WHITE BEAR SEASON

Will Continue Until About the Middle of Next Month.

Excellent Fishing and Big Strings Among the Attractions for Anglers.

Progressive Euchre and Dancing Parties Continue the Fashionable Craze.

Girls Who Chew Gum Say It Always Quenches Their Thirst.

Leip's Hotel—N. J. Benson and family, Omaha, Neb.; J. A. Holmes and family, Miss Isabel Holmes, Miss Florena Holmes, E. Lungstras and family, Jacob Pickel and wife and William Homann and wife, St. Louis, Mo.; A. P. Starr and family, Tama, Io.; Mrs. J. E. Connor and child, St. Paul, and Miss Dora Fry, Minneapolis; G. Bristow, Miss Rowck, George A. Sherman, A. M. White, F. W. Roggenbau, George M. Curtis, A. C. Merrill, Jr., H. A. Hageman, Harvey A. Hageman, Miss Etta C. Hageman, E. P. McCullough, C. J. Robertson and lady, A. D. Jackson, Miss Ida Kenney, H. Gayls, Miss Osborn, J. W. Herrick, Miss Carroll, Miss Annie Hieberg, L. Rank and family, L. Herman, W. W. Dunn, W. M. Salvador, all of St. Paul; C. W. French and wife, Miss Ethel French and Charles French, Stillwater, Minn.; A. C. Dunn, Winnebago City; C. P. Malone, Miss Daisy Malone and Mrs. S. W. Davis, Lake Providence, La., and M. E. Felton, Minneapolis.

At the Chateaugay—Miss Nellie M. Keogh, Eva M. Carroll, Nellie M. Carroll, Eva M. Keogh, Bessie B. Lytle, J. B. Tarbox and wife, Miss Jennie Moore, Francis M. Wheeler, Frank C. Kavanagh, W. D. Green and wife, D. E. Foley, Miss May Foley, Miss Lillie Rogers, Frank Rogers, Louis Nash, L. F. McCarthy, Mrs. W. W. Erwine, Miss Caddie Wiley, W. H. Crary and wife, Mr. and Mrs. John Rogers, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rogers, Miss H. Davis, Henry Johns, John J. Kenna, W. D. Green, H. A. Stone, Miss M. Morris, Dr. A. T. Paine, J. W. Coyle, Mrs. D. H. Watson, H. H. Hillman, P. H. Rasche, Mrs. H. C. Smith, J. T. Johnson and wife and Grace Johnson, all of St. Paul; W. C. Hubbell, New York; J. B. Sharp, Chicago; L. B. Morrison, Chicago; W. G. Potts, W. J. Connolly, Rockdale; Robert McElrath, Mendota; E. O. Jackson, G. H. Thompson, L. M. Catlin, St. Croix Falls; Mrs. Dr. Climb, New York; C. J. Blanchard, Omaha; John F. Lindlay, Michigan City; Mrs. J. T. Byrnes, Minneapolis; John Dishow, Oshkosh; C. E. Purdy, Minneapolis; Miss Eva Haas, Miss Clara Haas, Rock Island; H. Dunn, Philadelphia; Charles S. Taylor, Indianapolis; Mrs. James Cassell and Mrs. S. D. Mathews, Boston.

Guests at the Williams—Minnie Brander, Minneapolis; Charles McChesney, Chicago; James McChesney, Chicago; E. K. Fairchild, Minneapolis; James Sloan, Syracuse; Mrs. D. Cover, Stillwater; H. Cover, Stillwater; Mrs. S. McFurson, San Jose, Cal.; George H. Smith, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. A. R. Morrill, Knoxville, Tenn.; C. J. Blanchard, Minneapolis; D. McRae, Council Bluffs; Hattie Mann, Mrs. H. Mann, Francis Mann, Milwaukee; Mrs. H. C. Fogle, Stillwater; J. W. Underhill and family, Canton, O.; G. E. Coleman and family, St. Louis; Mrs. M. T. Goswell, Miss Goswell, Baltimore, Md.; L. Benedict, New York; Miss Lucy Biggins, Miss Lizzie Biggins, Alton, Ill.; Mrs. F. M. Dnigin, Minneapolis; Miss Rogers, Kenosha; Dr. G. E. Bushnell, C. P. Spear, Dr. J. B. Darling, H. L. Smith, A. L. Arthur and wife, B. Slocum and lady, J. O'Connor, H. B. Musseer, Mrs. C. D. Penfield, Mrs. E. Ulrice, Mrs. R. C. Gooding, W. R. Hoag and wife, J. McCarthy, Mamie Lightner, I. M. Markoe, Frank Williams, Lillie Matheis, Minnie Theobald, L. Richardson, A. J. Kelly, Ella Howard, all of St. Paul.

Irish-American societies of St. Paul, Minneapolis and Stillwater gave a picnic at White Bear Beach Thursday. Originally the intention was to have the picnic at Mahtomedi, but the assembly directors would not permit a dancing pavilion to be erected on the grounds. The weather was all that could be asked for, and large crowds from the cities were in attendance and participated in the various outdoor sports, enjoyed a whirl on the dancing pavilion, or listened to the speech-making. Thursday evening the Chateaugay grounds were brightened with the soft glow of many lanterns, and inside the hotel the guests enjoyed themselves dancing. The Richards brothers, with guitar and banjo, furnished music.

Alfred Klotts and Miss Margaret Rugg gave a progressive euchre party and candy pull Wednesday evening at the Burns' cottage, on Lake avenue. Children from the Williams house and surrounding cottages were present and participated in the merry-making. Those who won prizes were Mr. Goodhue and Miss Sadie O'Brien, head prize; Dick O'Brien and Miss Florence Lamphey, progressive prize; Sam Glass and Sadie Glass, booby prize; Alfred Klotts captured the most candy.

Misses Carroll, Keough, Daly, Turner, Hope, Heiberg, Hart, Boeckler, Ponderford, Grace, Dreyer, Trowbridge, Lytle, Campbell, Foley, Rogers, Talmadge, Mrs. Hattie Clark, Mrs. Marvin, Mrs. McClintock, Messrs. Hubbell, Birmingham, Cobb, Allen, Warner, Reitzke, Ramaley, Cox, Rogers, Long, Griffing, Birchall, Gray, Storkey, Emmert, Garrison, Ballou and Block were among those in attendance at Leip's Saturday evening party.

Mahtomedi hotel closed Wednesday for the season of 1888. The hotel has been run this summer by Mr. Sherin, jointly with the Chautauqua assembly, and the season has been a fairly remunerative one. The few remaining guests at the house have taken quarters at the various hotels across the lake, most of which expect to remain open until the middle of September.

The chewing gum craze seems to be spreading, and is largely indulged in by old and young alike. One young lady gives as an excuse for masticating the festive gumlet, that when she goes boating she always gets so thirsty, and a small wadlet of gumlet goes far towards allaying her thirst.

Maitland V. Bartlett, Charles Gorham, Miss C. V. Houston, A. R. Bixby, of New Richmond, Ind.; Mrs. Dr. Sawyer, St. Paul; Mrs. C. G. Thomsom and John Thomson, Lafayette, Ind., are at the Lakeside cottage.

Ned Pease has pulled up the stakes of his tent at Bald Eagle and returned to St. Paul. He is not particularly infatuated with camp life, as it rained nearly every night of his stay under the canvas.

C. H. Grundy, of the Williams house, caught one of the largest pickerel that has been taken from the lake this summer. It weighed sixteen pounds and measured forty inches from head to tail.

A board walk from Leip's hotel to the Cottage Park station would be a great convenience, and especially so after a rain, when the road is in a horrible condition and almost impassable.

A little refreshment tent has anchored itself on the grounds next to the Chateaugay near the gate. Milk shakes, cold shakes and stomach aches, may be had here at all hours.

Mrs. M. F. Gosnell and Miss Gosnell, of Baltimore, Md., who have been summering at Mahtomedi, will finish the season at the Williams house.

A. C. Jones, of Russiaville, Ind., is visiting A. R. Lamb at the Chatauqua.

The fishing has been better during the week than at any time since the early part of June, and some very large strings have been carried away.

Miss Kate S. Davies of Wolfe Hall seminary, Denver, Col., is spending a few days with Mrs. Drake, of the Lakeside cottage.

Mrs. Simmons and Miss Cora Simmons, St. Paul, were the guests of Mrs. J. R. Sprott at the Lakeside cottage last week.

Miss Ginnie Heiberg and Miss Eva Davidson have returned to St. Paul after a few weeks' visit at White Bear.

Frank Griffing leaves the lake to-day for his home in Chicago, after a pleasant visit of two weeks.

George Friesbee spent the week in Milwaukee visiting relatives and friends.

William E. Lytzen and family have returned to their St. Paul home.

Robert C. Wight and wife have returned from Dubuque.

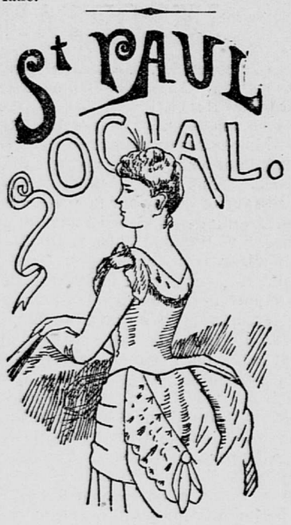
Miss Lambert, Stillwater, is a guest at the Markoe cottage.

Miss Lottie Beck is visiting her brother at the lake.

Miss Minnie Theobald is visiting the Mathies cottage.

Miss Florence Gates is visiting friends at the lake.

Miss Lou Barnes is visiting at the lake.



PRUDY PRIM SAYS

That St. Paul women are very ungraceful walkers.

That charitable souls ascribe the fact to hilly streets, while others suggest tight boots.

That when girls lay off their summer hats what is left will again come in for a small share of public attention.

That the science of phrenology is going to take the place of palmistry as an intellectual fad the coming winter.

That men will do well to commence posting themselves on the subject.

That the delight of holding a girl's hands, to read her character, is only to be equaled by the ecstacy of determining the bumps on her head for the same purpose.

That stagnation breeds nuisance and unless society stirs itself pretty soon, everybody in the swim will be having chills and fever.

That a family man is anxious his wife's afternoon teas should set in to justify his club evenings.

That when a man begins to reckon time from the dinner hour, his days of social usefulness are over.

That people who rent rooms as an accommodation to their friends, are sharper than a serpent's tooth on a bargain.

That there is a lately discovered odor about a certain mansion that smells as much like mice as scandal.

That is if a lawyer around the corner sniffs very hard he may find gold dust in the air.

And that all persons who are not above their neighbors' business may watch the court calendar for interesting transactions.

SOCIAL SORTS.

Miss Alice Pope, of Woodward avenue, gave a charming little entertainment last Monday evening in honor of her guest, Miss Mina Bowen, of Illinois. The young people present were Misses Marian Sampson, Lillian and Virginia Borup, and Messrs. Carpenter, Blanchard, Ferguson, Irving, McClurg, and Reed. Misses Lillian and Virginia Borup entertained the same merry party Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Czeikowitz entertained, during the past week, Mr. and Mrs. George Hartman, Misses Grube, J. and T. Czelkowitz, A. Schroeder and C. Oertel, Drs. Bob Hulbert and Henry Miller, Misses E. Abig and L. Schroeder, at their summer residence, Birchwood cottage, Lake Johanna.

Mrs. S. N. Adler, of Williams street, gave a coffee Wednesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Dr. Benson, of Omaha, and Mrs. Simons, of Chicago. The ladies present were Mesdames Benson, Simons, Oakes, Cohen, Keller, Herman, Hanauer, and O. Adler, and Misses Keller, Hanauer and Lilian Keller.

Miss Lizzie Donovan, daughter of J. C. Donovan, Esq., of the Tremont house, entertained twenty of her girl friends Thursday evening, Aug. 8, the occasion being her twelfth birthday.

Miss Mamie Macdonald, of Marshall avenue, entertained about forty of her friends Friday evening. Dancing was indulged in until a late hour and a very pleasant evening was spent.

An informal reception was held at the Clifton house Friday evening in honor of Hon. N. B. Evarts, of Webster City, Io., and Judge T. P. Wilson, of Creston, Io.

Harold Patterson entertained a number of his friends with progressive euchre, Thursday evening, at his brother's cottage at Four Lakes.

Mesdames John B. Cook and Stephen C. Cook will hold a reception at the home of the latter, 421 Holly avenue, next Thursday after noon.

The Misses Palmes will give an afternoon reception next Wednesday at their home, 260 Summit avenue.

The regular weekly hop of the Matoska club was held last night at Hotel Leip, White Bear lake.

Mrs. W. G. Gates, of 603 John street, gave a dinner last Thursday evening for her guest, Mrs. Hale.

Mrs. W. R. Merriam gave a pleasant progressive euchre party last Thursday evening.

Miss Gorden gave a very pretty lunch at he home, 245 Summit avenue, yesterday.

CUPID'S CAPERS.

Miss Lulu Camp, of Minneapolis, and Henry Wedelstaedt, of this city, will be married Sept. 15. The ceremony will take place in the quaint little chapel erected by Miss Camp's father, at Lake Minnetonka.

Miss Warner, of 315 Summit avenue, is to be married to Mr. French, of Minneapolis, next month.

J. P. Goldrick and Eliza McArdle will be married August 21 at 9 a. m. at St. Joseph church.

PERSONAL PENNINGS.

Percy Houghton and Chris Sperl started yesterday for a week's hunt after prairie chickens north of Rice lake. The luck of these lads as fishermen promises success as hunters, and all their spare time is devoted to these manly sports.

Ed Hein, a popular young business man of University avenue, has gone to Duluth. It is reported that he will bring back with him one of Duluth's fair daughters as his wife.

Miss Annie Hilton, of Davenport, Io., is visiting Miss Blanche Kidd, of Summit avenue. Miss Richardson, of the same city, is visiting Mrs. Dr. J. F. Boller, of Fifth street.

Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Bacon, Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Frost and Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Morton returned last Monday from a three weeks' absence in Yellowstone Park.

Mrs. William H. Pearce and daughter Edna, of St. Paul, for the past week have been the guests of Mrs. James Barker, Jr., and family at White Bear lake.

Miss Gath Moran, who has been visiting Miss Cullen, is spending a week with her aunt, Mrs. M. S. Mathews, of 81 Lyndale avenue, Minneapolis.

R. Warner, Jr., and Miss Abby Warner will go to St. Vincent and Winnipeg to visit friends before returning to their schools at Faribault.

A. H. Miller left Tursday for Sheldon, Io., to attend the Bishop-Barrett wedding, and returned Friday with the bridal party in a special car.

Mrs. T. P. Mulvehill and sister, Miss Mary McGorry, and Miss Mary Mulvehill are visiting relatives in St. Peter, Mankato and New Ulm.

Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Hallowell arrived in St. Paul last week from Europe, and will be at home at 615 Cedar street Aug. 23 and 30 and Sept. 6.

Mrs. A. P. Niekes and daughter, of 433 Ashland avenue, have returned from Cape May, were they have been spending the summer.

Mrs. John M. Bowman and Miss Bowman, of Madison, Wis., are the guests of Mrs. and Miss Michaud, at Thurber cottage, Minnetonka.

R. Warner and wife will leave the coming week for the Yellowstone Park and Pacific coast, to be absent about three weeks.

Miss Mabel Lanpher of Dayton avenue, entertained Misses Genieve Leighton and Helen Hale, of Minneapolis, last week.

Miss Mabel Austin, who is spending the summer at Lake Minnetonka, visited Miss Gilfillan, of Exchange street, last week.

The Misses Griggs, of Detroit, left for home last Tuesday, accompanied by Miss Griggs, of Summit avenue.

Miss Toole, of New York, who has been visiting Mrs. Mott, 257 Summit place, returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Don, who have been absent in the East the past three weeks, returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Roussopontos have returned from the lake, and are home at 17 Iglehart street.

Mrs. Antoinette Van Hoesen Wakeman, the well-known Chicago journalist, was in the city last week.

Charles D. McKey returned last week from the East, leaving Mrs. McKey among friends in Boston.

Mrs. L. G. Guthrez, of Tennessee, is visiting at the home of Gen. Fowler, on Ashland avenue.

Miss Anna E. Tinker, of Bradley street, left for Taylor's Falls last Wednesday.

B. Magoffin, Jr., and Frederick Rice have gone out chicken hunting for a month.

Misses Nellie Nichols and Holman are East, visiting the seashore and principal cities.

Mrs. C. W. Griggs and family, will go to Europe about the middle of September.

Mrs. Mark D. Fowler went to Madison, Wis., last Tuesday evening.

Mrs. A. B. Stickney and family spent the past week at Minnetonka.

J. C. Burns, of La Crosse, Wis., is visiting friends in the city.

Ted Pannell has returned from Niagara Falls.

HAMLINE.

The most pleasant social event at Hamline the past week was an excursion party to Lake Johanna. For some time it had been the intention of the gentlemen lawn tennis players of the park to give the lady members of the tennis clubs an outing at one of the lakes, and Thursday was finally selected. At 3 o'clock a large party departed departed in private rigs and a large 'bus chartered for the occasion. Among the ladies who participated were Mrs. Dr. Carothers, Misses Maud D. Rose, A. Door, Emma Kennedy, Jean Evans, Hattie Gillette, Etta and Lizzie Higgins, Clara Webb, Annie McCrea and Breittung.

A number of the residents of Hamline, comprising G. H. Hazzard's family, the Misses Hoyt, Miss Hendrickson and Miss Clara Webb, are encamped at Lake Johannah.

E. P. Martin, a former student of Hamline and a graduate of '84, has been renewing former acquaintanceships about the town.

A letter from Berlin announces that Dr. Bridgman and party are sojourning in that city. They will not return until December.

Miss Laura Johnson, class of '88, has been called to Fort Howard, Wis., by the illness of her brother.

Mrs. E. B. Higgins is visiting her former home at East Castle Rock and friends in Northfield.

Mrs. E. F. Mearkle is enjoying a visit from an old schoolmate, Miss Lizzie Smith, of Chicago.

Dr. G. S. Innis and family returned Friday night from visiting friends in Tracy.

Miss Jennie A. Clark, of Winona, is the guest of Miss Hattie Garvin.

Miss Hattie Gillette is the guest of her sister, Mrs. T. W. Wallace.

Miss Alice Spaulding, of Esdaile, is sojourning with Miss J. Akers.

Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Edwards are making a visit in Mankato.

ST. ANTHONY PARK.

A merry picnic party, including Miss Hyne, Miss Hanlon, Miss Arnold, Miss Watson and Miss Crane, who were chaperoned by Mrs. M. B. Whitney, spent Wednesday last at Minnehaha Falls.

Mrs. Stoner, of Raymond avenue, is entertaining Miss Hyne, Miss Ella Arnold and Miss Edith Hanlon, of Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Elvidge and sons, with Miss L. M. Butler, formed a pleasant picnic party at Minnetonka last Wednesday.

Miss Jennie Tobey, of Glenwood, and Miss Ella Sausman, of New Richmond, are guests of Mrs. M. B. Whitney.

Mrs. Pickard and sons returned from a week's visit to Osceola and the Dalles of St. Croix last Wednesday.

A. C. Bruce and family started last Wednesday for a trip through Yellowstone park.

Rev. J. H. Chandler and C. A. Dunn are hunting and fishing in Wisconsin.

V. E. Haukins, of St. Paul, has moved into his new house on Beard street.

Dr. J. Leffingwell Hatch, of Rochester, N. Y., is visiting H. O. Hall.

Miss Kate Kendall, of St. Paul, is visiting Miss Clara Kellam.

C. H. Pratt and family are spending the season at Orient, L. I.

MACALESTER PARK.

Prof. J. W. Wallace and family have returned from the East, and will take up their residence in the house occupied by the late Rev. N. S. McFetridge.

Mrs. Andrew Petri and her daughter Miss Mary Petri, of Allentown, Pa., have been the guests of John Boehrer during the past week.

Prof. F. B. Pearson, returned last week from a trip to the Pacific slope and in the Yellowstone park.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Williams are camping at Geneva beach, near Alexandria.

Rev. G. McAfee and family are rusticating at White Bear lake.

Miss Jessie Cord is visiting friends in Lake City.

Steamer Belle of Minnetonka

Will make her regular tours on Lake Minnetonka to-day in connection with the Manitoba trains, as per lake time cards.

IN THE HAMMOCK.

Out in the hammock, under the trees,
Kissed by the fragrant, amorous breeze,
Swinging so low, swinging so slow,
Forgetful of life and its mysteries,
I lie in the arms of indolent ease.

What think I of the world of care?
The skies above are cloudlessly fair,
Rocking so light, rocking so slight,
Content to dream in the sun-drowsed air,
I swing till I sleep ere I'm aware.

Over my head the whispering leaves,
Down thro' their network the sunlight cleaves,
Swaying so soft, swaying so oft,
The beautiful summer my soul reprieves,
No turbulent tumult my quietude grieves.

—Susie M. Best.

A FLIRT'S DEFENSE.

She Holds That Men Who Trifle Are Not Villains Always,

Although a Man Will Far Sooner Bear a Hurt Than Stoop

To Wrangle With a Flirt, Whether She Is Wise or Foolish.

Some Men Born Flirts, Others Have Flirts Thrust Upon Them.

Baltimore American.

What could be more timely this midsummer's day than a little talk about flirts, for the summer is presumably their harvest and the popular resorts their vantage grounds. Indeed, many of the dowagers would be overcome with ennui long before the season was over, had they not an affaire de cœur in the form of a flirtation to watch through its various stages.

Of course, we are all taught by precept before we are launched upon the gay and fickle world, that a flirt is a sort of human monster, who goes about seeking whom he may devour; but, alas, precepts are quickly forgot, and experience teaches us that he is invariably the most charming man we meet at vanity fair. He does not impress us as dangerous as he smiles into our eyes, but then we have not learned how much a smile sometimes conceals, for he may smile and smile, and be a villain. But because a man is thoroughly attractive, even fascinating—hence a flirt, in the usual acceptance of the word—he is not necessarily a villain.

THEY FLIRT.

So many persons err in believing a man to blame if he makes a deeper impression upon the woman he meets than he can reciprocate.

Some men are born flirts. Without intending or wishing it, they win the admiration—aye, the devotion—of almost every one they meet. These

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to the peace of mind of their fair friends, but not as much so as the one who, having the natural gift, has also a keen appreciation of its power and enjoyment of its results. We have all met him; we have watched him with interest; we have seen the other men watch him with envy. For men who are not successful with women always despise the one who is.

The male flirt does not win the regard of women by flattery. He seldom makes the mistake of pointedly complimenting. In that fact lies his strongest card. The men who deal in tiresome flattery soon pall. The flirt looks more than he says. It is his indeseriaable manner that gains the day. Each woman with whom he talks is made to feel that to him she is the only woman in the world. If he is presented to one and does not meet her again in a month he is sure to remember her, and although he has really forgot all about it, and may be racking his brain to remember the time and place, or perhaps her name, "outwardly his manner will be as though silently, of course, but none the less deeply, he has dwelt upon her image ever since."

It is the "impalpable manner" that constitutes the chief charm of the flirt, and it is this intangible, subtle flattery that is dear to the heart of woman, and so irritating to men who have not learned it.

These men flirts are not the handsomest men in an assemblage, neither do they appear to exert themselves

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popular favor—it is their seeming indifference to admiration which makes them so attractive. A good example of a male flirt in recent fiction is Heathcote, in Miss Woolson's story of "Anne." I will quote a paragraph which describes him and analyses his influence upon his acquaintances of both sexes. "What was it they found to like in him? This was the question asked often in irritation by his brother man, and, naturally, for the women themselves could not give a reasonable reason. The corresponding idea of life is not the same since men admire with a reason—the woman is plainly beautiful, or brilliant, or fascinating around whom they gather. At Caryl's seven of eight men were handsomer than Heathcote, a number were more brilliant, many were richer, yet almost all of these had discovered at one time or another that the eyes they were talking to were following Heathcote furtively, and they had seen attempts that made them tingle with anger, all the more so because they were so infinitesimally delicate and fine as became the actions of well-bred women." This is true to life.

Women are more frequently to blame for their unrequited affections than is the object of them. A woman has no right to imagine a man is in love with her because he pays her some, or even much, attention. That is no evidence. He may be equally as attentive to half a dozen. Therefore, if they choose to misconstrue a friendly preference for something more serious, why, surely, the man is not to blame, and should not be called a flirt because he is lovable. He is, however, contemptible when he wins the regard of a woman without caring for her in the least; but I believe there are few such. In my own opinion there are more intentional flirts among my own sex. Women love admiration, and they are determined to have it, if they can, and, moreover, they want the world to know they have it; hence this vanity causes them to encourage every would-be admirer they meet.

WHAT CAME OF IT.

I heard a sweet, attractive debutante one say she would rather be considered a flirt than anything in the world. She was gifted with the requirements of mind and person. These, added to the desire, made her in one season realize her ambition. Men called her heartless, vain, a flirt incapable of loving, and yet they hovered around her as moths around a candle. She found that hers was not the loftiest ambition, for when her Prince Charming arrived he heard of her reputation and forsook the field, and lost the prize. Men condemn flirts and yet they encourage them. They warn others of their danger, and yet plunge headlong into it themselves.

But, after all, there is not as much harm done by flirts of either sex as the world generally believes. Of course, there is an occasional susceptible heart broken, but this is because one or the other took too much for granted. Remember this, you who are enjoying your summer outing, make all the friends you can, but don't imagine every friend a lover, and you will be apt to take a less cynical view of life later on.

CAUGHT IN A CLOSET.

Where a Belated Sweetheart Was Sniffed Out by a Dog.

Brooklyn Eagle.

Charles Hughes, a young printer, who lives at No. 42 High street, found out last night by personal experience the truth of the old adage that "the course of true love never runs smooth." For a year past he has been paying his addresses to Margaret Caulfield, who is employed at present as a domestic in the family of Col. William C. Booth, at No. 253 Carlton avenue. Last night was Charles' night for calling, and in spite of the rain he was on hand at the usual time. He would have gone away at 11 o'clock, but on account of the storm, which was then at its worst, he pleaded that he might be allowed to stay a little while longer. Margaret demurred, but being coaxed her firmness gave way and she consented to prelong the session. Knowing that it was Mr. Booth's custom to go through the house before retiring, she hid her sweetheart in a closet in the kitchen and went up stairs, intending to return and let him out when her employer should have gone to bed. Mr. Booth started on his rounds about 11:30, accompanied by his setter dog, which is credited with having a remarkably keen nose. As soon as the kitchen was reached the dog began to sniff around and bark, and finally came to a dead set in front of the closet, which contained, beside a choice variety of utensils, the hapless printer. Mr. Booth, who is nothing if not prompt of action, drew his revolver, cocked it, and quickly pulled open the closet door. Hughes, squeezed into a corner, was revealed at once. "Throw up your hands," said the colonel, covering the young man with his weapon, and up went the hands.

"Now come out and give an account of yourself," continued Mr. Booth, and the printer, without waiting for a second invitation, stepped from his place of concealment and stood sheepishly before his captor, still holding up his hands. He explained, as well as he was able, how it was that he had fallen into such a predicament, but Mr. Booth refused to believe his story, and, taking him by the collar, led him out into the street and turned him over to Officer Wood, who happened to be passing. The prisoner was marched to Myrtle avenue station, where, after giving his pedigree, he repeated the story he had told to Mr. Booth. The sergeant in charge was disposed to believe him, as he had a respectable appearance, and decided to send for Margaret to see if she would corroborate his statement. She reached the station house in a few minutes and tearfully acknowledged that all her Charles had said was true. This satisfied the colonel and Mr. Hughes was allowed to go home, after being warned against putting his trust in closets in future.

Spendthrifts at the Beach.

Philadelphia Times.

There are half a dozen young men in Atlantic City who are spending money as freely as water. Their lives will probably point a moral before the ides of another summer. There are many Philadelphians who recall the sunny ways of Jimmy Henderson, who lived so lavishly here a year or so ago. His fine horses and open purse were the property of every one to whom he took a fancy. There are many Wall street men who remember the genial, wealthy George Haddon Palmer, who killed himself in a lonely marsh. He had an office within a few yards of the old stamping-ground of Jay Gould. Palmer made a fortune, his customers comprising some of New York's great lawyers and club men with speculative tendencies. His prosperity led him to rapid habits. At times he would disappear for a month and reappear in rags. Personally one of the nattiest men on the street, he was a sight to behold after one of his disappearances. He would resume his fine manners and courteous bearing, and everything would be lovely for many months. He always came to Atlantic City when these sprees seized him and spend a fortune here, and at the expiration of one of them went home and killed himself. The statement is made as a warning to a half-dozen popular and wealthy young Philadelphians who are here on the same road, seeking its terminus as soon as possible. The bill of a livery stable man against one of them for last week's driving amounted to over $300.

Less Than a Cent Per Mile.

Twenty dollars to Helena and Butte and return, with the same rate per mile to all points in Minnesota, Dakota and Eastern Montana.

The Northern Pacific railroad announces for five harvest excursions from St. Paul, Minneapolis, Duluth and Ashland to all points in Minnesota, Dakota, Eastern and Central Montana, including the cities of Helena and Butte, the lowest excursion rates yet offered the people of the Northwest.

Tickets will be on sale at Eastern terminals named, and by Eastern connections, on Aug. 21, Sept. 11 and 25 and Oct. 9 and 23, limited to thirty days from date of sale, with usual stop-over privileges.

Every one should avail themselves of this opportunity to see the Lake Park region of Minnesota, the great wheat fields of the Red River valley, Pyramid Park, the historic Yellowstone Valley, the cattle ranges and great mines of Montana, as well as its chief cities, Helena and Butte.

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A Remarkable Rattler.

The greatest set of rattles ever cut from a rattlesnake are now on exhibition in the office of the treasurer of Lycoming county, at Williamsport, Pa. The string measures eight and one-half inches and contains forty-five rattles. The biggest string of rattles on record previous to this was taken from the big snake killed near Westport last week. That string measured four inches in length and contained twenty-one rattles. The snake that bore it was the biggest one ever killed in the state, being seven feet long. The most curious fact connected with the monster Williamsport set of rattles is that it was taken from a snake less than three feet long, the rattles forming almost one-forth of the reptile's entire length. If it is true that a rattlesnake grows a rattle every year after the first year, the snake must have been forty-six years old. This freak among snakes was killed by County Treasurer Eldred in the Pine creek region.

THE WORLD IS DULL.

The world is dull, the world is blind,
More tasteless every day;
It gives you no good name, my child,
And has a deal to say.
The world is dull, the world is blind,
And must judge you amiss;
The world has never known the fire,
The sweetness, of your kiss.

—Rennell Rodd, after Heine.