ALL EYES ON ALBANY.

A Well-Defined Opinion That The President-Elect Will be a Leader in Every Sense.

While He Has Thus Far Confined His Council to Few He Will Hereafter Call About Him

Prominent Men From Every State--A Grand Combination Between the Eastern and Southern Democracy.

The West to be Ignored in the Coming Administrative Policy – Only Vilas to Represent Us.

Wall Street Bankers Declare that Silver Must Go — Cleveland's Letter Heartily Indorsed.

Col. Vilas Going to Washington to Attend the National Committee Meeting Only.

GOSSIP AT ALBANY.

The President Is and Will Continue the Master of the Situation.

Special to the Globe.

ALBANY, Feb. 28.—The rock on which speculation splits to-day is the war and naval portfolios. Everybody is at sea and will probably remain afloat until Monday. It is generally understood that Judge Endicott of Massachusetts has the refusal of the former department, although for that matter rumor for several days has connected him with the latter. Leaving him with the war makes the navy a blank, with Mr. Whitney of New York and Gen. Black of Illinois pirouetting in chaos. The sentiment is in favor of Whitney, and if its offered him he will accept. The only argument used against him is that New York has the right to grab two places out of the seven. What influence this will have with the chief magistrate was

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in all the gossip this morning.

McDonald is left out in the cold. There is no place for him. Those gentlemen, whose relations with Mr. Cleveland are closest, assert that soon after the inauguration he will confer with a larger circle of his own party than he has hitherto had an opportunity to meet. In explaining the course he has pursued in his relations with his party up to this time it is stated by these gentlemen that Mr. Cleveland took the ground that it would be impossible to suit everybody, and therefore he decided to confine himself to those who were the recognized leaders, and would naturally be proper parties to invite into his cabinet for suggestions as to the organization of the administration. To get the machinery well started was

HIS FIRST ANXIETY.

After that he proposes to move ahead cautiously, and from time to time will confer with gentlemen representing different sections and interests, for from present indications the president not only is, but proposes to continue to be master of the situation. He will have his own policy and methods, and will exact on the part of his cabinet counsellors subservience to his wishes. He will not confine his acts to the small circle of advice of those immediately around him, but will have friends in different states. This fact he has announced repeatedly in conversation with gentlemen who have called upon him.

Adjt. Gen. Farnsworth gave a private and select dinner party to President-elect Cleveland this evening.

The question of allowing representatives of the press to accompany the train taking Cleveland to Washington will be decided Monday.

The Evening Journal states that the directors of the Commercial bank held a protracted meeting this morning, but the proceedings were secret. It is believed, however, that Mr. Manning tendered his resignation as president, which was accepted after the passage of suitable resolutions, to be made public next week, and Robert C. Pruyn was elected president.

HENDRICKS CALLS ON ARTHUR.

The Cabinet as Now Made Up—Comments on Cleveland's Letter.

Special to the Globe.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Vice President Hendricks is to-night the guest of the Gridiron club, an organization controlled by Washington correspondents. To-day he called on President Arthur, and had a long social chat with him. The vice president received at his hotel quite a number of guests. The cabinet as it will be announced on Wednesday is now said to be positively as follows:

Secretary of state, Thomas F. Bayard; secretary of the treasury, Daniel Manning; secretary of war, W. C. Endicott; secretary of the navy, W. C. Whitney; attorney general, A. H. Garland; secretary of the interior, L. Q. C. Lamar; postmaster general, W. F. Vilas.

The talk of an extra session of congress is puerile. It comes principally from a lot of lobbyists and Washington boarding house keepers. There will be none. Cleveland's silver letter is generally pronounced as a very stront presentation of the anti-silver position, although not a few ascribe its authorship to Samuel J. Tilden. In the house to-day Mr. Horr, a Republican member from Michigan, eulogized Cleveland for writing it, but regretted that it was casting pearls before congress. He said it was the first time in history that the president, not inducted into office, had attempted to advise congress.

Why Cleveland Likes Whitney.

Special to the Globe.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—The only question on the minds of outsiders as to the correctness of the cabinet slate announced to-day is to the selection of Whitney as secretary of the navy. It is not to be presumed that this list is impossible of a change, but that it is one decided upon is certain. Mr. Cleveland's determination to give two places to New York is based on three considerations. The first is his intention to combine the East and South in the political movements of the next four years. The West will be only incidentally considered through Mr. Hendricks in Indiana. Even Mr. Vilas, while the sole representative of the West, will be expected to use his patronage to further the scheme mentioned. The second consideration was the personal relation between himself and Mr. Whitney. It is customary for the president to have at least one personal friend in the cabinet. Mr. Manning is Mr. Tilden's friend, rather than Mr. Cleveland's. Mr. Whitney comes nearer the position of a personal follower and friend. The third consideration was the precedent. A large list of similar dual appointments stretches across the face of blue books from Washington to Grant. It is probable, also, that the desire to have a wealthy young New Yorker with his ability for political management in Washington had much to do with the decision.

The attitude of Western Democrats on the silver question certainly hastened and confirmed it. The cabinet news which is here given is not generally known, and may not be for a day or two, so there is little discussion about it.

SILVER MUST GO.

So Say the Wall Street Money Kings—Interview With Prominent Bankers.

Special to the Globe.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—The question of absorbing interest here is the silver coinage. It is generally admitted among politicians that Mr. Cleveland in attempting to influence legislation in the present congress has been too previous, yet there is no disposition to criticise him harshly. The punishment he has received in the action of the house is deemed all sufficient criticism. He has the substantial backing of Wall street and eastern banking and financial interests, and it is predicted will not swerve from the line of opposition to silver which he has chosen. In talking with bankers here only one opinion is expressed, namely

THAT SILVER MUST GO.

John Jay Knox, the old comptroller of the currency, now president of the National Bank of the Republic, said to-night: "The relative value of gold and silver are constantly fluctuating. What is called a double standard is nothing more or less than an alternative one. When silver is over-valued in its relation to gold silver coin will circulate to the exclusion of gold and vice versa gold will circulate to the exclusion of silver wherever gold is over-valued. France is said to have a double standard, but she restricts silver coinage. The amount of her silver coinage has not been increased for years. I am in favor of stopping the coinage of silver. I hope the new seeretary of the treasury will maintain the present

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and save the country from the disgrace of doing business on a silver basis. Our credit as a nation will be seriously impaired if we seek to pay the principal and interest of our debt in anything else than gold. If Gov. Cleveland has pluck to carry out his announced determination to advocate the cessation of silver coinage he will have the support of honest, intelligent, upright men everywhere without regard to party.

Judge Burke of Cleveland is very clear that he has a panacea for our financial ills. In a chat with him to-day he said: "The starting point in finance is that you can't have but

ONE MEASURE.

There can't be but one yard stick, one foot rule, one peck measure. Gold is that measure in the financial world and will remain so until the people of the earth discover that there is enough of it for a universal unit of value. But it does not follow that we should have another medium of exchange of which silver is the chief and should be the chief. If I could plan legislation I would remove the small paper from circulation, increase legal tender circulation to $500,000,000, that is by $154,000,000 of additional issue, although I am

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and not a bit of a Greenbacker, and then pass a law that silver either coined or in stamped bullion should be a legal tender for all debts under $100 or $50 at the market price on the day of tender. The market price will always fluctuate just as with wheat and corn. My plan preserves the gold as a basis of calculation, gives a full sufficiency of medium of exchange and leaves with the government the benefits and profits arising from the destruction of currency in process of circulation. I presume $50,000,000 of the currency so far issued by this government will never be redeemed. It is fair that since all benefit from an easy medium of exchange all should alike benefit in its loss or destruction."

William Dowd, president of the Bank of North America, said: "My fear is that if coinage is not stopped silver will become a much

MORE DEBASED COIN

than it is. It may be bought and sold as such at bullion price. The banks can get along, but the poorer classes among whom silver is now in circulation will be the sufferers. It will be easy for persons to buy up large quantities at a reduced value and pay it out in small amounts to employes, who are unable to refuse to take it at its face value. Silver really ought to take the place of the one and two dollar bills, but the country favors paper for convenience. Our customers are annoyed when we offer them gold in any amount."

Ex-Senator Jerome B. Chaffee of Colorado said: "The country has been sayed from

GOING TO THE DOGS.

England will now see that we propose to use silver as well as gold for money, and she will be obliged to fall into line. It is only a question of time when all Europe remonetizes silver. It would be sheer idiocy for us to depreciate our own product of silver in which we lead the world, when by a contrary course we show our independence of other nations and force them to our standard."

MODEST COL. VILAS.

The Young Badger Statesman Declines to be Pumped—His Washington Trip.

Special to the Globe.

CHICAGO, Feb. 28.—Col. W. F. Vilas of Wisconsin tarried for a brief time at the Palmer house to-day. Although with the innate modesty that characterizes that gentleman he failed to adorn the register with his signature, your correspondent found him on the parlor floor, in room 16, where he was waiting for the hour to come and the train to go which would bear him to Washington. "I am going on to a meeting of the Democratic national committee," he said. "This and nothing more. We have agreed to come together on Monday next, there being some matters to settle. I shall stay until after the inauguration, as it will be a novel and most pleasing sight to see a Democratic president assume the high office."

"Does the formation of the next cabinet interst you?" asked the reporter.

"I tell you how you can put that. Just say that I am doing no talking. That will be a manifestly true statement and compromises no one. It would not be just the thing for me to indulge in any speculations and I have no information that I care to impart."

"No comments to make on the newspaper telegrams this morning relative to your aims, aspirations and intentions?"

"Certainly not. I did not inspire them, nor am I responsible for them. I neither deny nor affirm. In fact, I am saying nothing, except that I am going to Washington to attend a meeting of the national committee," with which the colonel bowed your reporter out. Accompanied by his wife, he left on the limited this evening.

TO HELP THE MAHDI.

An Irish Brigade to be Organized to Help the Mahdi.

CHICAGO, Feb. 28.—According to a circumstantial narrative to appear in the Inter Ocean to-morrow, Fenian organizations have been revived in this country, and an actual movement has been put on foot to organize two or more full regiments of 1,000 men each for service in the Soudan, to operate with the Mahdi against the British. This is based upon the following order, a copy of which has been forwarded to several commanders of Fenian councils in this city:

Headquarters Fenian Brotherhood, 305 Duane street, New York, Feb. 7 and 8.—A meeting of centers of circles represented in the following named cities will be holden at their respective headquarters as early, may be before the 20th inst., to take such measures as may be necessary to organize each their quota of 200 men for an Irish brigade for active service in Egypt in the interest of the Mahdi in his struggle for liberty. Immediately upon organization the names of the quota will be sent to the Beekman street office in New York of Jeremiah O'Donovan Rossa. New York 200 men, Philadelphia 200 men, Boston 200 men, Buffalo 200 men, and Chicago 200 men. Your circle will take immediate measures to raise for its contingent the sum of $15,000, which sum it will forward by the officer in temporary command of the men. Each man of your quota must be guaranteed by the center of the city whence he comes. Married men will not be accepted.

[Signed] WILLIAM H. HAMILTON,
Secretary Council of Fenian Brotherhood.

The article professes to give the names of prominent ex-officers of the Union and Confederate armies as having been commissioned to serve as officers in the brigade, and Gen. Fitzhugh Lee of Virginia is named as the probable commander of the brigade. It is declared that the quota from this city has already been organized and the money raised, and that the men will all have left for the East within the next two weeks. It is claimed that Marseilles, France, will be the probable rendezvous prior to leaving for Egypt.

RIGHT ROYAL RECEPTION.

A Princely and Magnificent Entertainment Tendered by The Leading Citizens of Minneapolis

To Their Honored Guests, the Governor and Members of the Legislature of Minnesota.

The West Hotel Brilliant with Beauty and Vocal with the Sweetest of Music.

An Imposing Array of Guests Embracing All of the Leading Men of the State.

A List of Names—Elegant Decorations—Brilliant Toilettes—Elaborate Supper—The Dancing—General Notes.

A GORGEOUS RECEPTION.

THE WORK OF COMMITTEES AND PRELIMINARY DETAILS.

The citizens of Minneapolis tendered a reception at the West hotel last evening to the governor and members of the legislature of the state of Minnesota. In its result, it was a spontaneous uprising of the foremost men of the city to do honor and show courtesy to the executive head and law making power of the state. In the bright glare of the electric lights, amidst the fragrance of flowers and to the sweetest strains of music, the outstretched hand and cordial words of welcome came from the people of Minneapolis, through their representatives, to the delegated servants and officers of the commonwealth. In that outpouring of the beauty and chivalry, talent and position of two great cities, there were no separate and rival communities; no spear point glea ed through the garland, no sword supp ted the white flag of truce; there was only the intermingling of the people from all points and every section of the great Gate state of the Northwest, and chiefly of the two sister cities running hand-in-hand and shoulder to shoulder, the generous race for municipal supremacy.

Three weeks ago a few leading men of the city conceived the idea of extending the hospitality of Minneapolis to the state legislature and the several departments of the state government. The project was communicated, received with general approbation and last night witnessed its successful consummation. It was the people and not the municipality of Minneapolis that stood as hosts at the West hotel last night discharging, in the tokens of welcome, the duty that the head of the house delegates to none beneath him. The city council had indorsed the plan and its committee, representing the several wards of the city, took an active part in the preparations. The board of trade and chamber of commerce smiled upon it and their several committees, representing all the vast and diverse business interests of a great city, brought the generous scheme to its successful issue last night. To the work of those committees, as such, and to their prestige as prominent citizens, the success which crowned the reception as a halo is entirely due. The several committees were as follows:

THE COMMITTEE.

Council—President Clark, Aldermen Fleetham, Johnson, Sly, Hashow, Haugan, Lawrence and Noerenberg.

Board of Trade—Messrs. Gale, Blethen, Wyman, Bassett and King.

Chamber of Commerce—Messrs. Borden, Pray, Taylor, Mulford and Commons.

All arrangements were made by these gentlemen and no step left untaken that would add to the success of the reception or the comfort and enjoyment of the guests. By them were appointed the following committees, which were placed in direct charge of the final details, the several committees constituting the inviting power:

Executive Committee—William S. King, A. B. Taylor, Alden J. Blethen, E. M. Johnson, W. L. Bassett.

Reception Committee—C. A. Pillsbury, H. G. O Morrison, Ole Byorum, William M. Tenney, S. P. Snider, John Crosby, L. Meldal, John Watson, P. J. E. Clementson, Clinton Morrison, Augustus Von Ende, Winthrop Young, R. B. Langdon, David Blakely, John C. Oswald, F. L. Greenleaf, H. G. Sidle, S. Oftedah, C. W. Shepherd, J. W. Johnson, T. L. Batchelor, E. J. Phelps, John S. Pillsbury, W. J. Hahn, William McCrory, C. H. Prior, O. J. Evans, George Huhn, Anthony Kelly, A. W. Hastings, M. B. Koon, W. W. Sly, C. A. Nimocks, J. T. Wyman, E. M. Wilson, Loren Fletcher, Henry Downs, W. H. Truesdale, G. F. French, C. B. Heffelfinger, V. G. Hush, W. D. Hale, E. H. Moulton, Isaac Atwater, G. A. Brackett, G. H. Christian, J. A. Hanley, Charles Hashow, James W. Griffin, Albert Lawrence, George R. Newell, J. C. Whitney, J. F. R. Foss, and R. R. Henderson.

Floor Committee—W. L. Bassett, W. W. Sly, W. Burwell, C. M. Palmer, H. Alden Smith, H. P. Whittemore, J. W. Griffin, F. H. Boardman, E. H. Moulton, Will E. Haskell, and Perry Harrison.

THE SCENE OF THE RECEPTION.

PREPARATIONS AND DECORATIONS OF THE WEST HOTEL, WHERE IT WAS HELD.

The magnificent new West hotel, a monument of architectural beauty and decorative art, of convenience and comfort, the especial pride of the golden Northwest, and an institution of immeasurable credit to the memory of the philanthropist and millionaire in honor of whom it was named, was a picture of beauty. The decorative artists had just completed their labors, and the frescoing in demure and tasty colors challenged the unbounded admiration of every guest. In the exchange waa nothing particularly new. The elegant drapery on the various sides was the same that the guests of the house had been familiar with, and which had been the popular theme of praise for some time of all who had entered its portals. The entire superstructure was brilliantly illuminated with arc electric lights, and all in all the house presented a veritable scene of splendor.

The attaches, be it said to the special credit of the competent, experienced and thoughtful management of the house, were attentive, courteous and indefatigable in their efforts to give the guests attendance of a genuine metropolitan character. The minutest details concerning the happy, easy informality of the affair were in admirable keeping with the stately occasion, and no one was there who would presume to be too hypercritical to utter a word of fault-finding. As they gazed upon the gorgeous scene the guests invariably smiled and evidenced their satisfaction and admiration in mute but highly expressive and eloquent language.

ARRIVAL AND RECEPTION.

EVERYTHING INFORMAL AND PLEASANT—THE WEST COMFORTABLY FILLED.

"Guests will begin arriving at 7:30 o'clock; dancing to begin promptly at 8." In the world of fashionable dissipation this advice of the executive committee would have been construed to mean two hours later and proceedings would have been accordingly; but in comformity with the pleasing informality which, it was announced, would characterize this reception, the advice was followed. It was 7:32 when the first carriage drove under the east arch of the West hotel and the doors opened to admit the first guest. From that time on the arrivals were continuous until after 9 o'clock, and so complete were the arrangements that never once did an annoying blockade occur. Guests were ushered into a reception room and, after the cards of admission were taken up, were wafted dressingroomward by the elevators. In one continuous stream, without a confusing or harassing doubling up of route, the stranger was passed, until, with coats and wraps deposited and the last touch to the toilette, he was landed in the entre-sol, which was the theater of the evening's entertainment.

There was no reception, no ultra-distinguished citizen or group of citizens posed in a conspicuous place to receive greetings or give them. No ushers announced this senator or that member of the house, but each guest entered with his ladies and proceeded to enjoy himself in the manner which to him seemed best.

THE ARRANGEMENTS WERE PERFECT.

On the third floor a large suite of rooms was devoted to the personal comfort of the ladies and there, with a capable and sufficiently large staff of attendants, the ladies completed their toilets. Further along on the same floor the cloak rooms were located, with several rooms for the gentlemen directly opposite, an equally efficient corps of attendants in charge of each. Entering by the elevator and descending to the ball room floor by means of the staircase, kept the arrivals in an everflowing stream of humanity that never crossed its course or caused a crush or jam. When the last tardy guest had come, and the flutter at the advent of the last handsome toilet was over, the apartments set aside for the reception were found to be just comfortably full. The estimated number of ladies and gentlemen was 900, and as that number had been provided for the result was most satisfactory.

The scene at this moment was a peculiarly enchanting one. The monotony of the customary ball room vision was singularly absent. The costumes of the ladies were as rich and varied as might have graced a queen's drawing room, or liberally advertised Worth or Pintorelli, but the charm lay in the diversity of characteristic style. Corsage costumes were not uncommon, and the sweeping plume that surmounted such a one was frequently seen in close and contrasting proximity to the powdered hair, glittering with diamond dust, that accompanied the pronounced decollette toilette of evening dress. The committee had plaintively called for

"NO DRESS SUITS,"

but in vain. The young carpet knight knows that if he has a figure worth setting off, nothing will do it like a dress suit, and he attires himself accordingly. Even members of the committee showed their official badges against a background of the broadcloth inseparable from a dress suit. Enough there were in morning suits, however, to prevent such a costume from being conspicuous. Half of the members showed their cool judgment by arraying themselves in business suits, even though they did contrast oddly with the sheeny cloth of the "spade-tails" about them, and the gorgeous trappings of the officers of Fort Snelling.

The entre-sol, from the refreshment tables on the south and west, along the corriders to the grand ballroom on the north, was a continual scene of moving splendor. The brilliant electric lights were flashed back in prismatic colors from a thousand sparkling gems, and lay in softness on hundreds of superb toilets of crisp silk, shining satin and lustrous velvet; but better than all it revealed the flower of the manhood of the state, in professional and mercantile pursuits, and lingered caressingly in the bright eyes of Minnesota's fairest daughters. It was a superb scene.

ON WITH THE DANCE.

SCENES OF BEAUTY AND BRILLIANCY IN THE BALL ROOM.

Promptly at 8 o'clock the first strain of music floated up from the grand ball room. It was the overture from the superb Danz orchestra, and notified the guests the hour for dancing had arrived. At this moment the room was tenantless and vacant, save for the gallery of musicians and the magnificent floral decorations. The large dining hall on the north, fresh from the hands of the decorators, made an admirable ball room. Over the soft carpet a linen covering was tightly drawn, forming the best possible surface for dancing purposes. At the west end, a large parterre sparkled with flowers, the subtle perfume of which stole softly out and scented the air until one might readily have imagined himself transported from the frosty north to the balmy and sensuous tropics. It was an ideal ball room.

The opening lanciers began and the gay party slowly drifted toward the room and when the familiar strains of the Kiss waltz were heard, the floor was filled and the dancing fairly inaugurated. The program was faithfully carried out as follows:

1. Lanciers.....Liederkranz
2. Waltz.....Kiss
3. Quadrille.....Aida
4. Waltz.....Barcarole
5. Lanciers.....Our Party
6. Porka.....Gerster
7. Money Musk.....Hours of Ease
8. Waltz.....Vision of Beautiful Women
9. Quadrille.....Grand Duke
10. Waltz.....Autograph
11. Virginia Reel.....The Sawdust Belle
12. Waltz.....Dream of the Ocean

The orchestra had made special preparation for the occasion, and it is saying little to pronounce the music superb. The following selections were rendered:

Lanciers—Liederkranz.....P. Weingarten
Waltz—Kiss.....J. Strauss
Quadrille—Aida.....Verdi
Waltz—Barcarole.....E. Waldteufel
Money Musk—The Wild Man of the West.....Will Bassett
Gerster Polka.....R. Bial
Lanciers—Our Party.....G. Weingarten
Waltz—Vision of a Beautiful Woman.....Th. Fahrbach
Virginia Reel.....F. Burrwell
Waltz—Autograph.....C. McReeves
Quadrille—Grand Duke.....A. Ross
Waltz—Dream on the Ocean.....J. Gungl

At no time was the ball room uncomfortably filled, nor was it ever without a brilliant party. The dancing was entered into with an enjoyment and a zest that Lent could not suppress; and as one or another couple strolled off through the spacious parlors or the refreshment rooms, their places were filled by other devotees of the dance, and the scene was renewed. The walls and corridors were lined with the non-dancers, who found in this the chief pleasure of the evening and who maintained their places until the last dreamy waltz had died away and the dancing was at an end.

THE SUPPER ROOMS.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THIS IMPORTANT ADJUNCT OF THE RECEPTION.

The banquet, like every other feature of the entertainment, save, perhaps, the terpsichorean pleasures, was absolutely informal, and of an agreeable, nonchalent nature, quite refreshing to those who have usually been chained and handicapped by the customary code of etiquette and stiff society formalities usually in vogue on such occasions. Throughout the evening the guests "happy and free" came and went in couples as a rule to the tables loaded with viands and all the delicacies until they groaned with the weight, and ate of the sumptuous repast. The tables were spread in the elegant corridor, the beautiful ladies ordinary, and the large and handsome room immediately off from the corridor proper and facing upon Hennepin avenue. The table decorations were magnificent and artistic in the highest degree, and the capacity in the aggregate was two hundred plates. As soon as one set of guests had finished supper another set quietly and systematically took the places so made vacant. The menu cards were in the latest and most artistic typographical style. The word menu was embossed in gold and silver letters of a rustic character, diagonally across the left had upper corner. The courses and dishes are reproduced below:

THE MENU.

Oysters.
Blue Points on Half Shell.
Soup.
Consomme de Voleilles en Tasse.
Hors d'Oeuvre.
Varies. Escalloped Oysters, a la Creme. Varies.
Relevés.
Sweet Breads en Caisses, a la Reine Margot.
Entrees.
Tenderloin of Beef, larded, a la Lucullus,
French Peas. Pomm Parisienne.
Sorbet.
Punch a l'Anisette.
Game.
Roast Pheasant. English Bread Sauce.
Lettuce Salad.
Mayonaise.
Chicken. Shrimp. Lobster.
Cold Meats.
Boned Turkey en Gelee. Game Pate.
Roast Quail. Tongue en Bellevue.
Roast Turkey. Capon.
Pastry.
Gateau Siberian. Choux a la Parisienne.
Macaroons aux Amandes. Fancy Kisses.
Petit four Melis.
Ices.
Vanilla Ice Cream. Chocolate Ice Cream.
Cafe Noir.

TABLE DECORATIONS.

In the corridor and next the parlors extended a long and elegant table gorgeously decorated with rich blooming flowers and ivy and myrtle vines from end to end. Literally speaking each and every table was a scene of beauty. The ornaments and "center pieces" were of pastry and confection composition, the handi work of George Dern, the chief, and Gustave Sopper, the head pastry cook, and they reflected unbounded credit to the ingenuity, skill and taste of those artists. The first ornament of considerable dimensions which attracted the eye of the guest upon entering the corridor was a center-piece fully five feet in height, composed of confections. The base was a miniature race track some twelve feet in circumference upon which were a dozen thoroughbred coursers with costumed jockeys distributed the entire length of the track. The inner paling represented a deer park, filled with deer, plants and flowers made of sweetmeats. The pedestal was of a square shape and stood up in the center about two feet and was a competent illustration of the skill of the architect, and resembled in its essential features the base of a fountain profusely ornamented. At either corner was a statue of a Hercules supporting the crest. The whole was surmounted by a comical ornament of odd and novel design, made of lobsters and trimmed and decorated with ivy vines and rose blossoms.

The next piece was also a pyramid and was particularly beautiful. Representations of cranes with upstretched heads and wide-open beaks and divers ornamentations of lilies and other blooming flowers.

One of the most unique and beautiful pieces was the aquarium, in which cunning little fishes were seen to swim about and disport themselves, as though they realized the occasion and appreciated the festivities. The aquarium was surrounded by a hunting park with wild game of all kinds, and the sportive hunters shooting their prey on every side, partially secreted in representation of underbrush. The water is spanned by an exquisitely designed arch, at either coruer of the supports of which swam a beautiful, graceful white swan. The span or arch was profusely and tastily decorated with artificial flowers made from confections.

There were on this table a large number of pastry pyramids and ornaments of unique design, ranged at proper distances, and of various sizes, shapes and styles.

In the ladies' ordinary were spread nineteen tables, seating six and eight guests at each. In the farther end of the corridor or corner over the exchange, were four tables seating twelve, one seating four and one seating six. In room 222 were six tables, seating from six to ten each.

THOSE WHO PARTICIPATED.

A LIST OF LEADING NAMES SELECTED FROM THE MYRIADS PRESENT.

The invitations were limited almost entirely to the members of the legislature, the state officials and the citizens of St. Paul and Minneapolis. At the least calculation there were 800 persons present. Among those present were

STATE OFFICERS.

Gov. L. F. Hubbard, W. W. Braden, state auditor; Gen. Baker, railroad commissioner; Lieut. Gov. C. A. Gilman, Charles Kittleson, state treasurer; Judge Dickman of the supreme court, Adjutant General McCarthy, A. F. Nordin, commissioner of statistics; Samuel H. Nichols, clerk of the supreme court.

STATE SENATORS.

John L. Gibbs, speaker; Crosby, Morrison, Rice, Truax, Clarke, Blake, Christianson, Steenerson, Goodrich, Billson, Peterson, Vollmar, Wilson, Severance, Sergeant, Ward, Wells, Langdon, Pillsbury, Wilkin, Comstock, Craig, Sackett, Fletcher, Peck, Wilson, Shaleen.

REPRESENTATIVES.

Batchelder, Bradford, Becker, Bjorge, Blackmun, Brown, Byorum, Caneff, Capser, Canning, Carson, Coulter, Daniels, Deike, Downs, D. and Downs, H. Drake, Durant, Edmund, Ende, Evans, Felzer, Fiddes, Flynn, Foster, Gorman, Haraldson, Hample, Hendrickson, Holland, Holstrom, Hush, Howes, Iltis, Johnson, Knox, Lee, Leland, Lewis, Lienau, McLaren, McMillan, Maland, Martin, Morse, Murphy, Muzzy, P. Peterson, Pratt, Reese, Reinhard, Saettre, Sadley, Sheehan, Skinner, J. Smith, Snider, Snow, Spaulding, Sweetser, Teubert, Thompson, Turrell, Valentine, Wall, Warner, Webster, Wendelschaffer, Wigley.

ST. PAUL.

Mayor C. D. O'Brien, Col. A. Allen, Peter Berkey, John Howard, chief clerk of the house of representatives, Fred Warner, Robert Deakin, A. R. Burkdahl, assistant clerk, James Morrison, engrossing clerk, Ward F. Gray, sergeant-at-arms, Lewis Baker of the GLOBE, Albert Scheffer, Harry Ives, assistant general manager St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba railway company.

MINNEAPOLIS.

The following is a partial list:

H. G. Sidle,	Ald. Hashow,
F. L. Greenleaf,	George Hahn,
M. B. Koon,	W. D. Hale,
M. D. Carr,	Ald. Albert Lawrence,
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HOW THEY DRESSED.

SPLENDID WOMEN ENCASED IN SPLENDID TOILETS.

As a genuine old master is the true artist, a rare first edition to the book collector, a bit of old china to the æsthetic, a tender little song to the poet or a grand harmony to the musician, so is an elegant toilet to the average woman; and seldom does the average woman have such an opportunity of admiring or envying her neighbors as was offered last night. In fact there was a surfeit, one brilliant costume succeeding another with such rapidity that none could be studied in detail. Black dresses seemed fewer than usual. Crimson in its various shades seemed the favorite color, many beautiful costumes in cream and crimson being noticed. Natural flowers and diamonds were certainly not numerous, the preference being given to feathers. Many gowns were beautiful with hand painting, while others were enriched by magnificent embroidery. But to particularize would be impossible; we can only give the result of a mere passing glance.

Mrs. E. H. Steele of Minneapolis, elegant short costume of navy blue silk and velvet, profusely trimmed with beaded lace.

Miss Annie Jefferson, Minneapolis, short costume of cream surah and crimson velvet, cream plumes in corsage.

Miss Roberts of St. Paul, long dress of pale blue silk, square neck and elbow sleeves, trimmings of pale pink.

Mrs. T. F. Quinby, Minneapolis, trained costume of lavender silk, corsage bouquet of white daisies.

Miss M. S. Ten Eyck, Minneapolis, fawn colored silk and black lace, with crimson roses.

Mrs. Julian Mertz, Minneapolis, short costume of black blue brocaded silk, short sleeves, square corsage, trimmings of white lace, pink ribbon points and white plumes.

Miss Olga Von Wedelstaedt, St. Paul, cream surah and crimson velvet, cream plumes in corsage, diamond ornaments.

Miss E. P. Capen, Minneapolis, short costume of pink ottoman silk, trimmings of white lace, pink plumes in corsage.

Mrs. Joseph H. Martin, Minneapolis, short costume of black satin with draperies and sleeves of black llama point ornaments and natural flowers.

Mrs. Ira Murphy, Minneapolis, short costume of white silk, sleeves and trimmings of white beaded lace.

Mrs. A. B. Hush, Minneapolis, short costume of cream cashmere trimmed with oriental lace.

Miss Sue Rabb, Vincennes, Ind., short costume of crimson velvet, real lace and diamonds.

Mrs. Mayor O'Brien, trained costume of black silk, lace sleeves, passementerie trimmings and diamonds.

Miss Jennie Carlson, Minneapolis, overdress of blue wool, petticoat of white satin and white lace.

Miss Mina Merrill, Minneapolis, short costume of pale blue brocaded silk, sleeves of beaded lace, natural flowers.

Mrs. Alden Smith, Minneapolis, elegant trained costume of cream satin, front of crimson and cream brocaded velvet, pleated side panels of cream lined with crimson, real lace in profusion, diamonds, corsage bouquet of superb natural roses.

Mrs. R. D. Beede, Minneapolis, magnificent trained costume of cream satin, entire front covered with hand painting, sleeves of beaded lace, white plumes in corsage, diamonds.

Miss Beede, short dress of white wool and white lace.

Miss Grace Rickey, Minneapolis, short costume of crimson silk and brocaded velvet, profusion of natural flowers.

Mrs. Ex-Gov. J. S. Pillsbury, handsome trained costume of violet brocaded plush and satin bonnet of lavender, point lace and diamonds.

Mrs. S. W. Campbell, trained dress of black velvet, with point lace.

Mrs. W. E. Hale, short costume of crimson satin and brocaded velvet, point lace, natural flowers.

Miss Carrie Norton, skirts of white mull, pointed bodice of white satin, pink gloves and ribbons.

Mrs. Ell Torrance, trained costume of ashes of roses silk, draperies of white lace, white draperies in hair, ornaments, opals.

Miss A. L. Armsby, Minneapolis, short costume of peacock blue silk, natural flowers.

Mrs. J. A. Modizette, Minneapolis, short costume of black satin, trimmings of jet; flowers, scarlet poppies.

Mrs. E. S. Danforth, Minneapolis, short costume of