SPRINGTIME SPRIGS.

Doings of Memorial Week in Society--Strawberry Festivals in Abundance--Lawn Tennis.

The People of the Flour City Preparing for an Exodus to the Lakesides.

Springtime Gayety Holds High Carnival in Winona and Red Wing.

A Modern King Cophetua as Described by the Lady Rambler.

LADY RAMBLER.

A Discourse on Matrimony--Getting Off a Street Car.

It was a perfect May morning, all green grass and blue sky and floods of sunshine. The crab-apple trees just outside the palace doors were transformed into enormous bridal nosegays, and the lord chamberlain on his morning round had stopped, not so much to admire their beauty as to calculate the number of glasses of crab-apple jelly that might be expected from each tree, for both he and the king had an especial weakness for crab-apple jelly.

The king had no time for apple blossoms nor sunshine, you may be sure, particularly at present, when half his subjects, dissatisfied with things in general, were clamoring for reform and insisting that the first step in that direction was the dismissal of all the court pages who were dark and wore gorgeous liveries of crimson slashed with pink, and the substitution of fair pages with suits of blue and orange.

As it was Friday he was seated in his parlor counting out his money (owing to an early disappointment there was no queen), attired, as usual when so engaged, in his every-day crown and last summer's robe. The parlor was cool and comfortable, and, wearied with so much counting and the thought of having his orderly palace so shortly overrun with a lot of stupid new pages, he had just dropped into a light slumber when he was awakened by the loud tones of the lord chamberlain expostulating with some unknown personage. Indignant at being so rudely disturbed he hastened to the window which overlooked the courtyard intending to order condign punishment inflicted upon the intruder, whoever it might be, when his eyes were greeted with such a vision of loveliness that reproof, pages, money, everything in short, even his early disappointment, was on the instant forgotten. It was only a beggar girl holding in her fair hands some sort of musical instrument, but every rent in her poor old gown revealed some new beauty, and her bare feet shone like pearls in the green grass, and it was a clear case of mash. "Come, now! we don't want any beggars around here; off with you!" cried the lord chamberlain. "Nay!" ejaculated the king, for by my crown and scepter that beggar maid shall be my queen," and down he leaped from the window (it wasn't a fourth-story) with the agility of a youth, alighting gracefully at her feet with undisturbed crown. Neither the remonstrances of the lord chamberlain, the horror of the housekeeper nor the sneers of the pages altered his determination; he wouldn't even wait for the court dressmaker; to be sure, he only had on his last year's robe, but sent for the priest and had the ceremony performed at once, whereat the new queen went into the kitchen and began eating a huge bowl of bread and honey as if she had been to the purple born.

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So runs the story; but times, alas! have changed; King Cophetua long, long ago was gathered to his fathers, and the youth of this present generation laugh him to scorn. Marry a beggar maid, forsooth! They have grown far too worldly-wise for that sort of thing, and fight shy of a girl, no matter what may be her beauty, mind, manners and morals, till assured that she can bring to them a father-in-law with more than a fair bank account, making no secret of their opinion, but frankly avowing that they consider a rich wife one of the necessities of life. What a strange reversal of positions, and how queer the poetry and fiction of the future will sound. we shall have the love-lorn damsel sailing off to far countries to win name and fortune for her swain, who sits sighing at home wondering how his tailor is to be paid; stern parents of bewitching young men will oppose their betrothal to fair but penniless maidens, and insist upon their marrying old but rich widows; and instead of King Cophetua and the beggar maid it will be Queen Portemonnaie and the beggar lad.

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Black and white, a combination both striking and pleasing, is this season more popular than ever. When affected by ladies with pale complexion and dull or dark hair, however, it should be relieved with a dash of color, a knot of bright-hued ribbon at the throat, or a bunch of crimson flowers at the belt often changing an ordinary toilet into a perfect picture.

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People never seem to experience any difficulty in getting into a street car, yet in passing out they always duck their heads as nimbly and expertly as if, instead of being citizens and citizenesses of a great, free, glorious Republic, they had been living all their lives in hourly expectation of the guillotine.

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Summer may now be regarded as an established fact, for the gentlemen are beginning to blossom out in straw hats. The ladies always rush into their summer headgear while still shivering in fur, but it's a warm day when a man can be induced to get out his, though he always looks particularly well in it.

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The girls would do well to remember that it is much nicer, and gives one a much greater air of individuality, to choose a single favorite perfume, and use it, to the exclusion of all others, than to have every article of one's clothing exhaling a different odor.

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Of all sad things in this melancholy world the very saddest is to fall desperately in love with a charming girl, only to discover either that she is engaged or is just going to be. So, at least, says one of our sweetest and dearest young society men, and he ought to know, having just passed through his third experience of that sort of thing.

LADY RAMBLER.

SOUGHT IN ST. PAUL.

Doings of Memorial Week--Strawberry Festivals.

Society has finally packed away its dress suit and kid gloves for the summer and donned the more seasonable jersey and straw hat. The fair has been exchanged for the tennis racket and the euchre deck has given way to the angler's fly and hook. The double-barrelled breech loader has usurped the place of cupid's more primitive bow, and the entire social world has been transfigured. For the evening hop has been substituted the natural article as found in the sparkling beer, whose foam and froth are a welcome variation from the lemonade and weak punch dispensed in the mansions of society's hospitable entertainers.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK.

The officers at Fort Snelling gave a very pleasant hop at the fort on Friday evening. A large number of St. Paul and Minneapolis society people were in attendance, who returned in carriages at a late hour. The perfection of the weather and the natural beauty of the moonlit scenery around the post united with the well-directed efforts of the entertainers to make the occasion memorable as one of the pleasantest of the season.

On Thursday evening the Young Peoples' Social union of Jackson Street M. E. church gave a grand concert in the church building for the purpose of refitting the parlors of the church. The following well-known artists took part: Herr Paul Stoeving, Miss Marie Geist, Prof. C. G. Titcomb, Miss Ella J. Glover, Miss Emma Lawrence, Prof. W. N. Burritt, Miss Sealey, Miss Blanche Oliver, Mrs. Nettie Fuller, Miss Jingie Glidden, Mr. C. A. Pettibone and Mr. C. A. Nickerson. The program was varied and extensive, comprising a wide range of vocal and instrumental selections, which were executed in a manner eminently satisfactory, calling forth repeated encores. The selections of Miss Geist, Prof. Stoeving and Miss Glidden were, as usual, rendered in a manner artistically perfect, while the performances of the other participants were far above mediocrity. The entertainment was exceedingly satisfactory from a musical point of view and was very successful financially.

The grand ball at the West side rink on Thursday was most successful in every way and marked an epoch in West side society happenings. The floor of the rink was crowded with hundreds of couples and presented a scene of unrivalled festivity and merriment. The floor managers were P. Martin, Ed. Clintsman and Harry W. Wack. Supper was served under the direction of H. C. Thornton. Seibert's orchestra furnished the music.

The fifteenth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Jagger was appropriately celebrated by a large party of their friends, who invaded their domicile laden with good things of an edible description and many choice articles of crystalware. An exceedingly agreeable evening was spent in social intercourse and mutual felicitations. Mrs. Jagger was the recipient of a magnificent diamond ring from her husband.

On Thursday evening a mustering squad from Acker post, G. A. R., accompanied by the First Regiment band, called at the residence of Gen. Sibley for the purpose of mustering in that aged hero as a member of Acker post. The mustering in was gone through with in due form in the general's mansion, after which the party returned to the post.

The vocal class of the Y. M. C. A. gave a concert in Plymouth church on Friday evening. A fan-drill by children was a conspicuous part of the program. The entertainment was for the benefit of Mrs. J. S. Bailey. The arrangements were in charge of Mrs. Officer, Mrs. Deacon and others.

The marriage ceremony of Mr. Alexis Pease, formerly of Springfield, Mass., and Miss Etta Shaw of Springfield, was performed on Monday evening by Rev. M. McG. Dana at Plymouth church in this city. The wedding was very quiet. Mr. and Mrs. Pease will be at home to their friends at No. 109 Aurora avenue.

On Tuesday evening Miss May Murphy gave a very pleasant musicale to a number of friends. Among those who contributed to the success of the program were Prof. Wood, Signor Jannotta, Mrs. Wright, Miss Blanche Oliver, Miss Farrington, Mr. and Mrs. Loomis, Miss Snow, Messrs. Travis, Farrington and others.

The St. Paul and Delta Lawn Tennis clubs completed arrangements for holding their annual tournaments yesterday afternoon. A large number of guests were invited to witness contests for the senior and junior championships of both clubs, at their respective grounds.

On Tuesaay afternoon Fred H. Worth of Fergus Falls and Miss Hattie Sherman of Clifton Springs, N. Y., were marrried at the Windsor. The wedding ceremony was performed in the presence of a few friends, the occasion being of a very quiet description.

The usual song service was held at the rooms of the Gospel Temperance union on Sunday afternoon, with a large number in attendance. A fine address was delivered by Rev. H. E. Norton. The singing was well conducted by Mrs. Noble, Mrs. Brinckerhoff and Mrs. Sansome.

A surprise party was given to ex-Ald. Brennan of the Fifth ward on Mondy by a large party of his friends. The alderman came out strong after recovering from his first surprise and proved himself to be as capable an entertainer as he was an efficient official.

Seibert's and Danz's combined orchestras gave their first lakeside concert at Minnetonka beach on Sunday last. Considering the state of the weather, a large crowd was present. The prospects for the success of these concerts are very flattering.

The tenth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Chadwick of Dayton's bluff was celebrated in an appropriate manner on Tuesday evening by a dancing party given by them to numerous friends. An enjoyable time resulted.

Mr. Joseph Arth, Jr., and Miss Lizzie Clinton were united in marriage on last evening at the residence of the bride's parents on Dayton's bluff. Mr. Arth is an old employe of the Pioneer Press and is well and favorably known.

Mr. James Kelly and family of Dayton's bluff were pleasantly surprised on Tuesday evening by a large party of friends, who descended upon them with basketfuls of good things. Festivities were continued until a late hour.

Last evening a barge party was given by Messrs. Gordon and Borup. Numerous gentleman and lady friends of the entertainers were present, and a very pleasant trip by moonlight upon the surging Mississippi resulted.

Last evening the regular social meeting was held at the rooms of the Gospel Temperance union, an interesting program being given, involving a number of special features gotten up in honor of Decoration day.

An interestiug meeting of Acker post, G. A. R., was held on Thursday evening at its hall, corner of Third and Exchange streets. A large number of new recruits were mustered in and an enjoyable evening passed.

Mr. Frederick Gerard of Hoxsie & Jagger, has lately returned with a bride from the South. Mr. and Mrs. Gerard will be at home to their friends at the residence of Dr. Bacon on Ashland avenue.

On Thursday afternoon and evening the ladies of the Parish Aid society of St. John's church entertained their friends at a strawberry festival, in the school building adjoining the church.

A strawberry and ice-cream festival was given by the ladies of the Woodland Park Baptist church on Thursday evening, at the church parlors, corner of Selby and Arundel avenues.

The last of the series of dances of the Happy Hours Social club was given at Sherman hall on Tuesday evening. Seventy-five couples were present.

The Standard club gave one of the elegant entertainments for which it is noted on Thursday evening at Standard hall, corner of Eighth and Jackson streets.

The ladies of the Christian church gave a strawberry festival on Friday evening at the Guiterman block on Seventh street, for the benefit of the church.

The lady friends of Mrs. George R. Skinner of Summit avenue were received by her at her residence on Wednesday afternoon.

A promenade concert given by the Hessian band on Thursday evening was the leading event of the week at White Bear.

On Wednesday evening Mr. J. J. Parker gave a very pleasant barge party in honor of Miss Bullitt of Philadelphia.

Garfield post, G. A. R., held an interesting meeting on Thursday evening, at which ten recruits were mustered in.

The Sabbath school of the Woodland Park Baptist church had an excursion to Minnetonka on Saturday.

On Tuesdey evening Mrs. J. H. Drake of Grove street entertained the Mite society in a delightful manner.

FUTURE EVENTS.

Joe Hooker Grand Army post of Tracy will hold a Grand Army encampment at Lake Shetek, Currie, Murray county, June 15, 16 and 17. All the Grand Army posts and veterans in the state are invited to participate. The encampment will be held on the farm of Capt. L. Aldrich and near the grave of the thirteen persons massacred in the Sioux outbreak of 1862. One hundred and twenty-five tents, capable of accommodating eight persons each, will be erected.

The senior class of the high school will hold its class-day exercises in High School hall on June 23. On the evening of June 24 the graduating exercises will take place in the Grand opera house. The program is as follows: Valedictory, W. Williams; salutatory, Miss M. Sewell; essays, etc., Miss E. McLaurine, R. Robbins, Miss K. Banning, Miss F. Fairchild, J. D. Armstrong, Miss B. Robbins and Albert Savage.

An amateur dramatic entertainment will be given at the Unity club room, opposite Summit avenue on Wabasha street, on Friday evening, June 5. The program will include the one-act comedy, "A Pretty Piece of Business," and the lively farce, "Slasher and Crasher." The latter was given at the club rooms some weeks ago, and was so successful that it will now be repeated by request.

To-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock, Miss Martha A., daughter of Mr. A. E. Johnson, will be married to Mr. William Fish, Jr., of Madison, Wis. The ceremony will take place at the house of the bride's parents, No. 306 South Exchange street. A short trip east will be taken, after which the newly-mated pair will reside at Madison.

The third annual reunion and banquet of the Chi Psi association of the Northwest will be held with Alpha Nu of Chi Psi, on Tuesday evening, June 9, at the West hotel in Minneapolis. The banquet will occur at 9 p. m. after a business meeting. The executive committee includes Stephen Mahony, H. G. Strong and E. C. Gaylord.

On Wednesday, June 3, at 8 p. m., will take place a social event of more than usual interest at Christ church. This will be the marriage of Mr. Thomas H. McKone to Miss Lizzie McLaughlin. Both parties are well known in society circles in St. Paul and will receive the congratulations of hosts of friends and well-wishers.

A meeting has been called for June 10 by the students of Hamline university for the purpose of organizing an alumni association. A banquet and election of officers will be the principal features of the occasion and will be accompanied by a social and literary entertainment.

The ladies of Christ Church Aid society will hold a strawberry festival and sale of useful and fancy articles this week at the church guild rooms, commencing on Tuesday, June 2, at 6 p. m., and continuing through Wednesday until 6 p. m.

On June 10 will occur the marriage of Mr. Cyrus C. Lathrop of St. Paul and Miss Ida F. Pulis of Troy, N. Y., in the North Second Street church of Troy.

The Crusaders' Total Abstinence society will give a strawberry festival on June 16, at the residence of the president, J. F. Maguire, on Franklin street.

The High School Alumni association will give a banquet at High School hall on June 26, at which time an election of officers will occur.

The annual strawberry festival of the managers of the Home of the Friendless will be given at Exposition rink on Friday next.

On next Tuesday evening a strawberry festival will be given by the Ladies' Aid society of Clinton Avenue M. E. church.

The annual reunion and banquet of the Old Settlers' association will be held in this city to-morrow.

PERSONAL NOTES.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing term at the semi-annual election of Union Lodge No. 48, I. O. O. F.: N. G., C. Nixon; V. G., H. F. Schlattman; recording secretary, J. W. Wood; permanent secretary, G. W. Weber; treasurer, Dr. Charles Griswold; A. Wilson, representative of the grand lodge to be held at Minneapolis June 2.

On Saturday a party of St. Paul people, consisting of A. K. Bushnell, Mrs. William M. Bushnell, Miss Blanche Oliver, Edward Swinton and wife and Miss Letta Swinton made a steamboat trip to Winona, where they made a pleasant stay, seeing the city and environs, and returning to St. Paul on the following day.

The following persons were visiting friends in St. Paul during the past week: Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett and Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson of Brooklyn, N. Y., Mrs. S. E. Willaker of Winona, and Miss G. A. Timerson of Oswego, N. Y., E. E. Cole and family and Mrs. V. St. Vrain of St. Louis.

The following St. Paulites were in Chicago during the week: Harold Borup, Howard Elmer, E. D. Comings, James H. Whitman and wife, W. J. Kirke, Mrs. Haines and child, E. N. Saunders, W. H. S. Wright, Mrs. C. H. Lane, Mrs. D. Tanker and C. C. Miles.

The Cathedral cadets have elected the following delegates to the Stillwater total abstinence convention: James O'Donnell, Thomas O'Brien, W. Ryan, Thomas Eagan, and their president, G. A. McGuire.

Eugene Underwood of Bowling Green, Ky., is stopping at the Merchants. Mr. Underwood is an old and well-known ciiizen of St. Paul.

J. D. Thompson and Miss Thompson of California and Mr. and Mrs. Meyers of St. Louis were in the city on Wednesday.

H. J. Horn, Jr., and Lyman Farwell will return next week from the Boston Polytechnic institute.

Miss H. L. Sherman of Clifton Springs, N. Y., and Mrs. J. T. Averill arrived in St. Paul on Sunday.

Mrs. Hains of the Grand opera house arrived in St. Paul on Tuesday from a visit to friends in Iowa.

John W. Conley and wife, Mrs. Gilbert and Miss Sturgis of Chicago were in the city on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson of Worthington spent a few days in St. Paul recently.

Dr. N. N. Horton and family of Kansas City arrived in the city during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Garth of Hannibal, Mo., were in town during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gallup of Sauk Center visited St. Paul during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Noyes of Faribault were in St. Paul on Thursday.

W. F. Steele and wife of Steele, Dak., were in St. Paul on Monday.

Mrs. L. M. Abbott of Chicago was in St. Paul on Friday.

MINNEAPOLIS SOCIETY.

All Aboard to the Lakes--Social Events--Personal Points.

The week's visit of the 150 conductors, with their wives "and their sisters and their cousins and their aunts" was an event of as great social as commercial importance. Among the party were several very handsome young ladies—bright-eyed, sweet-voiced, winsome young women—and of course an equal number of young Minneapolis gentlemen consideted it their Christian duty to make things pleasant for them. So they escorted them about the city, rowed them on Lake Harriet, danced with them at Lafayette and strolled with them on the wooded banks of Minnetonka. It is rumored that one of these young ladies has so impressed the heart of a susceptible reporter that he nearly threw up his position to go to the Yellowstone with the party, in spite of the refusal of his chief to send him along. This, of course, was making it pleasant for the party, and is only a sample of the hospitality of Minneapolis. If that genial gang of ticket punchers does not bear away some pleasant memories of the Northwest, the people of that flourishing section are not to blame.

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It may not be the season for parties and balls, but it is a very refractory season when Minneapolis cannot show up a fair array of gayeties. 'Tis true the churches, with their socials, lawn fetes and strawberry festivals, nearly monopolized things, but in their way they contribute in lively shape to the social annals as well as to the church exchequers. A plate of cream and berries, with two spoons, has been more efficacious in making matches in this romantic village than a whole brigade of scheming mammas, and love laughs serenely at a moonlight fete, with light enough to reveal the love in bright eyes, without telling the world all that is going on.

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In the sphere of music, too, the season keeps up its pace. With the June festival ahead and such entertainments as the Morse recital and the Gounod club's musical written in the history of the week, the "gay science" is doing passing well. In the general world, Minneapolis has quite a reputation for its fostering care of both music and art and such a name is well worth preserving.

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There is no event in the many that go to make up the bewildering round of society that is of so vital and surpassing an interest to the softer sex as a wedding. Nor is the interest confined to them, by any means. A public wedding is certain of a large audience where anything else would play to empty seats. Youth turns out to gaze on the scene of its secret ambition, age to renew the happy memories of its youth. It is the culmination of the old, old, but ever new, new story, often told without effect, but never without interest. Even so distant a friend as the county clerk is called upon for assistance, and in his cool, purely business way, speeds an average of five pair of barks per diem to a union on the stream of life. Comparatively few are the weddings to which public attention is directed by the public press of the city, but the history of every day—except Saturday—is freighted to one or more. At least fifty occurred last week, eight of which were caught up and given away. And now rumor tells, darkly and mysteriously, of the approaching nuptials of a young banker of this city, of irreproachable morals and unquestionable financial standing, and a young lady from the East. The names are withheld by those who know, doubtless for best reasons.

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The Nicollet club having set the summer fashion of cropped heads and clean-shaved upper lips, it is expected that every young man who considers himself anything will blindly follow. From this decree, however, the gentlemen of the Minneapolis club are generously excluded.

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The week ending yesterday virtually carried away the spring season and brought us face to face with summer—and the lakes. Already city social matters are growing dull and soon the social headquarters will be officially transported to the lakes. Heads of families have made or are now waist deep in making a series of calculations, on which wives and daughters hang with deep interest. They are reckoning the cost of those summer outfits and securing weekly and season rates at the lakes by cottages and hotels. Where a plethoric bank account renders this mathematical worriment unnecessary, plans are already made and the summer campaign fully devised. The note books of Minneapolis society people contain "Minnetonka" on every page, just as regularly as milliners have hung out the alluring sign "lake hats," in front of their establishments.

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Within the next ten days every summer and lake hotel within the range of Minneapolis patronage will open its doors and unfurl its blandishments to the public eye, while the still heating summer weather will offer inducements never equalled by advertisement. The society column will announce that "Mr. Algernon Bankaccount has closed his palatial residence on Portland avenue and with his wife and daughter, the charming Miss Angie, has gone to spend the heated term at his elegant villa on Gideon's bay, Lake Minnetonka," and that "Miss Myrtle Moneyville has gone for the summer to Minnetonka and has taken quarters at Hotel Highprice."

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HYMENEAL EVENTS.

The nuptial event of the week was the wedding on Wednesday evening of Miss Flora Edwards and Dr. John F. Fargo of Peoria, Ill. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards, corner of Eighth street and Fifth avenue south. Only a few friends were present and the bride was unattended. Dr. Tuttle stood in an alcove in the parlor, formed by flowers and vines, and beneath a canopy of flowers, the bridal pair stood and responded to the words that united them for life. The bride, looking her loveliest, wore a cream brocade dress, trimmed with point duchesse lace and tea rosebuds. Immediately following the service, a short, informal reception was held, the house being thrown open and tastily prepared for the occasion. The guests present from out of the city were Mr. Irving Fargo, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Jones, Chicago, and Miss Helen Bowman, La Moille, Ill. Dr. and Mrs. Fargo will remain in the city for the present, and possibly permanently.

The marriage of Elmer Bartlett and Miss Maud Curtiss was consummated on Friday evening. The interesting ceremony took place at the home of the bride's parents, on Fifteenth avenue south, and was performed by Rev. H. F. Tyler, of the Mayflower Congregational church. Congratulations were tendered by a large number of friends and relatives, after which the entire party were seated to an elaborate supper. The presents were many and beautiful.

A quiet, happy wedding occurred on Tuesday evening at the residence of Rev. C. H. Brace, No. 1106 Seventh street south, the bride being his step-daughter, Miss Albertine Judson, and the groom C. L. Bequaith of Tarrytown, N. Y. After the ceremony, the newly made man and wife left for their future home in New York.

Edward Wangeling of this city stole a march on his friends and last week was married to Miss Clara Welding, at Belleville, Ill. They will come here to reside after an extensive tour.

A morning wedding occurred on Thursday at 9 o'clock at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic church, on the East side, the principals being A. L. Lennon and Miss Mary Durner.

Leonard Bohannan of Crystal Lake and Miss Emma, daughter of J. D. Hank, were married by Rev. J. M. Bulton, on Wednesday evening.

On Tuesday evening, J. F. Leahey of Minneapolis and Miss Mary McCabe of Chicago were married.

THE SOCIAL ROUND.

The annual meeting of the Young Womens' Christian Temperance Union was held on Friday afternoon at the vestry room of St. Mark's church, President Mrs. S. B. Williams presiding. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Robedeau, president; Mrs. Dexter Thurber, vice president; Miss Stinchfield, recording secretary; Mrs. N. F. Hawley, corresponding secretary; Miss Gertrude Petit, treasurer; Mrs. Thurber, superintendent of kitchen garden work; Miss Mead and Mrs. Hawley, assistants; Miss Henderson, chairman of Sunday school work; Miss Minnie Pillsbury, assistant; Miss Carrie Clark, superintendent of Flower Mission; Mrs. Brewster, Miss Prior, Misses Anna and Mamie Stevens, assistants. Vice presidents from the churches: Westminster, Mrs. Williams; Plymouth, Miss Nellie Prior; First Baptist, Mrs. O. M. Russell; Hennepin Avenue Methodist, Mrs. Chamberlain; Church of the Redeemer, Mrs. Brewster; Friends' church, Mrs. B. H. Truman; First Methodist, Miss Winchell; Second Congregationalists, Miss King; Central Baptist, Miss Amy; St. Mark's, Mrs. Courtlandt Babcock.

The benefit to Miss Selina Johnson at Plymouth church on Wednesday evening was as unique as it was successful. The first part of the entertainment was given in the lecture room, and consisted of a formal program, in charge of Mr. C. F. Leonard, who made the opening prayer, after the the singing of "Bringing in the Sheaves" by the audience. Mrs. A. B. Hush, Miss Allie King and Miss Christine Eval contributed pleasing vocal numbers, and Miss Clara L. Hill gave two piano solos, which were appreciatively received. Miss Carrie Linnell also rendered two appropriate recitations. Miss Johnson herself spoke upon Our City Work, and Miss Nellie Olson gave A Few Words About Our Society, the Scandinavian missionary organization of Plymouth church. Two pleasant and obliging Scandinavian young ladies acted as ushers during this part of the entertainment. At the end of the entertainment the party went up to the parlors, where an elegant collation was spread, being entirely in the Swedish and Norwegian style.

The Minneapolis Literary society gave its farewell entertainment on Tuesday evening. Prof. E. D. Holmes, in a pleasing address, complimented the society in its good work. The evening closed with an entertainment, "Off the Stage," in which the characters were assumed by Miss Jennie Jones, Miss Emma Kemp, Miss Edna Fuller, Max West, W. M. Leeds and A. J. Blethen, Jr. Music was furnished by Prof. Hermann E. Zoch.

The social reception at Y. M. C. A. central hall on Wednesday evening was a decided success. The program rendered consisted of a piano solo by Miss Robb, a declamation by Frank H. Correston, Secretary Elliott's account of his visit to Atlanta, Ga., a song by Miss Helen C. Hovey, remarks by Rev. H. F. Williams, and also by Mr. Christian Phiddius, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Berlin, who is visiting in this country.

On Tuesday evening, in the lecture room of Plymouth church, Prof. G. Johnson was assisted by a number of his pupils in an enjoyable musicale. Misses Carrie Merriam, Gertrude Daniels, Clara Hilliger, Mary Linton, Anna Gale, Jennie Wakewand, Mrs. I. J. Covey, W. J. Patten, Weed Monroe and Irving Lawrence assisted the professor in rendering the fine music. The choir of St. Mark's church also lent valuable assistance.

On Tuesday evening the men's friendly society and ladies' aid society of Holy Trinity church gave jointly a delightful lawn festival of the strawberry and ice cream order, in the grounds surrounding the rectory, 408 Fourth street southeast. An entertaining feature was the Italian band, which constantly discoursed sweet music from a raised round platform in the center of the lawn.

The young ladies of the auxiliary to the Northwestern hospital had one of their pleasant and helpful meetings on Tuesday afternoon at tue residence of Mrs. F. H. Hodson, 530 Fourth street southeast. The proposed "apron fair" will not be given until the second week in June.

Chief of Police John West was tendered a genuine surprise party on Wednesday evening, by the Ladies' Relief corps of George N. Morgan post. Not to be inhospitable he invited them into his Grant street residence, and made the evening a delightful one.

A pleasurable and financially successful strawberry festival was given on Wednesday evening at the lecture room of the Fifth Presbyterian church by the ladies of the church furnishing society.

"The Forsaken," was presented last night at Freyas hall by a local company, assisted by Mme. Ungroth-Anderson from the Theater Royal at Stockholm, in the leading role of Dora.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hardy, No. 2100 Sixth street south, entertained a lawn social and strawberry festival last evening, under the auspices of the Franklin avenue M. E. church.

Flour City Temple of Honor gave an entertainment on Thursday evening at Union hall, for the benefit of Rev. S. P. March, who is convalescing from a serious illness.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Homœpathic hospital gave a delightful lawn fete and strawberry festival on Friday evening at the residence of C. H. Prior.

A Mother Goose and fairy dance, by the children, in aid of the Sheltering Arms nursery, was given at Malcolm hall on Friday evening.

The Free Baptist church gave a strawberry social on Friday evening, at which the luscious berry was enjoyed by a merry party.

Elder W. W. Satterlee was presented with a beautiful crazy quilt on Tuesday evening by his friends of the Reform club.

A party of Minneapolitans went on an excursion to Waconia on Monday to attend the opening of Frank Dark's new hotel.

The ladies of the parish realized a handsome sum on Wednesday night by a supper in the guild room of St. Mark's church.

The ladies of the East Side literary societies banded together yesterday, and made a delightful trip to Lake Minnetonka.

The Gounod club gave one of its cultivated and delightful musical entertainments at the West hotel last night.

A successful ice cream and strawberry social was given at the Franklin avenue M. E. church on Friday evening.

A rather unique social, styled a "Grandfather Thyme" affair, was given in Chestnut hall on Wednesday evening.

SOCIAL FUTURITIES.

The Minneapolis Press club, at its regular meeting on Sunday next, will be entertained by papers by C. W. Johnson and C. M. Schultze.

Danish residents of the city are preparing to celebrate the anniversary of national independence on June 5.

PERSONAL POINTS.

Arthur S. Huey, assistant manager of the Grand, has severed his connection with that institution and will embark in a venture further West that promises well. Arthur is very popular at the theater and both patrons and professionals will miss his handsome face and gorgeous electric light pin.

The clever sketches and admirable likenesses of Messrs. Kimball and Stice, at the recent Gun club tournament, were the work of Artist H. G. Conner, the popular and talented painter, in Syndicate block.

Patrick Henry Robinson, a young Irishman who has been visiting in Minneapolis for some time, putting in his leisure hours in newspaper work, went to the Yellowstone with the conductors.

Mrs. James Murray of Owatonna, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Kelly, at No. 2217 Riverside avenue, has returned to her home.

Thomas Lowry, R. B. Langdon, J. C. Oswald, J. K. Sidle. E. T. Sykes, I. C. Seeley and E. H. Moulton returned from Yellowstone park on Monday.

Hon. Roswell P. Flower, while in the city on Wednesday, said he would prefer Minneapolis for a place of summer residence to any city he knew.

Dr. Chase has gone to the Baptist National association at Saratogo with an invitation to hold next year's association in Minneapolis.

Mrs. Frank Clark, Mrs. A. L. Scott and Mrs. A. B. Cnamberlain of this city accompanied the conductor's excursion to the Yellowstone.

Elmer F. Scheig, just graduated from the New York College of Surgeons and Physicians, has returned and will locate in Minneapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. R. Foss and family have gone to Boston; Mr. Foss will return at once, leaving the family there for the summer.

Mrs. Major G. A. Camp came from Minnetonka on Thursday, spent two days at the West, and returned on Saturday.

Manager J. F. Conklin of the Grand Opera house, has gone East after stellar attractions in the theatrical line.

Sarah E. Sprague, the State institute conductor, has visited several of the county schools during the past week.

Quite a number of ladies called on Monday on Miss Maud, daughter of Col. R. G. Ingersoll, at the West hotel.

Mrs. Robert Fairweather and her sister, Miss Lizzie Fairweather, left on Monday last for a visit to Scotland.

George M. Hunt and family arrived from California on Thursday, and will spend the summer in Minneapolis.

Gov. Pierce of Dakota slipped in and out of the city Friday before the newspaper fiends could see him.

Mrs. H. P. Ferris has as guests at her Excelsior cottage Misses Belle Goodnow aud Cora Griswold.

L. D. Wishard, college secretary of the international committee of the Y. M. C. A., is in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Cyphers will to-morrow occupy their new cottage at Lake Park.

H. C. Sessions and family of Groton, Dak., were in the city, as guests, last week.

Thomas M. Lieton has been summoned to the sickbed of his mother at Dover, N. H.

Mrs. A. C. Loring has gone to spend the summer with friends in the Eastern cities.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Danforth have returned from a visit with Duluth friends.

J. H. Haywood and wife, Wahpeton, Dak., are guests of relatives in the city.

O. M. Hall and wife, Red Wing, visited their Minneapolis friends on Thursday.

Col. J. F. Oleson of the Des Moines militia was among friends here last week.

D. C. Bell and family will leave early next week for their villa at Minnetonka.

John H. Burke of San Francisco is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Greeley have gone to the Black Hills on a pleasure trip.

Capt. Frank Hatch of La Crosse, is a guest of South town friends.

George R. Newell and family left for the East on Thursday.

H. H. McIntire and family have gone to Boston on a visit.

Miss Maud Corbett will spend the summer at Mankato.

Wesley Neill and wife have returned from Milwaukee.

Senator Sabin was in the city for a short time on Monday.

The Marquis de Mores was at the West hotel last week.

Mrs. R. J. Mendenhall has gone for a visit to Boston.

I. J. Brown of Hyde Park, Mass., is the guest of his brother, Prof. Lyman Brown, 1103 Hawthorne avenue.

Dr. J. B. Moffet has returned from the East.

SOCIETY IN STILLWATER.

Conservatory of Music Examination--Personal and Other Notes.

The past week could not boast of as much in the way of sociability and amusements as the preceding, but what events happened were thoroughly enjoyable. On Tuesday evening the Young Ladies' club, in connection with the Presbyterian church, made their first bow to the public and presented to them as nice ice cream and strawberries, with delicious cakes, as could be procured anywhere. There was a large attendance.

On the same evening the examination of the pupils attending the Conservatory of Music was held, when a large number of the parents and friends were present. The examination showed that Prof. Oscar Werner understood the correct methods of teaching the piano, and that his training and teaching in the Conservatory of Berlin have not deserted him here. The entertainment was most varied. The first presented was a trio by Miss Welch, Prof. Hayner and Prof. Werner. Next followed a duet by little Donalda and Lynn Carroll, finely rendered. Then followed a piano selection by Miss Jessie Lindholm; violin solo by Mr. H. Smith; piano solos by Miss Laura Lindholm, Miss M. Seward and Miss Lyman; a violin solo by Mr. M. Albenberg; piano solos by Miss Ida Fiske, Miss Joslyn and Miss Grace Welch; violin solo by Dr. Van Waters; piano solos by Miss M. Mackey and Miss Grace Welch; the whole concluding with a quarted composed of Miss G. Welch, Dr. Van Waters, Prof. Hayner and Prof. O. Werner. Those present enjoyed a treat.

On Thursday evening a very pleasant time was had at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Murphy, who extended a right royal hospitality to a large number of friends. They enjoyed themselves with dancing and other amusements.

Besides these there were several church sociables and private parties, in which atl enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

PERSONALS.

Agent H. E. Haydon of the Omaha road will accompany Gov. Swinford to Alaska as secretary of the territory. He has received a number of letters from Gov. Swinford, all most encouraging as to climate, etc. The road will lose an efficient officer and the city a good citizen when Mr. Haydon leaves. He and his good lady have been prominent in good work since they came to Stillwater.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians intend to give a social dance on next Friday evening at their hall in Opera house block. It will be given to the members and their friends, and as the proceeds will be devoted to benevolent purposes it is hoped that every member will attend and have a friend or two, also.

On Friday next Mr. George A. Torinus leaves for Washington to be present at Mount Vernon Ladies' seminary, where his sister graduates the following week. Before coming home they intend visiting many points of interest in the South and East.

Robert Simpson, who spent the winter in the South, two months of the time at Monterey, Mexico, has returned for the summer to the city, and he is doubly welcome, being one of the pioneers of the St. Croix valley.

J. C. Rhodes, Jr., left on Thursday evening by the Milwaukee road for Columbus, O., where he goes in the interests of the Northwestern Manufacturing & Car company.

Mrs. J. D. McComb appears to be about in the same condition as she has been for some time, and her son, Dr. McComb of Duluth, is waiting upon her constantly.

E. L. Hospes was accompanied to St. Louis by Mrs. J. N. Casth and Miss Stickney. He will endeavor to secure surgical treatment for his knee.

C. H. Brown, who has been in the pine regions all winter for Suntry, Tozer & Pennington, has returned to the city. He is a spicy writer.

Mr. H. H. Harrison, who has been at Chippewa Falls, Wis., on water works business has returned to the city.

Mrs. W. A. Hersey of this city has gone to Prescott, Wis., on a short visit.

Mrs. Julius Rees is in Minneapolis visiting friends, but Julius leaves to-day to spend Sunday with her.

Miss Jennie Bergin of Shell Lake has been in the city during the week, visiting with Mrs. Mel Bromley.

E. A. Phinney and wife now occupy J. S. Proctor's residence on South Sixth street.

FACTS FROM RED WING.

Concerts and Lectures Absorb Most of Society's Attention.

The past week has been very dull in social circles. Real good amusements have been scarce the past week. Last Tuesday evening Rev. T. A. McCurdy, D. D., president of Macallister college, lectured in the Presbyterian church on Unity and Diversity. The doctor is a good speaker and he had a fair audience. Wednesday evening the first of the series of park concerts by the cornet bands came off. Last evening the A. Edwards Welsh post, No. 75, G. A. R., presented the military dama, "Blue and Gray" at the Casino. The proceeds