

Society is once more absorbed in the maeistrom of Christmas merriment, and a right jolly whirl it is. Every house in the town is being decked with the green branches, holly sprigs and mistletoe boughs that go with holiday week, and

WOOED AND WON.

On Wednesday afternoon, at 5 o'clock, Christ's church was packed with the youth and beauty of St. Paul society to witness the marriage of Miss Anna May Averili daughter of the late Gen. and Mrs. John T. Averili, to Edwin Ames. Jagaard. The ceremony was performed by Bish po Gibert, assisted by the rector, Rev. Dr. Andrews. A reception was held at 302 South Exchange street, and at 7:33 Mi and Mrs. Jack Exchange street. And Mrs. May and Brooke, While Spend Christmas with Mr. Jaggard Mrs. Jacgard left for the Bast. They will spend Christmas with Mr. Jaggard Mrs. Jacgard left for the Bast. They will spend Christmas with Mr. Jaggard Mrs. Jacgard left for the Bast. They will spend Christmas with Mr. Jaggard Mrs. Jacgard left for the Bast. They will spend Christmas with Mr. Jaggard Mrs. Jacgard left for the Bast. The wedding of Miss Nellie Thomas and William A. Ashton took place at Epworth M. E. church Wednesday evening. After the coremony a reception was tendered at the residence of the bride's parents, 453 Aurora acenne, at which a large number of friends were present. Miss Ida Ashton acted as bridesmaid, and Henry Kreyer as best man. The bride was the r-repipient of a large number of landsome presents. Mr. and Mrs. Ashton left in the evening for their home at 672 Broadway.

St. Paul's church was the scene of a brilliant wedding "Thursday at 5 p. m., the contracting parties being Miss Lillian Sterling Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Davide Christmas will be at home thursdays, Jag. 29 and Feb. 5, at 5 Beaumont street. Dorchester, Boston.

On Friday, at Fort Coventing, N. Y., occurred the marriage of Christman and Miss May Dweyer occurred on Wednesday. The marriage of W. H. Gi-selman and Miss May Dweyer occurred on Wednesday. The contracting parties were formerly of St. Louis, but will take up their Inture abode at 239 Seiby avenue.

The marriage of Miss Ulia Griswold and Douglass Ross was solemnized by Dr. Mae. Laren at the Central Presopterian church. The marriage of Miss Ulia Griswold and Douglass Ro

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The marriage of Miss Ulia Griswold and Douglass Ross was solemnized by Dr. MacLaren at the Central Presbyterian church Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

At Albert Lea, Minn., on Thursday, occurred the wedding of Miss Maude Skinner, of St. Paul, to E. S. Stewart, of Chicago.

On Christmas day will occur the marriage. On Christmas day will occur the marriage of Miss Katie Fernholz, of St. Paul, to Frank H. Clark, of South Dakota. The engagement of Daniel Hand, of St. Paul, to Miss Viva Castle, of Stillwater, is

E. L. Mabon will be united in marriage to Miss Buck, of Fergus Fals, early in January. The marriage of Miss 14a Fulgraff and Dr. Dadman will be solemized early in January.

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The teachers, pupils and friends of St. Agnes' school assembled in the spacious parlors of that institution Friday morning to wish each other a merry Christmas before separating literary and must across An interesting literary and must be considered to the standard of the construction of the kindergarten class rendered several earols with beautiful expression. The interest of the pupils centered chiefly in a beautiful Christmas tree, which yielded a rich harvest of gifts and tancy articles. Mach credit is due Miss-H. K. Davy, the directoress of the kindergarten department, and her able assistant, Miss Leila Deacon for the tasteful display of the work done by the little pupils. The music and art departments were well represented, and the excellence of the recitations testified to a thorough training in expressive and intelligent reading.

On Thursday evening the Bright Ideal Progresive Euchre club was delightifully entertained at the home of Miss Neilig M. Little, 110 lighehart street. The best part of the evening was spent card playing, after which an elaborate "fasting" linch was served. Following the limch a few pleasant moments were spent socially and the following were the lucky prize winners: Laddes head prize, Miss. Sophia Nolimier; gents head prize, Miss. Sophia Nolimier; gents head prize, Miss. A. E. Haws, and the complete of the season, in additian to this an interesting programme was rendered. "The Influence of the Stage on Society" served as a subject for debate, in which the participants were A. A. Gage and Miss Jessie Carey, affirmation of the Stage on Society served as a subject for debate, in which the participants were A. A. Gage and Miss Jessie Carey, affirmation of the stage on Society served as a subject for debate, in which the participants were A. A. Gage and Miss Jessie Carey, affirmatical subjects of the Stage on Society served as a subject for debate, in which the participants were A. A. Gage and Miss Jessie Carey, affirmation of the Stage on Society served as a subject

misses chambers and Leidloff, and a vocal white town is being decked with the green branches, holly sprigs and mistleton boughs that go with hollday week, and preparations are being made every where for the reception of Christmas guests. The greater part of the week just passed has been spent by the laddes all over the town in shopping, and a very pleasant occupation it must have been, at least for those whose pecketbooks allowed them to give full sway to their inclinations in the number and character of the purchases made. The stores have for weeks past presented a spectacle which, for its brilliance, has never been surpassed in the history of St. Paul. They have been crowded all day and every day, and the amount of business done is sufficient indication that somebody is buying Christmas gifts for somebody else, every minute in the day.

Christmas week has always been prolific of marriages, and the season now with us-has been no exception to the rule. The pastors of the various churches have been busily engaged in tying knots which should be forever binding, and the captive couples have been leaving on every train for that in definite region so frequently referred to as the East.

This will in all probability be a snowless Christmas. The weather bureau holds out no hope of a heavy snowfall mave to be content with wheels.

To those whose lives have developed nothing of misery, and to whom the horrors of poverty are a sealed book, it may be said that there are in St. Paul may be said that there are in St. Paul will be proved to be content with wheels.

To those whose lives have developed nothing of misery, and to whom its coming will only serve as a reminder that the suppoard is bare and the family pocket-pook painfully empty. Work is scarce, because there is no show. Laborers are book painfully empty. Work is scarce, because there is no show. Laborers are book painfully empty. Work is scarce, because there is no show. Laborers are book painfully empty. Work is scarce, because there is no show. Laborers are book

Wheaton.

Miss Mary A. Flynn, of Central avenue, gave a theater party Monday evening at the itarris theater. There were in the party Mr. and Mrs. Edward Flynn, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Young, Miss Lizze Hirch, Miss Lilly Warne, Miss Blackmore and John Flynn.

Miss Mae Kenworthy, of Hamline, enter-cained the G. H. E. Dancing club at her nome Friday evening. Miss Kenworthy is a charming hostess, and the club was not dis-toppointed in the good time they had antici-nated.

appointed in the good time they had anticipated.

The T. O. U. Drive Whist club was entertained on Tuesday evening by Mrs. E. L.
Spencer, 299 Nelson avenue. The prizes were won by Mr. Spencer and Mrs. West.

The reception to be given by the Y. I. A. C. at the Windsor hotel New Year's eve is the all-entertaining gossip of the social circle for the holidays.

Miss Liffle Brown very pleasantly entertained a number of her friends at her residence, No. 284 Williams street. Tuesday Dec. 16.

Miss Keogh, of Ninth street, entertained the shufflers, a euchre club, last Wednesday evening.

The Junior Pioneers will give their annual reception and hop at Druid's hall, Seventh and St. Peter streets, Friday evening, Jan. 15. The comtattee on arrangements are George Symonos, Charles Gross, William Koch, George Schiller and A. E. Devitt. The Ladies' Auxiliary, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, gave a delightful social hop at Wild's hall, 584 East Seventh street, last Tuesday evening. About sixty couples danced to the music of Hilyard's orchestra.

The Aliegro club gave its second social hop at westmoreland hall, Thursday evening. Fogs. of the Portland, furnished an elegant repast and Danz's orchestra furnish.

Mrs. A. L. Sackett, of St. Peter, is the guest A box party was given Monday evening at the Grand opera house by Mr. James, of Boston, in honor of the ushers and brides-maids in town to celebrate the James-Price

nuptials.

St. Paul Lodge No. 122. Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, will give its sixth annual ball and banquet at Standard hall, Eighth and Jackson streets, Friday evening, Jan. 23, 1891.

given at Library hall Friday evening, Jan. 9.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Meeker, of 284 Pleasant avenue, will entertain the English Oak Progressive Euchre club on New Year's evening.

The Standard club will give a euchre party at its club rooms, corner Eighth and Jackson streets, Thursday evening, Jan. 8.

St. Paul Division No. 2, Uniformed rank, will give its first social hop at Pythian hall, 63 East Fifth street, Jan. 16.

Minnesota Division U. R. Knights of Deth.

Minnesota Division U. R. Knights of Deth. Minnesota Division U. R., Knights of Pythias, will give their first social hop at the armory New Year's night. The White Rose Pleasure club will give its next social hop at G. A. R. hall Thursday evening, Dec. 25.
Claude Madden will give some of his de lightful solo music at the Grand on Sunday

### PEOPLE PARAGRAPHED.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Pugn, of Philadelphia, were distinguished visitors to the city this week. They came on to attend the Jaggard-Averili wedding. Mr. Pugh is general manager of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, and came in a special car. Dr. W. W. Jaggard, of Chicago, is very distinguished in his profession, and has risen to the highest honors.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Thompson and their daughter, Miss Sidney, were among the large gathering of friends who witnessed the marriage ceremony of Miss Averill and Mr. Edwin Jaggard, at Christ church, on Wednesday evening

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Mr. Walter T. Smith, of the Albion, will leave St. Faul Tuesday for Pepin, Ill., his former home, were he will reside. Family and business affairs have com; e led him to make the change and give up nis chosen profession of the law.

Miss Louise Jackson left for the East, accompanied by Mr. Sawyer. They will spend Christmas with Miss Sawyer, who is continuing her studies at Harvard Annex.

Noticeable among the guests at the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tinker were Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Thompson, Judge and Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. C. MaeCellan.

Miss Brinkerhoff, of New York, who has

the inspiring strains. The ladies deserve much credit for the charming evening.

The Andantino club gave its second complimentary reception and hop at Library hall, corner Third and Wabasha streets, Friday evening. It was a most enjoyable affair. The costumes worn by the ladies were rich and elegant. Kleist's orchestra furnished the musle. They will give their next social hop in February, and it promises to be a grand affair.

Miss Mary A. Flynn, of 21 Central avenne gave a theater party to see Frank Mayo in "Davy 'Crockett' at the Harris, consisting of the following ladies and gentlemen: Miss Lizzie Hirch, Miss Lizzie Warne, Miss Dollie Blackman, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Flynn, The Junior Pioneers will give their annual recention and hone I backly, but their annual recention and hone I backly, but the second of the control of the following ladies and gentlemen: Miss Lizzie Hirch, Miss Lizzie Warne, Miss Dollie Blackman, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Flynn, The Junior Pioneers will give their annual recention and hone the will return a married man. Miss Bertha de Haas, of Maple street, left vertical of the control of the control

gard last Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Rose, of Ramsey street, are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roberts, of Fargo. N. D.

Clarence, Grout left for Grand Rapids Mich., this week, from which place he will return a married mau.

Miss Bertha de Haas, of Maple street, left yesterday for a few weeks' visit with friends in Fend du Lac, Wis.

Prof. James Blaikie has been visiting Stillwater to make an effort to form a choral club in that city.

Miss Brittain, of St. Joseph, Mo., who came up to the wedding of Miss Price, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. McQuidan and family, of lower Tenth

Mrs. McQuitlan and family, of lower. Tenth street, have taken apartments at the Aberdeen for the winter.

Mrs. Denegre, of West Sixth street, leaves for an Eastern trip during the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Moore, of Crocus hill, has been entertaining Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Paxton, of Minneapolis.

Mrs. S. W. Nelson, of New York city, is visiting Hou. R. R. Nelson and Miss Nelson. The Misses Warner, of College avenue, are home from Faribault for the holidays. Jan. 1.

The Misses Morton, of the "Dacotah," corner of Western and selby avenues, entertained Mr. sherwood and Claude Madden at lanch Thursday at 2 o'clock.

Excelsior Lodge No. 60 will give its annual ball and banquet at the Ryan hotel New Year's eve. This reception promises to be a decided society event.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Baker, of Carroll street, gave a dinner Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock, in honor of Mrs. Hottel and Miss Benedict.

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Mrs. J. M. Rossell, of Dayton avenue, is home from a visit to Columbus, ohio.

Miss Carrie Gilfillan and Miss Grace Warner are home from St. Mary's school.

Mrs. J. N. C. Stockton, of Virginia, is in home from St. Mary's school.

Mrs. J. N. C. Stockton, of Virginia avenue, has been visiting friends in Stillwater.

Willam Sheehy, of Montgomery, Minn., is Senedict.

The Second regiment band will open the S. S. P. C. hall, corner West Seventh street and Western avenue, Friday evening, Jan. 16.

The lvy Leaf Dancing club has issued invitations for their annual hop, which will be actions for their annual hop, which will be the second regiment.

William Shees, a Selby avenue.

Miss Ida Lusk and Miss Laura Grant will be home from Vassar for Christmas.

Miss Josephine Kalman is home from Northampton for the holidays.

> Mrs. Helms, of Hudson, spent several days in town during the week. Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Pearce are visiting friends in New York city.
>
> Miss Fannie Gelletly has returned from a long visit in Grand Forks.

> Ex-Gov. Buren R. Sherman, of Iows, spent a few days in St. Paul.
> William Kelly Jr., will spend the holidays in Louisville, Ky.
> A. H. Wilder and family will spend the winter in California. Mrs. Jay Owens is visiting Mrs. Severance. Mr. and Mrs. Willis, of Omaha, passed the week in St. Paul. Miss Bessie Taylor is visiting Miss. Rich-ards, of Erie. Pa. F. I. Whitney has returaed from a business

The Misses Robbins will soon be home from Mrs. Trelease has returned from Hot A. B. Suckney has returned from New York city. Mrs. John Cogan is spending a month at

Mrs. E. J. Hodgson has returned from Ap-Miss Clara Mott will spend the holidays in Mrs. George Johnson is visiting in Chi-P. Gibbs and wife, of Tracy, are in the

T. Clancy,

# Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Thompson, Judge and Mrs. Harrison Thompson, Judge and Mrs. C. MacCleilan. Miss Brinkerhoff, of New York, who has Jackets. Call and see them.

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Our 8c and 10c Handkerchiefs,

Our 121c and 15c Handkerchiefs, 10c.

Our 35c and 40c Handkerchiefs, 25c.

Our 75c Handkerchiefs. 50c.

Tree with every \$1.00 Handkerchief, a Beautiful Handkerchief Case, worth 35c. Ladies' and Gents' Laundried Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, 25c Each, worth to-day 35c to import.

Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs, one in a box, from \$1 to \$6 Each.

Novelties in Fine Embroidered Hand-Drawn and Pineapple Linen Handkerchiefs for Ladies, Gents and Children. A large and complete line of White, Colored and Initial

CHINESE AND JAPANESE SILK HANDKERCHIEFS For Ladies, Gents and Children. Our Seal Plush Sacques 75c Each--Gents' Japanese Silk Initial Handkerchiefs.

50 dozen Beautiful Silk Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 50c. AND CASHMERE MUFFLERS 35, 50, 75c, \$1 and Up.

500 FINE SILK UMBRELLAS AT COST. French, Spanish and Guipure Lace FICHUS and SCARFS. ELEGANT KID GLOVES AND FANS. Paris Novelties in Ladies' and Children's Silk Ties and

Scarfs. Special sale of Aprons. 20c to \$3 Each.

An Endless Variety of Purses, Card Cases and Hand Bags, From 10c to \$5 Each. LUNDBORG'S FINEST PERFUMES,

> BEAUTIFUL FANCY PERFUME BASKETS AND BOXES, ICE WOOL AND SAXONY SQUARES, \$1 UP.

AT COST: Hosiery and Underwear. OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS.

At the annual meeting of Ramsey Council No. 1259, Royal Arcanum, the following officers were elected: Regent, George Thane; vice regent, Alfred E. Vose; orator, John W. Martin; secretary, George G. Brown; collector, J. R. Kearney; treasurer, C. J. Miss; chaplain, William Johnson; guide, James P. Kelly; warden, R. J. Schiffman; sentry, C. O. Krieger. There will be a public installation of officers of the council at their hall. Third street, corner Bates avenue, the second week in January.

The marriage of Mattic C. Hartman, to Mel.

tendency.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Blake, of Cudworth street, threw open their house for the first social of the People's church. A most pleasant evening was enjoyed by the many present.

relatives.

Mrs. Walter Hill left the past week for a month's visit to relatives in Eau Claire, Wis.

Not a resident of the Park can afford to miss the Miller lecture to-morrow evening.

The Ladies Decorate the Jars

After using out the Imperial Japanese Cream. More acceptable for Christmas gifts than a bottle of cologne. None genuine without signature of Dr. Cooley, of Vassar, and Mme. Adelina Patti Nicolini. Special-sale this week at Mannheimer Bros. and Field, Mahler

MERRIAM PARK.

Rev. W. W. Willard, of Bethany church, St. Paul, will occupy the Olivet pulpit this

The Feronia Avenue Social circle enjoyed a meeting with Mrs. W. C. Edwards Friday yenng.

Rev. H. M. Simmons preaches for the Liberal society this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Miss Fernostadt, the noted soprano of Minneapolis, will also be present.

Rev. R. W. Smith occupies the Methodist pulpit this morning at 10:30, The pastor, Rev. E. S. Pilling, preaches this evening upon "And James." nesday. Only immediate relatives were present at the pleasing ceremony. The bride was! attired in a handsome and becoming costnme, and carried a bouquet of bridal roses. Mr. and Mrs. Barrringer left on the companing train for Chicago. Rev. Dr. Christie of the companing train for Chicago. when and Mrs. J. H. Southall throw open their handsome residence Christmas evening for the Christmas entertainment to the Sunday school scholars of the Episcopal church. Christmas services will be held in St. Mathews' Episcopal church at 11 a. m. The decorations will be handsome and the music excellent. C. S. Phelps, Esq., of Langford Park place. has been seriously ill for several days past, with pneumonia.

Mrs. C. H. Cannon returned from Iowa Wednesday last, where she has been visiting relatives.

A Christmas tree has been provided for the hildren of the Atlantic Congregational hurch, the event being marked down for 'ednesday.

The Sunday school children of St. Peter's tree on New Year's evening.
Charles Smith, of Dubuque, Io., is spending
his Christmas vacation with Alf Williams, of
East Sixth street.
Mrs. Jackson, of Minnehaha street, entertained a few friends at cards Thursday evening.

Miss K. Smith, of Chicago, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Morgan, of Reaney street.

Miss Lena Watkins, of Forest street, is spending a few days at Duluth.

Cooley, of Patti Nic at Maunt & C Miss Du Bols, of Fargo, is the guest of Miss impson, of East Fifth street.

A fancy dress party was given at the home of Miss Winnie Mitham last Thursday evening. A delightful evening was spent in dancing and games by the following: Mrs. E. B. Hubbard, Misses Edna Hubbard, Myrtle Deacon. Gertrude Heine, Lity Ellis, Dora Kuhl. Clara Jackson, and MacLeod, and Arthur Vance, Herbert Yerxa. McCormick. Stone. McCloud, Godley and Hoyt, and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Perry, Capt. and Mrs Brearley, Misses Gertrude Perry and Mand Brearley, and Mrs. Brearley and Croppey.

Delegates from the Merriam Park lodge, I. O. O. F., visited Union Lodge No. 48, in this city, Thursday evening.

Mrs. George A. Hunter has gone to Stevens Point, Wis., where she will spend Christmas with her parents.

Rev. W. W. Willard, of Bethany church, One of Those Dainty Little Jars Of Imperial Japanese Cream makes a charming Christmas gift. None gen-uine without the full indorsement of Dr. Cooley, the chemist of Vassar col-lege, and Mme. Adelina Patti Nicolini. Special sale at Dickinson's and The Golden Rule.

### ST. ANTHONY PARK.

The annual meetings of the Congregational church occurred Wednesday and Thursday evenings. The new officers elected were C. H. Cannon, ex-superintendent; Mrs. John Standen, deaconess, and C. H. Cannon, deacon; Messrs. R. V. Prott, L. B. Green and Anson Blake, as trustees; George Marsh, treasurer and W. H. Griffith, clerk. As customary, the Ladies society came forward and paid the small debt remaining for 1890. Our citizens are never found wanting when Cocasion demands action. The past week Our citizens are never found wanting when occasion demands action. The past week the Langford Park fill, the dangerous overhead bridges of the Northern Pacific and the condition the Great Northern depot is in during the evening have all received such attention as will be heard from, and that speedily. To oblige ladies to stand outside on the platform simply to save the expense of-keeping open their waiting room is a triffe more than they propose to stand.

In the removal of Walter Mann to St. Paul the Park loses one of the best families it has ever had. Fred Mann, it is understood, goes to oswego, N. Y., to enier into business there. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mann are now at the Hotel Barteau, St. Paul.

A most delightful musicale was given by the corps of music teachers of the Stryker seminary, in that excellent institution, Thursday evening last. The programme was varied and up to the standard usually maintained by the seminary.

"Who invented it?"

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"Who invented it?

"I am told it is invented by a St. Paul lady, but whoever it was must have taken a good deal of pains to post herself, for it gives leading incidents about nearly all the battles, and more or less information about the generals on both era. varied and up to the standard usually maintained by the seminary.

The beauties of the electric cars were demonstrated by a party who, desiring to save time, endeavored to go to Minneapolis last Friday evening, and reached there in a little less than an hour and a half; no seats in the car; no fire and for over thirty minutes no careven. It was tun. information about the generals on both era. sides.

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At Low Prices, to Close the Stock.

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bly get our Lowest Prices.

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Brass and Onyx Stands, Piano and Banquet Lamps, Cut Glass, Artistic Pottery, With the thousand and one articles usually described as Bric-a-Brac,

# HOLIDAY

We have this season sold many very Has been extremely satisfactory. Our stock is being rapidly thinned We have this season sold many very remarkable values in Furs, but none better than the lot of

This week we wish to call attention to

As admirably adapted for Christmas Gifts. We will place on our coun-

# Combination Dresses!

All New and Stylish Fabrics, none of them worth less than \$10, many of will be found our immense stock of

These are really very choice goods, and none who buy will regret

On our richest IMPORTED ROBES we have made special cuts which will make the prices very low, and it will be difficult to find anywhere handsomer presents or more acceptable for the money. In piece goods we offer a large quantity of fine wool

## French Serges and Split Cashmeres at 50c Per Yard. They have been 75c.

All-Woo! Royal Armures, 40 inches wide, at 69c. Fine Wool Serges, Homespuns and Plaids for 75c. These goods are all worth 50 per cent more.

Our store will be open until 9 p. m. on Monday, Tuesday and DIVIDED SKIRTS? Mail Order Der antment Wednesday of Christmas Week. You can secure any of the bargains we

offer just as well as if you were here in offer just as well as if you were here in person. Out-of-Town patrons invariably get our Lowest Prices.

Third and Minnesota Sts., St. Paul, Minnesota.

plainly zee I've passed all previous rec-Much attention was recently called to the region around Kotonou, on the Gulf ROMANCE OF A WIDOW. of Guinea, near which place several hundred of the women warriors of the king of Dahomey were killed in battle

Their Huts on Pikes in the Den-ham Waters.

Jaggs Rushioth—Income.

worth street, will give a reception next Saturday evening, the 27th, to the teachers of Ramsey county during 1883 to 1891—the cicht years of Mr. Blake's county supering the cicht years of Mr. Blake's which we will not with the cicht years of Mr. Blake's which

by the French troops. One of the most interesting features of this region is

allowed to wander on terra firma, but fodder is brought in canoes to many less fortunate animals which are compelled

A Story Illustrating the Fickleness of Widows. interesting features of this region is the large native villages and towns that have been built in the water. The inhabitants many years ago took this means of trying to escape the terrible raids of the king of Dahomey. Many hundreds of people were actually driven by the powerful king into the water. It happens that the Dahomians are very superstitious about traveling in canoes or crossing streams, and the fugitives took advantage of this fact to secure on the Third avenue elevated with the bald-headed man he called my atten-

tion to a woman who sat sewing near a window not more than thirty feet frrm the station. She was both good-looking and happy.

"Often see her husband up there with his arm around her," said bald-head.
"Coziest couple I know of. Always look in on them. She devoted to him

or crossing streams, and the fugitives took advantage of this fact to secure protection for themselves.

On any good map one may see the "Denham waters" near Kotonou. This is the home of these lake dwellers. The towns have each a population of from 200 to 300 souls to as many thousands. Physically the people are fine and healthy specimens of Africans, and as a rule they are free from disease. Gov. Moloney, of Lagos, says the houses are built upon piles or straight branches of and home, and my ideal of a wife."

After that I always looked for the woman. Sometimes the bald-headed man and I exchanged words about her. but there was nothing new. One morning of the choost the state of the st ing, after about three months, bald-head observed:
"She's got an anxious look. Husband is probably sick."
Three days later he said:

Moloney, of Lagos, says the houses are built upon piles or straight branches of hard wood three to six inches in diameter. They are driven into the bottom of the lake. The upper ends are secured by cross pieces, on which are laid a bamboo flooring, two-thirds or one-half of which is covered in by a house. The uprights of the house are fixed first and secured below the platform to the supporting pines. The roof frame is next made on the platform, and is covered with grass or bamboo leaves, and raised to its position. The remaining portion of the position of the platform as a very and a severanda. In the

to its position. The remaining portion of flooring is used as a veranda. In the "Sad! She's got into second mourning already! It's probably a case of necessity. I suppose she can be just as sorry in that."

construction no nails are used.

These natives are fishermen and also a pastoral people. It is a curious fact that they keep cattle in pens adjoining their houses built on piles over the water like their dwellings. Sometimes during the dry season the shallowness of the wafer admits of the cattle being allowed to wander on terra firms. but sorry in that."

A month later saw her at the glass curling her hair. My friend didn't say anything, but he looked uneasy. It wasn't a fortnight before her second mourning had disappeared, and we heard her humming a lively air as she threaded a spool. I looked at my friend. "Probably visits his grave every Sunday," he replied. "Light-hearted women never get over grieving. She's to eke out their existence in these pens to eke out their existence in these pens surrounded by water until such time as they are tethered and transported by canoes to the butcher.

The present natives are still in dread of the Dahomians, but even if this fear no longer existed it is probable that the habit which they and their fathers before them have long followed would lead them to prefer these aquatic residences. It is not known how many lake dwellers there are, but it is supposed en never get over grieving. She's singing to ease the pain in her heart." Just a month from that day she stood at the window. There was a man be-side her. She had her head on his

"But I thought you said she would

John F. Dougherty, of Waukon, a Park visitor this week.

Mrs. W. L. Crosby is entertoining Mrs. Alton Crosby, of Willmar.

J. D. Burt spent a few days of the week in Chicago on business.

Mrs. W. L. Crosby is entertoining Mrs. Altended them to prefer these dences. It is not known how many lake dences. It is not known how many lake dences there are at least 10,000 of them among the various tribes whose huts cover the Denham waters. Once in a while these tribes make war on one another, and they tribes make war on one another, and they "Never said a durned word about her, gosh durn her!" he cried; and now we never look into that window any more. dispelled.

Where He Could See More of Her.

Mr. Blank-Why, how do you do,

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