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EDITOR TIMES: I subscribed for your bright, spicy little paper for a month to give it a trial, and must say I find it replete with rich things and altogether reliable, but must say I cannot conscientiously subscribe longer on account of the columns of the Sunday edition being prostituted to the beer business. Every column in the Sunday TIMES finished with an ad for Blatz Beer. Regretfully,

MRS. GILLENWATER,
Secretary A. S. L.

THE TIMES complies with the request of Mrs. Gillenwater to stop her paper, and hereafter she will not be offended by seeing advertisements of Blatz beer or any other kind of beer in the columns of the liveliest and most progressive paper published in Washington. But unless she ceases to read the daily papers in the future and thereby remains in ignorance of what the world is doing in the way of progress and how men and women, mainly through the agency of the daily newspaper, are being made better, her eyes will probably be offended by falling upon advertisements of beer, even if she does not see them in THE TIMES.

During the short time THE TIMES has been in existence it has endeavored in every way possible to stand for all that is good and which will tend to promote the welfare of the world at large in general and the community in which it circulates in particular. It does not "prostitute" its advertising columns "to the beer business" any more than it knowingly accepts any improper advertisement or prints an article in its news columns which it believes would have an evil effect. It is one of the functions of a newspaper to advertise people who are engaged in a legitimate business, and so long as governments, and States, and municipalities recognize the manufacture and sale of beer and other liquors as legitimate no fair-minded, honest person ought to find exception with a daily newspaper for publishing the advertisement of a manufacturer or seller of beer. THE TIMES aims to be fair in all things and to treat all persons, and classes, and interests with impartiality. It has published and will continue to publish the reports of the doings of the anti-Saloon League, just as in the same way it has published and will continue to publish the doings of liquor men or any other class of persons engaged in a recognized business. That is the duty of a live newspaper, and that is what THE TIMES claims to be.

The trouble with Mrs. Gillenwater and a few other persons of her class is that they take a narrow view of life. They would like to revive the pains and penalties of the Inquisition so far as the liquor dealers are concerned, and consign every dispenser and drinker of beer to the rack and the stake. But the Inquisition did not succeed in converting men, and such methods, if followed to-day, would accomplish nothing. Men and women must be won over by an appeal to their moral senses, not by compulsion. If reformers would recognize this, if they would be tolerant, broad-minded, and liberal the cause of reform—of any reform—would advance by leaps where it now halts on the way.

BRITISH DIPLOMACY.

The Nicaragua incident has once again given the world an insight into the methods that distinguish the manipulations of Great Britain's diplomacy. Blustering, bullying, and then, when firm resistance is met, backing down.

John Bull always has an eye to the main chance. Perhaps he is not to be blamed for that, but he should not imagine that he owns the earth, and has a mortgage on a section of the remainder of the universe. As a matter of fact, though at times it appears as if he did not think so, there are some people in the world that have some rights which even old John Bull ought to respect. Now and then he discovers that he can be made to respect them.

This Nicaragua affair was of special importance to Great Britain; not as much in the present, perhaps, as in the future. She had her eye on the great interoceanic canal, and it was the control of that she hoped to secure by gaining a foothold in the Central American republic. Pretexts are easily found, and Great Britain discovered one, or thought she did, in a little revolt of the Mosquito Indians against the Nicaraguan government.

Suddenly, however, she ran up against the Monroe doctrine. She heard the words, politely but firmly spoken, "No European power shall gain control on the Western hemisphere." Perhaps there may have been just a moment's hesitation, but then she remembered that little affair of Louis Napoleon's in Mexico and concluded that, after all, prudence might be in this case, as it has been in so many others, the better part of valor.

And so it has come to pass that Great Britain has found that her representative in Nicaragua has acted very stupidly and that she really never had any designs upon Nicaragua. All is serene again, and John Bull and Uncle Sam are just overloading each other with profound assurances of the most distinguished consideration.

STATUARY IN WASHINGTON.

As a rule the report of the Secretary of War deals with routine matters, and it is refreshing, therefore, to discover in it something that concerns æsthetics, the more so as it relates to Washington. Secretary Lamont suggests "that the President be authorized to appoint a permanent commission, selected from the citizens of the country, and composed of those best qualified to pass upon the matters of art involved, to whom shall be intrusted the duty of the selection of designs and sites for future monuments at the Capital. The present system of many commissions does not always produce the best artistic results."

The necessity for some such arrangement as that recommended by Secretary Lamont has long been patent to persons who have had an opportunity to compare the character of monuments and their location in this city with those to be found in other capitals. It can be pleaded in excuse, of course—and with perfect justice—that as a nation we are still young and callow in the matter of art and lack the experience which centuries of leisure have given to the nations of Europe. None the less the fact remains that some of the things in Washington which, by courtesy, are designated as monuments, are veritable nightmares and, paradoxically speaking, artistic abominations.

It may be well to permit them to remain, even if for no better purpose than that of serving as horrible examples to instruct the sculptor of the proximate or distant future what he should not do. Thus they might even be made to supply an educational purpose and future beauty be drawn from present ugliness.

Secretary Lamont's suggestion, however, is eminently proper and timely, and if Congress has any appreciation of the beautiful in art—which, of course, may be a violent assumption—it can do no better than give the President the authority which will enable him to select from among the real art connoisseurs of the country a commission to select designs for statues and monuments, and pass upon their proper execution and location.

NEW KIND OF BOYCOTT.

The boycott in its connection with and effects upon the industrial life of the country may be said to have passed out of existence, but, strange to say, it "bobs up serenely" in another direction and vexes the soul of Postmaster General Bissell.

In his annual report Mr. Bissell devotes two-thirds of a page to it. According to the head of the Post-office Department this is a combination of the "boycott vulgus" and the "boycott officialis." It is all the more dangerous than the ordinary, every-day article in that it affects both the revenues of the individual postmaster and of the government. Mr. Bissell condemns it as "pernicious," and declares that "it should be suppressed." It may be of interest to look a little more closely into this "fin de siecle" boycott.

Well, let us suppose that here is Postmaster Jones, of Jones' Cross Roads. He has to support not only the dignity of his office, but a family as well, and the revenue he derives from the sale of Uncle Sam's stamps forms a modest, but to him none the less important, item on the credit side of his ledger. Now, say that the revenues of the post-office of Jones' Cross Roads are $2.68 per annum (they might be less, but let us be liberal).

It happens that Postmaster Jones in dispensing his unofficial wares, such as coffee or calico or shoe strings, has given offense to Mrs. Smith, or in refusing credit for a 5-cent drink has made an enemy of Brown. Forthwith Smith and Brown conspire together darkly. They manage to gather together the letters to be sent abroad by some half dozen or so of the inhabitants of the village, go to neighboring Bungtown and buy stamps there.

Thus is the revenue of the post-office at Jones' Cross Roads reduced to perhaps $1.94 per annum, and Jones finds himself face to face with despair or something equally unpleasant.

It must be quite clear to the people of the United States, who love fair play above all things, that this sort of business cannot be permitted to continue. Congress must tackle this latest boycott and demolish it. Tariff, finance, the silver question, coast defenses, and all the rest of the minor things can wait, but the post-office boycott must be attended to forthwith.

THE pure food show closed yesterday. The adulterated legislation show will begin tomorrow.

THE Alabama Populist party at Montgomery is a case of veni, vidi, vamoose.

CAPT. KOLB probably overlooked the delicate significance in the fact that his chief supporter's name is Dr. Crow.

IT SEEMS that the newspapers are unable to enlarge Chief Clarence into the size of a Jersey Mosquito.

HARVARD and Princeton should take a strong stand against football.

THE slippery escape of Mr. Seely indicates that he has disguised himself by dropping the first and last letter of his name.

CAPT. KOLB is at Montgomery and the Oates government still lives.

SAVED-FROM-THE-WRECK BELL, of Colorado, is entitled to tell some stories of how it all happened.

THAT sewer (and for other divers purposes) bond bill is likely to find itself in an argumentative football game with the citizens of the District.

THANKSGIVING ODE.

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise
Now, when year's close we count in days,
For life and health and mercies great,
And Heaven-cheered hearts 'neath sorrow's weight.

For bounteous stores we Thee adore.
Make us each thankful, we implore,
For reigning peace in our blest land,
From rock-ribbed peak to wave-kissed strand.

Though other nations, now, alas!
War's bloody conflict them harass;
We've no just cause to raise the sword.
For which we praise Thy precious word.

With each bright, twinkling, joyous star,
Revolving sun and moon afar,
And wondrous cause we agree
In giving praise and thanks to Thee.

—A. S. Stewart, M. D.

RED.

SOCIAL SAYINGS AND DOINGS.

Beyond a question the most exciting topic of the week as to the various ins and outs society is discussing with animation are the latest developments in the case of Count and Countess Divonne. When a week since one of the local papers erroneously announced that the now celebrated couple had leased for the season the house on Connecticut avenue owned by Admiral and Mrs. Crosby the ball was set rolling in this respect. Those who were in position to be aware of the true state of the case knew that Admiral and Mrs. Crosby were not only living in their own house, but had not the faintest idea of vacating in favor of any lessee. Moreover, as it was well known that Mrs. Crosby was a sister of the late Col. Audenreid, father of Countess Divonne, the true condition of affairs was pretty generally surmised. Count and Countess Divonne with their three children, three nurses, valet, and seventeen trunks are at present the guests of Admiral and Mrs. Crosby, who as their entertainers naturally do not relish the published statement that their home has been leased to any one, much less to those whom they are at present taking care of in the most generous manner.

So much for that phase of the question. The current report that the count and countess had been ejected from the Arlington, where, upon their first arrival in the autumn, they occupied a $1,000 suite, is very general and is firmly believed. That they left the hotel with their family, servants, and baggage some time after nightfall has been further a most fertile topic for discussion.

Now for the matter from the standpoint of the count and countess who give to their friends much inside news that is most interesting and throws some decidedly dramatic lights upon the whole affair. According to their version, about a fortnight since they called the proprietor of the hotel to their apartments for consultation and after stating that for the present until matters between them and Mrs. Audenreid had been adjusted by the two lawyers employed for that purpose, the very large outstanding account with the hotel could not be settled in the satisfactory manner that was requisite and necessary. It was thereupon agreed that the count and countess so far from vacating their apartments and seeking quarters elsewhere should remain at the hotel.

This pleasant state of affairs continued until somehow it leaked out that Mrs. Audenreid had made the offer of $8,000 per annum to her daughter in the event of the latter signing articles declaring that she would hereafter absent herself from America and make her home abroad. Coupled with this news was the statement that the offer had been refused and that so far as any amicable adjustment of the vexed question of money between an indulgent mother and spendthrift daughter and son-in-law was apparently as far from settlement as ever. This time the hotel proprietor did not wait for an invitation to talk over matters. He called an executive session, and, constituting himself Speaker, announced in plain terms that the apartments were to be vacated with all speed possible since at such a mad rate of doings he stood only the ghostliest, most shadowy chance of getting his long overdue money. The count and countess could only acquiesce by declaring that at the end of their week, which would be on an eventful Friday, they would seek other apartments and the Arlington would know them no more.

Without further loss of time, the writing materials of the titled pair, emblazoned with the Divonne crest, was brought forth, and the countess set herself the task of inditing a letter to her friend, Mrs. Augustus Cleveland Tyler, who has already stood her in good stead as friend and banker pro tem. This letter, after relating what had just transpired, asked that at the time indicated to the hotel proprietor, the count and countess, with their belongings, could take the first train for New London, and establish themselves for a visit, the exact limitations of which, by the way, were somehow considered too trifling to insert in the same letter. With almost breathless anxiety the answer to this important missive was awaited. Without the least unnecessary loss of time it arrived, and while it announced that for the present, owing to the state of Mrs. Tyler's health, the proposed visit would be impossible, that it was to be a pleasure deferred only. The latter part was eminently satisfactory, inasmuch as it stated that Mr. Tyler would hold himself personally responsible for the hotel bill until such time as his wife's health would admit of her having the proposed company.

Affairs on every hand seemed at this time to have come to a focus, for almost simultaneously with the arrival of the welcome letter came Admiral Crosby with the invitation for the count and countess with their family, servants, and luggage to be transported to his home on Connecticut avenue. Just about this time also there came a knock at the door, and the hotel proprietor fortified with a letter from Mr. Tyler announcing his willingness to be personally responsible for the board bill of his wife's friends came in to urge that the contemplated removal from his establishment be reconsidered, and that the crested silver bureau furnishings and coronated paper be allowed to remain in their accustomed places until such time as it should please their owners to leave the city.

This offer, like that of the proposed income of $8,000 per annum, was, however, dismissed without further ceremony, and gathering about them their goods and chattels of every description, when the shades of friendly darkness settled over the city, bringing the electric light over the entrance doorways to the Arlington into due prominence, the count and countess drove to Admiral and Mrs. Crosby's home to take up their residence as guests therein until such time as Mrs. Tyler shall have sufficiently recuperated to make the proposed visit a delightful reality to all concerned.

RED.

Mrs. Carlisle, Mrs. Lamont, and Mrs. Bissell, accompanied by Mrs. Albert A. Wilson, Mrs. Harriet Lane Johnston, Mrs. Phœbe Hearst, and Countess Esterhazy, will leave Washington at noon on Thursday next to attend the great doll show that is to be formally opened on Tuesday, the 4th instant, at the Academy of Music in Baltimore. The ladies who go over to act as judges in awarding the prizes for the various dolls will make the trip in a private car over the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and upon their arrival will be met by a committee and at once driven to one of the leading hotels, where an elegant luncheon will be served them. That over they will go to the show and return to Washington at 6 o'clock in the evening.

The outcome of the doll show will be to insure to about 10,000 children of the slums and alleys what will be in many instances their first personal participation in the joys of Christmas. Hitherto their possession of dolls and toys has been purely imaginary, gained from glimpses into the shop-windows at the Christmas things set forth for their more fortunate fellow creatures. It is to this class of miserable and cheerless childhood that Christmas is to be brought and the reminders left within their very doors for the reality of possession they have never heretofore known. Not only is the interest widespread throughout the city of Baltimore, but from all over the world contributions to the success of the doll show have come, and the ladies upon whom the duties of judges will devolve will find their duties no light ones, as the number of dolls alone sent to the show is several thousand, while a correspondingly large number of toys has been received. The show opened on Tuesday and will continue throughout the week.

Mr. Joseph Jefferson during his recent visit to Washington was the guest of honor at a charming little afternoon tea, given by the Secretary of War and Mrs. Lamont. Mrs. Cleveland on that occasion poured tea. The guests were almost entirely members of the Cabinet. Among the few outside of the President's executive family were Gen. and Mrs. Schofield. The veteran actor was in a delightfully talkative mood, and did more than his due share toward entertaining the guests gathered in his honor.

The Solicitor General and Mrs. Maxwell gave during the week two of their series of dinners. At the first dinner the guests entertained were the Secretary of State and Mrs. Gresham, the German ambassador, Justice and Mrs. Field, Justice and Mrs. Brewer, Justice and Mrs. Harlan, Justice and Mrs. Shiras, Justice and Mrs. Brown, Gen. and Mrs. Schofield, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowler. At the second dinner the decorations were of ferns studded with long-stemmed yellow crysanthemums, in and out of which were intertwined broad yellow ribbons. On either side of this were circular mounds of ferns, in which in similar manner were yellow crysanthemums. The guests on the latter occasion were the Argentine minister and Mme. Zeballos, the Guatamalan minister and Mme. Arriago, Col. and Mrs. John M. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thurber, Assistant Secretary of State and Mrs. Uhl, Assistant Secretary of Treasury and Miss Hamlin, Assistant Secretary of Treasury Curtis, Assistant Secretary of War and Mrs. McAdoo, Comptroller of Finance and Mrs. Eccles, Surgeon and Mrs. Tryon, Miss Waite, and Mr. and Mrs. Ploulke.

Mrs. John D. Langhorne and daughter have returned to the city for a short time before leaving for California, where they will spend the winter on account of the ill health of Col. Langhorne.

Paymaster Michler, U. S. N., and wife have returned to Washington to their home, corner of Twentieth street and Massachusetts avenue. Mrs. Michler's mother, Mrs. Hunt, will spend the greater portion of the winter abroad.

The Brazilian Minister and Mme. de Mendonca were the host and hostess last night at an at home with music that is not likely to be surpassed in brilliancy by any entertainment during the season. It was the first of a series of six similar at homes that are to be given during the winter. It was in the nature of a housewarming for their elegant new residence, on the corner of Massachusetts avenue and N street. The house was decorated with palms, about the drawing-rooms and broad hallways interspersed with many rare orchids, brought for the occasion from the Minister's greenhouses near the city.

The Minister, with Mme. and the Misses de Mendonca, received their guests in the Louis XVI salon at the end of the square hallway, in which latter place the musicians, the Boston Mendelssohn Quartet Club, brought from Boston for the occasion, were grouped. The music rendered was of an unusually fine order, and as such was enjoyed to the full by the distinguished gathering that responded to the invitations of the minister and his wife. Seats were arranged for the company, which, as soon as they were greeted by their entertainers, at once took the places assigned them for the enjoyment of the thorough musical treat.

The house has been entirely altered so far as the interior decorations are concerned, and now presents one of the most splendid as well as thoroughly unique interiors to be found in Washington. The drawing-room on the left of the entrance has the walls decorated with a brilliant red, and is furnished throughout not only in the style of the First empire, but is filled with Napoleonic relics. Among these that are now of almost priceless value is a candelabra of gold bronze with four branches. Inclosing these is a shade of dark green with fine scroll work in gold about it, and on one side in gold the talismanic letter "N." This formerly ornamented the table at which Napoleon I wrote many of his most important communications. Near by is a double inkstand of Dresden china set in gold, that was the property of Josephine. One large plate glass cabinet is filled with what were once the personal belongings of the great French leader.

Opening out of the room of the First empire is a second drawing-room, in which is a beautifully upholstered sofa that was brought from the boudoir of Madam Recamier. The piano on which the accompanist played resembled an old harpsicord and was another of the Napoleonic relics.

After listening to the music, the guests enjoyed the rare opportunity of admiring the countless rare and valuable furnishings and bric-a-brac with which the drawing-rooms are filled.

The company included the Cabinet, the diplomatic corps, and prominent members of official and resident society.

Dr. and Mrs. M. Louvielle are pleasantly located for the season, at No. 1527 I street. Dr. Louvielle was for many years surgeon in the French army. Mrs. Louvielle is an authoress, a brilliant and accomplished woman. They will probably remain in Washington during the winter.

Mrs. Eva Miller Leonard, of Jacksonville, Fla., will spend the season here, and contemplates buying a residence.

RED.

Miss Marie E. Bury Byington, of Rhode Island avenue, who has been dangerously ill for many weeks, has recovered sufficiently to travel, and her physician has ordered her to the mountains of North Carolina. Miss Byington's contemplated trip to South America and her literary work has been abandoned for the present.

Prof. Edward Paine, the director of the Edward Paine Modrigal Association, late of London, will no doubt make Washington his permanent home.

The friends and admirers of Songstress Decca are delighted to know she is soon to be heard in Washington. Her tour through the West has been a continuous ovation. Her aunt, Elizabeth Bryant Johnston, has gone to New York city, where she is publishing her latest work, "George Washington Day by Day." Miss Johnston will return during the week Decca sings here.

Mrs. Abe D. Lincoln's Tuesday evenings "at home" have been especially delightful. Among those who have met there of late are Prof. Edward Paine, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Jouy, Dr. and Mrs. Louvielle, Mr. Bryant, of Boston; Mrs. Leonard, of Florida; Dr. Van Ruth, Prof. and Mrs. E. Grant Barnwell and Miss Mary F. Foster. Next Tuesday evening Mrs. Lincoln will be "at home" from 8 to 11 o'clock, at No. 1810 K street.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Lighton have recently returned from their country place to their residence on Massachusetts avenue.

Mrs. Gen. Colby has invited guests for Saturday evening to meet Mr. Virchand Chandi, of Bombay.

The Short Story Club was delightfully entertained Wednesday last by the Misses Harvey and Miss Estella Farnham at the residence of the Misses Harvey, No. 813 Vermont avenue. A programme of rare excellence was enjoyed with but one restriction, and that was that there should be no encores. Major F. L. Willis, although presiding for the first time, conducted the meeting with dignity and courtesy, and assured the club and its friends by his manner that the season would be marked by success from a social as well as a literary standpoint.

The programme opened with a banjo solo by Miss Leila Roome, followed by a scholarly paper, "Womanhood in Shakespeare," by Prof. R. Grant Barnwell; a highly ridiculous story, finely written, "How I Got Young," by Dr. W. A. Croffut; vocal solo, an old English ballad, "Drink to Me Only with Thine Eyes," Mrs. H. H. Mills, accompanied by Miss Lula Facius; a recitation, "Mandalay," by Rudyard Kipling, and, by special request, "William Brown," by Joaquin Miller, were admirably interpreted by Mr. John Tweedale; vocal solo, "Where Ripples Flow," Miss Mattie Wade, accompanied by Miss Carrie Kidwell; reading, "All Kinds of Men" and "All Kinds of Women," Mr. Whitaker; vocal solo, "Who Is Sylvia?" by Schubert, Miss Carlotta Veltenheimer; original poem, "Baby's Fate," Miss M. E. Ringgold; recitation, Miss Jennie Ditto, "The Sioux Chieftain's Daughter;" vocal duet, "O Wert Thou in the Cauld Blast," music by Mendelssohn, Mrs. H. H. Mills and Miss McKee; recitation, "Hamlet's Soliloquy," Mr. Duncan Haywood, and "Hush, Don't Cry Little Girl," by Mrs. M. T. Haywood.

Besides a full attendance of club members the following guests were present: Mrs. H. Goodall, Mrs. J. S. H. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wyckoff, Edith L. Maddren, Anna L. Kemball, Alice W. Stearns, W. K. Fisher, Mrs. N. H. Stearns, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dennett, Julia Pauline Lesvins, M. Thomas, George William Van Dyke, Miss N. Goodman, S. K. Kyle, Mr. and Mrs. Silas Boyce, G. F. Doggett, E. L. Gibson, A. B. Hooe, H. L. Muldrow, Mrs. Joseph Daniels, Miss Belle Bagley, Miss Leila Roome, Mr. John Tweedale, Will C. Stierlin, M. M. F. O'Donohue, Mrs. O'Donohue, Miss McKee H. Milliken, Miss Lavina Milliken, George C. Gwynn, Miss Ella Baden, Miss Elizabeth V. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Roome, Mrs. M. Stierlin, Miss Grace, Miss Florence Grace, Mr. Haywood, Mrs. and Miss Dawes, Miss Bates, Mrs. C. Van Schaac and daughters, Chicago; Mrs. F. D. Safford, New York; the Misses Hale, Texas; Miss B. H. Grogan, Georgia; Isaac Pearson, South Dakota; Mrs. Albert Stilt, J. A. Collins and Miss L. B. Collins, Mrs. Julia A. Breed, and Miss Breed.

VAL BLATZ BEER.

L. T. L. Battalion Formed—On Wednesday evening, at the residence of Mr. Walter E. Allen, "Company B," of the Loyal Temperance Legion Battalion, was organized with the following officers: Captain, Joseph Bogan; lieutenant, John D. Reed; first sergeant, E. K. Allen; second, Blakeslee Johnson; third, William Shipley; corporals, Howard Bayley and L. Yeatman; others to be appointed. A business management was formed of: Chairman, E. K. Allen; vice chairman, B. Johnson, and secretary, J. Bogan. A large proportion of the members of the company are High School Cadets, which is gratifying from the military view especially. Their influence is expected to make the company such that the younger members of "Newman L. T. L." will aspire with longing hearts to membership. By the rules Company B must draw its membership from Newman Legion.

The Ericus Dancing Club held its first masquerade at Haines' Hall, Eighth street and Pennsylvania avenue southeast. The large hall was filled to its utmost capacity. A prize was awarded to the most original characters. Miss Hahn and Mr. Nershaw were declared entitled to receive them. Dancing continued until a late hour.

Last Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock the members and the lady friends of Osiris Lodge, No. 26, F. A. A. M., visited the Rev. Thomas C. Easton and his congregation at the church, corner of Sixth street and Maryland avenue northeast, to pay the lodge's respects to the pastor for his very fine lecture on "Bobby Burns," given at their grand visitation, and to surprise him by presenting an oil painting of Burns. An impromptu programme was arranged as follows, which contributed to a very pleasant evening: A musical selection by Miss Sallie Nicholson and Mr. Henney; duet by Messrs. Pearman and Myers; solo by Miss Cassavant, entitled the "Star of My Heart;" after which Brother Joseph Taylor, in a few well chosen words, presented the painting, which was a complete surprise to the genial doctor, as the expression on his face proved. He accepted the picture by saying no more suitable present could have been given him; a solo by Mrs. Patterson; recitation by Mr. F. A. Harrison, and another solo, finely rendered, by Mr. Charles Myers concluded the evening's entertainment.

A double celebration was the social event Friday evening at the Metaphysical parlors, No. 910 F street northwest, it being the tenth anniversary of the establishment of the Metaphysical Society and the eleventh anniversary of the marriage of the parties in charge of that work, William and Nina Vera Hughes. An original poem and address were given by N. Y. Hughes. A liberal contribution to the library was not an unimportant event. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. Sheets, Mrs. Dawson and daughter, Mrs. Jerome Wise and daughter, Mrs. R. Holtzman and daughter, Mrs. T. A. Anadale, Mrs. M. Hebner, Mrs. Rocker, of New York city; Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Houghton, Mrs. Crockett and daughter, Dr. Johnson and Miss A. Swain, Mrs. Duvall, Mr. and Mrs. E. Chris, Mrs. Cammick, Mrs. Reve and daughters, Hrs. William Holtzman, Mrs. Parsons, Mr. Warren and Harry Parsons, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Dr. Cushman, Mr. W. Denison, Miss Byfand, Miss Flo Perkins, Mrs. D. Parvoret, Mrs. Dupall and daughters, Mrs. Holland, Mrs. F. Brown, Mrs. Fyles, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Vail, Mr. and Mrs. Post, Mrs. Egeisten, Mrs. Whelan, Mrs. Hoover Anadale, Mr. and Mrs. Cambell, Dr. Cottrell, Mrs. W. Holland, and Mrs. R. Greer.

The ladies of the Nordhoff Guild are arranging a two-days' Christmas bazaar, including the popular Quodlibet luncheons (which long since achieved an enviable reputation), to be held at Masonic Hall on the afternoons and evenings of December 13 and 14, for the benefit of the Homeopathic Hospital. In addition to the luncheons, which always prove a drawing card because of their excellence and cheapness combined, there will be refreshments and dancing in the evening and some good vocal and instrumental music.

The Allegro Social Club held its regular meeting Friday evening at the residence of Miss Lillie Fridley, Eleventh and C streets southwest. At the business meeting Miss Edna M. Archibald was unanimously elected a member of the club, and after transacting other necessary business the club engaged in progressive games, which resulted in several ties. Afterward the company repaired to the dining-room, where an elaborate supper had been prepared by the committee on entertainment, assisted by the hostess. The table was beautifully decorated and lighted by a banquet lamp.

The feast was thoroughly enjoyed, and enlivened very much by the witty remarks of the club's humorist, Mr. Hammond Brewer. After supper, Mr. Morrison M. Perley favored the company with a few choice selections on the piano before the club adjourned. Among those present were Miss Grace Nelson, Miss Gertrude Hall, Miss Mabel Wollard, Miss Lillie Fridley, Miss Mary Espey, Miss Annie Campbell, Miss Lola Ames, Miss Marie Hartsock and Miss May Corbett; Mr. Morrison M. Perley, Dr. Victor E. Watkins, Messrs. Randolph Moran, Percey Daniels, Willard Archibald, Clarence Walker, Hammond Brewer, Morgan Brock and Clarence C. Archibald. The next meeting of the club will be held at the home of the Misses Espey, No. 327 Eleventh street southwest.

The Morning, of London, Eng., in a leading article yesterday, asserts positively that the Marquis of Lorne, husband of the Princess Louise, has become a partner in a firm of house decorators and is actively sharing in the designing work.

The gaieties for the season open up this week with a rush that promises well for the winter. The greater number of the entertainments are in the nature of debut parties, though the list is by no means deficient in evening receptions, luncheons, and dinner parties.

MONDAY afternoon Mrs. Mayo Hazeltine will give a tea from 4 to 7 o'clock at her residence, No. 1901 F street.

In the evening Mr. and Mrs. George Washington Cissell, the latter formerly Mrs. Agnes Moore, will give a reception from 9 to 11 o'clock at their residence on Georgetown Heights.

TUESDAY afternoon Mrs. William Claggett will give a tea from 4 to 7 to announce the debut of her daughter and of Miss Isabelle Hagner.

In the evening Hon. and Mrs. John W. Foster will give a reception.

WEDNESDAY at noon the marriage of Miss Kate McKim to Mr. Rathbone, of England, will take place at the Church of the Epiphany.

In the afternoon Mrs. Ramsay will give a tea to announce the debut of her daughter at her home on N street.

Mrs. Edward McCauley will give a tea in honor of the debut of Miss Isabelle Hagner.

In the evening the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Eastman to Lieut. Jayne will take place at the Church of the Epiphany.

THURSDAY afternoon Mrs. John A. Logan will give a tea in honor of her guest, Mrs. Dorelus Morrison, of St. Paul.

FRIDAY Mrs. Cassells will give a tea to announce the debut of her daughter.

There will be a sale of art work suitable for Christmas presents at the residence of Mrs. N. S. Lincoln from 3 to 6 o'clock.

SATURDAY evening the Postmaster General and Mrs. Bissell will give a dinner party in honor of the Argentine Minister and Madam Zeballos. Senor Zeballos was formerly postmaster general in the Argentine Republic, and it is on this account that the dinner is given in his honor.

Among the later entertainments will be:

A debut party on the evening of the 5th instant by Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Steele, in honor of their second daughter, at the residence, on Lafayette Square, of Mrs. Morris.

On the 10th instant Mrs. Charles M. Thomas will give an afternoon tea to announce the debut of her daughter.

Mrs. R. C. Johnson, sr., will give a 5 o'clock tea.

Col. and Mrs. De Peyster will give a tea to announce the debut of their daughter.

Mrs. Cropper will give a luncheon.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, Mrs. Phil Sheridan will give an afternoon tea to announce the debut of her daughter, Miss Mary Sheridan.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, the marriage of Miss Mary Sherman to Mr. McCallum will take place at the residence of Senator and Mrs. Sherman, at noon.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, Mrs. William A. Gordon will give a tea to announce the debut of her daughter at her residence, No. 6 Cooke Row.

Mr. Stanley Mortimer, of New York, well-known in hunting and society circles on both sides of the Atlantic, was badly hurt yesterday while hunting with the Quorn hounds near Melton Mowbray in England. Mr. Mortimer's horse failed at a fence and rolled over his rider, who sustained severe bruises and concussion of the spine.

Society was well represented yesterday afternoon at the tea given by Mr. and Mrs. John Poor, to announce the debut of their daughter, at their home on Twentieth street. The house was decorated with palms and the mantels banked with roses. Similar decorations prevailed in the tearoom. The hostess wore a gown of black brocade with insertions of ruby velvet and black lace on the front of the corsage. Miss Poor's gown was a beautiful one of white, suitable for a debutante, and in her hand she carried a large bouquet of lilies of the valley and La France roses.

Among those who assisted in receiving were Misses Claggett and Cassells and Mrs. Kindelberger. In the tearoom Mesdames Glover and Jewett presided.

Among the guests were Miss Edes, Mrs. N. S. Lincoln, Mrs. and Miss Langhorne, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Winlock, Mrs. and Miss Belknap, Mrs. Hoffman, Mrs. and Miss Steele, Miss Patten, Miss Davidge, Major and Mrs. Goodloe, Dr. Chatard, Mrs. Pierce Crosby, Mrs. Heath, Dr. and Mrs. Alexander Magruder, Mr. Glover, Mrs. Andrews, Mr. Frank Andrews, and Mr. and Mrs. Perrine.

Miss Belknap gave an afternoon tea to the young people of society on Wednesday to celebrate her birthday.

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Esther, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Upton Payne, to Mr. William Ernest Garrett, a promising young business man of this city, took place on Wednesday evening last, at 5:15 o'clock, at Maryland Avenue Baptist Church. Rev. N. C. Naylor performed the ceremony. The ushers were Messrs. J. Eston Payne, brother of the bride; Paul Garrett, brother of the groom; Frederick Dodge and Charles F. Crane. The bride wore a tailor-made traveling gown of gray covert cloth, trimmed with green velvet, with hat to match, and carried a bouquet of bride roses.

Among the relatives present were Miss Cora Garrett, sister of the groom; Miss Byrde Holland, Miss Bessie and Mr. Scott Flemming, cousins of the bride, and John B. Payne, uncle of the bride, all of Virginia.

Immediately after the ceremony they were driven to the depot and took the train to the residence of the groom's parents, where a reception was given in their honor. After their return they will be at home to their friends at No. 326 E street northeast. Mr. and Mrs. Garrett received many useful presents from their friends.

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AMERICAN CHAMPAGNE.

How the Festive Fizz Is Manufactured in This Country.

The building of A. B. & Co. is on the shore of the lake, and being constructed of huge blocks of quarried stone looks like a mediæval castle, says Popular Science Magazine.

The outside gives one little notion of the size and capacity of the establishment. There are fourteen separate vaults or cellars and three extend far under the hill. Together they are 132 feet long and 165 feet wide. Stored under the ground are 1,000,000 bottles of champagne made by the French method—i. e., by fermentation in the bottle.

You enter; the nostrils are tickled with the odor of the wines. You see the vats heaped full with the luscious grapes; the two double wine presses are working and squeezing out the life-blood of the berries; the liquid stream is pouring into large tanks; the men are bare-armed, their hands and faces smeared with red stains—You see this and can imagine Bacchus and his merry crew holding high carnival.

This new wine, or "must" after it deposits its lees in the course of a few days, is run into casks holding from 2,000 to 4,000 gallons each. Here it remains for six or eight weeks—that is, until it has passed through its first fermentation. Then it is racked off into other casks and is now ready for mixing.

The composition of the blend is of course one of the secrets of the art. The French wine-maker mixes the juice of black grapes with that of white grapes in the proportion of three to one. The American wine-maker does about the same. He takes the juice of the black Concord and Isabella grapes and mixes it with that of red Cat