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Matrimonial.

ALEXANDER-BALL NUPTIALS

Miss Susan Mitchem Ball, of Versailles, and Mr. Charlton Alexander, Jr., of this city, were married Tuesday evening last, at 7 o'clock, in the Christian church, at Versailles. Rev. W. B. Taylor was the officiating minister. The following report of the marriage was made by one who was present. Much interest has been felt in this marriage, which was announced a few months ago. A most brilliant throng of guests filled the church to wish happiness and to give their sincere congratulations. The church was beautifully decorated in palms and plants, with touches of bridal beauty given by great clusters of white roses. The pulpit was converted into a veritable bower of graceful, fern-like greens, which made a perfect background for the beautiful wedding.

The ushers for the occasion were Mr. Howard Ball and Mr. Ernest Ball, of Versailles; Mr. McBrayer Moore, of Harrodsburg; Mr. Ford Brent, of Paris; Mr. Charlton Marshall, of Covington.

A program of beautiful selections was played by Saxton's orchestra, and promptly at 6 o'clock, the Lohengrin wedding march heralded the approach of the bridal party, and all eyes were turned to the group of lovely maids, who, gowned in beautiful toilettes, of violet in their hair and carrying superb bouquets of white roses tied with violet tulle bows, made a picture most attractive. Miss Mamie Magnum, of New Orleans, was the lovely maid of honor, and with her as bridesmaids were Miss Jennie Luttrell, of Knoxville, Tenn.; Miss Matilda Alexander, of this city; Miss Frances Nelson, of Louisville; Miss Anne Wallace, Miss Willie May Arnold, Miss Bettie McKee, Miss Sue Railey, Miss Lena Graves, Miss Kate Sullivan, of Versailles. Following them came the little niece of the bride, Miss Anita Moore, carrying the white satin cushion and the ring, and little Miss Minnie Ball, with a beautiful basket of violets and roses to strew the pathway of the bride. Both wore lovely gowns of accordion plaited white chiffon. There were no groomsmen, except Mr. George Alexander, of this city, with whom the bridegroom entered, meeting the bridal party of the altar. Beautiful at all times, never had the bride been lovelier than in her exquisite wedding gown, which was a confection of white panne crepe, beautifully combined with Duchesse lace. A wedding veil of tulle, caught becomingly in her hair with a spray of orange blossoms, fell in graceful folds to the hem of her gown.

The pretty ceremony was followed by a very handsome reception, which was given at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Dudley M. Ball. The house was beautifully decorated in violets and white roses, with a tropical use of palms and plants. The bride's table was exquisitely artistic with its center piece of white roses bordered deeply by purple violets, the place cards, imported favors and confections being in violet designs and shades. The wedding gifts were indeed handsome and such an array of cut glass, silver, china, rare furnishings of all kinds, has seldom been seen in Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander are both most prominently connected in Kentucky and belong to very wealthy families. The bride is the daughter of the late Dudley W. Ball of Versailles, and the bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlton Alexander left for a wedding journey, and upon their return will reside at his home, near Hutchinson Station.

Mr. John M. Martin and Miss Leslie J. Lindsey, of Louisville, were married recently. The groom is a son of Prof. Clarence L. Martin, formerly principal of the High schools, in this city.

Wm. D. Clark and Miss Willie D. Graves, both of this county, procured a marriage license from Clerk E. D. Paton, last week, and were married.

Eloped on Sunday, pursued on Monday, married on Tuesday, forgiven on Wednesday, separated on Thursday, back home on Friday, and divorced on Saturday is the short story of Marie Tompkins Henry, aged seventeen years, daughter of a prominent Richmond, Va., family.

Amusement.

Cincinnati is bristling with interest and importance as the opera season draws nearer. It is not often that any city of the West can boast such an array of names of world-wide reputation in opera casts and Cincinnati is fully awake to her advantage. There is such an abundance of old and new time favorites that, if choice must be made, one is lost in selection of any one opera. With the matchless Calve, in Carmen, Eames, Van Dyck and Bispham in Tannhauser, and Sybil Sanderson in Manve, what more can Cincinnati ask. Yet there is more without the asking, for there are other notable names in the casts and Aida too boasts an array quite as great as any of these given.

The "Bostonians" have scored a big hit in DeKoven and Smith's, "Maid Marian," which is pronounced the legitimate successor to "Robin Hood." It is easily the best thing any American composer has done in this class of composition. It is fresh, bright, spontaneous and vital, full of melodic invention and harmonic skill, thoroughly artistic and musical. The whole opera, musically, is most interesting and admirable. This opera will be given at the Lexington Opera House, on December 12th.

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