Two bright young society girls of Pitts burg were talking about the way people in different localities use their voices, and one of them expressed an opinion that is food for thought for the student of human peculiarities. She declared that you could tell a resident of Sewickley from one whose come is in the East End simply by noting the difference in the volume of sound that issued from his or her lips.

"Did you ever notice," said she, "how loudly the Sewicklev people speak in ordinary conversation? I mean those in really good society-on a par with members of the best class of the East End. They always seem to pitch their utterances a good mile or two above their breath. I have been thinking that the reason for this is that they live so much in the open air, and are so accustomed to calling across the fields to each other that the habit of shouting becomes confirmed in them before they

"Weil, that is odd," returned No. 2, "but I believe it is true. East End people never seem to strain their voices. Talking about voices, don't you think it would be a spiendid thing if someone would invent a ma chine to kill that maddening buzz-buzz-buzzbuzz-buzz that one glways hears in a large company of ladies at tens, receptions and the like? Small talk is interesting enough when it is addressed exclusively to one's self, but when you get a wild ocean of it in one wast swish of confused murmurings it is enough to drive you out of your mind, especially if you are of a nervous tempera-

Evidently that young lady has been to a good many receptions.

In addition to the six Monday evening dances and the large reception at the Pittsburg Club, mention of which has already been made, there are to be three dinner dances at the Club Theater on the evening of January 2 and 19 and February 14. Mrs. H. D. Denny, Mrs. A. E. W. Painter, Mrs. M. W. Watson and Mrs. Sewell will each give a dinner on these three evenings, and the guesta will go afterward to the club, where there will be other guests, the invitations being limited to 150 in each case,

The reception given by Mr. William T. Wallace, last Thursday, was delightful in every respect. Not only were the appointments distinguished by that perfect taste which is never more marked than in the home of a cultured American woman, but the fact that two of Philadelphia's most charming daughters were introduced to Pittsburg society by this entertainment made it more than usually interesting.

Miss Anna and Miss Evelyn Jones, who
have come from Philadelphia to spend a
short time with their aunt, Mrs. Wallace,
were naturally the recipient of
particular attention from the guests,
and the evening was evidently a most and the evening was evidently a most happy one for them. The flower of Pitts-burg's beauty and refinement was there, and the hostess had reason to be proud of the company that had responded to her invita-tion. She was assisted in receiving by Mrs. Christian I McKee, Mrs. Henry Balkin, Mrs. William H. Bassidy, Mrs. W. H. Whitney, Mrs. William McConway, Miss Elizabeth Johnston, of Hazelwood, Miss Mary Louise Slarle, Miss Metcalf, Miss Murgaret Patrick. Miss Dicken and Miss Herron. Chocolate, coffee and light re reshments generally were served in the dining room, while the fragrance of rich exotics and the cool breath of palms and ferns hovered about the apariments, and made the practical outside world seem like nothing more than a half-forgotten dream to those within. The boars of the reception were from 2 to 4 and 4 to 6 o'clock. About 150 ladies of the two cities called during those hours, the names an-nounced being those best known to society. It is expected that Mrs. Wailace's nieces will remain with her for several weeks. Among the entertainments already arranged for their benefit are a priwate theatrical performance at the resi-dence of Mrs. Gormley, in Sewickley, and a luncheon given by Mrs. William Cassidy,

The debut of Miss Holdship, at a reception and tea given by her mother, Mrs. Henry Holdship, at her elegant Lincoln avenue home, was one of the brilliant society events of the past week. Assisting Mrs. and Miss Holdship in receiving were a number of the most prominent ladies of Pittsburg and Allegheny society, and the occasion was a thoroughly delightful as well as fashionable one. Miss Holdship will undoubtedly prove one of the most popular of this season's belles.

Pittsburg had no wedding of importance last week. Perhaps the solemn and penitential season of Advent had something to do with it, but it is a fact that the only fashionable marriage in which Pittsburg society was immediately interested took place in Philadelphia. The bride was Miss Caroline Dane, or the Quaker City, and the groom Mr. John Semple Clarke, son of Mr. Charles J. Clarke, of Pittsburg. The ceremony was performed Tuesday evening in St. Mary's Church, Rev. Dr. Thomas C. Marnall officiating. The bridal dress was of white Duchesse satin, trimmed with chiffon, while a tulie veil and orange blossoms, and a bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley completed an elegant toilet. Miss Mamie Sharp was the maid of honor, and the bridemaids were Miss Emily Carstairs, Miss Bertha Hunter, Miss Dorothy Baines and Miss Mabel Clarke, a sister of the groom. Miss Sharp's costume was a yellow silk muli, over yellow satin. Each of the bridemaids carried a bunch of daisies tied with yellow ribbon. Mr. Millard F. Lane, the bride's brother, gave her away, Lane, the bride's brother, gave her away, and the best man was Mr. James Clarke. The ushers were Mr. Frank H. Lane, Mr. Wheaton Smith, Mr. William H. Singer, Mr. Walter Albert Pease, Jr., Dr. William W. Blair, and Mr. Benjamin G. Wells. There was a reception at the residence of the sister of the bride, Miss Edith Lane, 402 South Fortieth street, after which the couple left on an extended wedding tour. A large number of Pittsburgers went to Philadelphia to attend the wedding and Philadelphia to attend the wedding, and the affair throughout was one of the most brilliant Philadelphia has seen or will see this season. Mr. and Mrs. Clarke expect to spend the winter in Florida.

Cards of invitation have been received in Pittsburg to the wedding of Miss Elizabeth Copenhaven, of Washington, D. C., and Mr. William Ralston Crabbe, of the Shady-side Academy, that is to take place in the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, Washington, next Wednesday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Crabbe will be at home after January 3, Tuesdays, at Amberson avenue,

The one hundred and eighty-seventh and one hundred and eighty-eighth receptions of the Art Society will be held at the Pittsburg Club Theater, Penn avenue, Friday and Saturday evenings, December 16 and 17, at 8 o'clock. Prof. William H. Good-

Arts and Sciences, and one of the country's leading writers and lecturers on art topics, whose lecturers in the East End last spring are cordually remembered, will at these receptions talk to the society about "Progress
in American Architecture" and "Dutch
and Flemish Painting." The former lecture
will help all to realize the extent
of Pittsburg's good fortune in having for a
Count House the management of America's Court House the masterwork of America's greatest architect. Upon the latter topic Prof. Goodyear will have something fresh to says, having spent part of last summer in the Netherlands. Both lectures will be profusely illustrated with screen views—a most helpful feature. No card will be needed to admit any member and one companion; a card of invitation to admit two friends may be obtained by any member on application to the secretary.

Tuesday evening, December 20, at the North Presbyterian Church, Allegheny, are the time and place mentioned in cards of invitation to the wedding of Miss Elizaabeth A. Revner, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Reymer, and Robert A. Totten, Esq., a young lawyer of this county. Rev. John D. Fox, D. D., will officiate.

Mrs. Edmund Russell had a busy week of it. There was the reception of the Art Society Monday evening, and the lecture at the Concordia Club Wednesday afternoon. It was remarked on Monday evening that Mrs. Russell gave evidence of the excellence of her own methods in the "Art of Speech," by making even her low tones distinctly audible at the rear of the long hall of the Pittsburg Club. There is no doubt that she made a very pleasant im-pression on that occasion, both as a lecturer and a delightful well-bred woman. Her afternoon lecture at the Concordia, too, was enjoyed heartily by the ladies at whose request she delivered it. Mrs. Russell has been the recipient of many social atten-tions during her stay in Pittsburg, and she is most distinctly the fashion this season.

The musicale given under the direction of Miss Mary B. Kier, Friday evening, in Christ Church chapel, for the benefit of the Woman's Industrial, was a very delightful entertainment, and it was patronized so generously as to make the worthy object of it a good many dollars richer.

Former pupils of Georgetown Convent are taking steps to form an Alumnæ Association. There is to be a meeting in April in the music hall of the convent, when it is expected a permanent organization will be made. It is to be followed by a banquet at the Arlington Hotel, Washington, Among the noted women who were educated at the convent may be mentioned Mrs. Russell Harrison, Mrs. Harriet Lane Johnson, Mrs. Dahigren, wife of Admiral Dahigren, Mrs. William T. Sherman, Mrs. Phil H. Sheridan, Mrs. Potter Palmer, Mrs. Fred D. Grant, Miss Emma Etheridge Moran and Miss Harriet S. Monroe, who wrote the dedicatory ode for the World's Fair buildings.

There will be a bazaar and supper in Cyclorama Hall on Tuesday afternoon and evening next, for the benefit of Calvary M.
E. Church, Alleghany. Fancy articles, flowers, home-ade candies and cakes will be for sale at the different booths. Supper will be served from 5 to 8 o'clock.

The Yale College Glee and Banjo Club will give a tuneful entertainment in Carnegie Hall Friday evening, December 23. The list of patronesses includes the names of many well-known women of the two cities who always lend their influence toward the success of a realiv ceritorious entertainment, and the Yale boys may depend upon a large and appreciative audience. The proceeds of this concert, like those of all the other performances by the club, is to found Yale scholarships for the benefit of young men who could not afford to pay for them. An alumnae dinner is to be given to the members of the Glos Club next Saturday at the Duquesne Club.

One woman's idea or how to keep young is to husband the emotion. She says that when a woman is beginning to get old, she cannot afford to be sad or glad, as in her youth. This is very good advice—if it is

JUST BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS.

Society Events of the Past Week of Interest in the Two Cit A.

Mrs. William L. Lapsley, wife of the chief paymaster at the Edgar Thomson Steel Works, gave a reception at her handsome house on Braddock avenue, West Braddock, Thesday evening last, in honor of Dr. W. M. Carothers and bride, who was Miss Gertrade Robbins until five weeks ago. Mrs. Lapsiey received both atternoun and evening. There were 200 friends present, from the two cities, Green-burg, McKeesport, Camden, N. J., Connellsville and other places. The Lapsley house was very beautifully decorated with niants and flowers. Super was served from 9 to 2. Mrs. Lapsley and Mrs. Carothers received from 2 to 5, and were assisted by Mrs. James Gayley, Mrs. W. E. Morrow, Miss Margie Nattach, Miss Lizzle Robbins, a sister of Mrs. Carothers, Mrs. Addison Reed and Miss Carrie Reed, of this city, sisters of Mrs. Lap-ley; Mrs. A. M. Scott and Mrs. White, wife of Judge Harry White, of Indiana, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Carothers are to remove to this city the coming week.

The Entre Nous Progressive Euchre Club held its first meeting at the home of Miss Jessie Brennen, Fifth avenue, inst Tuesday evening. The members are: Misses Bertlin Maudock, Gertrude Knake, Ella Sheibler, Jessie Brennen, Jennie Charles, Blanch Moran, Gertrude Moran, Mame Scaforth, Moran, Gertrude Moran, Mame Seaforth, Midre Seaforth, Teresa Howler, Sadie Force and Neille Force, and Messrs. A. G. Rotrock, H. C. Knake, John Howley, Joseph Schrankel, Erwin Omohundro, James Cark, Charles Solbert, Charence Seibert, John O'Neill and David Ramsbottom. On Tuesday evening the cheering Brennen pariors were prettily decorated with flowers and holly. After a most enjoyable game delicious refreshments were served. The prizes—a besutiful souvenir spoon and sliver match safe—were won by Miss Brennen and Mr. Rotrock.

One of the delightful social events of the past week at Braddock, was the surprise party given Miss Jennie Van Horn, daughter of Mr. John Van Horn, at her home, on Balket avenue and Eighth street, on Wed-Ralket avenue and Eighth street, on Wednesday evening. It was arranged by Mr. Frank Van Horn, a brother of the young lady. Those present were: The Misses Carte Reynolds, East End; Clara Hays, Swissvale; Dot Porter, Ada Riston, Sue Kinney, Mary Sweadner, Jennie Van Horn, Jennie Bennett, Nina Jacksen, Mrs. John Van Horn, Miss Hutzen, Braddock; Mr. Robert Horn, East End; Mr. Joe Hays, Swissvale; Mr. Robert Johnstone, Reaver Falls; Messra. A. Sweadner, Frank Van Horn, George Todd, Clarence Van Horn, Clarence McMillan, Edward Carlisle, Matt Jennings and William Oakley.

A delightful surprise party was tendered Dr. Zacharlas Hodson by his friends at his residence, Sandy Creek, Thursday evening

Washington Edwards, Orville Rev. J. E. Coulter, Daniel Moxon, Moxon, Dr. Issac Frew, Thomas John Hill, Howard Smith, Edward Edward Wood, Harry Conner, Lewis

Owing to the very flattering success of the reception and reunion given under the auspices of Tancred Commandery No. 48, at the Alvin Theater, this city, on the evening of the 23d of February last, and the almost unanimous desire on the part of the Sir unanimous desire on the part of the Sir Knights, members of the Commandery, for its repetition, it has been determined to hold the second annual reception and reunion at the same place on the evening of January Sinext. The following gentlemen have been appeinted a Committee of Arrangements: A. S. Bishop, Chairman; A. E. Hunt, C. P. Walker, J. J. Miller, A. V. Holines, Treasnrer; D. A. Stevenson, Secretary; C. C. Baer, W. S. Brown, William McConway, L. T. Brown, J. T. Cunningham, G. S. Houghton, W. J. Caskey, J. H. Speer, Harry Lauler, D. F. Collingwood, Samuel Moody, D. L. Gillespie, W. C. Thompson, Kennedy Price, G. T. Ghriest, J. M. Boyd, W. L. Mustin, S. W. Hill.

Last Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hickenbottom, of Thirty-eighth street, celebrated their silver wedding, Rev. James celebrated their silver wedding, Rev. James Stewart, of Allegheny, officiating. Mrs. Hickenbottom really looked the young bride over again, dre-sed in lavender slik with lace trimmings. Over 300 persons called to extend their congratulations, among whom were members of Post 88, G. A. R., of which were members of Post 88, G. A. R., of which Mr. Hickenbottom is a member. The presents were both numerous and costly, notably among which were a sliver service appropriately engraved from the peat, and an upright piano, a gift from Mr. Hickenbottom to his wife. The house was handsomely decorated and an elegant supper was served by Mrs. Jacob Khule.

One of the pleasant events of the week was a surprise party given to Daniel Pen-well, Sr., on Thursday evening, in honor of his 53rd birthday. He was taken wholly by surprise and was the recipient of many usesurprise and was the recipient of many useful presents. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. George W. Wasson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bolte, Mr. and Mrs. John Poyntz, Mrs. Thomas Poyntz and mother, Mr. and Mrs. John McCombs, Mr. and Mrs. George Rothwell, Mr. and Mrs. William Penwell, Mrs. Jennie Schieck, Mrs. Phillips and Messrs. Charles Young, John Young, William Duttney, Henry Dut.ney, Robert McFarland, J. A. Penwell, Daniel Fenwell, Jr., and others. The evoning was spent in games, singing, etc.

On Friday, the 16th inst., the letter car riers of the Pittsburg postoffice, who com-pose Branch St. National Association of Let-ter Carriers, will hold their second annual ter Carriers, will hold their second annual entertainment in Turner Hail, Forbes Street, Attached to the braner is a sick and disability fund, for the benefit of which these affairs are held. The following well-known members of the carrier force compose the Committee of Entertainment: J. Milton lavs, Chairman: John B. Larkin, Frank S. Neale, W. S. Hatheway, Henry Schaub, Thomas Minahan, J. P. Watt, M. P. Toole, Sidner B. Foster, John F. Reagan, John J. Scully, John H. Lauge, Ed. O'Brien, W. McCloy, Harry Anderson and Robert C. Russell.

The Federal Club, of Allegheny, entertained toeir friends for the first time this season on Monday evening at their clubseason on Monday evening at their cinbhouse on Arch street. About 25 couples
were present. Processive encoure and
dancing were the enjoyment of the evening.
Miss Mary McKeivy carried off first honors
for the ladies and Mr. Harry Thompson for
the gentlemen. The following ladies were
present: Mrs. A. H. Schreiber, F. P. Wylie,
M. J. E. Moore, Haugh, J. H. Leyda, E. V.
Baboock, J. R. Pearson, F. Vocel, Cook, the
Misses Plaget, Torns, Marshall, Lamb, Mc
Keivey, Short, Ross, Peterson, Fitch, Heinle,
Price, Gleasonkamp, Hill, Miller, Newkirk

The Magnolia Euchre Club was very pleasantly entertained by the Misses Mangold, of Ma Troy, last Thursday. The head prizes Ma Troy, last Thursday. The head prizes were captured by Miss Clara Siemon and Mr. Demmier and the booby prizes by Miss May Wheeler and Mr. Kaiser. Music, games and a dainty lunch added to the evening's enloyment. Those present were the Misees Tilie Nickel, Clara and Nellie Siemon, Anna Braun, Gu-sie and Eloma Nickel, Belle Andriessen, Mny Wheeler, Millie and Eda Mangold and Messrs. Kaiser, Demmier, Siemon, Nickel, Mangold, Ede, Gaertner and Mathews,

Mr. and Mrs. James Dowling, of Corey avenue, Braddock, celebrated the fifth anniversary of their marriage on Tuesday even-ing, or rather 100 of their friends coerced them into celebrating it by taking posses-sion of the Dowling home and surprising the occupants. Music and dancing together with a well served supper made the event

A reception, in honor of Miss May Anderson, formerly of Steubenville, O., was held on Thursday evening at the residence of Mrs. Wilson, Jr., of the East End. The house was beautifully decorated, flowers and lights being everywhere. Fmir 300 guests thronged the spacious parlors, a large number coming from Philadelphia and Baltimore.

A "Carnival of Nations" will be given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Turtle Creek Presbyterian Church, from Tuesday to Friday evening of this week. Supper will be served from 5 to 10 o'clock each evening.

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An enjoyable birthday celebration was held in honor of Mr. Emanuel Harris, of Mayflower street, East End. Music was turnished by the Mauette Orchestra, after which refreshments were served. The guests included the members of the Manetfe Circle and William Pitt Literary Society, to which Mr. Harris is a member.

The wedding of Miss Bertha Schreiner, daughter of Mr. John Schreiner, of Alle-gheny, to Mr. William Stevenson, of Stevenson & Co., Wellsville, O., is to take place next Tuesday at 5:30 o'clock. It is to be a pretty house wedding with the bride's two sisters in attendance. About 200 invitations have been issued.

The Del Monte Euchre Club, of Allegheny, gave its first reception of the season at Cyclorama pariors on Thursday evening. A very enjoyable time was spent in dancing and card playing. At 11:30 a bountiful repast was served, after which dancing was re-sumed and continued until long past mid-night.

The testimonial benefit concert given to Miss Ida Boyle, organist of the First M. E. Church, of Braddock, in that omurch, last Tuesday evening, under the auspices of the Duquesne Conservatory of Music, was one of the most successful musical affairs that has been given in that place for a long time.

A pretty home wedding in Hazelwood Tuesday evening united the lives of Miss Davis, daughter of Captain and Mrs. J. M. Davis, and Mr. George H. Lysle, of McKees-port. After a two week's trip to New York the couple will live in a mandsome new house in McKeesport.

An entertainment is to be held by the congregation of the Swedish Evan-gelical Lutheran Church of Braddock in Oakland Hall to-morrow and Tuesday even-ing. It was begin last evening. The Yat-man quartet, of McKeesport, will take part in the enterginment.

A special meeting of the Ludies' Aid So-clety of the Southside Hospital will be held Tuesday alternoon, December E, at 3 P. M., at 3t. Mark's Guild rooms, Eighteenth street, Southside. Important business demands the attendance of every member.

The faculty and pupils of the Allegheny High School will be given a compilmentary entertainment by R. Stanley Burieigh, the elocutionist, Tuesday evening, December 20. The engagement of Miss Margaret A.

Crouch, the giften soprano, to Mr. W. Chf. McCausland has just been announced, the wedning to take place in February. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Williams, Jr., of Oakland, was gladdened last week by the arrival of a charming little daugnter.

The Fifth avenue Carlton Club will give its sixtu annual reception at New Turner Hall, Forbes avenue, to-morrow evening.

December Personal Gossip. Mr. David H. Nichel, Chief of the Labor Bureau at Washington, D. C., is visiting friends at Braddock.

Mr. Frank D. Saupp, a draughtsman at the Edgar Thomson Steel Works, is seriously ill at his home in Altoona. Mrs. H. D. Graham, of Hemlock street, Allegheny, has retur ed from a six weeks' visit to Philadelphia and New York. Miss May Shanahan, of Federal street, who has been traveling through the East for the past four months, has returned home.

Miss Clara Stewart, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. L. Murdough, of Brad-dock, has returned to Williamstown, W. Va. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Oskin, of Braddock, returned home yesterday from New York City, where they went a week ago to attend the fun-ral of Mr. Richard Thomas, a brother of Mrs. Oskin.

Personally-Conducted Tours and Their Growth.

Some idea of the amount of traveling done by Americans as a people, and the comfort and luxury at their command, is gathered from the Pennsylvania Bailroad Company's announcement of its personally-conducted Mrs. H. E. Monroe, of Philadelphia, well known in this city, from her lectures, gave her illustrated Story of the Beformation in the Opera House at Irwin Thursday and Friday. A chorus of 70 voices sang Luther's battle hymn "Ein Feste Burg." Twenty gentletie hymn bein costume of office and court enacted Luther's trial at Worms. The house was crowded Dottn inglits by an appreciative audience. Mrs. Monroe was ably assisted by Miss Yale, who had charre of the stage, and Mass Stewart, who looked after the stereopticon views. four admit of two whole weeks in the sunny South, while tickets for the fifth tour are good to return until May 30, 1893; 533 is the rate, which includes all expenses en route in both directions after joining the party for the first four fours and on going trip for fith tour. On return trip of fifth tour ticket covers transportation only. For detailed itineraries andress Thomas E. Watt, Passonger Agent Western, District, Pittsburg.

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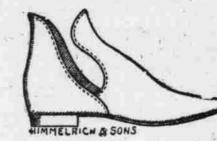
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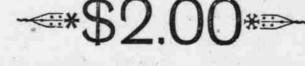
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