

up the attention of so many people for the past three weeks that but little else has been done in society. Since Monday preparations for Christmas have occupjed thought and care to the exclusion of other topics and it is not probable that many functions will take place until after the 25th.

That the opera was a great success is superfluous to remark. It surprised community, and that is the truth. From a musical and artistic standpoint it surpassed everything here:ofore attempted in this region, and there is but one voice regarding the general creditability of the perform-

That it was such a social and finan-

cial success is largely due to the directors of the Hahnemann hospital, who worked indefatigably from the date of its inception. Mrs. T. H. Watkins opened her house for rehearsals, and society leaders provided costumes et cetera, for the performers wherever their assistance was necessary, The members of the cast toiled day and night to perfect themselves in their various roles, and Messrs. A. H. Storrs, A. G. Hunt, and others did valuable service in connection with the business arrangements. Most of all, the affair received the most en-thusiastic support of the public, which would have redoubled its aid if the performance could have been repeated.

Madame Timberman-Randolph and the Recital club have covered themselves with glory and there is a pos-sibility that a definite engagement will be made between them and the hosp'tal people to produce an annual musical entertainment under their auspices. If they should thus arrange, they could not do better than to secure Mrs. Dixie as manager, for she has amply proved her ability to produce a programme exactly as defined, on time and with a perfection of smoothness. About \$1,400 was realized from the opera.

Among the most pleasing features of the affair was the souvenir programmes contributed by the Correspondence schools.

An interesting incident in connection

Amateur performances, such as the opera of this week, afford interesting will be in charge. revelations of the world behind the scenes to the young people unfamiliar with such environment. They cartainly had a good time on this oceasion, and the picturesque effect of the varied costumes was not lost in the pretty groups in the wings. The most incongruous sight was in the "statues" in the "Artist's Dream." They hated themselves in their makeup and avoided mirrors. They were discovered sitting around disconsolately, with their chalky white arms held at uncomfortable angles to avoid illes they all dired with one of their number. The head of the house cust one look at the spooky-looking party girls," he said apologetically, "but 1 with you. It is too much like dining with a lot of corpses just due H. H. Stock, J. W. Oakford, W. beautiful effect under the calcium lights from the stage could scarcely Ripple. console the young ladles for the appearance at close range, and their tickets at the nominal sum of 25c, at

HE OPERA CARNIVAL took | visible discontent with their lot was not the least amusing part of the greenroom incidentals.

> The managers of the Home for the Friendless will conduct a series of en-tertainments in February, which, it expected, will transcend anything in the way of costume events which have ever taken place in Scranton. While it will be in the nature of a Kirmess, it will have many novel and chacting the role of dolls. This part attractive features. As a Marie Antoinette Fete it will include the charming Watteau effects of that period and will be varied by dances never before given in this region. Profiting by past experiences, Mrs. E. F. Chamberlin, the chairman of the finance committee, has planned to consume but a brief time in rehearsals, limiting the preparations to a much shorter space than has heretofore been considered

It is reasoned that the many weeks of rehearsals and worrisome attention | fair's success. to details, will weary the young people and that a far greater degree of excellence can be obtained by a shortor time devoted to brisk rehenrals. attendance at which will be impera-

ing of enthusiasm is evident among the young people of the city regarding the proposed fete and it is eviden that they will enter into it with the liveliest interest. Alt, these blessed young people! How hard they do Benjamin Eynon. work, and how generous they are with their gifts of health, beauty, grace and time, as well as money, to help the poor, the unfortunate, or the

It was rumored that the Home for the Friendless had given up the idea in February, but it should be explained that not for a oment sine. it was first decided to have such an affair, has the project been abandoned.

There will be a unique entertainment next Thursday night at St. Luke's parish hall when the Boys' Industrial association will nold sway. with the opera is the fact that the preparations for this elaborate event consumed but three weeks.

It is their first great public appearance, and much is expected. Thy will give a gymnostic exhibition and

A divergence from the usual run of such affairs will also be noted in the patronage. It is a very popular cusfor almost everything excepting prize-fights. Ludies always feel more or less complimented at being selected for such prominence, even if it in-cludes, as sometimes it does, the understanding that tickets are to be bought and sold by such favored ones. Now, on this occasion there are to

The lady whose duty it was to select rubbing off the powder, and their dis- these gentlemen, found the same difmal faces strongly at variance with | ficulties she would have met in sethe bright-hued dresses and high curing patronesses. Some desired to color of the damsels in the chorus, know if she would allow them sufficient time to get a new gown—pardon. make-up from noon until after the a new suit of clothes. Others were evening performance, and out of re- anxious as to the list, desiring to asof persons were to be associated with Others declared that themselves. they really could not sell tickets while and precipitatedly moved away from there were those who wished to know "I suppose it is all right, what hour the carriages would be sent simply can't cat at the same table however, putherized as constituting the list of patrons: H. W. Kingsbury, up, after a burial of a few days. It Marple, George DuB, Dimmick, J. Penmay be all right for a nospital bene- jamin Dimmick, George B. Jermyn, fit, but I decline," There were screams Charles S. Weston, H. A. Knapp, Henry of delight at his discomfiture, but he Belin, jr., F. S. Brown, Everett War-persevered in his determination. The ren, Theodore S. Wolf, Rev. Dr. Rogers Israel, Thomas Sprague, Colonel E. H.

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A magic doll show was given at the Excelsior club Thursday night by the ladies of the Linden street temple for the benefit of the building fund.

The doll show was a one act pantomime, with musical accompaniment, all but five of the dramatic persona-Mrs. Albert N. Kramer, and the absense of any irregularity or awkwardness was the greatest tribute to the ability of the directress. The committee in charge of the entire enter-tainment was made up of Mrs. Samuel Samter, Mrs. R. M. Goldsmith, Mrs. A. N. Kramer, Mrs. J. O. Acker-man, Mrs. Sol. Goldsmith, Mrs. Louis their earnest and industrious efforts were mainly responsible for the af-

dance last night at the Bleyele club. A large number of guests attended. The chaperones were Mrs. Eugene Fellows, Mrs. C. L. Griffin and Mrs. W. W. Berry, Hanley was the enterer and Bauer furnished music. The Wanita club is composed of Messrs. Leon Griffin, Raymond Sanderson, Will Berry, Max Jessup, Ralph Allen, Archie Dean, Jack Burns, Parnham Mears and

Among the guests were: Misses Gould, Ruth Loomis, Augusta Polhamus, Elizabeth Rose, Minai. White, Grace and Ida Haines, May Blanchof giving their fete the second week ard, Ida Moore, Bessie Fraunfeld, Bessie Harrington, Jessie Welsh, Kitty Fish, Freda Kann; Messrs, Clarence Robert Beaumont, Edward O'Reilly. Charles Adams, George Evans, Char-George Coar, Harry Rose, Morse, Walter Davis, Arthur Davis, Albert Kellow, Ralph and Lectuard Rittenhouse, William and Russell Shurtleff, Allson Kingsiey, Bert Woodward, Walter Phillips. Tracey Tingley, Lester Morse, George Daniels, Tom Darling, Owen Carr.

> The New Year dance, which this for's ball is to be a beautiful and elaborate affair. The committee. Messes, James Blair, W. J. Torrey. and M. B. Fuller, propose to omit no detail of elegance and taste. The dancing half will be decorated in an entirely new fashion, but such as to make it more attractive than it has ever been. It is intended to patron'ze home tradespeople in every arrangement, in music, decorations, engraving, caterors, etc. The supper room is magnificent Oriental effects.

A coterie of young people living on the hill gave a dance at Guernsey hall last night.

Mrs. Margaret Gillesple has issuel invitations to the marriage of her granddaughter, Miss Anna Remington Gillespie, to Mr. Thomas Shotton, the ceremony to take place on Saturday next at noon, in the Providence Presbyterian church.

Mrs. A. H. Christy entertained yesterday at a thimble tea in honor of her guests, Mrs. Forsyth and Mrs. Tax-Among those present were Mrs. E. L. Fuller, Mrs. L. S. Oakford, Mrs. J. Benj. Dimmick, Mrs. Frank Silliman, Mrs. William Matthews. Mrs. Everett Warren, Mrs. B. E. Watson, Mrs. G. B. Jermyn, Mrs. L. G. LaBar, Mrs. T. F. Penman, Mrs. E. G. Coursen, Mrs. C. L. Frey, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. R. Q. Powell, Mrs. J. L. Wentz, Mrs. A. H. Coursen, Mrs. H. W. Kingsbury, Miss Coursen, Miss Howell.

Mrs. J. W. Peck gave a thimble ton at her home on Monroe avenue, Thursday afternoon, when the guest of

Mrs. F. D. McGowan entertained at a himble tea on Tuesday, at her home on Wheeler avenue.

Mrs. T. Cramer von Storch will entertain a company of married ladies at

## Movements of People

Miss Yeager, of Plymouth, is the guest of Miss Frank M. Vandling returned last evening from a business trip to New York.

Miss Jennison, of Chicago, will be the guest of Miss Alice Matthews next week.

Mrs. George E. Guild and daughter, Gertrude, are visiting friends in Northampton, Mass.

Mrs. T. F. Torrey was in the city this week the

uest of her mether, Mrs. Thomas Dickson. Mrs. Richard Hiorns returned Thursday from visit with a sister in Grafton, North Dahota. Charles Scharar and family of East Market street, left the city on Thursday for their new ome near Pittsburg. Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Dershimer, of Tunkhan-

nock, yesterday were guests of Miss Belle Von Storch, on North Main avenue. Mrs. W. M. Gardner has returned from several weeks' stay at Danville, where she has been de-ained by the serious illness of her mother. George M. Miles, of Buffalo, N. Y., traveling representative of the publication department of the Pan-American Exposition, was in the city

Alderman John T. Howe and son, Joseph, left yesterday for Chester, where they will visit the magistrate's daughter, Miss Mildred Howe, who is a student at the West Chester Normal school.

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### Dividiation with the state of t HER POINT OF VIEW SAMMANAMANANA

M R. BOK, of the Ladies' Home Journal, is, generally speaking, extremely careful about the style of literature he provides for the hundreds of thousands readers of his magazine. He has nice, clean stories with an unmistakable moral and no suggestive reflected lights. He provides improving and elevating essays and cooking receipes which have not too much wine in them. He has made it a point to relieve the mind of the anxious young girl who insistently demanded to know whether it is right to allow a strange young man to kiss her when he says good night, and he has given shudders of horror to men who have guilelessly worn Tuxedo coats to a dinner but who, from Mr. Bok's journal learn that it is criminally wrong to appear in such a garment where there are ladies. Such young men have felt as embarrassed because of their breach of efforette, as if they had appeared In public in pajamas, while others have been rejoiced to know that there is no law prohibiting them from sending a girl violets once in a while, say at Christmas.

But Mr. Bok had one writer for his

magazine who must cause him to blush since her more recent literary work is being exploited. To be sure. she did not do any great damage to The Wanita club gave a beautiful efforts published by the Ladies' Home Journal, but her lates attempt is a little different. Reference is made to 1 Illian Bell.

"Expatriates" is a book no young girl would allow her mother to read. It is simply horrid. Notwithstanding the fact that the American eagle sermants on every page, from cover ive and indicates that the mind of what high principles he has, what amthe writer is not all that could be desired in the way of cleanliness. If Christine Fellows, Louise Thompson, such a book had to be written to warn gentleness is a fury of temper, but Frances Mears, Miss Burns, Bessle off fool-American girls from marry-stelle. Yolande Kellum, Margaret ing with the France nobility, it has per would never be anything but love people for their impurity of thought. The scenes are bysterical and ex-Osland, Roy Gillespie, Melvin Snyder, aggerated and the exalted beroine is it possible. He is a brave, good man. scarcely all that could be desired in William Kann, Leo Sylvester, Dr. the way of delicacy and grace of and never in all your days will you be Blythe White, William McCracken, language. Why in the world Miss Li!- anything but a lonely, cold woman, lian Bell Bogue should pervert her les, Horn. Burnham Gulld. Clarence abnormally keen sense of humor, her Osland. Henry Greenstead, William brightness and sunny temperament to chnormally keen sense of humor, her write such a nasty book is incompre-Myer Kabatchnick, Lyon Weyburne, hensible. She has twisted the in-William McKee, Griffith Thomas, Rob-tended moral of showing up American ert Luce, Edward Welsenflue, Edward girls to be superior creatures by making the nicest ones she gives, as Yom Eynon, Walter Benedlet, Barton in "Expatriates," slangy and somedines rather coarse, such expressions as "You bir, beautiful thing," "The eleverest thing that ever happened," and "Lord," and other irreverent expression are found on every rage. It is all very well to be intensely patriotic, but such patriotism as is shown in this book is enough to weary even year will be substituted for the Bache- | the most patient foreigner, and worry the mest enthusiastic American.

> If there is any virtue in this wide world which parents should endeavor to instill into the mlads of their chilbute of calendared sainthood. Proerastination is more than an error-One who suffers daily, hourly, from the procrestinating habit is competent to give advice on the subject, particularty after having systematized the fault to such an extent that it is revised into the motto: "Never do any thing today that you can put off until the latter part of next week when perhaps you won't have to do it at all."

> Now this isn't a lazy man's creed. It is simply the result of repeated and persistent delay until the procrastination habit has been acquired irrevoca-bly. You will never know exactly what that means until you reach the point where you never do anything in the world with promptitude, when your every impulse is to wait a little, when you are a veritable Mexican with the ever repeated "Manana," Tomorrow! Tomorrow! You will not be able to thoroughly realize the grasp of this habit until the thought of even entering upon pleasure is always accompanied with the impulse to wait a little, when no duty is ever accomplished just at the moment when it should because it is put off for an hour, an afternoon, or a week, Stronger than the drink habit, stronger than the appetite for tobacco or chicken salad, or lobster-Newburg, is the fixed habit so easily acquired of delaying It is a method once adopted that probably gives you more absolute wretchedness and more genuine delight than any other. Nobody but a confirmed p-orastinator can realize what a horror t is to arrive at the latter part of next week to find mountains of neglected duties heaped up in the way with no path round or above or through. Nobody but a prograstinator can realize how utterly deficious it is to idle away an hour or two of borrowed time with some charming book or with an equally fascinating friend to snuggle down cosily on the lounge for a nap, when the left-over duties and the ones just due are crowding each other the other side of the door. Such bliss! but ah. such misery when the latter part of next week arrives.

This is a Story with Two Morals She was such a nice girl—so attractive and popular and capable. Everything she did was done just right. She was onscientious, generous and amiable, and one man, at least, among her friends thought she was perfection, and even more, if possible. She cared about him, too-that is she must have been fond of him, for he was everything a girl could desire in a lover, and most of her acquaintances would have given a great deal to have him so ut terly devoted to themselves. But how lady snubbed him! She was just like the girls in the novels, only she wasn't in a novel, but was a real, genunine, living, and breathing girl. And she led that particular young man a weary chase. She wasn't a coquette She didn't mean to torture him, but it just seemed that she didn't know he own mind, and for months and ever years-for it had been going on since she wore her hair in pigtails-she kep him subject to her moods. He was entirely too meek and never did more than look grieved when she snubber him and was just as easy to fly back to her at the slightest smite of encour agement. He simply couldn't stay

Her friends used to remonstrate with her and declare that one day she would regret it. They asked her how in the be his wife. "Don't be foolish," she said, serenely; "I don't want to be married, and I am not at all sure that I would marry you anyway." And he went away with the same look he always bore on his face when he gazed

Oddly enough after that night it began to be noticed that he was less seen at her side as her patient, hopeful attendant. He left off watching her with that look of dumb pleading in his eyes, and he seemed to laugh more and was merrier even than in the other days, although he had always been the life of the circle of friends. Sometimes the girl used to be detected looking at him with a strange, puzzled expression, although she did not seem to resent his new attitude. She was too much absorbed in adjusting herself to the changed relations to be resentful, and besides she was not a narrow, frivolous or vindictive person.

The morning came, after warning in the shape of rumors which she did not heed, when she found his wedding cards at her plate. He was to marry a girl in another town, one whom she had never seen. She went to her room after a time and sat down before the mirror and said to the white face which seemed to look at her curious-

"You have made a mess of life, not only of your own but others. You knew all the time that some day you expected to marry him, yet you wore out his patience, his belief in you and his best self. You might as well admit that you don't know how to live without him. You've missed him so these past weeks that there is only a big ache where your heart used to be. You know he's the only man in to cover, the story is violently offens- the world you could marry. You know bition, what purity of thought and word. You know that beneath his per would never be anything but love defeated its purpose by its own vul- and devotion and consideration. You garity. An American girl capable of know this, too, that he is not marry-writing such a novel should besitate ing another girl through pique, but before endeavoring to admonish other just because he was hopeless and desolate without you and wanted to readjust his life to make the best of You are a pitiful coward, do you hear? who might be happy if she hadn't been a fool." Saucy Bess.

## Plays and Players

Richard Savage, the poet, whom Madeline cette Ryley has taken as the central figure of her new play, in which Mr. Miller is to appear here in the near future, was the contemporary of Dr. Johnson, Addison, Richard Steele, Alex-ander Pops, Colly Cibber and other literary ce-lebrities, each of whom are more familiar in the minds of the reading public than is Richard Savage. It was not, however, his literary fame, but his intensely dramatic career and his per-sonal characteristics which engaged the attention of the fair dramatist. The bitter light which Savage waged against destiny was foreshadowed to instill into the minds of their children it is that of never putting off till the morrow what should be done to day. Promptness in attending to duty is more than a virtue—it is an attrible in the more than a virtue—it is an attribute. Savage wased against destiny was foresanatowed by pre-natal events. His mother was Lady Mac elested, a fashionable woman of the period, but as Richard Savage's biographer, Dr. Johnson tells us, she was by no means an ornament to less save Desiring a divorce from her husband by a contraction of the period of t she openly confessed that her child about to be born, was not his, but that of her paramour, the Earl Rivers, a confession which, of course, cured the divorce. To add to later to be known as Richard Savage, to the of others, and throughout his life refused recognize ann as her own. The dramatic in est of the play, which is embellished by roma is based upon the feud between mother and so Many of the literary celebrities mentioned figu in the story, which is, of course, in some was suggested by Johnson's biography, but 's sai to be almost entirely drawn from the imagina

In the Dramatic Mirror Daniel Sully tells the manner in which he obtained "The Pari Priest," the clever play by Dan Hart, in whi he has several times appeared here: "It was the merest chance that I secured this play, o which I confess I have become an enthusias Five years ago I was spending the summer, a usual, at the farm in Ulster county; and or evening I happened to be standing at the ga way, watching an approaching storm, when rain on my veranda. He accepted, and very soon we were exchanging stories most agreeably. He, not imagining that he was talking to an ector, related the story that is the foundation of 'The Parish Priest,' and said that he had an idea of turning it into a play. The plot attracted me at once. I made my identity known to him, and he told me that he was Daniel L. Hart, of Wilkes-Barre. Before he left Mink Hollow we had entered into an agreement relative to the writing and the producing of the drama that was to be. Mr. Hart went to his home and thought and studied and worked for four years over 'The Parish Priest' and I want to tall you, sir, carnestly and sincerely, that it--- But just at that moment Mr. Hart himself en tered the room and Mr. Sully cut his speech

The position of "understudy" for one of the principal parts is greatly prized by the ambitions young actresses who appear in the ball room scene of "Lost River," and competition among them has been so keen that Stage Maniger James Lackage has inaugurated a series of xaminations to determine who shall be awarded the prices. Each applicant is given a re hearest in the role she aspires to, and the one showing the most talent will be appointed unlerstudy which position carries with it a slight also in salary as well as increased standing in he company, and the possibility of achieving hit in the part during the illness or absence of the regular incumbent. The civil service system applied to the stage is a new idea, but it seem

Liebler & Co. contradict the report, printed y several New York papers, that Miss Eleanor tolson, late of the "Arizona" company, will tolson, late of the Arizona company, win-star under their management this season. Miss Rolson has been engaged for Flossic Williams in "Unleavened Bread," and will be assigned to important roles in other Liebler productions durig the next five years, but their plans do not include an immediate starring tour for her. She will re-appear in the special production of Browning's "In a Balcony," with Otis Skinner and Sarah Cowell LeMoyne, which will be repeated in the spring, playing the role of Con-sinnee, in which she scored such a pronounced hit.

The December number of the Metropolitan magazine contains an article on "The Passion Play at Oberammergau," trepared by Grace George, Miss George spent much of her summer in Bayaria, and her description of the extraordinary religious festival is most graphic, in all the vast amount of matter recently pub-lished anent the performance, this is the only technical criticism of the peasant players writ-ten by a professional player that has appeared, consequently it has a unique interest.

Manhattan theatre, New York, and W. ... Brady s sending her on a brief tour in "Her Ma-esty." Despite illustrious precedent, the suprorting company to be seen on the road is identical with the original. It includes Frank Worthing, Morton Selten and several other notables. This city is among the number booked.

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# him to do her bidding and stand ready for her call. "Oh, I don't intend to get along without him," she would reply indifferently. "There will always be Allen." And that evening she refused him again as he begged her to be below the wife will be considered.



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