by Rev. George F. Whitworth, in which special reference was made to the instruction contained in the symbols employed.

Of the many beneficiary church affairs during the past week none was more enjoyable or entertaining than the one given at Oltman's hall on Thursday evening for the benefit of the choir of St. Clement's church. The attendance was large, and enthusiastically encored every number on the excellent programme. The entertainment was under the guidance of Miss Sadie Martin and Mr. Worth Densmore. The musical programme consisted of a sunflower song by ten choir boys, an overture by Mrs. P. A. Kuhlmann and Mr. G. Thomson; contralto solo, "The Flight of Ages," by Mrs. Conway; violin solo, "Gavatina," by Mr. R. Berry; soprano solo, Mrs. J. L. Waller, with violin obligato by Mr. Thomson; mandolin and guitar duet, by Mrs. E. T. Pope and Miss May Kellogg; mezzo soprano solo, with violin obligato, Miss Lan Lesheur; baritone solo, Mr. Worth Densmore, concluding with a chorus by ten choir boys. At the conclusion of the programme the floor was cleared and every one joined in a hop for several hours.

The Ladies' Aid Society, of the Kirkland Congregational church, gave one of its monthly socials last Friday night, at which a large crowd was present. The violin solos of Miss Freda Williams were well received, and showed that the young lady possesses much talent. She has a fine Stradivarius, and brings out the most bewitching tones. Mr. Cartright's silvery tenor was never heard to better advantage than on this occasion. Miss Duncan, Miss Kirke and Miss Collins also assisted greatly toward the success of the entertainment. Mrs. Kilborne, assisted by Miss Sailee, conducted the programme admirably. Refreshments were served toward the close of the evening.

One of the prettiest entertainments of the past week was that given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Edgewater Congregational church, Friday evening. It was in the form of a Japanese wedding and tea, followed by popular selections from the opera of "Mikado." The interior decorations were pretty and attractive. Japanese lanterns, screens, fans and flowers being used extensively. The ceremony was conducted by the pretty go-between, who, with many dainty steps, conducted the bridal party to a raised platform, where the couple was made one. The bride was bewitchingly attired in a cream and cardinal Japanese crepe gown, with numerous artificial flowers, small fans and heavy jewelry. To describe the costumes of the ladies and the brilliant attire of the men would take a volume, and it is only necessary to say that it was a gorgeous affair. The selections from the "Mikado" were: "Three Little Maids From School," Mrs. E. T. Pope, Mrs. O. A. Tucker and Miss Margaret E. Ashworth; "Tit Willow," Mr. John Storey; "Flowers That Bloom in the Spring," Mr. Frank Giles; "I've Got 'Em on the List," Mr. W. Densmore. The characters of the bride and groom were enacted by Miss Lillie Agutter and Mr. A. J. Goddard, and Miss Agnes Goddard took the part of the go-between. The ceremony was witnessed by about twenty of the relatives in costume.

The Y. P. S. C. E. society of the Edgewater Congregational church held a business meeting and social in the church parlors Wednesday evening. A social hour followed the session, and was conducted by Miss Jennie Carr and Mr. S. B. Gray.

Surprise Parties.

A surprise party that was really a surprise was given last Saturday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Beach at the residence of Mrs. Kleinsmith at Ballard. The couple knew absolutely nothing of the arrangements for their entertainment, and while conversing with their host and hostess during the early evening the door bell rang out and in walked a large number of friends loaded down with good things. Singing, recitations and a general good time followed until 11 o'clock, when refreshments were served. After refreshments Mrs. Bartlett took occasion to present Mrs. Beach with a handsome breastpin as a token of the esteem in which she is held by her friends. Although overcome, Mrs. Beach managed to say a few words in response and thank her friends for their thoughtfulness. This was followed by a general handshaking and wishes for a bright future. Those present at the party were: Mr. and Mrs. Blake, Prof. and Mrs. DeLong, Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg, Mr. and Mrs. Lord, Mr. and Mrs. Leal, Mr. and Mrs. McKay, Mr. and Mrs. McMillan, Mr. and Mrs. Henniger, Mr. and Mrs. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Nissen, Mr. and Mrs. Houlston, Mr. and Mrs. Watney, Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett, Mr. and Mrs. Hawley, Mr. and Mrs. Draper, Mr. and Mrs. Fowle, Mr. and Mrs. Peter, Mr. and Mrs. Kleinsmith, Mrs. Reasonee, Mrs. Tees, Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. Preston, Mrs. Pine, Mrs. Lane, Mrs. Maltheson, Mrs. McDonald, Miss Grace Phillips, Miss Killworth, Misses Wallace, Mr. Wares, Mr. Stratton, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Wellwood and Mr. Tees.

A very pleasant surprise party was given in honor of Miss Zessa Lloyd last Friday evening at her home on Ninth avenue. The evening was spent in playing cards and games, after which an enjoyable lunch was served. At a late hour the guests departed, each declaring Miss Zessa a charming entertainer. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. William Lloyd, Miss Genevieve Leighton, Miss Bessie Davis, Miss Mamie Glass, Miss Jennie Elliott, Miss Clara Bumgard, Miss Lizzie Henke, Miss Millie Wolff, Miss Zana Lloyd, Miss Myrtle Glass, Miss Lillie Hayne, Miss Maud Walters, Miss Lisle Wellington, Miss Blanche Blazer, Miss Hanna Telquist, Mr. Henry Henke, Mr. James Butler, Mr. Lou Walters, Mr. John Woodruff, Mr. Arthur Brooks, Mr. Fred C. Brown, Mr. Chester Smart, Mr. Eddie Leighton, Mr. Hayse Wakefield, Mr. Walter Heyne, Mr. George Wolff, Mr. Willie Gerring.

Mr. Leonard Leighton was given a pleasant surprise Friday evening at his Green Lake home, the same being in honor of his 18th birthday. The surprisers entered with great heartiness and glee into various amusing games, and at a late hour dainty refreshments were served, after which the crowd dispersed, all declaring to have spent a delightful evening, and wishing Mr. Leighton many happy returns of the day. Those present were: Miss Charlotte Wood, Miss Glenette Gepfert, Miss Lulu Swiney, Miss Winnifred Rogers, Miss Letta Leighton, Miss Orpha Dye, Mrs. Metcalfe, Miss Myrtle Weedin, Miss Evans, the Misses James, Miss Laura Adams, Miss Rose Zeek, Miss Flo Wilmot, Mr. William Ash, Mr. W. H. Wood, Mr. H. H. Adams, Mr. Walter Weedin, Mr. Charles Evans, Mr. Guy Wilmot, Mr. Alexander Larson, Mr. Frank James, Mr. Arthur Nelson, Mr. August Weinhardt, Mr. Roy Crocker and Mr. Leonard Leighton.

Miss Laura Johnson was agreeably surprised at her home, 3006 Jackson street, Thursday evening by a number of her young friends. Progressive whist was played during the first part of the evening, Miss Emma Dizard proving the lucky one and Miss Fannie Kingsbury the unlucky one, winning the first and booby prizes respectively. Refreshments were served at a late hour and the evening as a whole most happily spent. Those present were: Miss Emma Dizard, Miss Edith Cook, Miss Fanny Kingsbury, Miss Norma Ronald, Miss Sadie Haynes, Miss Mamie Johnson, Miss Ada Johnson, Miss Laura Johnson, Miss Merlie Johnson, Mr. Joe Dizard, Mr. Merton Brewer, Mr. John Brewer, Mr. Frank Porter, Mr. Harry Cramer, Mr. Will Long, Master Bennie Johnson, Master Ben Horace Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Gale, Mr. and Mrs. S. Johnson and Mr. William Johnson.

On Friday afternoon a very pleasant and enjoyable party was given Master Willie Roop, of 219 Mercer street, by his many friends. The little folks began congregating at about 1 o'clock, participating in numerous games and social reveries. Later in the afternoon refreshments were served, which proved another joy to their young appetites. After this they departed for their respective homes, feeling that they had never enjoyed a more delightful afternoon, and feeling deeply grateful to their young host.

Literary Societies and Clubs.

The Nineteenth Century Literary Club met as usual Thursday afternoon in its club quarters, Masonic Temple. The attendance was good, despite rainy weather, and from the fact that the past week was very busy, being the first after Lent. The first months following organization are the most trying ones in the history of a club, and the Nineteenth Century Club has reason to feel much encouraged by the undiminished interest manifested by its members.

The Unity Club had an unusually good meeting last Tuesday night, the subject being Ian McLaren's writings. An excellent paper on the subject was read by Mrs. Slauson. Miss Beach gave some instrumental music on the piano and Miss Josephs, of Portland, sang. The next meeting will be held April 17, when Prof. Taylor, of the university, will deliver a lecture on "Astronomy." All interested are invited to attend.

An enthusiastic meeting of the adult male members and attendants of the First Methodist Episcopal church, of Seattle, was held in the church parlors, at the corner of Third avenue and Marion street, on Monday evening, April 6, for the purpose of organizing a men's club. The report of a committee appointed at a former meeting to draft a constitution and by-laws was received, and after some discussion the organization was completed. The name of this new organization is the Methodist Men's Club of the First Methodist Episcopal church, of Seattle. Its objects, as set forth in the constitution, are to unite and promote fellowship among its members and to aid in carrying on the work of the church in all its departments. All male adult members and regular attendants, and the husbands of members of the church, are eligible to membership, together with such other men as may be elected to membership by the church. Regular meetings will be held at the church parlors on the third Monday evening of each month, at which meetings a literary or musical programme will be furnished by a standing committee appointed for that purpose. The by-laws provide that the club may from time to time arrange for giving public entertainments to aid the club in carrying out its objects. The officers elected to hold office until January 1, 1897, are: J. W. Langley, judge of the equity department of the superior court, president; Mr. C. S. Gleason, vice president; Mr. W. J. Ovens, secretary; Mr. R. H. Denny, treasurer, and Rev. W. A. Shanklin, D. D., pastor of the church, ex officio chaplain. The next meeting of the club will be held on Monday evening, April 20, at which time an interesting programme will be furnished by a committee of which Dr. Shanklin is chairman. All men, whether members or attendants of the church or not, are invited to be present.

The first meeting of the St. Mark's Culture Club, following Easter, was held last Tuesday evening in the vestry room of the church. An excellent literary programme, varied with musical selections, was presented. The subject of the evening was the consideration of the life and the writings of Washington Irving. Papers were read by Miss Belle Fonda, Rev. D. C. Garrett and Mr. C. B. Hills. The piano solo by Mrs. Edith B. Fabin, and songs by Miss Allen and Mrs. W. H. Whittlesey added much to the success of the meeting. Each selection was heartily applauded and each was encored. After the literary and musical numbers on the programme were finished the remainder of the evening was devoted to social intercourse, refreshments being bountifully provided by Mrs. W. H. Pumphrey and the ladies of the club. The next and last meeting of this club for the season will be held on April 31, when the works of Nathaniel Hawthorne will be discussed.

The Queen Anne Fortnightly met on Thursday with Mrs. Cole, an interesting programme was rendered and an extremely enjoyable afternoon passed. This club comprises many of the leading literary lights of the hill and is very popular. It was decided to send a representative to the women's convention of clubs to be held at Tacoma shortly, and to eventually join the state federation of clubs.

Club Parties and Socials.

The Seattle Stag Club held its regular monthly business meeting last Tuesday, April 7, and elected the following officers for the ensuing three months: Chief high stag, Mr. H. Leland; assistant high stag, Mr. W. E. Delano; financial stag, Mr. C. A. Stubbs; recording stag, Mr. J. H. Kelly; royal huntsman, Mr. J. M. Kempton; executive committee, Mr. W. E. Delano, Mr. J. M. Kempton, Mr. K. Cranford, Mr. J. F. Dizard, Mr. C. P. Johnson. The club will give an installation of officers and dance Friday, April 17, at Prosch's hall, which will be followed some time in May by a grand ball in Ranke's hall.

Last week an election of the officers of the Too-Whit Club was held, and the following gentlemen were installed for the remainder of the season: President, Mr. M. A. Hartnett; vice president, Mr. H. Eggert; secretary, Mr. Otis Laubscher; treasurer, Mr. R. H. Pearse. Interest is on the increase, and the next few months promise to be the most successful in the club's history. A "hayseed" dance was given last Thursday night in the club's quarters in Masonic hall. The novelty of the affair made the evening one of hilarious pleasure. The costumes were on the "Josh Spruceby" order, and many were well contrived. Miss Anna Kurtz and Mr. R. H. Pearse receiving handsome prizes for having the most unique outfits. Among those present were: Mrs. Laubscher, Mrs. Lipsky, Mrs. Bucklin, Miss Maye Glasscock, Miss Maude Glasscock, Miss White, Miss Marion Atwood, Miss Agnes Bassett, Miss Marguerite Wold, Miss Maye Bucklin, Miss Lillian Hildebrandt, Miss Blanche Laubscher, Miss Nettie Lipsky, Miss Jacobs, Miss Nellie Hansen, Miss Mattie Fonda, Miss Marie Kurtz, Miss Anna Kurtz, Mr. O. W. Callahan, Mr. Hal Laubscher, Mr. Morris Hartnett, Mr. O. P. Oliver, Mr. Charles Lane, Mr. Will Atwood, Mr. Charles Todd, Mr. Lulu Curtis, Mr. Frankfort, Mr. R. H. Pearse, Mr. Otis Laubscher, Mr. J. J. Sloan, Mr. A. W. Mosely, Mr. Ed Cressman and Mr. J. W. Sayne.

The Entre Nous Club gave one of its pleasant dances in Oltman's hall on Friday evening. The dances given by this club are among the jolliest in the city. Those present at the last dance were: Miss Daisy Curtiss, Miss Minnie Colton, Miss Blanche Currier, Miss Helen Morse, Miss McRhea, Miss Amanda Tvete, Miss Gertrude Stratton, Miss Helen Stratton, Miss Minda Graff, Miss Kate Holmes, Miss