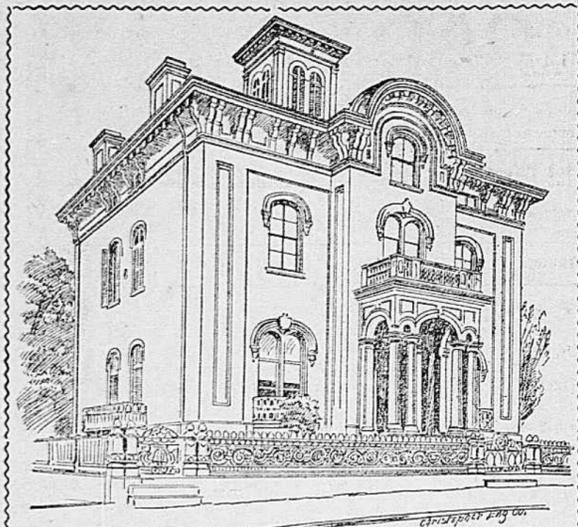


THE HANDSOME NEW HOME TO BE OCCUPIED BY THE WOMAN'S CLUB.



NEW HOME OF THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

It Is a Large and Convenient One, and Will Be Fitted Up After the Most Modern and Improved Style—History of the Club.

The Woman's Club of Richmond has marked the close of the sixth year of its life by the purchase of a home of its own. The house, No. 211 East Franklin Street, was formerly owned by the late Dr. Francis T. Willis. It is an old-fashioned Virginia residence, built by Mr. Bolling Hackall and possesses all of the comforts and charms of the Richmond houses of earlier days.

which has so grown in number as to make their present quarters unworkable. The new home will offer increased facilities of every kind for the Club. The cheerful parlors attract those who are socially inclined to stop for a chat and a cup of tea, while the quiet rooms across the hall will be given up to the whist lovers, of whom there are so many in Richmond. The dining-room, twenty-eight feet long and connected with the back parlor by an archway, gives to the members the desired auditorium and will make the loc-

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ture feature of the club even stronger than it has been in the past.

THE ORIGINAL MEMBERS.

The Woman's Club, of Richmond, was organized in the spring of 1894 by a group of Richmond's most cultured and energetic women. The fourteen original members were Mrs. L. L. Lewis, Miss Maria Blair, Miss Augusta T. Daniel, Miss Mary Lyons, Mrs. Charles Davenport, Miss Jane M. Rutherford, Mrs. J. L. Wellford, Mrs. Beverley B. Munford, Mrs. Brydson, Mrs. Virginia M. Robinson, Miss N. B. Winston, Miss Mary H. Cameron and Miss Frances B. Scott.

The beginning was a modest one. Two rooms having been rented at No. 11 West Main Street, the Club went to work to enlarge the Club's quarters, the membership having outgrown the simple beginning. Then the Club moved to its present home, No. 11 West Franklin Street, and in June of the same year it was chartered in the Law and Equity Court of Richmond. Since that time its growth in members and usefulness has been a steady one. The Club has numbered among its lecturers and guests the names of Dr. Woodrow Wilson, Mr. James Whit-

comb Riley, Mr. Stuart Robson, Mme. Modjeska, Mr. Joseph Jefferson, Mr. Hill Doek, of Pennsylvania; Miss Dora Duty Jones, of Washington; Miss Sarah J. Farmer, of Maine; Miss Jane Adams, of Hull House, Chicago; Mr. F. Hopkinson Smith, Mrs. Woolman, of the Teachers' College, New York; Rev. Dr. Randall, Rev. Hira, of India; Miss Mary Johnson, Mr. Wm. F. Round, of New York; Mr. Benjamin Ide Wheeler, of California; Dr. Breasted, of the Chicago University; Mr. Jean Knatz d'Orléans, of Paris; Mr. John Graham, of Boston, and many others of ability and reputation. Besides these the members have had literary and philanthropic discussions twice each month conducted among themselves, the advantages of which in current events, which, particularly in law and French and the opportunity of hearing and meeting socially much of the best intellectual and musical talent to be found in Richmond and the immediate neighborhood.

THE PRESENT OFFICERS.

The Club's present membership is 129 and its officers are: President, Mrs. B. Munford; first vice-president, Mrs. E. C. Minor, second vice-president, Miss Jane M. Rutherford; treasurer, Mrs. J. E. Halburton; corresponding secretary, and Miss Gull-laume, recording secretary. The Board of Directors are Mrs. S. W. Travers, Miss Addison Cooke, Mrs. Charles E. Wortham, Mrs. G. W. Stevens, Miss Virginia Pleasants, and Mrs. Beverley Crump.

There is no organization in Richmond of which the citizens should be prouder than the Woman's Club. Around it circles much of the best life of the city. It stands for high ideals and noble ends and merits the success and encouragement which it has met on all sides. It is a pleasure to see it enter a home commensurate with its dignity and promise.

Bon Ami

Used for all kitchen cleaning and polishing; keeps floors, paint, pots, knives, forks, tin and agate ware clean, bright and wholesome.

DINING IN LITTLE EGYPT

A Fad Which Has Struck Society is the Eating of Dinner After the Manner of the Orientals.

NEWPORT, May 26.—A rumor has been circulated in Newport concerning the summer plans of a very prominent society, which recently returned from a trip to Cairo, that makes one desirous of becoming more enlightened as to the domestic customs of the people of the Orient, particularly Egypt. The story is to the effect that the matron in question, who is ambitious and very original, will give during the season a dinner that will be a Caïran in every detail, the restrictions being confined even to dress.

The idea, if put into execution, will prove the most novel that has ever been carried out in Newport and will eclipse even the private vaudeville entertainments and cake-walks which have grown monotonous since deprived of their uniqueness.

Dining in a Caïra is a pleasure not to be regarded with indifference from an epicurean standpoint, for the Egyptian women are specially versed in culinary art. The fashionable hour for dining in the home of a conventional Egyptian hostess is, like our own, between six and seven o'clock in the evening.

Upon entering the dining-room of a Caïran hostess the first thing to attract attention will be a somewhat startling absence of light, other than that provided by the moon or stars. There is no roof.

From the walls there will probably come the cooing of pigeons, as no Egyptian structure is complete without its pigeon cotes. While the thatched roof is exempted in Caïra, there are stretched across the tops of the houses poles for the support of a roof in case the family should be able to add this pretentious feature.

The floors are built of earth which is covered with mats of old and beautiful reeds, and the unplastered walls are also draped with rugs.

THE TABLE.

The rugs, however, form the most extensive furnishings of the Egyptian dining-room, for there are no chairs, sideboards, china presses and such like accessories as are employed in fitting up the European "salon a la mode."

What serves as the dining table is a small folding contrivance which supports a very large brass tray. These trays are, as a rule, large enough to accommodate five or six persons. In wealthy homes, however, they are made much larger and sometimes are engraved with the most beautiful Oriental designs. Customarily the guests sit in a rather squatting posture with the limbs folded under them.

As soon as the family is seated the servant appears bringing a napkin for each person. In the absence of a servant the head of the family assumes these duties. When the napkins are distributed he disappears, soon to re-enter bearing in one of his hands a brass bowl and in the other a pitcher of water. Each member of the family in turn stretches forth his or her hands, when the water is poured over them. After the hands are dried and the napkins are laid aside the first course is served.

This, in the simplest as well as the most ostentatious Egyptian homes, consists of a sort of bouillon made of veal or native vegetables; there is also a bouillon made of certain Egyptian fruits that is very delicious, but it is seldom served except upon occasions of great festivity. Unlike the bouillon of our land, the Egyptian soup is served in small brass cups instead of china ones.

The second course consists of rice. This is cooked rather soft and served in a big bowl which is brought in and set in the middle of the table.

As soon as the rice has been placed on the table each person is served with a large piece of bread which is very dark, but very delectable. The hostess then takes a handful of rice from the huge brass receptacle and deposits it in the hand of her next neighbor, clipping back and forth until each member of the board has been supplied with a sticky handful of the vegetable. As soon as one dishful is

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Another Week of Price-Cutting, Therefore More Bargains for You.

The specials for this week's sale are bargains of the real sort, and are just exactly such kinds of merchandise as your immediate wants will demand. We mention below a few "specials;" the cut prices make them genuine bargains for you, and which we know you and every other prudent shopper will buy readily.

Three Specials in Tailor Suits.

LOT 1.

\$12, \$15, \$17.50 Suits Now \$5.95.

Are nicely tailored garments, jackets all silk lined, the materials used are Venetians, Cheviots and English Mixture.

LOT 2.

Very fashionably made Suits of Gray Cheviots, Eton and fly front jackets, silk lined. This season's styles.

The \$12 Suits Now \$7.75.

LOT 3.

Ladies' High-Grade Suits, made of an extra quality of Venetian Cloth.

\$20 Garments Now \$10.

Three Specials in Walking Skirts.

\$ 7.00 Skirts now.....\$3.50

\$ 7.50 Skirts now.....\$3.75

\$10.00 Skirts now.....\$9.00

Black Taffeta Silk Dress Skirts, handsomely appliqued in ribbon and jet.

Black Silk Crepon Skirts, nicely made, were \$12.50 and \$14, now \$7.50.

One Special in Wash Waists.

\$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75 Wash Waists, nicely made of percale and lawn, all this season's style. Your choice of any, 79c.

One Special in Silk Waists.

High grade garments, all made in most artistic manner, \$19.50 and \$15.00 waists, now \$10.00.

One Special in Wash Skirts.

Nicely made Crash Skirts, cut full and wide hemmed with three rows of white braid, special, 59c.

One Special in Wash Suits.

White Pique Suits, Eton jackets, nicely braided, sizes 32, 34 and 36, \$7.00 and \$7.50 suits, now \$3.00.

Three Specials in Silk Waists.

One Red Taffeta Silk Waist, size 34, was \$5.00, now \$2.50.

One Old-Rose Silk Waist, size 34, was \$5.00, now \$3.25.

One Garnet Satin Waist, size 36, was \$8.50, now \$3.25.

Two Very Low-Priced Specials in Umbrellas.

Are of extra quality silk, some plain and some bordered, colors—red, blue, green, helio, and brown.

The \$2.50 ones now.....\$1.99

The \$4 and \$5 ones now.....\$1.95

Two Specials in Wash Goods.

Dimities, fine and sheer and light weight, very effective patterns.

The 16 3/8c quality now.....12 1/2c

Real French Organdies, Rochlins Frere's best goods and this season's most effective patterns.

The 37 1/2c quality now.....12 1/2c

Three Specials in Underwear.

Ladies' Light-Weight Ribbed Cotton Vests, low neck and no sleeves, silk tape in neck and sleeves, the 16 3/8c kind, 12 1/2c.

Ladies' Ribbed Gauze Cotton Vests, silk tape in neck and sleeves, the 20c kind, special, 15c.

Ladies' extra quality Ribbed Lisle Vests, the 25c grade, 21c.

Boys' Ribbed Balbriggan, knee length, 29c a pair.

THE ASSEMBLY FINISHES WORK

Much Enthusiasm Over the Million Dollar Fund.

THE NEW LESSON SERIES

A Committee to Form It Named, One of Whose Members is Rev. J. K. Hazen—Dr. Moore, Chairman of the Educational Fund.

ATLANTA, GA., May 26.—The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church concluded its labors to-day. There was much enthusiasm displayed during the morning hours over the decision to raise a million dollar Twentieth Century fund for the benefit of the Church education.

The Central Committee in this great work consists of a chairman, Dr. W. W. Moore, of Union Seminary, and a vice-president, Dr. Charles H. Hengbill, of Kentucky, with one minister and one elder or deacon from each Synod of the Church. Its membership in part is as follows: Synod of Virginia—Rev. R. P. Kerr, D. D., of Richmond; George E. Caskie, of Lynchburg. Synod of North Carolina—Rev. J. V. Stagg, D. D., of Charlotte; George W. Waits, of Durham. Synod of South Carolina—Rev. W. G. Neville, of Yorkville; C. E. Graham, of Greenville.

Many unimportant matters were considered by the Assembly up to 11:30 A. M., when Stated Clerk Alexander announced that his docket was clear, and the business before the body was finished.

A vote of thanks was extended to all those who have contributed to the success of the session, and the hearty appreciation of the Assembly was expressed in many ways to the workers on the committees and elsewhere. During the morning Moderator Martin

appointed two important committees. One was to form a new Sunday-school Lesson series.

It is composed of Rev. E. C. Murray, chairman, Newbern, N. C.; Rev. O. L. Phillips, Rev. Charles G. Hiselein, Rev. J. K. Hazen and Major Joseph Hardie. A Committee on Negro Evangelization was named as follows: Dr. T. H. Rice, Dr. Robert P. Campbell, Asheville, N. C., and Elder W. J. McKinney, Decatur, Ga.

Southern Railway Earnings. The following are the estimated earnings for the Southern Railway system for the week ended May 21st: This year, \$549,927.61; 1899, \$529,869.48; increase, \$20,058.13. For the three weeks ended May 21st: This year, \$1,625,333; last year, \$1,529,984; increase, \$95,349.

Timothy B. Blackstone Fea I. CHICAGO, May 26.—Timothy B. Blackstone, former president of the Chicago and Alton Railway, and probably the oldest railroad chief executive in the United States, died here to-day, aged seventy-one years.

C. and O. Earnings. Comparative statement of gross earnings for the third quarter of May: 1899, \$289,922.61; 1899, \$289,869.48; increase, \$53,053.13. For the three weeks of May: 1899, \$709,722.65; 1899, \$691,984.14; increase, \$17,738.51.

CHURCH NOTICES.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.—Worship at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. GEO. COOPER, D. D. Bible school at 9:30 A. M. Union at 4 P. M. All made cordially welcome.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH.—Services morning and evening, conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. E. L. SMITH. Sunday school at 9:15 A. M.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH.—THE annual sermon before the Sewing Society will be preached next Sunday evening by Rev. M. ASHBY JONES, of Leigh-Street Church. The service will begin at 8:15 o'clock.

CLEVELAND METHODIST EPISCOPAL church, South (Grace street between Fourth and Fifth). Rev. SAMUEL A. STEEL, D. D., pasteurizing at 11 A. M. and 8:15 P. M. by the pastor, Epworth League service Friday evening at 8:15 o'clock. Midweek service Wednesday evening at 8:15 o'clock. All visitors are heartily welcome.

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In seeds of laurel in the earth The blossom of your fame is sown, And somewhere, waiting for its birth, The shaft is in the stone! Meanwhile, behalf the tardy years, Which keep in trust your storied tombs, Behold! your sisters bring their tears, And some memorial blooms. Small tributes! but your shades will smile More proudly on these tokens soft Than when the noblest pile of stone Shall lift its head aloft.

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