

IN THE SOCIETY WORLD.

Recent Social Events in Topeka and Vicinity.

GENERAL NOTES OF SOCIETY.

Personal Items of Interest About Topeka People and Visitors in Town
(Persons sending social items to this department will please give their names and address in order to secure publication.)

The largest social event of the week, and the only large reception was given yesterday afternoon and last evening by Mr. and Mrs. George P. Bates and Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Bates, at the home of the former on Topeka avenue.

The back of the hall was banked with palms. In the front parlor were more palms and a profusion of wild smilax was gracefully turned everywhere. In the front parlor palms predominated, and here the receiving party stood. It was composed of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Bates, Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Bates, and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Allison.

Mrs. G. P. Bates wore rich black beads, and Mrs. W. L. Bates, a pink and white gown, garnished to match in bodice and hair.

Mrs. Allison, white chiton silk with white chiffon trimming, white roses. Assisting in the afternoon were Mrs. John F. Brown, Mrs. L. H. Wolfe, Mrs. Ed Hindman, Mrs. Frank Manspeaker, Mrs. Silas Rain and Miss Flora May, the latter in charge of the dining room.

In the evening those assisting were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tutman, and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Kepley, Mrs. G. C. Foss and Mrs. Porter Smith assisting in the dining room.

In the back parlor there were palms and wild smilax for decorations, supplemented by a profusion of Madame Pierpont Morgan roses.

The sitting room where the punch bowl stood had Mrs. Whitney roses as decorations.

Little Louise Allison served punch. The dining room was also beautifully decorated in wild smilax and palms.

The table cloth scattered over with maiden hair fern and violets, and bordered around with asparagus plumosus which hung down in trailing lengths of green. In the center was a large vase of Easter lilies.

During the afternoon about one hundred and fifty people called, and in the evening two hundred paid their respects to the receiving party.

General Social Notes.
Mrs. Jonathan Thomas, as president of the Ingleside association, has issued invitations to a number of people "to meet" a chorus of ladies and the Ingleside committee at the Copeland tomorrow evening at 7:30 to arrange for rehearsals of the Mikado.

Miss Margaret Dudley has out invitations for a "Tea" to be given next Tuesday evening.

Miss Elizabeth Lingard left yesterday for her home in Ottawa to remain permanently. Miss Lingard made many friends while in Topeka.

Mrs. C. M. Sheldon returned yesterday, much improved in health.

Mrs. Lyle Dickey, of Omaha, who has been the guest of her parents, General and Mrs. A. L. Williams, will return home Sunday.

Miss Blanche Joergers, who has been the guest of Mrs. D. A. Clements, returned to her home in Leavenworth yesterday.

Mrs. J. S. Noble, of Kankakee, Illinois, is spending the winter with her son, Mr. George W. Noble.

Mr. W. E. Curry, who has been absent in Arkansas for two months on business for the Accounting Trust Company of America, is expected home the latter part of the week.

Miss Agnes Mullaney, who has been visiting Misses Gertrude and Mary Roberts for some time, will leave for her home in Chicago next Wednesday.

Misses Susie Gay and Gertrude Devereaux, who have been visiting in Topeka and Lawrence, have returned to their homes in California.

Kindergarten Association Meeting.
The annual meeting of the Kindergarten association took place yesterday in the Troop hotel parlors.

After much routine business the new board of managers was elected.

The nine members who are to serve one year are: Managers Harry Arthur, L. H. Wolfe, Bennett R. Wheeler, Mary Stewart, Harold T. Chase, W. S. Charles, Willis Norton, A. P. Garetson and Miss Rossington.

Two Years: Mesdames James A. Troutman, A. W. Dana, Frank Jarrell, E. M. Wodger, Lucile Baker, William C. Smith, Mr. W. M. Davidson, Miss Margaret Muivane and Mrs. Flintham.

The whole number, twenty-seven, being first elected, their term of office was decided by drawing nine slips at a time. The officers elected by the board of managers for the ensuing year are: President, Mrs. T. E. Bowman; vice president, Mrs. J. H. Hunt and Mrs. T. H. Church; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Eugene Quinton; recording secretary, Mrs. P. O. Poppeno; treasurer, Mrs. H. E. Ball; auditor, Judge Adams.

Executive committee—Rev. Long, Rev. C. M. Sheldon, Mrs. Edward Wilder, Mrs. H. P. Dillon, Mrs. W. A. Sloo.

Most encouraging reports were received from the schools.

It was decided that the training class would attend in a body the funeral of Miss Lucy Curtis, formerly assistant teacher in the Bethany kindergarten, and a committee was appointed to draft resolutions regarding her death to read to her family.

The entertainment committee, composed of Mrs. Frank Jarrell, Mrs. H. E. Ball, Mrs. Harold Chase, Mrs. John Nowers and Mrs. E. S. Quinton, will report soon and the association will have some benefit entertainments.

The music club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Frank Foster on Van Buren street. The programme was principally made up of music by French composers previous to the nineteenth century.

Hensell, "If I Were a Bird," Mrs. MacLennan, Victor, "Butterflies and Buttercup," "A Disappointment," Miss Edna Parkhurst, "Rachau," Miss Wheeler, Beethoven, "Rondo," Mrs. Foster, accompanied by Miss Wheeler; Old Neapolitan air, "Oh, Boat

UPON THE WATER.

Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Perry, Sidney Smith; overture, Fra Diavolo, Mrs. Dietrich, Sullivan; "Will He Come," Mrs. Charles Remsburg; "Heat Thou My Child," M. B. Johnson; "Don't You Be a Favorite," Mrs. Dietrich, Arthur Foote; "The Eden Rose," Mrs. Parkhurst, Cherubini; overture, Miss Wheeler and Mrs. Foster. The club will meet again in two weeks with Mrs. Dietrich, 1238 Tyler street.

PROFESSORS WARM UP.

Harvard Teachers Write Spirited Replies to Theodore Roosevelt.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 9.—Harvard's professors through the Crimson, today publish two replies to Theodore Roosevelt's recent letter, one by Prof. James, of the Philosophical department, and the other by J. B. Warner, of the class of '89, a prominent Boston lawyer.

Prof. James says: "Mr. Cleveland suddenly sends a message to congress asking for a commission upon whose report he is to say to England, 'Back down or fight!' Mr. Olney adds a letter to Lord Salisbury, saying that England's presence on this continent is a menace and an offense. Congress and a large part of our newspapers and people thereupon go fighting drunk, and Mr. Roosevelt writes you a letter to call any of us who may have presumed to beg our congressmen to slow up if they can, 'Traitors' of our native land."

"We are evidently guilty of less majesty in Mr. Roosevelt's eyes, and though a ma president may any day commit the country without warrant to an utterly new career and history, no citizen, no matter how he would like to see the president, has a representative constitutional appointment to check the president in time of need."

"I express a hope that in this university we shall be patriotic enough not to remain passive whilst the destinies of our country are being settled by surprise. Let us be for or against, and if against, then against by every means in our power, when a policy is taking shape that is bound to alter all the national ideas that we have cultivated hitherto."

"Men at the student-age are easily swayed by praise. But I trust that no Harvard student from beginning the fight just at this point, and doing what little they can toward bringing the threatened increase of armament to naught."

Mr. Warner refers to Mr. Roosevelt's statement in these words: "The United States which have been only half awake in that they were a Venezuela question, have suddenly been startled by an ultimatum demand made upon the country with which we have the closest ties of interest and sympathy, and this, coupled with an exhortation to be more active, makes thinking men have talked of nothing else, and there has been no stint of outspoken criticism. Unless Mr. Roosevelt has it on hand to go on and shut up the press, the pulpit, the market place, and the club, he is hardly be worth his while to begin with muzzling this university."

TROLLEY CAR GOES DOWN.

Drops 75 Feet Near Cleveland and Kills and Maims Passengers.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 9.—A terrible accident occurred on the Akron, Bedford & Cleveland electric railway near Bedford shortly after 7 o'clock this morning. A heavy motor car and a coal car plunged through the trestle over Tinkers creek, hurling a large number of passengers a distance of seventy-five feet into the creek.

Two men were instantly killed and a number seriously injured.

When about half way across the trestle the passengers felt a swaying motion and the next moment the light steel structure collapsed.

The dead are Wm. Young of Cuyahoga Falls, body terribly mangled, and Haymaker, Gailton, O.

Charles Gieb had his legs and arm broken and was injured internally.

HAYTIEN TROUBLES.

Financial Scandals Cause the Discharge of the Minister of Public Works.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—A dispatch from the capital of Hayti says that troubles in the Haytian cabinet, are due to financial scandals. The minister of public works has been expelled. Others are accused of complicity in a scheme for placing their nests against the contingency of the elections resulting adversely to them.

It is said Hippolyte is disgusted with the situation.

SEVEN MORE WELLS.

The Irrigation Board to Have Them Located as Soon as Possible.

The state board of irrigation was not in session long this morning. The board has decided to immediately proceed with the locating of the remaining seven of the twenty experiment stations on the lands of the Kansas river.

Goodland, will locate three of the wells, and Chairman D. M. Frost and Secretary W. B. Sutton will locate two each.

The board will have 10,000 copies of the report for 1895 printed.

For Over Fifty Years
Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Receiver for Hotel Windermere.
CHICAGO, Jan. 9.—A bill has been filed in the superior court asking for the appointment of a receiver for the Hotel Windermere, near Jackson park. The hotel was erected just prior to the opening of the World's fair.

Newspaper Writer Dead.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—E. B. Wight, Washington correspondent of the Chicago Inter-Ocean and for many years a prominent newspaper man here, died today of heart failure.

Don't Read This
Unless you wish to know that Begg's Hair Restorer is the best medicine on earth for Summer Complaint, Never fails. Cures every time. Equally good for children. Sold and warranted by all druggists.

Marion Bank Would Up.
Judge Foster has made an order directing William F. Morris, receiver of the First National bank of Marion to sell all the property of the bank in his possession. This winds up the affairs of that institution.

DO AS MORRILL ASKS.

Get Committees from Atchison and Leavenworth to Do the Complaining.

Dr. H. D. Fisher, J. B. McAfee, Rev. S. B. Alderson and Rev. J. C. C. Owen, members of the Ministerial Union committee recently appointed to call on Governor Morrill visited the executive office yesterday and also called on Attorney General Dawes. The committee asked the governor to remove the police commissioners of Atchison and Leavenworth and appoint men who will enforce the law.

The governor told them he would consider the request, but said he had no information from those two cities that the law was being violated, and there would be no change in the police boards unless citizens of the towns petitioned.

Attorney General Dawes also told the committee that he (officially) knew of no violation of the law in Atchison or Leavenworth.

If Reva, H. D. Fisher, J. B. McAfee, S. B. Alderson and others really expect to move the governor why don't they go to Atchison and Leavenworth and arouse the temperance people of those towns into sending a committee to the governor, asking for a change in police commissioners? That is the way Governor Morrill wants it done.

Why not accommodate him in a mere matter of form; or is it a fact that neither Leavenworth nor Atchison, like Sedom, "have even ten people" who care to have the saloons removed? That is the question. Atchison and Leavenworth temperance people are cowed and frightened into silence.

If this is true it is the business of the ministers or of the State Temperance union to find it out.

The governor demands that a committee from the towns in question make the complaint to him. The action of a lot of preachers who don't live in Atchison or Leavenworth, under the circumstances, seems stupid.

THE "MARBLE HEART."

The Officer Gave it to "Red" Laird When He Arrested Him for Assault.

"Red" Laird was arrested yesterday afternoon and taken before Justice Gay to answer the charge of assaulting Simon Greenpan last spring. The assault occurred at the Chesterfield hotel and it was at this time, Red says, Mrs. Greenpan, then Mrs. Sells, went to Simon's assistance with a pair of shears and stabbed Red in the back.

The warrant was issued at the time, but Red had "ducked," to use his own language. He returned to town the other day from being out with the Will Sells show, and later a train boy, and the arrested him.

Red says he and Simon have "got together" again, that Simon has given him the "glad hand," and that it will be all right as soon as Simon gets back from Kansas City. Red is out on bond.

WAS NOT DUCK HUNTING.

President Cleveland Wrote His Famous Message on Board the Violet.

SEATTLE, Wn., Jan. 9.—C. H. Baker, receiver of the Merchants' National bank of this city, has returned from Washington and tells an interesting story of President Cleveland's last duck hunting trip and the reason he made it.

The story was told to Mr. Walker by one high in government circles and is as follows:

"I called on the president just before the issue of his Venezuelan message, and in regard to that there is a little incident that is not generally known. Mr. Cleveland's trip was not a duck hunting expedition at all. The story is this: Lord Salisbury's reply to Secretary of State Olney's note was to be made public, but Secretary Olney had agreed not to make it public until it was received by the president of this country. Now Mr. Cleveland absented himself on this duck hunting trip so that when Lord Salisbury's reply arrived he would not be in the mean time he did receive it on board the tender Violet and on board that vessel he got up his famous message and it went before the world, as an answer to Lord Salisbury's reply and at the same time as that reply became a public document."

HARL IS RETAINED.

As Manager of the Former Crawford Opera House in St. Joseph by Lewis Sells.

ST. JOSEPH, Jan. 9.—Frank F. Harl will continue as local manager of the Crawford theater until the close of the present season. It is not known what arrangements the new proprietor, Lewis Sells, will make for next season. Mr. Harl says he has been offered the management of the house for next season, but he will decline the place and will devote all of his time to his legal practice. It is believed that Abe Judah of Kansas City, will be interested with Mr. Sells in the management of the house.

St. Joseph has also purchased considerable property from L. M. Crawford in Topeka.

HARL UNDER ARREST.

He is Charged With Assaulting His Mother-in-Law With Intent to Kill.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Jan. 9.—A state warrant charging Frank F. Harl, the attorney and local manager of the Crawford theater, with assaulting to kill Mrs. Edna Harl, wife of Attorney Thomas W. Harl and step-mother of the accused, was issued by Prosecuting Attorney Duncan this morning, upon information filed by Charles W. Fassett.

Mrs. Harl is today confined to her bed at the residence of Mr. Fassett, in Walker's addition. Mr. Fassett says that she is suffering from injuries inflicted upon her by her step-son.

Flamman Officers.
The Republican Flamman club held a meeting last night and elected the following officers: President, H. M. Phillips; vice president, J. F. Stanton; secretary, O. K. Swazy; assistant secretary, Charles H. McCabs; treasurer, L. G. Bank; quartermaster, W. E. Brubaker; assistant quartermaster, C. F. Lercher; captain, A. M. Fuller; first lieutenant, W. S. Eberle; second lieutenant, L. A. Strauss.

A British Scheme of Annexation.
PRETORIA, Transvaal, Jan. 9.—The authorities here hold documentary evidence showing that the whole affair of the annexation raid and the uprising in Johannesburg has been a plot to annex the Transvaal to British South Africa.

Wrangling at Hamilton hall tonight.

A REBEL TELLS US

What the Rebels Think of Kansas—John T. Crisp's Speech.

One of the best speakers that a Topeka audience has had, that of pleasure of listening to recently was Fish Commissioner John T. Crisp of Missouri, who talked to the assembled members of the state board of agriculture for nearly an hour this forenoon and made them believe that it was only ten minutes and that they didn't eat any dinner.

If a Topeka man should meet Mr. Crisp in the light of one of the city street electric lights he would speak to him and call him Pat Sherman, for two men seldom look so much alike unless it is possible that Mr. Crisp would wear a longer belt.

Said Mr. Crisp: "I would not have accepted an invitation to speak before any other people in the United States at this time than the Kansans."

"I am acquainted with the Kansas people. I met many of them during the war which is now sometimes referred to by politicians who were never in it."

"I was present at Fort Scott in your state at one time and heard your lamented Senator Plumb deliver the finest speech I ever heard delivered anywhere by any man (Applause), and I have heard all of them."

"Of course I am a Democrat. I am a Missourian (laughter). I was a rebel soldier and yet when I have to I can conscientiously make just as good a G. A. R. speech as anybody. I made one once in your Arkansas City, but I will admit that I was scared. I don't like to deliver it before 25,000 members of the G. A. R."

"I feel acquainted with you though perhaps you do not know me."

"I was your governor during the war, though I don't suppose you ever heard of it. (Laughter.) We had the government on wheels then, you confederates did."

"When we reorganized the southern portion of the United States on our own hook I cast about me for something to satisfy my political ambition with, and was a good looking young fellow of 21 or 22 years then, and I concluded that I would like to be governor of Kansas. So fifteen or sixteen of us got together and I told them my ambition, and was elected unanimously."

"During my term I came up to Kansas once with a lieutenant to get acquainted with my subjects, but the reception I got was not exactly what I had hoped for, and I was compelled to go away without having made the announcement that I was governor—governor wheels, or rather on horseback, for we didn't have bicycles then. If we had had bicycles then we would have moved faster sometimes, perhaps."

"Mr. Crisp continued: 'The wealth of the world is growing. And nobody knows it any better than England does. (Laughter.) But there is one thing England can do and I will forgive her. If she will just keep the idiots that go over there from this country to spend their American-made money I will be willing to let her have a slice of Venezuela if she wants it. I have small use, too, for our headdresses who prefer a British title that isn't worth a cent to the sturdy manliness of the American product. (Applause.)'

"Any political party that will sell out to any foreign combination to get temporary possession of the country in a political way must and will be damned. (Loud applause.)"

"The first thing I heard of the Yankee in Kansas was that he had a Bible and a Sharpe's rifle. I thought it was a very good combination."

"I have always liked Kansas. When I see you I speak for Kansas. It was a direct offering of peace."

"I am not pandering to you. I am known where I live as a blunt man. I am simply telling you what Missouri thinks of you. I believe if it was left to a vote of Kansas City the Kansas line would be made at the Blue river instead of at the Missouri river and Kansas City would be moved over in Kansas as it ought—where it belongs."

"I believe that the Kansas farmer in congress would make a better legislator than many who are slipping in now. (Voice, "Thank you.")"

And There You Are.
Rivers (shaking himself)—This razor pulls like Sam Hill!

Banks—What the dickens do you know about Sam Hill?

Rivers—What the Sam Hill do you know about Dickens?—Chicago Tribune.

Divided.
"Now, George, dear, that we're engaged, what's mine is yours."

That is why she allowed him to go home with a generous supply of her face powder on his coat collar.—Yonkers Statesman.

From Latest Advice.
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Faults of civilization are showing in the Cannibal isles.—Truth.

They Have to Get Along With Him.
Mrs. Waggles—Doesn't your husband suffer dreadfully with rheumatism?

Mrs. Wiggles—Yes, but it's nothing to what the rest of us endure.—Somer-ville Journal.

Gen. M. B. Leggett.
CLEVELAND, Jan. 9.—This afternoon in quiet Lake View cemetery all that was mortal of the late General M. D. Leggett was laid to rest, and another general of the civil war has passed into history.

Mineral Water.
The finest in the west. Come and try it. J. W. PHILLIPS, 612 W. Eighth ave.

HAIR MATRESSES.

Directions From Good Housekeeping For Renovating Them at Home.

Select a mild sunny day, so that the work may be conducted out of doors and the hair dried in the sun if possible. Have ready two or three washtubs filled with warm (preferably) or cold water. Carefully remove the hair from the ticking so as not to stir up the dust which it contains. Put it, a small quantity at a time, in the first tub of water, rousing it up and down; then remove the other tubs, rinsing it thoroughly. Proceed in this manner until all the hair has been washed. Lay it upon a sheet, cover with another sheet, pin them together and either spread on the grass or hang it upon a clothesline to dry.

In the meantime either wash the old ticking or make a new one, using the old as a pattern. The ticking should be left open on three sides of the top. When the hair is thoroughly dry and the tick in readiness, lay the latter on a bedstead from which all accessories but the slats have been removed. Spread the hair evenly on it, pressing it down firmly all over. This is not an easy task, as it will appear next to impossible to get all the hair in. However, care and patience will accomplish it. Now lay the top or upper portion of the tick which is already sewed on one side to the sides and under portion over the hair and baste strongly the edges all around without removing the mattress from the bed.

The next feature of the operation is best done by two persons, one, preferably, a small child who will get under the bed. Take a long mattress needle and strong twine, tack through the mattress between the openings of the slats and instruct the person under the bed to push the needle back again, catching at the same time small bits of ticking folded up, or wads of raw cotton, securely on the underside before returning the needle. Now tie the twine tightly and fasten with another little wad on the upper side. Proceed in this manner until the whole mattress has been tacked. When this is done, with a bent mattress needle tack the sides of the mattress in two rows by running the needle in and out along the sides at intervals of four inches. Now remove it from the bed and bind all the edges with mattress binding tape, which comes for the purpose. This is a successful and practical way of cleansing and making over mattresses, and in many respects excels the renovation done in factories.

Outdoor Wraps.
The use of fur as trimming is seen everywhere, on coats, cloaks and capes. Fur is also used for vests and waists of cloth gowns. The newest capes are fitted close to the shoulders, giving a sloping effect, and hang quite full around the bottom. The collars, while made high and flaring, are shaped so they turn down when desired. There are double capes and single capes and capes lined with fur. A useful and comfortable cape is one of cloth lined throughout with real squirrel lock and trimmed with black tibat. Such a cape is suitable for almost all occasions.

Fur lined cloaks are shown in greater variety than ever, and cloth coats and long misters, made double breasted, with balloon sleeves and strapped waists, are lined with gray squirrel and faced on the revers, collar and cuffs with chin-chilla. Fur lined circulars are again in fashion, but these revivals are made with more fullness than were the old fashioned ones. They come in brocade and in plain satin.

Roasting Meats.
In roasting meats put only sufficient water in the dripping pan to prevent its burning and baste with butter or with butter and hot water until enough liquid has accumulated in the pan for the purpose. Different and delicious flavors may be imparted to roast beef, lamb or mutton by adding half a dozen chopped onions, shaved horse radish, chopped onion in a little muslin bag, two blades of mace and sticks of cinnamon. Strain before making the gravy.

Baked Plum Pudding.
Eight crackers rolled fine, 4 eggs well beaten, a quart of milk, three-fourth cup of sugar, 2 tablespoonsful butter, one-fourth teaspoonful salt, one-fourth nutmeg grated, one-half teaspoonful cinnamon, a pound raisins seeded. Mix all but eggs, then add them, beaten very light. Bake in a moderate oven about 1 1/2 hours.

Dressing For Turkey.
A quart grated stale bread, a cup milk; soak an hour and add one-half teaspoon powdered thyme, one-half teaspoon summer savory, a tablespoon salt, a teaspoon onion, 4 tablespoons butter melted, 2 eggs well beaten. Mix well together.

Browned Parsnips.
Jerape full grown parsnips, put in water, to which add a little salt, and let boil until tender. Take up, drain, put in a pan, spread with butter and set in a hot oven until brown.

A CAPE COD LEGEND.

The house is old and low, the windows are broken, the roof is covered with gray moss, and it will soon fall to the ground, for it sits on the brow of a hill overlooking the sea in a sheltered little harbor on the bleak New England coast, and it cannot much longer withstand the buffetings of ter gales. There are no trees on the hillside, and the old house stands out in bold relief above the thick growth of pines that are sown on the lower land.

Many years have passed, since the old place was inhabited, since the friendly light from its windows aided the fishermen to anchor safely within the harbor. No sounds are heard now save the waves as they dash upon the sandy beach. But there are some people who remember when Aunt Esther lived in the old house, and many were the incidents of interest in her quiet life. There she was born and lived all through her girlhood and married life, and only left it for the little cemetery on the hillside. She had no children, but was dearly loved by the young people, some of whom were nearly away with her.

Aunt Esther was ever busy. When her great-grandmother had died, she had taken her swote cloth for home use, and she, also, was silent, there were many things to be done on the farm. Aunt Esther knew just how and where every rod of their possessions was situated, and they could not be sold for the little cemetery she knew every boundary of their woodland. I have heard my grandma relate how she had gone for a little walk with Aunt Esther just at sunset, when she became so absorbed in tracing some boundary line as not to return to the house until quite late in the evening, grandma becoming meanwhile quite exhausted.

But it is of the adventure of a night in the old house, when Aunt Esther was with her great-grandmother, that we are to speak. Aunt Esther's parents were away, and grandma spent the night with her, the two girls being the only occupants of the house. They retired early, sleeping in the large spare room up stairs, its windows looking out over the sea. They must have felt a little timid, for they took the precaution of drawing a heavy chest in front of the door. In those days houses were never locked.

Grandma, always a light sleeper, was aroused about midnight by the sound of footsteps beneath her window. After a few minutes the outer door opened, and the girls, now fully awakened, heard some one enter and begin to look about the hall and doors, and finally came with heavy tread up the stairs.

I can imagine that to have been a trying moment for them; but, to their relief, after coming about half way up the steps, pausing, and finally the person went down again, by the stillness of the night the person had left the house. Then their courage returned, and rising they quickly dressed and seated themselves by the window.

It being a comparatively light night, although there was not a star to be seen, they saw a large ship, riding at anchor, close in to the shore. While they were wondering over this, for none but small fishing vessels ever anchored there and no small vessel in sight would venture to two men, coming up from the draw, where they could make out the outlines of a small boat, with shovels on their backs and a small bundle between them, they saw a man apparently very nervous, who stopped twice and set it down for a moment before reaching the woods, where they disappeared from sight. It seemed as if they wanted to be sure of the house being unoccupied before they ventured to bring their burden ashore.

After an hour had passed the men returned to the boat, having left the box. With rapid strokes they soon left the shore and the vessel's side. Then the sails were unfurled, and as silently as she had come the ship left the little harbor.