

The death of the law  
 In the dream of the vessel that held all the four-  
 footed beasts,  
 Unclean for the priests;  
 And heard in the vision a trumpet that all men  
 are worth  
 The peace of the earth  
 And rapture of heaven hereafter,—oh Peter, what  
 power  
 Was yours in that hour:  
 You warder and jailer and sealer of fates and  
 decrees,  
 To use the big keys  
 With which to reveal and fling wide all the soul  
 and the scheme  
 Of the Galilee dream,  
 When you flashed in a trice, as later you smote  
 with the sword:  
 "Thou art Christ, even Lord!"

We men, Simon Peter, we men also give you the  
 crown  
 O'er Paul and o'er John.  
 We write you in capitals, make you the chief  
 Word on the leaf.  
 We know you as one of our flesh, and 'tis well  
 You are warder of hell,  
 And heaven's gatekeeper forever to bind and to  
 loose—  
 Keep the keys if you choose.  
 Not rock of you, fire of you make you sublime  
 In the annals of time.  
 You were called by Him, Peter, a rock, but we  
 give you the name  
 Of Peter the Flame.  
 For you struck a spark, as the spark from the  
 shock  
 Of steel upon rock.  
 The rock has his use but the flame gives the  
 light  
 In the way in the night:—  
 Oh Peter, the dreamer, impetuous, human, divine,  
 Gnarled branch of the vine!  
 —Reedy's Mirror.

### THE SYSTEM

When a man has built a barn—  
 Tax him!  
 When a man has cleared a farm—  
 Tax him!  
 When he lays another roof,  
 When he grows another hoof,  
 Hustle 'round and get the proof,  
 Then tax him!  
 Has a man some idle earth—  
 Don't tax him!  
 Though its climbing up in worth,  
 Don't tax him!  
 Let him reap what others sow,  
 They are rather chumps, you know!  
 If they were not they would go,  
 And tax him! —Exchange.

### HAPPENINGS AND WHEREABOUTS

Skating has been very popular at the Country club since the rink was made ready and it is anticipated that the sport will attract a large number of members. If the patronage warrants it, the clubhouse will be heated and there will be the usual facilities and service. Ice skating has taken a new hold on the public all over the country and this city seems to have its full quota of enthusiasts who will enjoy the comforts the club affords.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Salisbury will entertain at their home today at a New Year's reception for a hundred or more of their friends. This will be the largest event of the kind of the day.

The greatest New Year's eve celebration ever seen in the city, was that of last night at the hotels, restaurants and Alta club. There were also various watch parties at private homes, concluding a week of jollity such as has not been experienced by those in society for several seasons.

There have been theatre, luncheon and dinner parties galore and such large affairs as that of the Rotary club and the cabaret hop at the Commercial club—by all means the most successful party ever given there.

The wedding of Miss Nellie C. Davis and William J. Orr took place at St. Mary's Cathedral on Tuesday and was followed by a dinner and dance at the Newhouse for the bridal party and a few intimate friends. Mr. and Mrs. Orr will return from their wedding trip the latter part of March.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Theodore Levy of Reno, have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Winifred, to Henry J. Amigo which will take place next Saturday evening, January 8th, at the home of the bride, and will be followed by a large reception. Mr. Amigo has a large number of friends here who will be greatly interested in the announcement.

Mrs. Paul F. Keyser was the honored guest at a smart tea given by Mrs. Lewis W. Sowles at the Newhouse on Thursday. It was in the nature of a welcome home to the charming bride and was attended by a host of friends.

The wedding of Miss Amy Armstrong and Guy LaCoste which was quietly announced a week ago was of great interest to the many friends of both of these clever people. Mrs. LaCoste is one of the most talented newspaper women in the country and Guy LaCoste, who is city editor of the Telegram, has personally and professionally won an enviable place since his arrival. Very informally, Mr. and Mrs. LaCoste will welcome

a few of their newspaper friends on Sunday at the Fairmont apartments where they reside.

There will be a "black and white" dance at the Tennis club on Tuesday evening next, when the members and some of their friends will appear there in "Yama Yama" costumes of that description.

In honor of Miss Hazel Oswald, Miss Gwendolyn Tripp and Miss Gladys Hutchinson entertained at a matinee party followed by a tea at the Newhouse, on Thursday.

Mrs. Arthur Bird was the hostess at a luncheon at the Rotisserie on Thursday.

Miss Jane Darling and Miss Alice Lyne entertained at a tea yesterday afternoon for Miss Elma Darling and Miss Helen McVichie.

Mrs. Roger W. Powers gave a luncheon for thirty at her home on Thursday followed by a matinee party at the Empress.

Miss Emma Zane and Miss Rosamond Ritchie entertained at a buffet supper at Miss Zane's home on First avenue on Sunday evening.

Mrs. William Iglehart, who has a large number of friends here where she formerly resided, arrived from Berkeley on Tuesday and was the honored guest, at an informal reception given for her by Mrs. Clifford R. Pearsall with whom she is visiting, on Tuesday, and at a luncheon given by Mrs. Robert C. Gemmel yesterday at the Alta club.

An important matrimonial affair will be the wedding of Miss Hazel Oswald to Robert H. Butterfield which will take place next Wednesday at St. Mark's Cathedral.

Miss Naomi Hoffman was the hostess at a series of luncheons at her home early in the week.

The Knights of Columbus gave a ball at the Hotel Utah on Thursday when their new rooms were opened for the first time. It was one of the most brilliant events ever given by this large organization.

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