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THE RESCUE OF SANTA CLAUS

HOW THE BROWNIES RESCUED SANTA CLAUS.

I.
Last Sunday we told you some very sad news,
'Twas so sad we think that it gave you the blues.
To-day we've another and better story,
The coming of Santa in all his glory.

II.
He was stuck in the ice among the whalers,
With no one around him but starving sailors;
So Hale's sent a ship to his rescue up there,
For they couldn't wait for the cutter Bear.

III.
You remember it all in last Sunday's ad,
Now to-day we'll tell you what a time we had.
So listen quite closely and we will relate
How the Brownies saved Santa for Christmas fete.

IV.
It took just five days to accomplish the trip—
'Twas the fastest voyage e'er made by a ship.
They found the whalers in very good humor,
Till some one started the rescue rumor.

V.
And then they did raise a most terrible fuss,
And got the poor Brownies in an awful muss;
For they said "We won't let you have Santa Claus
Till the Bear comes up or this plagued ice thaws.

VI.
"We all want him here to pass the dull days,
He's a jolly old fellow with quaint old ways;
So if you Brownie men don't get up and go,
We'll put you in irons and feed you on snow."

VII.
They weren't a bit scared, these shrewd Brownie sailors,
Of the bluffs and threats of the Arctic whalers,
Their heads went together, in counsel they spoke—
Decided the matter a practical joke.

VIII.
The King of the Brownies spoke to the Queen of Snow,
And asked her to help him dispose of the foe.
She flew to the sailors and put them to sleep,
And then the brave Brownies to Santa did creep.

IX.
They soon had him awake and told him their plan;
Gathered up all his things and to the ship ran.
They climbed up the sides and hid Santa below,
And quick as a wink they were ready to go.

X.
There wasn't a falter, not even a slip,
From the time they started till the homeward trip;
And they didn't stop till they got him to Hale's,
Where to-morrow you'll find him telling his tales.

SALE OF 600 SAMPLE JACKETS.

75c on The Dollar. | MANUFACTURERS' SAMPLES. NEW JACKETS. | 75c on The Dollar.

Another snap for the people—A prominent Jacket manufacturer turns over his entire line of Winter Jacket Samples to Hale's for 75c on the dollar—Space will not permit an elaborate description of even a fraction of this great purchase—We ask your careful investigation—It is positively the best lot of Jackets we have ever offered at special sale—We ask you to come early if possible.

LADIES' TAN COVERT CLOTH JACKETS, fly front, high Collar, a swell little garment, sample sale price..... $5.00 Each

LADIES' TAN JACKETS, fly front, high collar with strap across neck, lined with plaid silk, lap to close, coat back, a $12 jacket, sample sale price. $9.00 Each

LADIES' TAN JACKETS, fly front, with neck strap, lap to close, high standing collar, Roman stripe silk facing, coat back, stitching down front, a $13 50 jacket, sample sale price..... $10.00 Each

LADIES' BLACK BOUCLE JACKETS, silk lined, fly front, high collar, very swell, a $12 50 jacket, sample sale price..... $10.00 Each

A beautiful souvenir will be given with every garment purchased.

LADIES' TAN JACKETS, fly front, high storm collar with strap, ornaments on front, fancy silk faced, lap pockets, coat back, a $16 50 jacket, sample sale price..... $12.50 Each

A souvenir with every garment.

LADIES' TAN JACKETS, fly front, coat collar, silk lined, lap pockets, coat back, a fashionable little affair worth $15, sample sale price... $12.50 Each

Some more of our FAMOUS $5 PLUSH CAPES have arrived, 20 inches long, handsomely embroidered with jet and braid, Tuibet fur trimmed around collar and down front, an elegant garment, silk lined..... $5.00 Each

LADIES' BEAVER CAPES, black or blue, empire effect with velvet collar, a $7 cape at Hale's for..... $5.00 Each

FANS! FEATHER BOAS! HANDKERCHIEFS!

EMPIRE FANS—Carved-wood handles, prettily painted and spangled. Three lots as follows: Nine inches long, with chromos on fan and handle; colors blue, pink, maize, white, cream and nile, 85c each.

SILK AND LACE HAND-PAINTED EMPIRE FANS—9 inches long, blue, pink, nile, cream and maize, $1.50 each.

HAND-PAINTED EMPIRE FANS—Closely spangled, 8½-inch; black or cream, with violet, very handsome $3 each. (Prices up to $5.)

OSTRICH FEATHER FANS—An elegant assortment of Ostrich Feather Fans, from $2.50 to..... $25.00 Each

REAL OSTRICH FEATHER BOAS—Satin ribbon ends on 18-inch ones.
18-inch black.....$2.50 to $6
36-inch black.....$5.50 to $8
45-inch black.....$12.50 each

LADIES' FINE LINEN HEMSTITCHED HANDKERCHIEFS, ½ dozen in a fancy Xmas box for..... 80c Box

LADIES' HEMSTITCHED EMBROIDERED HANDKERCHIEFS, ½ doz. in a box for Xmas..... $1.00 Box

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS HANDKERCHIEFS, ¼ doz. in a fancy box.....15c, 25c, 40c and 50c box

A Fad from the N. Y. Horse Show

Arrived by express Friday. Roman Striped Sashes or Girdles and Neck Scarfs to match. Fringed edges to match the color of the stripe. The newest thing seen in N.Y. The sashes are wrapped twice around the waist as a girdle and looped on the side. The scarfs are used as a combined collar and four-in-hand tie.
Girdles are $4.00 each.
Scarfs are $1.50 each.

Unpainted Wood Soldiers .....15c and 25c box
Unpainted Wood Animals .....15c to 50c box
Complete Printing Presses ..... $1 00 to $3 50
Small Iron Rockboards..$1 00
Small Iron Milk Carts..$1 00
Small Iron Dumping Carts $1
Baby Coffee Mills..12½c, 25c
Baby Flat Irons and Stand .....5c to 25c
Bowing Donkeys.....25c
Garden Sets..15c, 20c and 25c

FURNITURE.

Child's Oak Tables, 26x15.50c
Child's Oak Tables, 20x13½.....25c
Drop Leaf Tables 24x31 $1 00
Wash Stands, small..5c to 35c
Bureaus, small.....5c to 35c
Chiffoniers, small.25c and 35c

A NOVELTY.

THE STANLEY NOVELTY—A little black African climbs up a cocoanut tree, picks a cocoanut, then he brings it down, works automatically, 15 inches high, very funny.

12½c Each.

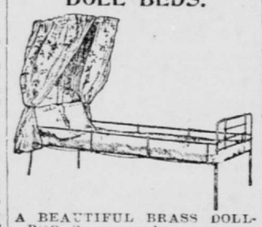
FOR CHRISTMAS

TOYS!

MUSIC TOYS.

Accordions, 6 keys...25c, 40c, 50c
Wooden Clarionets, 10½-inch...9c
Wooden Clarionets, 12-inch....10c
Wooden Clarionets (extra), 13-inch.....20c
Flutes, 6 keys.....10c
Harmonica Fageolet, 8 keys .....20c to 50c
Real Fiddles, 22-inch.....51c
Mandolins, 6-string.....50c
Mandolins, 8-string..90c and $1 20
Zithers, 12-string.....50c
Zithers, 10-string.....40c
Drums and horns at all prices.

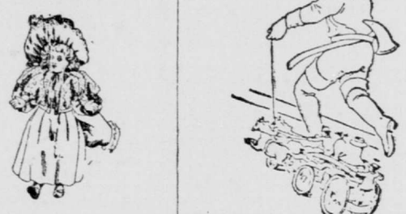
DOLL BEDS.



A BEAUTIFUL BRASS DOLL-BED—Same as picture; pretty silkoline covered mattress and canopy covered top, lace-trimmed silkoline pillows the picture doesn't do it justice; can be folded up and put in a trunk. Ask to see them

$1.20 Each.

DOLLS.



DRESSED DOLLS—Tastily dressed, with hat to match, exceptionally pretty faces, beautiful flowing hair—
10½-in....25c | 13-in.....50c
12-in.....40c | 15-in.....75c
16-in.....85c

ELABORATELY DRESSED DOLLS—Closing eyes, teeth and flowing hair, a grand assortment—
15-in....$1 00 | 17-in....$1 75
16-in....$1 25 | 19-in....$2 25
19½-inch...$2 50 each

A complete line of Negro and Topsy Dolls from 10c to 50c each.

INDESTRUCTIBLE DOLLS—Unbreakable heads, hands and feet, flowing hair, fine for small children—
22-in.....35c | 28-in.....65c
31-in.....$1 00 each

INDESTRUCTIBLE DOLLS, Unbreakable heads, flowing hair, cloth bodies—
12-in.....10c | 17½-in.....20c
18-in. (closing eyes).....25c

DOLL CORSETS, in assorted sizes.....25c

EXTRA LARGE JOINTED BODY DOLLS—Pretty bisque faces, beautiful flowing hair—
21-in....$1 00 | 22½-in...$1 25

SOLDIER SUITS.....50c to $2.25
POLICEMAN SUITS....50c to $1.25
FIREMAN SUITS.....75c to $1.25
Guns, Swords, Drums and Pistols in big assortments.

DOLL CABS.

WILLOW BASKET DOLL CABS, plain wood wheels, very strong.
17½-inch basket.....25c
19½-inch basket.....40c
23-inch basket.....50c

LINED WILLOW BASKET DOLL CABS, steel springs, parasol, and extra strong.
22-inch basket.....95c
24-inch basket.....$1.25

IRON-WHEEL DOLL CABS, strong woven-willow baskets, steel axles and springs, pretty parasol.
20-inch basket.....75c
21½-inch basket.....$1.25
19-inch basket, (extra).....$1.00

PRESENTS FOR

GENTLEMEN.

HEAVY INITIALED HANDKERCHIEFS—A most acceptable present to a gentleman, fine silk and very heavy initials handsomely embroidered. 18 inches square, 1-inch hem.....25c
19 inches square, 1½-inch hem.....33⅓c
23 inches square, 1¾-inch hem.....50c
22 inches square, 1¾ inch hem, extra..70c

GENTS' PURE LINEN INITIALED HANDKERCHIEFS—A heavy embroidered initial, 1¼-inch hem, a high-grade handkerchief, ½ dozen in a box $1.50 Box

NEW TIES FOR GENTLEMEN—Tecks, Four-in-Hands and Flowing Ends. Just received—an elegant assortment of the very latest New York shapes and patterns—rich shadings in the finest silks—some very swell creations. We are confident our prices cannot be beaten in this city..... 50c Each

LADIES' PURSES.

A purse would make a most acceptable present to any lady. Combination Pocket-books (as in picture), of alligator, seal or polished calf in almost every color; leather lined, strongly stitched (not glued); plain or mounted with heavy silver corners.

$1, $1.25 and $1.50 each

INFANTS' DRESSES.

INFANTS' FINE NAINSOOK SHORT DRESSES—Same as picture. The yoke is prettily trimmed with laces and embroidery, embroidery ruffles and full sleeves; hemstitched cuffs and bottom; exceptionally good workmanship, and as dainty and neat as a garment can be

$1 and $1.25 each

FOR CHRISTMAS. Holiday Silks.

BLACK GROS-GRAIN DRESS SILK—An elegant fabric for an Xmas dress present. The best make. Rich, lustrous, deep black. Every yard guaranteed. 22 and 24 inch.

$1.50, $1.75 and $2.00 Yd.

BLACK SATIN DUCHESS—We carry the best grade only. Would make an elegant present to any lady. Just the thing for a dress or skirt. 22 and 24 inch.

$1.25, $1.50, $1.75 and $2.00 Yd.

BLACK BROCADED SILKS—A big assortment for the Holiday trade. Some very fashionable creations and all the finest grades, 22 inches wide,

$1, $1.25, $1.50 and $1.75 Yard

BLACK SURAH SILKS—A very heavy soft-finished silk for mufflers—a deep rich dye, 24-inch,

75c, $1 and $1.25 Yard.

Wamsutta Beddings

Made for people willing to pay a little more than the average in order to get the best. To our best knowledge Wamsutta Sheets and Cases have no superior in the world.

WAMSUTTA SHEETS, the standard brand, hand-torn, dry-ironed, 2-inch hem, every sheet stamped "Wamsutta":
2 yards wide by 2 1-2 long.....75c each
2 1-4 yards wide by 2 1-2 long.85c each
2 1-4 yards wide by 2 3-4 long.90c each
2 1-2 yards wide by 2 1-2 long.90c each
2 1-2 yards wide by 2 3-4 long..$1 each

WAMSUTTA PILLOW CASES, same as sheets above—
45x36—20c each. 54x36 —25c each.
50x36—25c each. 54x40½—27½c each.

Extra Fine Blankets.

PURE WHITE WOOL FLEECE BLANKETS, long fiber, once a year clip, very heavy and extra size, an ideal Christmas gift..... $12.00 Pair
(Same qualities in lighter weights down to $5).

MISS BRAGG HAS NO CLASS

Her Return From Leave of Absence Stirs Up More Trouble.

Director Drucker and Principal Brooks Do Not See Things Alike.

Deputy Stone's Visits and His Bill for Carfare Criticized by the Directors.

A London fish market would be a haven of repose as compared with the San Francisco School Department. Each day brings forth a new chapter in the history of the unhappy family. When the Directors are not engaged in a wordy combat among themselves the turmoil is transferred to the teachers and from the teachers it finds its way into the head of the office where Deputy Superintendent C. L. Stone gets tangled up in a snarl with the Directors and vice versa. Even the sedate principal of the Girls' High School, Elisha Brooks, comes in for more than his share of the trouble and worry attending the disciplining of his flock of giddy maids.

The latest cause of unhappiness to poor Brooks occurred on last Tuesday, when Miss Mary J. Bragg returned from her leave of absence after sojourning away for four months.

When Miss Bragg returned she reported to Dr. Drucker, chairman of the committee on rules. He sent her with a letter which was intended to restore her to her class in the mathematic branch.

On presenting this letter to Principal Brooks he ignored not only her claim, but the authority of Chairman Drucker to assign her. This, as might be expected, aroused the ire of Dr. Drucker, who considered his position and dignity woefully slighted, and it is said that he found words sufficiently forcible to express his mind to Principal Brooks.

Under rule 113 of the board a teacher having served fifteen or more years is entitled to resume the class on return from leave of absence that she taught when the leave of absence was granted. This is the case with Miss Bragg, and under this rule Dr. Drucker acted. But Principal Brooks thought otherwise, and instead of relieving Miss Hattie L. Leszynsky, who was the substitute appointed to fill the vacancy of the absent teacher, he undertook to relieve a Mrs. Howard, who is a regular teacher. This mixing of teachers has brought a whole lot of trouble into the Girls' High School, and in addition to this it is charged against Brooks that he made a special request for a suitable instructor in algebra, who would also act as librarian. Having got this suitable person in Miss H. C. Burns, he then makes it public that he has no use for her services in the school.

"The trouble with Principal Brooks," said one of the Directors, "is that he devotes too much of his time to the garden attached to the school, leaving the teachers to run the classes as they see fit."

In the meantime Miss Bragg is without an assignment and Miss Leszynsky has her class. What the Directors will do to straighten this tangle out at the meeting on Wednesday night will be watched with interest by those affected.

In keeping with the spirit of turmoil and unrest in this branch of the city government, Deputy Superintendent Charles L. Stone has added his share to keep the pot boiling.

At the last meeting of the board Director Gallagher called for the Deputy Superintendent's report of schools visited during the month of October. Deputy Stone, who was present, answered rather tartly that he was not an educator, but merely a clerk to the Superintendent. This statement, with various reports filed from month to month showing where schools had been visited by Mr. Stone and a minute account of the time spent in each school, was given in the various reports. For instance, during the month of August Deputy Stone states in his report that on the 20th he visited the Dudley Stone School and remained there twenty minutes, but fails to state what he did on this visit. During this same month he certifies that he also visited Emerson Primary, Grant Primary, Harrison Primary, Mission Primary, Girls' High School and Irving M. Scott Primary.

In September it is set forth in his report that he visited Pacific Heights, Girls' High School, Richmond and Hamilton schools. The principals of each and every one of these schools in their reports fail to notice the visit of the deputy, although it is a portion of their duty to note such a visit in reports.

The Directors are puzzling their brains over Deputy Stone's bills for carfare. For instance, in one month, when he certifies that he visited fifteen schools, his bill for carfare amounts to $4 15, and another month he visited eighteen schools at an expense to the ever-willing victims—the taxpayers—at an expense of $4 80.

The Directors are of the opinion that it would be cheaper and better for both the schools and the taxpayers if a few dollars were added to those bills for a railroad ticket out of the State for some of the officials at the City Hall. Truly the educating of young America in the San Francisco schools has been the cause of a great deal of trouble to the twelve gentlemen who volunteered to discharge their thankless duty.

Stationery and Printing.

Tablets with beautifully illuminated covers and good paper; papeteries in pretty boxes put up with rich ornamental bands and labels. Best grades with cords and ribbons. Holiday stationery and printing a specialty. Sanborn, Vail & Co., 741 Market street. *

Commission Brokers Fail.

Heyman & Mayer, commission brokers and tanbark dealers at 10 California street, have failed for $26,000, the Anglo-Californian Bank being said to be one of the largest creditors. A meeting of the creditors was held Friday afternoon and the assets were found to be very small. Jacobs & Wolfe, the attorneys, announced yesterday afternoon that insolvency proceedings would be instituted next Monday or Tuesday. The cause of the failure is given as dull times, but one of the creditors asserts that the firm indorsed too much paper for Assessor McFaul of Mendocino County, a man with whom they had considerable dealing.

TEN cents for a bottle of Low's horehound cough syrup, 417 Sansome st. *

WATSON SAYS HE IS POOR

Swears He Cannot Pay His Divorced Wife Alimony.

The Court Would Not Listen to Him and Sent Him Back to Jail.

His Home and Children Gone and He in Prison Because of a Family Jar.

Poor William S. Watson appeared before Judge Hall in Oakland yesterday morning, prepared to swear that he is not worth more than $50.

But Judge Hall would not listen to Watson's vow, and the poorly but decently clad defendant was compelled to return to the County Jail, there to serve out the remaining hours of his five days' sentence.

William Watson's attorneys have contrived, however, to relieve him of the second part of his punishment for contempt of court in refusing to pay Mrs. Watson $70—two months' alimony. They have filed a bond, whose sureties are James W. Watson, father of William Watson, and Hugh M. Cameron, a real estate agent of this city, guaranteeing Mrs. Watson the sum sued for, provided that the Supreme Court, to which an appeal has been taken, decides against Watson.

So William Watson will not be compelled to languish in the County Jail till he consents to pay his divorced wife $35 a month. He is at liberty to seek work, poor man; and if the California Powder Company, in whose employ Watson was up to five days ago, before he became—or wished to become—a pauper, will consent, it is not improbable that William Watson may at a bound step from the position of a penniless occupant of a debtor's cell to the comparative comfort of $125 a month and a secretary's place.

What a wonderful country is this America, where one may be a pauper at one moment and a highly respected official at another.

Mr. Watson has borne his five days' poverty very well. By means of that thrifty ingenuity, perhaps, which the very poor acquire early, he has managed to keep himself clothed in the acceptable style known as decent poverty. One has infinite respect for the poor whose self-respect will not permit them to drop into decayed untidiness. And, really, if you did not know how poor poor Mr. Watson is, you couldn't tell the difference between his clothes and anybody else's!

One is tempted to ask Mr. Watson whether he has read "The Ring and the Book." But you'd know the answer to that question in advance. Mr. Watson probably does not read poetry.

He is a small man, with a thin, smooth-shaven face, a prominent nose, thin lips and brown hair. It is not likely that Mr. Watson cares for Browning, but the poet must have understood intimately such cases as Watson vs. Watson.

William Watson has been beaten at every point in his encounter with the lady who was once his wife. It is Mrs. Watson to whom the decree of divorce was granted. It is Mrs. Watson to whom the Judge gave the custody of the children. It is Mrs. Watson who retains possession of the house Watson intended for his home. It is Mrs. Watson who carried off the furniture declared by Watson not to be community property. It is Mrs. Watson who has been appointed assignee of her divorced husband's estate in the insolvency proceedings. And, finally, it is Mrs. Watson who has kept the father of her children in the County Jail for five days because he would not pay her the monthly sum the court has awarded.

But Watson's attorneys have carried their case to the Supreme Court, and, according to them, Mrs. Watson's victory though so complete is only temporary.

Watson's story, like every half-statement of every divorce case, seems altogether innocent and righteous. No doubt Mrs. Watson's story, as told by herself, would appear to be quite as convincing.

"We were married fifteen years ago," Mr. Watson said yesterday. He sat in the Sheriff's office and the clock was ticking away his last half hour's incarceration. "Some time after we were married, when I was very ill, I deeded all my property to my wife, with the understanding that the deed should not be recorded except in case of my death. Two days before she brought suit for divorce against me she filed the deed. Now she is in possession of my home, for which I was once offered $5000, and of all the furniture, more than $1500 worth. Now I do not see why I should be compelled to pay her alimony besides, and I'm going to fight the case."

Mr. Watson looks like an obstinate man. The chances are against Mrs. Watson's collecting her alimony, if one may judge from this man's face with the tightly drawn skin.

"Yes; she got possession of the children, too. There were two, a girl of 10 and—and the boy. The boy died during the fight—the divorce proceedings.

Poor Mr. Watson! It's "poor Mr. Watson" in earnest this time. Evidently there was one thing very dear to this man. There is one tender spot left in his memory of the home and family which were wrecked upon the rock of divorce.

SOCIETY.

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San Fernando and Seventh streets, Tuesday evening. The evening's programme opened with a sketch, "A Happy Pair," by Mr. and Mrs. Neville Castle. "The Scrap of Paper" was given with the following cast: Prosper Couramont, Edwin Coolidge; Baron de la Glacier, C. C. Schneider; Brisemouche, Neville Castle; Anatole, Fred L. Lewis; Mlle. Suzanne de Buseville, Mrs. Loring Gale Nesmith; Louise de la Glacier, Mrs. Neville Castle; Mathilda, Miss Laura Mann; Mlle. Zenobie, Mrs. James Henry Pierce; Pauline, Miss Elizabeth Y. Murphy. All the characters were well taken. Dancing followed. The patronesses of the club are: Mrs. Hiram Bond, Mrs. Neville Castle, Mrs. Loring Gale Nesmith, Mrs. Alfred Barstow, Mrs. Frank Vincent Wright and Mrs. James Henry Pierce. Its membership is about 140. This is the first of a series of five entertainments to be given. The next event of the club will be a dance given by Mrs. Loring Gale Nesmith.

Warren R. Porter of Loma Prieta is spending several days in the city.

The marriage of Miss Louise Eberhard, daughter of Jacob Eberhard of Santa Clara, to Philo Hersey of this city, took place at the Eberhard residence Wednesday noon.

The Nordica Trio, consisting of Mrs. W. J. Kirkpatrick, Miss Adeline E. Birchler and Mrs. Mary Weaver-McCauley, will give a grand concert at the Hotel Vendome Tuesday evening.

Mrs. C. H. Letcher and Mrs. R. B. Decker spent several days in Alameda and Oakland the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Sloat of Mountain View left last week for an extended visit in Indiana and Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Millard have returned from North Dakota.

Mrs. Emily Brown has gone to Spokane to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Schulein.

Mrs. Louis C. Scheller and children of Los Angeles are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edward McLaughlin.

Miss Alice Masten of San Francisco is visiting Mrs. R. B. Murphy of this city.

Miss Bernice Drown and Miss Maria Wells of San Francisco are visiting Mrs. Neville Castle.

Clementi Arquas has returned from an extended hunt at San Luis Obispo.

Attorney C. C. Coolidge and James P. Treadwell will leave shortly on an extended trip around the world.

Mount Tamalpais.

MOUNT TAMALPAIS, Dec. 4.—M. Collins of Portland, Or., was here.

Mrs. G. G. Brooks, Miss Maud Brooks and George G. Brooks of Colusa were on Tamalpais this week.

Dan Cully of San Francisco was here during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Steedman of San Francisco were here.

J. C. Patrick of San Francisco was here.

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Platt of San Rafael were among the visitors.

E. W. McKinstry of San Francisco was here.

Among the recent visitors on the mountain were: M. A. Cullen, H. Tuttle, D. W. Bisbee, W. T. Burke, Elisha Cook, Mr. and Mrs. George D. Soy, A. H. Butler.

Petaluma.

PETALUMA, Dec. 4.—A cotillon club is organizing here, with society people as the promoters. Their meetings will be held at the Social Club rooms, which are being refitted and embellished throughout.

The ladies of St. John's Guild are engaged in preparation for their annual bazaar and entertainment, to take place next week. The ladies of the Congregational Church are also proposing to hold a similar fete in the near future.

Mrs. N. King has been visiting her daughter in Stockton.

H. G. Stillwell has moved from Novato with his family to make Petaluma his permanent home.

Last Saturday Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hill tendered Miss Nourse of Sacramento a launch party in the Widgeon. About twenty young people composed the party, which passed the time delightfully with music and games, stopping for a repast at the Miramonte Clubhouse and returning in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blackburn, P. H. Bradbury of San Francisco, Mrs. Riley and Mrs. J. Magee of San Jose came up to attend the funeral of Pioneer Charles Blackburn.

A stir in the local quarters of the Salvation Army was occasioned by the marriage of two members, Monroe W. Grindle and Henrietta M. Warner, Tuesday evening, Rev. Mr. Atkinson of the M. E. church officiating. It was a strictly regulation affair, the first in this city, and was witnessed by a great crowd of onlookers.

Mrs Cyrus Tuttle returned from a visit to her parents at Cordelia. The regular weekly meet of the whist contingent was played by teams captained respectively by Messrs. B. F. Cox and H. J. Fairbanks, the former team winning by eighteen points.

The coming Sunday will prove a notable one in the history of St. John's Church, for then for the first time a surpliced choir of mixed voices of children, thirty-one in all, will render the music during the evening service and so continue to do indefinitely. The choir has been under the efficient management and training of the organist, Mr. Lippitt.

Professor Alfred Kelleher continues holding his vocal classes here.

Among the visitors to the metropolis this week were: Messrs. W. H. Worth, J. W. Studdert, H. Cantel, J. L. Dinwiddie, D. B. Fairbanks, D. J. Healey, Rev. J. H. Ainsworth, Mr. and Mrs. John Fritch, Mrs. Newburgh, E. D. Bernardi, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Brainerd, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Luff, Miss Minnie McCreagh and J. Wiers.

Sacramento.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 4.—Mr. and Mrs. Marion de Vries passed through the city last night on their way to Washington.

The marriage ceremony of E. B. Osler and Miss Amelia Duggan was celebrated last Thursday at the residence of R. D. Stephens on N street, Rev. C. P. Massey officiating. The wedding tour will include a visit to the southern part of the State.

Mrs. Ezekiel Kendall of Salamanca, N. Y., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Edward Malone, of Oak Park.

Mrs. A. Martin, for many years a resident of Sacramento, has made preparations for an extensive tour of Europe and will, upon her return to California, take up her residence in San Francisco.

Saturday evening of last week the Young People's Society of the German Lutheran Church gave a most novel and delightful entertainment in the basement of that edifice. Following is a list of those who contributed to the evening's entertainment: Miss Eda Neubourg, Miss Emma Sachs, Master Carl Noack, Miss Carrie Lothhammer, Mrs. C. G. Stever, Alfred Schaden, Miss T. Heilbron, Miss H. Biewener, Miss K. Biewener, Miss T. Wing, Misses Lulu and Nettie Kern, Miss Ethel Brusch, Mrs. A. Blanchard, Miss May Oatmen, Miss Frances Bauer, Miss Rene Hoskinson, T. Bauer and Miss Minnie Pfetscher.

Mrs. E. T. Bush of Oakland is a visitor at the home of Mrs Clara R. Wood.

Mrs. R. B. Kittredge has taken up her residence at 711 Scott street, San Francisco, and will receive on the third and fourth Fridays of each month.

The marriage of Miss Lida Clinch and George E. Lester has been announced.

Miss Margie Genung is home on a short visit from Berkeley.

Mrs. George Taylor has returned from a visit to Mrs. Dr. M. Gardner of San Francisco.

Edward T. Meiss of Sacramento and Miss Albertina Gilgard of Portland were married at the parsonage of the First Baptist Church last Tuesday.

Mrs. Charles H. Craig and her two children are visiting relatives in San Mateo County.

Mrs. M. R. Dundas of San Francisco spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Phillips.

Sailed Away.

Among those sailing on the steamer Australia Tuesday, November 30, for Honolulu were: A. F. Along, Mrs. W. A. Akers, S. T. Alexander, Dr. L. F. Alvarez and wife, Mrs. J. B. Atherton, Miss K. Atherton, Mrs. C. Bennett, Henry Blake and wife, C. S. Burdick and wife, Mrs. C. L. Carter, two children and maid, Miss C. J. Carter, Mrs. H. A. P. Carter, Miss Pauline Collins, C. F. Eckart, John S. Ellis and wife, Miss Flaxman, Dr. M. E. Grossman, R. N. Halstead, E. Hartman, J. P. Hawkes, Miss Hendricks, J. A. Hopper and wife, Miss Hopper, W. L. Howard, J. H. Irwin, C. S. Joslyn, H. L. Kerr, S. R. Kitchel and wife, Mrs. Lanz, Mrs. William Lowsey, Miss McDonald, Max Nelle, J. B. Newson and wife, H. S. Rand, wife and son, Mrs. Arabella Randall, Miss Elizabeth Randall, Mrs. S. B. Rose, Mrs. Saunders, Miss Saunders, M. M. Saunders, Arthur F. Scherer, Ramsay C. Scott, Miss Annette Stanley, Dr. J. S. Tracy, George W. Tull and wife, George W. Weeks, Mrs. L. E. Whittier, Alexander Young.

IN THE FUTURE.

Receptions, Entertainments and Dances Are Announced.

The Cotillon of '97 will give their opening party Thursday evening, December 9, at Devisadero Hall.

The first soiree of Aloma Circle will be held Wednesday evening, December 8, at Assembly Hall, 1412 Polk street. The following programme has been arranged for the evening: Cavatina (a) "Una Voce poco fa" (Rossini), song (b) "A Serenade" (Roeckel), Mlle. Elena Roeckel; duet, "Easter Chimes" (Roeckel), Miss May Mable and Herr Howard Lotz; aria (astarto) (Bononcini), Miss Annette Miley; romance, "Drommar om Hemmet" (Prince Gustaf), Mrs. Martin Johnson; air, "Scenes That Are Brightest," "Maritana" (Wallace), Miss Eva Bolger; tenor solos (a) "Ballad" (Morel), (b) "Il tombe de l'eau" (Roeckel), Mons. Ch. Morel; ballad, "The Island of Dreams" (Adams), Mrs. H. Lewis; song, "To Yonder Hill" (Roeckel), Senorita Andrea Mojica; duo, "Parigi, o cara"—"Traviata" (Verdi), Miss Ida Schintz and Herr E. Lotz; song, "Spring and Autumn" (Swedish), Miss Annie K. Shew; chansonette comique, "Les Vielles filles," Monsieur Emile Penez; "Romanza" — "Faust" (Gounod), Senorita Adela de Galvez; two choruses, (a) "Magic Song," solo by Miss Grace Sherry—(b) "Hallelujah" (Roeckel), Alamo Circle, Mme. Ellen Coursen-Roeckel, conductress; "Canzone"—"Mireille" (Gounod), Miss Tillie Miley; "Gipsy Son"—"Carmen" (Bizet), Miss Grace Sherry; chanson, "Terrienne" (Roeckel, Monsieur Charles Fechin; four songs—(a) "Lied der Mignon" (Schubert), (b) "Clara's Song" (Rubinstein), (c) "Dreaming" (Schumann), (d) "La Lorraine" (Roeckel), Mme. Ellen Coursen-Roeckel.

The engagement reception of Miss Marie L. Clayburgh and T. Kahn will be held at the residence of Mrs. Katy Clayburgh, 2202 Jackson street, on the first two Sundays and Tuesdays in December.

The Young People's Society of the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church on Geary street, near Octavia, will give an entertainment and social next Thursday evening in aid of the church organ fund. There will be vocal and instrumental music, recitations and the presentation of a farce entitled "Go."

The Vermonters will hold their meeting for December at Odd Fellows' Hall on Friday, the 10th. The following excellent programme will precede the social and dance: Comic recitation, Miss C. M. Kuck; soprano solo, Miss A. Berglund; romanza, Signor F. Michelena. "The Contest," a musical farce comedy, will be presented by experienced players.

The P. D. C.'s will give their private masquerade at Native Sons' Hall on Tuesday evening, December 7.

A stag party or high jinks will be given by the Old Friends in their hall on Wednesday night, December 22. The matter is in charge of the newly elected board of directors of the society, consisting of Captain J. W. Howell, M. Rothenberg, Dr. J. S. Knowlton, B. B. Roberts, Dr. J. A. Hughes, P. H. Hink, Dr. Ernest Heymans and F. W. Croudace, together with Dr. F. F. Lord, the president; J. E. Slinkey, the secretary, and Robert Plasberg, the newly elected treasurer of the society.

Puckett's Select Academy will hold its third anniversary party at Mission Turn Hall, Eighteenth street, near Valencia, on Friday evening next. A useful and handsome souvenir will be given to every one who attends.

PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Carpy have returned from St. Helena to spend the winter at their home, 2632 California street.

Mrs. Otto Fleissner and son, Cuthbert, after a five months' visit with relatives in the East, have returned and are once more at home at 2514 Octavia street.

Dr. Tillie Dittenhoefer has gone East for several months to attend the clinics on skin diseases.

Mrs. Schmidt and Mrs. Hasslinger have returned after an absence of five months in Europe.

Miss Elizabeth Cermak, a graduate of West High School at Cleveland, Ohio, who has been visiting relatives in this city, left last Wednesday for an extended tour through Southern California.

Mr. Charles Juergensen of Mark West Springs is spending a few months in the city.

Miss Lottie Davis of Sacramento is the guest of Miss de Bernardi of Alameda.

Mrs. J. E. Goody has removed to 400A Oak street, and will be at home on the second and fourth Tuesdays.

Miss Reine Weil and Miss Emelie Cerf will be at home Saturday, December 11, at 1153 Octavia street.

Julio M. Gomez of Pacific Grove has left for Monterey, Mexico, with General Geronimo Trevino.

Mrs. J. H. Herbst and Miss Hattie Herbst of Haneneme have returned to their home after a pleasant stay of four weeks in this city.

Mrs. Daisy Ricks, a prominent vocalist and society young lady of Eureka, Humboldt County, has taken up her permanent residence at 907 Steiner street.

ADVANCES made on furniture and pianos, with or without removal. J. Noonan, 1017-1023 Mission