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Edmonds. The cast of characters was as follows: Spinsters—Ann, Lizette Lewis; Jane, Ruth Lewis; Sue, Lila Watkins; Martha, Pearl Jenkins. Girls—Edith, Beulah Richards; Maggie, Stella Thomas; Pearl, Phoebe Gookley; Mabel, Florence Thomas; Amelia, Myfanwy Wynnon; Goodwill, Sarah Lewis; Love, Roba Williams. Boys—Mr. Decent, Bert Thomas; Harry, Arthur Morgan; Herman, Wilford Thomas; Germany, Edgar Davis; Baber, Harry Reese. Santa Claus was impersonated by William Hughes, the King of Spices was David Thoburn, and the Queen of Spices, Mabel Evans.

There was also a number of fancy sylvan and magic dolls, and sailor boys, under the direction of Thomas Thoburn. St. Mark's Lutheran Church. The Christmas festival at St. Mark's Lutheran church was held last evening in the presence of a delightful audience. The exercises were given under the direction of Miss Clara Sanders and included songs, recitations, etc. The church choir materially assisted in the exercises and sang a number of pleasing selections.

The infant school also took a prominent part in the programme, singing with much spirit and enthusiasm. Miss Nellie Markwick and Joseph Phelps sang a duet, "Listen to the Angels' Song," which was well received. Rev. Ramer is to be congratulated on the success of the entertainment, and the cleverness displayed by the scholars under his charge.

Simpson M. E. Church. The Christmas cantata, "Santa Claus' Charms," was given at the Simpson M. E. church last evening before a crowded house. The performance was given under the direction of L. H. Kresge, and proved to be a delightful entertainment.

The Christmas exercises were impersonated by George Peck, Maud Perry, Avis Tibbitts, Margaret Ut, Arthur Beck, Ruth Fritz, Ruth Bryant, Ruth Acker, Harold Davis, Roy Davis, Bessie Thomas and Stella Hallett. A large chorus of children also sang in the cantata.

Other Christmas Events. The Sunday school of the Hampton Street Methodist Episcopal church rendered a Christmas cantata last evening. Each member of the school contributed a pound of some edible, all of which was distributed to the poorer families in the congregation.

The cantata of "Santa Claus" was sung at the Sherman avenue mission of the Plymouth Congregational church last evening, under the direction of Richard Phillips. It was a meritorious production, and the children are entitled to much praise.

A Christmas entertainment was held last evening at the Salvation Army barracks, on Price street. Gifts were distributed to the children, and a general good time enjoyed.

The Christmas exercises were held last evening at the Jackson Street Baptist church. Charles Hartley, the ventriloquist and mimic, entertained the children in a clever manner.

The members of the Bellevue Welsh Calvinistic Methodist church and Sunday school rendered a Christmas cantata last evening at the home of Mrs. William Davies, with an instandart, and his wife with a cut-glass water set. A pleasing programme was rendered by the members of the school.

Three Weddings. Arthur Salmon, of Taylor, and Miss Beulah Scammon, of Taylor, were united in marriage on Tuesday afternoon at the Methodist Episcopal church, in Taylor, by Rev. C. B. Henry. They were attended by Thomas Bell and Miss Mary Beecham.

At the home of the bride's parents in Philadelphia, yesterday, David J. Thomas, of North Hyde Park avenue, and Miss Lillian Miller were united in marriage. Upon their return they will reside in West Scranton.

The wedding of Oliver P. Jones, of South Main avenue, and Miss Margaret Pembroke, of North Main avenue, was solemnized yesterday at the home of the bride, in the presence of a number of friends. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Thomas de Gruy, D. D., pastor of the Jackson street Baptist church.

Events of This Evening. The Bible school of the Washburn street Presbyterian church will hold their Christmas exercises this evening. An elaborate programme has been prepared.

The vigilance committee of the Fifth ward will meet this evening in Fairchild's hotel, when candidates for ward officers are expected to register.

Notes and Personals. Mr. and Mrs. John M. Geiger, of Reading, are the guests of Dr. and Mrs. George B. Reynolds, of North Main avenue. They will return home today.

Roger Campbell, a local pugilist, who was arrested for being drunk and fighting, was fined \$5 in police court. He created a disturbance in a pool room on North Main avenue.

Announcement has been made of the coming marriage of James Degnal and Miss Alice Grant. Harry Kresge, of South Hyde Park avenue, has returned home from military service in the Philippines.

Edward Florey, of South Hyde Park avenue, was the guest of friends at Lake Carey yesterday. A large crowd of young people attended the dance of the Silver Leaf Social club in Washington hall yesterday afternoon.

Dr. Struppeler and family, of South Main avenue, spent Christmas with relatives in Philadelphia. Peter O'Leary, of North Garfield avenue, is suffering from a fractured leg, caused by a fall on the pavement. The pupils of grammar A grade in No. 16 school held appropriate closing exercises at the school Tuesday morning.

The annual entertainment and social of the West Side Athletic club was held in Meares' hall last evening and proved to be an enjoyable event.

Deaths of a Day. Paris, Dec. 25.—Jacques Francois Henri Fouquier, the publisher and former member of the chamber of deputies, is dead. He was born Sept. 1, 1828.

Chicago, Dec. 25.—Dorlan Smith, a leading banker and real estate dealer of this city, died today of pneumonia. He was the youngest son of Perry H. Smith, who was one of Chicago's wealthiest citizens during the seventies and eighties. Dunlap Smith inherited a large fortune from his father and increased it largely through his real estate operations.

A Sensible Man. Would you use Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs. It is curing more Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, Croup and all Throat and Lung Troubles than any other medicine. The proprietor has authorized any druggist to give you a Sample Bottle Free to convince you of the merit of this great remedy. Price, 25c. and 50c.

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