HOME DEPARTMENT

Miss Mary Van Patton, assisted by Miss Mary Fleming Brent, gave a small dinner party Friday evening.

The alumni of the Phi Sigma Fraternity will give a dancing party at the Casino Friday evening, August 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard B. Mullet will give a dancing party at Fairmount park Monday evening for their son Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Freligh announce the marriage of their daughter, Edna Estelle, to Mr. B. F. Tozier, of this city, which is to take place Wednesday evening, August 16, at 8:30 o'clock at the family residence, 306 Virginia avenue, Kansas City, Kas.

Southern society women often unite in their charming personality an odd mixture of the stately manners befitting the traditions of their race with an occasional freedom from conventionality which would be impossible to Northern social leaders, who generally in everyday life are far less formal in their ideas.

A rather amusing incident, which illustrates this decidedly attractive quality, happened not long ago at the railway station in Baltimore. Mrs. X., the wife of a prominent Southern statesman and millionaire, who is herself famous on both continents for her beauty and charm of manner, was about to start north in her husband's private car with a large party of invited guests.

Passing through the station, she was attracted by a tempting looking array of fruit for sale, piled on the counter of a booth, inside of which an old woman presided. She stopped and bought liberally, but found on reckoning up her purchase that she had nothing but a ten dollar bill, which the crone was unable to change.

"Can't you get it changed somewhere?" asked Mrs. X.

"Yes," said the fruit vendor anxiously, "but I cannot leave my shop."

"Oh, that will be all right," exclaimed the great lady. "I will take care of it until you come back. Only tell me your prices, how much is this, and that, and that?" she continued, pointing to the different articles which, besides the fruit in season, included cigars, cigarettes and a variety of other small wares. After receiving the information Mrs. X. lifted the entrance through the counter, and, laughingly pushing the old woman out of her booth, took her place, and with great composure began praising up the goods for sale to her friends.

Several of the men entered into the humor of the situation and began buying cigars and candy. This started the crowd, which rapidly collected, whereupon, nothing daunted, the beautiful Mrs. X. continued the sale, audaciously raising her prices as the demand increased, and praising the qualities of her merchandise.

"Look at this peach," she said smilingly to a rich cotton planter of her acquaintance. "One side is perfect, but because there is a slight imperfection on the other you can have it for 25 cents. These oranges are particularly fine," she continued to another victim. "I hope you will give me 10 cents apiece for them," and so on; strangers, friends and acquaintances, all were cajoled and flattered into buying.

The old woman returned, but wisely refrained from claiming her place and remained a delighted spectator of the scene. In ten minutes Mrs. X. had disposed of nearly all the fruit and small wares, and the tin money box was full of coins and bills. Then the beauty paid her own account to the happy old merchant from the change of her bill, and amid the thanks and benefactions of the latter proceeded to her car.

"I never saw anything better done," said one of the spectators afterward. "And with her it was only the spontaneous kindly act of a sympathetic woman."

Miss Edith Keating gave a pink rose luncheon in the tearoom Thursday afternoon. The guests were:

Miss Mary Brent,	Mr. Richard Apperson,
Miss Ruth Lowry,	Mr. Robert Ingle,
Miss Serena Smith,	Mr. Browning Fellers,
Miss Fannie Smith,	Mr. Preston Dobbin,
Miss Virginia Warder,	Mr. George Mason,
Mr. Willard Davis,	

The Montauk party at Fairmount pavilion Friday evening was enjoyed by the following:

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith,	
Miss Mabel White,	Mr. Roy Corbett,
Miss Margaret Hocker,	Mr. Fred Carlat,
Miss Bertha Merry,	Mr. Roy Reynolds,
Miss Alice Norton,	Mr. Harry L. Goodwin,
Miss Hatch,	Mr. Robert Brockett,
Miss Hilliker,	Mr. Roland Hubbard,
Miss Lotta Hilliker,	Mr. Cyrus Kirtley,
Miss Lelia Mather,	Mr. James Yeager,
Miss Katherine Miller, of Liberty, Mo.,	Mr. James Tate,
	Mr. Earl Bishop,
Miss Helen Edwards, of Chicago;	Mr. Arthur Kelley,
	Mr. Chat Bowman,
Miss Florence Smith, of Chicago;	Mr. Earl Pittsburgh,
	Mr. Mortimer Platt,
Miss Adaline Champion,	Mr. Frank Wilbury
Miss Ethel Colvin,	Mr. John Elliott,
Miss Imogene Norton,	Mr. Ward Lewis,
Miss Fannie Norton,	Mr. J. V. Robinson,
Mr. W. S. Wood,	Mr. Homer Irwin,
Mr. Val Thomas,	Mr. Allen Litchfield.

The Five S. Club dance at Fairmount Wednesday evening was attended by:

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson T. Haynes,	
Miss Flossie Dawson,	Mr. Edson Burdick,
Miss Artee Pierson,	Mr. Charles Brandberg,
Miss Evelyn Gordon,	Mr. Warren Butler,
Miss Louise Miner,	Mr. Edgar Cromwell,
Miss Mabel Terrill,	Mr. T. E. Campbell,
Miss Louise Holmes,	Mr. Cliff Daughaday,
Miss Lena Roeder,	Mr. Ray Franklin,
Miss Harriet Allen,	Dr. A. H. Giehl,
Miss Gill,	Mr. Charles Howell,
Miss Laura Lane,	Mr. Lee Kenton,
Miss Ruth Mason,	Mr. Hiram Mason,
Miss Florence Bauer,	Mr. J. E. McPherson,
Miss Eula Pennington,	Mr. Paul Mason,
Miss Genevieve Liggett,	Mr. Everett Piper,
Miss Ella DeVine,	Mr. Will Stone,
Miss Decima Vivian,	Mr. Edgar Smith,
Miss Irene Bell,	Mr. W. A. Summers,
Miss Sophia Pinkston,	Mr. Ben Stone,
Miss Cherington,	Mr. Sam Waller,
Miss Bessie Goodhue,	Mr. Lorin Wells,
Miss Adele Robb,	Mr. Oland Young.

Miss Hazel Forester gave a delightful tally-ho party Tuesday evening. The big coach "Rambler" conveyed the party to Fairmount park, where supper was served, and the vaudeville show witnessed. The young people were chaperoned by Mrs. C. L. Forester, and oth[illegible] grown-ups in the party were Mr. John [illegible]rester, Dr. and Mrs. [illegible]pton and Miss K[illegible] who furnished music on the mando[illegible]d bugle. The other guests were:

Miss Maud Graham,	Mr. Duke Ballard,
Miss Emma Michels,	Mr. Lawrence Pearl,
Miss Mary Hunt,	Mr. Lloyd Marty,
Miss Mary Ensminger,	Mr. King Spellman,
Miss Katherine Seymour,	Mr. Silas Craycroft,
Miss Lotta Donville,	Mr. Harlan Arnold,
Miss Jessie Scott,	Mr. Joe McIntyre,
Miss Grace Varity,	Mr. Clifford Pierce,
Miss Eula Gray,	Mr. Claude Graham.
Mr. Dell Dutton,	

Miss Marie Evans entertained with a pretty pink luncheon in the tearoom Tuesday, in compliment to her guests, Miss Mary Louise Winram, of St. Paul, Minn., and Dr. J. J. Evans, of Chicago. The guests were:

Miss Winram,	Mr. Frank Campbell,
Miss Marian Smith,	Mr. Ralph Fletcher,
Miss Rose Scully,	Mr. Allen Davidson,
Miss Frances Howell,	Mr. Edgar Simpson,
Miss Maude Wilson,	Mr. Claude Reynolds,
Miss Frances Beatty,	Mr. Ralph Stevens.
Dr. Evans,	

The Kansas City chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, for the benefit of the monument fund, will organize a class of men and women in parliamentary rules. A fully competent instructor of experience and reputation has been engaged and the course, which will consist of ten lessons, will begin about October 1. The charges will be so moderate that all may avail themselves of the opportunity to acquire a useful and oftimes important knowledge. Those who wish to join the class may address the president of the chapter, Mrs. J. M. Phillips, 3029 Holmes street, or the secretary, Mrs. J. S. Miller, 1321 Woodland court.

A party of friends was entertained Saturday evening by Miss Bertha Atkins at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Douglass, Forty-third and Central. The lawn and broad verandas were gayly decorated with lanterns, while indoors, the decorations were sweet peas, asters, ferns and carnations. During the evening punch was served by Miss Mattie Douglass and Miss May Ellis under a bower of ferns and Japanese lanterns. One of the pleasant features of the evening was "Nuts to Crack," otherwise, conundrums, and prizes were awarded Mrs. R. W. Ryan and Mr. H. E. Brobeck, Mrs. J. B. Crowley and Mr. George Berry, Mrs. George erry and Mr. L. O. Goode. Musical numbers were given by Miss Mattie Douglass, Miss May Ellis, Miss Alice DeWolff and Mr. H. M. Follett. The invited guests were:

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. May,	
Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Ryan,	
Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Brobeck,	
Mr. and Mrs. George B. Berry,	
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Crowley,	
Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Gilpin,	
Mrs. Black, of Garnett, Kas.;	
Miss Carrie Williams,	Mr. Claud Steele,
Miss Edna Williams,	Mr. John Moffett,
Miss Edna Spence,	Mr. J. H. Atkins,
Miss Lela Stevenson,	Mr. S. H. Straight,
Miss Ryan,	Mr. H. M. Baker,
Miss Clara Jackman,	Mr. J. F. Baker,
Miss Mary Jackman,	Mr. W. T. Reed,
Miss Kate Yancey,	Mr. Alba Shultz,
Miss Anna Straight,	Mr. Ben Porter,
Miss Cobb,	Mr. H. M. Follett,
Miss Maud Berry,	Mr. George H. Kelly,
Miss Maud Anderson,	Mr. C. Demmon,
Miss Alice DeWolf,	Mr. George Dixon,
Miss May Ellis,	Mr. Cosmos Dixon,
Mr. S. O. Goode,	Mr. Fred Stemm.
Mr. R. O. Steele, Jr.,	

Mrs. Grundy's Budget of News.

Miss Mildred Faxon is at Estes Park, Col.

Mr. Mabry Mellier is at Magnolia beach.

Mr. Adam Long is at Glenwood Springs, Col.

Mrs. Norton Thayer is staying at Pertle Springs.

Mr. S. I. Mellott will leave for the East this week.

Mr. G. S. Mosher is at the Manitou, Salt Lake City.

Miss Emilie Russell left Friday evening for Chicago.

Miss Theo Mastin is visiting friends in Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Cramer are in New York city.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Kellogg and children are in California.

Mrs. C. S. Lee is entertaining her niece, Miss Susie Rogers.

Mrs. Walter Comstock has returned from a visit in Galesburg, Ill.

Miss Hattie R. Ashby is spending the week at Excelsior Springs.

Mrs. A. D. Rider and children have gone to Minnesota for a month.

Mrs. D. P. Thomson is spending a few weeks at Colorado Springs.

Mr. Hunter Coomer has gone to Fairbury, Ill., to visit relatives.

The Palmetto Club will dance Thursday evening at Fairmount park.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McDonald are at home at 4207 Central street.

Mr. and Mrs. Wash Adams and son are sojourning in Salt Lake City.

Miss Adela Van Horn is visiting relatives and friends in St. Paul, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. H. Larimer are at home at 733 Highland avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Callahan have returned from Excelsior Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Strope are spending the month of August in Colorado.

Mrs. G. B. Wheeler is spending the summer in the mountains of Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Meyer are at home to friends at 218 Brooklyn avenue.

Miss Virginia Keith will leave this week to visit a school friend in Canada.

Mrs. J. C. Hodgetts has returned from a five weeks' sojourn at Manitou, Col.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Chamberlain are at the Northern lakes for the summer.

Mr. John Elkins is at home after an absence of several weeks in Colorado.

Miss Ella and Miss Mary Madden are at Mackinac island for a month's stay.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Egelhoff are spending several weeks at Estes Park, Col.

Mr. William Barton and daughter, Elizabeth, are visiting relatives in Kansas.

Mrs. Sylvia Edwords and Miss Lucile Edwords are visiting friends in Sedalia.

Mrs. Mary E. Dayton and Miss Helen Moores are sojourning in West Virginia.

Mrs. Theodore Winningham and daughter are in Colorado for the rest of the season.

Mrs. I. N. Tichenor, of Keokuk, Ia., is visiting her brother, Mr. Arthur C. Cowan.

Mrs. Hugh L. McElroy is entertaining her cousin, Miss Ethel Leek, of Burlington, Ia.

Mrs. and Mrs. J. T. Costello, of Leavenworth, have come to Kansas City to reside.

Mr. C. B. Carpenter, of 1329 Wabash avenue, left last week for a tour through the East.

Miss Maude and Miss Ethel Van Peyma have returned from a visit to Leavenworth friends.

Miss Neva Nance, of Quincy, Ill., is visiting Miss Olive Richardson, of 1016 Lydia avenue.

Miss Helen Sloan, of Harrisonville, is the guest of Miss Lucille Gibson, of 1015 Tracy avenue.

Miss Marion Thayer will enter a finishing school at Tarrytown-on-the-Hudson in the autumn.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Scarritt are spending a month at Lake St. John, in Canada.

Dr. Walton Hall is at home after a three weeks' outing at Colorado Springs and Manitou.

Mrs. Ed Marks and little daughter, of St. Louis, are visiting Mrs. Marks' mother, Mrs. Glass.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Howard and Mrs. C. A. Lewis are spending two weeks in a tour of the lakes.

Mrs. Richard Morey has returned from Sedalia, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. George Mackey.

Mrs. Lillian Price, of 2700 Baltimore avenue, is entertaining Mrs. Charles Dougherty, of Sedalia.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Green, accompanied by Miss Green, of Wapaco, Wis., are at Colorado Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Schaeffer and Mr. George Bunting are at home at 1002 Linwood avenue.

Mrs. D. P. Hunter and nephew, Snell Robinson, have returned from a month's visit in Colorado.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet in regular session at the Midland on Monday at 9:30 a. m.

Mrs. W. W. Bostwick and daughters are spending the hot months in Michigan. They will return September 15.

Mrs. Mary T. Hovey, Mrs. J. H. Worthen and little Marienne Brown are at the Highlands, near Carrollton, Mo.

Mrs. A. D. Kane and Miss Ruth Kane returned Thursday to Atchison, after a visit to Kansas City friends.

Mrs. Whitney Laning has gone to New York to meet Mr. Laning, who will arrive early this week from Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hornbeck will leave this week to spend the remainder of the season on the Atlantic coast.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Grant are in Boston. They will visit Newport and Nancucket before returning home.

Miss Mary Porter Brent and Miss Lucy Brent Arnold will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Brent this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Posey left on Wednesday for Mackinac and the Northern lakes, to remain until September 1.

Dr. John Hamilton Dewey, of New York, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Schermerhorn, of 3210 Highland avenue.

Dr. and Mrs. St. Clair Streett left Tuesday for Mackinac and the Northern lakes and will be away a number of weeks.

Miss Olive J. Landes, of 2015 Locust street, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Rarick, at Pomona Grange, near Harrisonville, Mo.

Miss Bertha Stiles will arrive Sunday morning from Chicago, where she has been studying at the university for the past year.

Mrs. Fred Marsh and her children have gone to New Haven, Conn., Mrs. Marsh's girlhood home, where they are visiting relatives.

Mrs. J. L. Smith, Mrs. Clay E. Smith and little daughter will leave Tuesday for Colorado, where they intend spending a month.

The ladies of St. Mary's church, Thirteenth and Holmes streets, will be glad to welcome all their friends at the residence of Mrs. Miller, 3208 East Twelfth street, Tuesday evening. Ice cream and cake will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Odell and Mr. James Guitar have returned from Columbia, Mo., where they were the guests of Captain and Mrs. Guitar.

Mrs. W. S. Canine and children went to Cameron, Mo., Friday, to spend a month with Mrs. Canine's parents, Rev. and Mrs. George Miller.

Mr. Thomas Mauer, of Paris, Canada, and Mr. Joseph Sheppard, of Clarinda, Ia., are the guests of their cousin, Miss O'Connor, of 1415 Broadway.

Mrs. F. H. Higgins and daughter, of 2404 Forest avenue, arrived home yesterday from Pennsylvania and expect to leave Tuesday for Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Cassius M. Gilbert are in the East, and will visit New York, Detroit and various points in New England before their return October 1.

Mr. Harry K. Sweet and Miss Edna Sweet are making the tour of the Northern lakes and will visit relatives in Ohio before returning home.

Mrs. E. D. Hornbrook is visiting in Duluth, Minn. Before returning home she will visit Port Arthur in Canada, Grand Marias and Isle Royale.

Mrs. Harry Feld Mather returned to Kansas City last week after a two months' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. G. Cooper, of Denver.

Mrs. S. P. Griffith is at home after a month's visit with relatives in St. Louis. Miss Griffith will go to Lexington this week to visit Miss Ardinger.

Mr. Harry E. Moore leaves this morning for a visit among friends and relatives in Southern Kansas and Oklahoma. She will return about November 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Shoeman have returned from a European trip, including visits to Berlin, London and Paris, and are at home at the Brunswick.

Miss Stella and Miss Margaret Egelhoff and Miss Pearl Russell are members of a house party which Miss Addie Bruce is entertaining at her home in Lawrence.

Mrs. E. C. White and Mrs. Carrie Farwell-Voorhees are at Excelsior Springs. Master E. C. White, Jr., is spending his vacation with relatives in Lafayette, Mo.

Mrs. Robert Cary and Robert, Jr., will leave Wednesday to join Mrs. Cary's son, Dr. Arthur Nelson, in the Tennessee mountains. They will be away six weeks.

Miss Annie Burnett has come from Fort Worth, Tex., to be the guest of Miss Maude Keebler, and later, of her mother, Mrs. T. C. Shoemake, of 1416 Linwood avenue.

The members of St. Patrick's court, Woman's Catholic Order of Foresters, will give an ice cream social and al fresco musicale at 1417 Genesee street, Wednesday, August 17.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Cromwell, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hagan and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hollis, who have been enjoying a week's outing at Excelsior Springs, will return home Monday.

Mrs. Robert Poe, of Baltimore, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Peyton Montgomery, left Thursday for St. Louis. She will visit relatives in Kentucky before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor last week took possession of their beautiful new home, the picturesque stone residence at the corner of Thirty-eighth and Main streets, Hyde park.

Mr. Witten McDonald and daughters, the Misses Clara and Martha, have returned to Kansas City after a residence of some years in Southern Missouri, and are at home at 3614 Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Hovey and Mr. and Mrs. Eli Lewis leave Tuesday for Estes Park, Col., where they intend camping. They will go to Mankou September 1 to join Mrs. Leon T. Brown.

Mrs. Frances A. Leach and children are among the cottagers at Sodus Point, Lake Ontario, N. Y. Mr. Leach returned last week, after a three weeks' stay at the Point, Asbury Park and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Dailey, of Higginsville; Mrs. J. M. Fulton and son Harry, and Mrs. J. Frank Russell and daughter, Reta, are spending the month of August at Benson cottage, Excelsior Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Peters, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Comstock, Miss Margaret Peters, Miss Bessie Marshall, Miss Helen Comstock and Mr. James Swearingen are camping out at Washington park.

Calanthe temple, Rathbone Sisters, will give an ice cream social in their hall, Fourteenth and Grand avenue, Saturday evening, August 19. All sister temples and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Miss Mabel and Master Eugene Wood entertained their young friends Monday evening at their home on Olive street, in compliment to their cousin, Miss Blanche Clark, of Denver. The evening was spent with games, and refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. James Palmer entertained at their home on Central avenue, Kansas City, Kas., Wednesday evening, in celebration of Mrs. Palmer's birthday. Dancing was indulged in and refreshments served, a delightful evening being spent by all present.

Miss Jennie McDonald and Miss Buck are making a tour of the Northern lakes and the St. Lawrence in company with Professor and Mrs. Hall, of the University of Michigan. Before returning they will visit Niagara, Montreal, Quebec and the Saguinay.

Mrs. C. B. Pash and little daughter, of Chicago, who have been the guests of Mrs. Pash's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Robertson, left Thursday for Denver and Manitou, where they intend spending the remainder of the summer. Miss Bessie Robertson accompanied them.

Miss Nellie Burrows and Miss Mamie Eggleston are visiting in Cleveland, and in company with friends are making a tour of the Northern lakes and St. Lawrence river, stopping at Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Toronto and Collingwood. They will return via the Georgia bay to Mackinac, arriving home about September 1.

Mrs. Levi Wilson, of 2307 Troost avenue, has recalled the invitations for the marriage reception of her daughter, Mary, and Mr. Henry Selden Gray, which was to have occurred on Tuesday afternoon, because of the sudden death of Mrs. N. H. Gaines, of Independence. The wedding will take place Tuesday afternoon, and will be witnessed only by members of the immediate family.

Miss Elizabeth George, formerly of the George institute, St. Louis, is the guest of Miss Hood, of 428 Prospect avenue. Miss George is a cultured woman of thorough education who has found a most successful field of activity in teaching such subjects as are of greatest interest to those who contemplate a European tour—the history of art, general literature, history and French conversation. She expects to continue this work in Kansas City.

Miss Anna Smart was given a surprise party Monday evening by about eighty-five friends, the affair partaking of the nature of a farewell, as Miss Smart will leave Tuesday morning for Tacoma, Wash., to make her future home with her sister. The house was prettily decorated and sunflowers were much in evidence, a compliment to the numerous guests from Kansas City, Kas. A mandolin club and individual singers and musicians assisted in entertaining the merrymakers.

The Zodiac Club gave a character party at the home of E. V. Embry on East Eleventh street Thursday evening. Prizes were given for the best represented characters. Mr. Embry and Miss Kelly being the successful contestants. Dancing and other amusements were indulged in and refreshments were served. Those present were: Miss Addie Skinner, Miss Anna Dunnica, Miss Kelly, Miss Lenore Johnstone, Miss Maude Applegate, Miss Cora Lord, Miss Myrtle Larson, Miss Nona Bryson, Miss Rebecca Denebeim, Mr. Embry, Mr. Prentice, Mr. Charles Embry, Mr. William Junkins, Mr. Lord, Mr. J. W. Dunn, Mr. Dunnica, Mr. Harry Duncan, Mr. Will Bryson, Mr. Charles Ackerman.

Mrs. J. Martin entertained friends very pleasantly Wednesday evening of last week for her cousin, Miss Maggie O'Brien, of Quincy, Ill. The graphophone furnished a large part of the entertainment. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Marty, Mr. and Mrs. Redmond, Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey, Mr. and Mrs. Higgins, Miss Maggie O'Brien, Miss Nora Silney, Miss Ella Humphrey, Misses Maggie, Nellie and Teresa Doherty, the Misses McNerny, Miss May McMahon, Miss Lizzie Wheldon, the Misses Stuhlman, Miss May Dwyer, Mr. Humphrey, Mr. Stuhlman, Mr. Charles Wilson, Mr. Whelan, Mr. Whalen, Mr. Doherty, Mr. John Doherty, Mr. Kellaher, Mr. Humphrey, Mr. Noonan, Mr. Redmond.

Wedding and reception invitations engraved in correct form. Send for samples. Jaccard's, 1032 Main.

M. Guillaume's Dilemma.

From the London Chronicle.

An amusing story is told of M. Guillaume, the retiring president of the French academy in Rome. M. Guillaume, who is well known and greatly esteemed in the Italian capital, is in his 79th year. He is still hale and hearty, however, and a very handsome old gentleman to boot. A young Roman woman of noble family and artistic tastes has now fallen in love with him and has actually "proposed!" The venerable sculptor appears to have asked for a month's delay to give his answer. At the end of that time he told the young woman that May and December would not make the best alliance, and modestly declined the offer. The fair signorina has taken the refusal so much to heart that she now appears in widow's weeds, and swears she will not change them until her Romeo alters his mind—or dies.

EVADE THE PRISON'S RULES.

Convicts Communicate With Each Other Despite the Strict Prohibition.

From Cassell's Journal.

A former governor of the jail at Armley, near Leeds, once caused a well conducted prisoner, but an old jailbird, to exhibit his powers as a weight gauger in the presence of the writer. The man gave to minute fractions of an ounce the weights of various objects in the office that he handled, and in regard to prison rations, intentionally short in weight, that were brought in his judgment was simply wonderful. The writer afterward independently tried the powers of a man "out on license," and he was just as clever in gauging weight where provisions were concerned. None but those who have to deal regularly with old prison birds know what fine pantomimists—using the word pantomime in its better sense of "dumb show"—are to be found among the class; indeed, the most modern and progressive of all our prison governors declares that no class, not even the professional theatrical one, possesses greater powers of dumb show than does that consisting of regular jailbirds, and he adds that all the accomplished habitual thieves that he had met were admirable actors. Long practice and the necessities of the case have no doubt given this power of dumb show pretty generally to old convicts, but there are many cases in which a man cannot only convey to another a few sentences, but whole histories, given the time, by the minutest signs, either during church service or working hours or at exercise, and no plan for preventing this has ever been found.

A prison chaplain of vast experience, who was consulted by the writer on this subject, says: "Old jailbirds can defy the vigilance of all the warders in Europe. With mouths half open they can speak to a companion hard by with absolute impunity, the lips and lower jaws never even being moved. If the companion falls to hear he indicates the fact by putting his finger into one ear as though it were itching. Their dumb alphabet is marvelously complete.

"A prisoner wants to say that someone is dead—he spells the name on his fingers, then rests head upon his hands and stamps on the ground; So-and-so is dead and buried. Someone is imprisoned for so many years, and this is conveyed from one prisoner to another by the former putting as many fingers as correspond to the years across his ear—the man has got, say, three 'ear;' for months a similar sign is made on the mouth. Coughs and sneezes of different kinds indicate all manner of distinct things. One well known cough means 'listen.' The prisoner who gives it has received a letter; he looks at the palm of one hand and pretends to scribble with the other. If he has got a newspaper—prisoners do receive such things sometimes, I can assure you—he pretends to be reading the palm of his hand very intently. He pretends to whip to indicate that he has been flogged; he puts his hand on his stomach to denote short allowance; he has written a letter, so he pretends to write on his hand, and then to throw the words into the air." And thus it goes on through the entire chapter, absolutely genuine dumb show, where no code has been agreed upon beforehand, telling whole histories.

A large bark from Liverpool, called the Diomed, was in 1882, while trading, wrecked on one of the smaller islands of the Pacific. A great number of savages, who seemed quite friendly, surrounded the shipwrecked men, but none of the latter knew a scrap of language that the natives could understand. But one of the crew, a middle aged man known as "Mac, the convict"—he was a man who had turned over a new leaf—intimated to the captain that he could make the natives understand "anything," and he actually succeeded in making communication easy on every subject required solely by means of signs and acting. The captain of the Diomed was the writer's informant and he gave a second similar instance that was told to him by another shipmaster.

The Women of Homer.

From Harper's Bazar.

Although the women of Athens in the days of its glory had a position which is to-day believed to have be[illegible] not merely inferior, but servile and debased, yet the earlier women, both of what may be called the period of the Homeric singer and of the Homeric listener, were evidently a very superior order, receiving respect and duty, and giving a high tone to their social life. There are but two ignoble women in all the pages of Homer—Helen and Clytemnestra—and even to them a certain sort of honor was awarded by those about them. All the other women of Homer's song were dignified, gentle, noble, with lofty standards of morals and behavior, and exerting a wide and valuable influence. They are generally characterized by a sweet courtesy; they have a natural refinement; and in all the story that is told of them we recognize a warmth of family feeling, a lofty elegance of manners, a grace which is hardly excelled by the manners and habits of the ladies of to-day.

It was evidently this feeling about marriage in ancient days which made the position of women honorable, gave them safety, allowed them to cultivate the graces, lent them an authority and influence that were forceful, and made the tale seem real to those who heard it sung, because there was nothing in it contrary to their own experience. We read of it all with a great sense of naturalness and kinship, feeling that what is right is so the world over, and realizing that it is with women to-day as it was 3,000 years ago; their power and their protection lie in the obedience and the reverence that are given to the sancity of the institution of marriage.

It is interesting to find that so many years ago, when all the people who heard the Homeric songs first sung are dust blowing on the four winds of heaven, this institution of marriage, which had its happy exemplification in the lives, the singing of which touched all hearts with a kind and familiar finger, should remain as fixed and solid as the rock, and that, indeed, among those of our generation who think the highest and live the best it is regarded as sacramental in its nature, and not to be lightly considered, rudely spoken of, nor carelessly broken.

Feathers and Feather-Curling.

From Harper's Bazar.

Feather-curling is a business by itself, and to excel in it requires long practice. It saves time and patience to pay some one else to do it, but a few directions will be given, for you might find yourself so situated that you would be obliged to do it yourself. Take an old feather to practice on. Buy a regular curling-knife; they are kept at most hardware stores. The blade is a peculiar shape, short and narrow and has a curve.

Have ready a teakettle of boiling water, and hold the head of the feather over the steam for a few moments. Now take the feather in both hands, and spreading out the flues to their full length, pass back and forth through the steam, but do not let it get too wet. In same manner wave it from side to side—not up and down—for a few moments, to partially dry it. When dry enough it is ready for curling. Begin at the stem on the right side, holding the feather with the fingers of the left hand underneath and the thumb on top. The motion in curling is outward and downward, taking a few flues at a time, and the feather should be so curled that the ends are hidden or rolled under.

As the broad part of the feather is reached, the knife must extend farther out, not making as abrupt a curve. When the head is reached, a short curve is all that is required, and as you begin to curl the opposite side you change the position of the left hand; this time put the hand over the feather instead of under, but the motion of curling is the same. After both sides are curled, the stem at the head must be concealed, and this is done by "heading up." Holding the feather firmly with the thumb on top, take up a few flues, and pressing them sharply against the thumb nail, lay them over the stem.

Do the same on the opposite side, and continue to do this four times. By looking at a well-curled feather you will get a clearer idea of this, as it is something that really requires to be demonstrated. To curve the feather, place the blade of the knife underneath the stem and press against the thumb. Beginning at the base work up to the head, until the desired curve is obtained.

EMPLOYES MAY READ.

Large Department Store Has Placed Circulating Library at Their Disposal.

From the New York Sun.

A large department store which provides many philanthropic schemes for its employes has lately placed a circulating library at their disposal, with only one unusual condition as to its use. They are not allowed to read the books on the way home. There is no objection to their reading every moment of the time while they are going to work, but the slip they submit in applying for a book contains the promise not to read on the way home. The reasons for this rule are obvious enough. The proprietor had seen many girls straining their eyes on the cable cars by attempting to read on the way home; so he decided that it would be a mixed benefit to give his employes further opportunity to indulge themselves in this pleasure, and attached this condition to the use of the library.

SHOULD NOT COMPLAIN.

And Yet It Is a Fact That Deadheads Find Fault as Much as Anyone Else.

From the Columbian.

Fate, with wonted levity, had thrown the sour and taciturn man into the company of the talkative citizen in the railway car.

"That was quite an interesting game of football, wasn't it?" said the latter, as he shoved a newspaper into the inside pocket of his fur-trimmed overcoat.

"I never read about football," was the solemn reply. "How true it is," he added almost tearfully, "that this world is but a fleeting show."

"Of course. That's one way of looking at it. I've felt that way about it myself. But let me ask you something. Are you putting in your money and hustling around to make this world any better?"

"What's the use?"

"Well, you'll excuse me for questioning you. But you referred to the world as a fleeting show. I'm a theatrical manager, and I'm interested in anything in the show line. Now, I notice that you ain't in any hurry to get out of this world, are you?"

"No, I can't truly say that I am. The instinct of self-preservation——"

"That's all right. You didn't pay anything to get into this fleeting show, did you?"

"Certainly not."

"There you are. There's the old, old story right in a nutshell. I never in my life saw a deadhead who wasn't a kicker."

NOT A CURE FOR OPIUM.

Professor John Uri Lloyd, of Cincinnati, Has Been Investigating a New Drug.

From the New York Tribune.

Several weeks ago it was announced by a Texas journal, which made some pretense to scientific knowledge, that a new drug had been discovered that afforded a cure for the opium habit. It was alleged that the plant from which the drug was derived was named "husa," and that its essence was the most diffusible stimulant known. It was said to act as a sedative, but not as a narcotic. The story was told in such a convincing way that some of the Northern medical papers reprinted it.

It now appears that Professor John Uri Lloyd, of Cincinnati, has been investigating the subject. He sought from the manufacturer of the commercial preparation both specimens of the plant and samples of the stuff the Texan was selling. No amount of persuasion served to secure any "husa" leaves. But the compound which was said to be made from them was examined carefully, and its ingredients were all easily identified. There was a good deal of water, a little glycerin, some alcohol, a considerable amount of salicylic acid, and from 1.3 to 2.2 per cent of morphine. It thus appears that the "husa" is a fraud, and the man who has foisted the story about it on an unsuspecting public might also be mistaken for one on a dark night.

The Misery of the Millionaire.

Arthur Henry, in Ainslee's Magazine.

"Although there are many who doubt his sincerity, I believe after three years of intimate acquaintance with Mayor Jones that the rapidity with which his wealth increases, and his inability to use it for the real benefit of either himself or mankind, is a constant and deep distress to him.

"He said to me one day: 'My bookkeeper has explained the difficulty. A friend of mine has one reply to make to me whenever I mention the injustice in the system that gives me a fortune when others who are willing to work have nothing. "If you don't want your money," he says, "why dont' you give it away?" He was in my office to-day when I opened a letter from Mr. Nelson. Nelson wrote among other things that the conviction was rapidly growing among men of large fortunes that it was not so desirable to have more than your neighbors, and that the real joy in effort, after all, comes not in what you get, but in what you accomplish, and the respect accorded you by your fellows. I read this to my friend, and he said, "If he don't want his money why don't he give it away?" I was dumb as usual after this very sensible remark, but my bookkeeper said, dryly, "He don't give it away, because if he did, Hanna would get it." Now that is the real reason why a man who don't believe in accumulating private fortunes is obliged to remain a millionaire in case he gets the million. If he were to give it away while the system under which he is able to secure it remains in operation, it will only eventually go to some other individual who is a little shrewder than his fellows.'"

Margaret Oliphant.

From Harper's Bazar.

Mrs. Oliphant's biography is worthy to be kept on the shelf where one preserves what she most prizes among the books that live. Her letters, which form part of the volume, are less interesting, being mostly on business to her publishers, or when written to friends touching only the surface of things.

The impression made on the reader's mind is, on the whole, a sad one. There was so much sordid care, so much anxiety about ways and means—the strain of living was always so tremendous. But these were not things which troubled Mrs. Oliphant. Her brave nature and buoyant temperament fitted her to be a bearer of burdens; if her home was happy and her children well she did not mind work—was glad to have it to do. She was fated, that tenderly loving mother, to lose her children one by one—Cyril in his early manhood, her nephew Frank in the beginning of his career, her darling son Cecco when he was 25, and, but for her adopted daughter's two dear nieces, she was left alone. Never was there a woman to the fibers of her being more the mother, and never was mother more a Mater Dolorosa than she. A story of sorrow, but of dauntless courage, is that of this gifted novelist. Why make comparisons with others? It is enough for us that she was herself and did her day's work.

An Indian Bridal Pair.

From Ainslee's Magazine.

"Once I saw a pretty thing, a young bride of the Kickapoos, on a sort of wedding trip. She was tall and slight, and—so closely do the members of a tribe resemble one another—she looked like the twin sister of her young husband. At first they were accompanied by a stout old chief, but he left after circus day. It is odd to see an Indian chief patronize the peanut and lemonade stands, and sit unmoved at the performance, and yet stand enthralled before the cages of animals unknown on his native prairies. The bride and the bridegroom spent three or four days in the town, wandering about as unconsciously as Adam and Eve in the Garden. The man was already masterful and protecting, the girl shy and subservient. Day after day they walked hand in hand, looking at everything, people, shops, cattle, but never speaking to any one, never even to each other, yet deeply content in the consciousness of companionship. They were a living example of the happiness of simplicity, and, while they stayed in the hustling town, made many a civ