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SOCIAL FEATURES.

The Way the New Year was Usherred in Yesterday.

OPEN HOUSE AT THE Y. M. C. A.

The Place Beautifully Decorated and the Occasion One of the Most Enjoyable in the History of the Local Association. Various Other Entertainments by Clubs and Societies in Honor of the Entrance of the New Year—The Mercantile Club's Ball last Night.

The entrance of the new year was not observed in a social way as generally as it has been nearly every year in the recent past, yet there were several features of the local celebration that drew good crowds and were popular successes. Among these the usual annual New Year's reception at the Y. M. C. A. building was the most notable. There was a very large attendance. The committee in charge had decorated the building beautifully, with pine, laurel and other evergreens, hunting and the like, and the effect was very pleasing. The reception opened at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, when refreshments were served by the ladies of the Women's Union Benevolent Association. Sandwiches, coffee and cake made up the bill of fare, and everything served was delicious. The coffee and cake, especially, would attract an unusually good patronage to any caterer. The hundreds of young men who were present expressed the most enthusiastic appreciation of this feature of the reception.

Music was made throughout the early part of the reception by music boxes kindly loaned by Milligan, Wilkin & Co. This was followed by a very interesting game of hand ball in the gymnasium, by members of the professional men's and young men's classes. From 4 to 5 p. m., an entertaining phonographic exhibition was given in the hall, and from 5 to 10 o'clock a concert was given, followed by a social gathering which was one of the most enjoyable features of the day. The programme was opened with a selection by the Ideal mandolin club. Col. Robert White followed with a brief address, which was eloquent and full of feeling appropriate to the occasion. Miss Zou Hastings sang two solos, which were heartily received. J. P. Morgan gave two dramatic recitations, Mrs. Flora Williams sang twice, Dr. J. H. Adams gave a solo, followed by recitation by R. C. Darrah. Miss Loretta McGranahan sang a solo, and Mr. Harry Sweeney a bass solo. The mandolin club gave a second selection, completing a programme which gave thorough enjoyment to all present. The audience was discriminatingly enthusiastic. The day's entertainment added another to the laurels won in the past by the Y. M. C. A. members and their lady friends as entertainers, and will no doubt attract to the building many a new visitor, who will be benefited by the associations which he will encounter there.

A BRILLIANT RECEPTION

Given at Pittsburgh to the Daughter of a Former Wheeling Citizen.

The Pittsburgh Dispatch of yesterday has the following account of a reception tendered the daughter of Mr. Alex. Laughlin, Jr., formerly a well known resident of this city:

The ball tendered last night at the Pittsburgh Club by Mrs. Harry Darlington, brought to a brilliant close the old year, and just as brilliantly ushered in the new. The ball was given in honor of Miss Mary McM. Laughlin, the debutante daughter of Mrs. Alexander Laughlin, Jr. and grand daughter of Hon. B. P. Jones. The monogram of the young lady wrought in scarlet flowers was outlined against the wealth of green that filled in the stage of the assembly room. Above the monogram, outlined also against the green and suspended across the entire front of the stage, was a festoon of white lilies and star flowers, amid which myriads of electric lights twinkled. In front of the stage Mrs. Darlington received alone with Miss Laughlin. The former was attired in rich lavender velvet of Louis XIV. effect, ornamented with jeweled buttons and costly lace. The gown of the debutante was in perfect harmony, the tint of lavender and the material moire veiled with lace and chiffon. Assisting in the duty of entertaining the guests were Mrs. Alexander Laughlin, Mrs. C. C. Beggs, Mrs. Lawrence Dilworth, Mrs. W. R. Sewell, Mrs. W. J. Holland and Mrs. L. W. Daizell. Magnificent gowns were worn by all. The ball in the assembly hall opened shortly after 10 o'clock. The soft tones were led by Frank Wilke, Russell Forsythe, William Robinson and F. A. Dilworth. Just at midnight the music ceased, the dancing ceased and down across the green of the stage dropped a second festoon of lilies, whose glittering hearts spelled the words: "A Happy New Year." With happy New Year wishes on all sides, Mrs. Darlington, set the pace for the new year, leap year, by gracefully leading the next cotillon alone.

SOCIETY EVENTS

That Took Place Yesterday—Swell Ball Given by Mercantile Club.

The observance of New Year's was not as general as in former years, though many young ladies kept open house. The most important public function was the New Year's ball given by the Mercantile Club at their headquarters on Main street. The rooms were adorned with flowers and evergreens, and potted plants were so arranged as to add much to the attractiveness of the scene when the Opera House orchestra struck up the tune for the first dance. The toilets of the ladies were magnificent, and the dancing floor presented a sight that would have melted the heart of the most confirmed bachelor. Among the guests from abroad were the following: Frank Wilke, Russell Forsythe, William Robinson, F. A. Dilworth, Miss Lena Prager, Mr. and Mrs. Sig Marcus, the Misses Newberger, Miss Belle Katzenstein, George Newberger and Maurice Prager.

One of the most pleasant receptions last night was that given by the Island Club, corner of Penn and Virginia streets. The ladies received from 7:30 to 9:30 o'clock, after which a charming dancing programme was carried out. Mrs. Charles O. Roemer presided at the piano.

The Mozart string society gave a masked ball at their hall, in the Eighth ward, last evening. The attendance was large, as it was the first ball this society has given this season. Refreshments were served at midnight.

The members of the Spinster club assisted Miss Flora Wilson in receiving at her home, corner of Main and Fifth streets, last evening. Miss Wilson was aided in entertaining callers by Misses Hulda Delapalme, Jessie Berger, Mable Davidson, Frances Jordan and Miss Eleanor Irwin, of Steubenville.

Miss Mary and Blanche Moffat, assisted by several of their young lady friends, received at their home, No. 231 Chapline street.

Miss Elizabeth Mendel received at her home, on Twelfth street, in honor of her guest, Miss Bowman, of Uniontown.

To-morrow evening Mrs. James K. Hall, assisted by Mrs. Andrew Wilson, will entertain the Whist club. Mrs. M. Reilly entertained a party of friends at her home, on Fourteenth street, last evening.

The first baby party of the season will be given by the Misses Moffat, South Chapline street.

Master Harvey Pollock entertained his young lady and gentlemen friends

at the residence of his father, Mr. Julius Pollock, Chapline street, last night. A very pleasant time was spent in dancing and other amusements. During the evening elegant refreshments were served.

The second assembly dance of the Arion hall to-morrow evening. Heretofore these dances have been given at the McClure House, but the rates were recently advanced almost to a prohibitive figure, consequently the managers secured the Arion hall for the coming function, which promises to be one of the social events of the city. The new quarters are in every way superior to any other public hall for dancing or reception parties, the conveniences for toilet and refreshment purposes being unexcelled. The Opera House orchestra will furnish the music.

J. G. Hoffman Entertains His Employees.

Mr. John G. Hoffman, who has always been one of the most considerate of employers, added to his popularity, if such a thing is possible, on New Year's eve, by giving a banquet to the men employed at his tannery on the South Side. There were also present a few invited guests. Ample justice was done to the bounteous spread of toothsome viands, after which Col. William Exley electrified the gathering with his forensic eloquence, a very pleasant culmination of a very enjoyable evening of good fellowship.

ROY CHAMBERS DREW IT.

The Hub Pony Disposed of with Great Eclat Yesterday.

At the "City Sports" matinee at the Grand yesterday the special feature was introduced by the Hub clothing store. This was the drawing for the prize pony offered by the firm some time ago. It made one of the most interesting features of a very good performance. Messrs. Will Cassell, of the Intelligencer, Will Woodruff, of the News, and Fred Colmar, of the Staats Zeitung, formed the handsome and efficient committee of judges, while Miss Criside Sheridan, of the City Sports company, drew the numbers. The twenty-fifth ticket drawn out of the box, which was thoroughly shaken up, was to take the pony. There were over 38,000 tickets in the "peanut roaster," and the twenty-fifth one to be drawn out was No. 18,964, which was held by Roy Chambers, of West Alexander, Pa. While many people were necessarily disappointed, all knew that anything under the auspices of The Hub would be fairly conducted, and the announcement of the result by Mr. Cassell was received with hearty applause.

HAT STORE REMOVAL.

Mr. G. A. Beuter's Establishment Now Located at No. 42 Twelfth Street.

Mr. G. A. Beuter, who has been conducting a hat store at the corner of Main and Eleventh streets for the past thirty-three years, has removed his stock to his new location, at No. 42 Twelfth street, where he occupies two floors. The salesroom has been remodelled and refitted in an elegant manner, where Mr. Beuter hopes to see all his old patrons and many new customers.

Mr. Beuter carries everything of the freshest and latest character in his line of business, being the agent of all the celebrated makers of hats, including the Knox, Zigler, Miller, Imperial and Wilcox. This season, as the agent of the manufacturers, he will introduce for the first time in Wheeling, Knox's ladies straw sailor and felt hats. He also has in stock the celebrated imported English Imperial cloth tourists' hats. In the way of umbrellas no better article can be found anywhere than the famous Lyon's make, which he handles exclusively.

Mr. Beuter's long experience in the business and his well known fair dealing recommend him to the patronage of all who desire first class goods at fair prices.

Wheeling Steel Works.

The Wheeling steel works, at Denwood, shut down Tuesday night for the annual inventory and repairs. It is expected that it will be able to resume operations in full in not more than ten days, at farthest, and very likely sooner.

"A Cracker Jack."

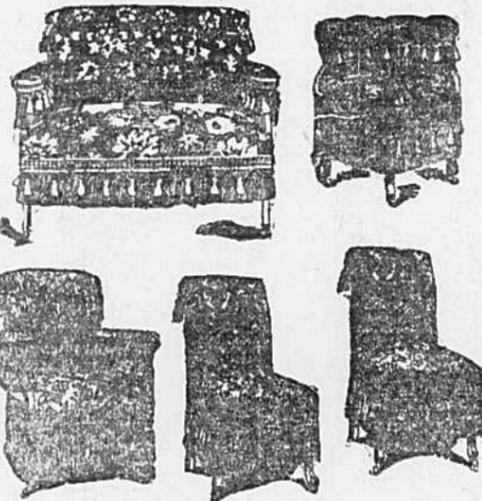
Many a good play is badly handicapped by a bad title. There is no wonder that theatrical people are perpetually racking their brains to get titles that will draw the public. In the title of "A Cracker Jack," that is announced to appear at the Grand for three nights and a Wednesday matinee, beginning next Monday evening, the owners have cleverly introduced numerous specialties during the four acts of the play.

"The Midnight Special."

"The Midnight Special" will be presented for the first time in this city at the Grand, the last half of this week. It is a play for the masses and comes highly endorsed as being one of the finest productions of the season, being a regular innovation of scenic splendor and mechanical effects. The different characters are in the hands of capable people and they do some fine work.

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