

Social Personal

WE LOOKED out upon a new world yesterday morning. The spirit of the frost had jeweled every tree and shrub and vine with diamonds to compensate for the loss of ruby and emerald leaves, and the earth was a fairy-land in the sunshine. There were those who, thinking of the bitter chill, shivered indoors and forgot to look out at the wondrous picture, just as there are those whose souls shiver within a small and narrow room of self and worldly thought and never know the glorious beauty of an outer view into a wider life, rich with the jewels and kind words and the smiles of joy which they have helped and the joy of being really alive.

No one who went into the clear, wondrous frost-veiled air yesterday morning could long harbor unfriendly thoughts of anybody or anything beneath the brilliant sun. There was a gladness and a zest in the atmosphere that was contagious as laughter.

All social interest now centers in the Bachelors' ball. Of course it is to be finer than ever before. The Bachelors never had a ball in the armory, therefore a new enthusiasm exists. The invitations will be issued next week. The list has been entirely revised and will number, perhaps, five hundred guests. Special care has been taken with the music. Bauer's band with forty-five pieces has been engaged, and anyone who remembers the way that band played at the armory ball will surely realize what the promise means for the Bachelors.

The patronesses are: Mrs. James Archibald, Mrs. W. W. Scranton, Mrs. Henry Bell, Jr., Mrs. E. L. Fuller, Mrs. T. H. Watkins, Mrs. E. Platt, Mrs. N. G. Robertson, Mrs. E. H. Jernan, Mrs. J. Benj. Dimmock, Mrs. H. H. Brady, Jr., Mrs. P. B. Bellin.

The testimonial concert which is to be given to Mr. Charles Doersam by his many friends next Thursday evening, in St. Luke's parish house, will be an important event of the season. An excellent programme has been arranged, consisting of solos by Mrs. H. H. Brady, Miss Grace Spencer and Ralph Williams; duet by Messrs. Black and Garagan; the sextette from Lucia by Mrs. Gardner Sanderson, Miss Black and Garagan, Messrs. W. M. Binnell, Ralph Williams, Eugene Wentzel and Thomas Hall. Bauer's orchestra will play, and Messrs. Widmayer and Doersam will give a duet for violin and piano. Messrs. Doersam, Widmayer and Blackwood will play a trio for piano, violin and violoncello. The Tercentenary song, from Carmen, will be sung by Eugene Wentzel, accompanied by a chorus of forty voices.

It is gratifying to learn that a number of tickets have been sold, and it is expected that a large audience will be present.

If there is anybody in this city who deserves the earnest and enthusiastic support of all the musical circles that person is Mr. Doersam. Indeed, no limit can be placed on the obligations which the community owe to him. There are very few people, indeed, among the leisure classes, as well as the musicians, who are not more or less indebted to him for courtesy. He has never been too busy to try to end his assistance whenever called upon. He has never been one to enter into any of the little disturbances which sometimes agitate the musical set. He is so talented, so energetic and painstaking that our townspeople should feel glad to have an opportunity of showing their appreciation.

It is a satisfaction to see Norton's book store back again on Lackawanna avenue, where for many years it has been a familiar landmark. It has had no permanent home since the dreadful fire last February, and the loss which such forced removals have made is

serious. Mr. Norton has leased his own building, a few doors above his present location, to a large furniture firm from the west, who will occupy it after completion in January.

In the West Pittston Presbyterian church, Tuesday night, Miss Janet Law, of West Pittston, was wedded to William Romaine Stull, of Oakland, Maryland, manager of the Preston Lumber and Coal company of that place. Rev. Dr. Harshaw performed the ceremony.

The church was decorated with a plentiful display of flowers. As the wedding party entered the church a march was played upon the organ by Mrs. H. Fritz Webber. The bride was attired in white lace and wore a veil caught with a jeweled feather and carried a massive bouquet of lilies of the valley. The maid of honor, Miss Jean Gray Law, sister of the bride, was dressed in white organdy, covered with Valencia lace. She carried a bouquet of American Beauty roses. The bride, leaning on the arm of her father, John B. Law, and accompanied by her maid, proceeded to the chancel, where they were met by the groom and his best man, Albert A. Stull, a cousin. The ushers were Oscar W. Stull, of Ambler, Pa., brother of the groom; Frank G. Patten, and Paul J. Bedford, of Wilkes-Barre; Wilfred Stoddart, George A. Cooper and Frank W. Cool, of West Pittston.

After the church ceremony there was a reception at the Law residence. The guests were received by the bride and groom, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Law, Albert A. Stull and Jean Gray Law. Present at the wedding from Scranton were: Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Foster, Dr. Anna Law Ayard, Mr. and Mrs. Blackinton, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Teeter, Miss Teeter, Miss Galpin, Miss Boles, James Blair, Jr., Albert G. Hunt.

The first debutante presentation of the season was at the beautiful reception given on Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Sturges, when Miss Sturges and Miss Marion Sanderson were introduced to society. Mr. and Mrs. George Sanderson received with Mr. and Mrs. Sturges and the young ladies. The reception was lavishly decorated, were additionally attractive by reason of countless floral tributes to the debutantes. The dining-room was adorned in pink.

Mrs. W. G. Parke poured coffee, Mrs. J. Benjamin Dimmock, Mrs. W. W. Scranton and Mrs. Gardner Sanderson. Mrs. George Sturges and Mrs. C. S. Sturges were about the rooms. Mrs. James Gardner Sanderson, Miss Eleanor Reynolds, Miss Cornelia Galpin and Miss Ethel Boles served in the dining room.

Miss Archibald entertained the Luncheon club this week.

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The closing number of Miss Dickinson's parlor talks on Babylonia and Egypt will be given this afternoon at a o'clock, at Mrs. R. J. Foster's on Clay avenue, unless another such stormy afternoon as was last Saturday's, which prevented the attendance of so many, shall compel further postponement. With the storm which is near that is especially undesirable.

This afternoon Miss Julia C. Allen has kindly consented to assist, accompanied by Miss Charlotte Blackman. But if the weather shall compel postponement into next week, she would, most regretfully, be given up.

Mr. James Blair, jr., gave a dinner at the country club Monday night in honor of the two young women who are the Thanksgiving handmaid. The guests were Messrs. A. C. Tutwiler, A. G. Hunt, M. B. Fuller, W. J. Torrey, F. C. Fuller, Dr. Claude Walker, and J. H. Brooks.

Professor Salter whose methods of teaching French have attracted so much attention, has been persuaded to remain two weeks longer for the benefit of advanced students. Yesterday was his closing day of the five weeks' course first arranged. The truly remarkable progress made by the students was exemplified in the ease with which they conversed on topics not hitherto introduced and the complete comprehension which they had of the remarks made by the professor. The lessons will continue daily except on Saturday in St. Luke's parish house, third floor back at 1 o'clock and 8 p. m. Visitors are always welcome.

A pleasant party of Scranton people that will enjoy an extended tour to the Mediterranean and Egypt this winter will be composed of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Jones, Miss Clara Norton, Mrs. J. G. Shepherd, Miss Helen Jones and Mr. Frederick Jones. They will sail in February.

A pretty church wedding took place in the Green Ridge Presbyterian church Tuesday night, when Miss Margaret Koehler was married to Mr. Harry Dimmock. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. J. J. Lansing. Miss Salome Becker played the wedding music. The bridesmaids were Miss Clara Woodruff and Miss Lonia Dimmock. Miss Ruth Hanley was maid of honor. The groomsmen were Messrs. Will Fisher, George Dimmock and Jessie Dimmock.

Miss Cornelia Galpin entertained the following at a dinner given last evening: Miss Marion Sanderson, Miss Augusta Archibald, Miss Nana Sturges, Miss Lela Steele, Miss Amy Jessup, Miss Ethel Boles, Miss Gertrude Springer, Lillian Berlin, Washington Scranton, Seldon Kingsbury, Prudence Strong, Mortimer Fuller, Frank Linen, Edward Moffat.

Thomas Palmer, of this city, will leave today for Pensacola, Florida.

Miss B. Downing, of Jefferson avenue, has been invited to give a party at her daughter's, Mrs. E. W. Watson, of York.

Mrs. and Miss Barker are home from their trip through Mexico on the civil engineer's excursion. They had a most enjoyable and profitable trip. Mrs. Barker accompanied the trip. Mrs. Barker and her husband, Mr. Barker, returned on the record-breaking Thursday. After an extended trip through Mexico, Mrs. Barker left some time ago for her home. She has returned much improved in health and glad to be among her old friends again.

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SCIENTIFIC SALAD

"Inaccurate knowledge is a dangerous thing. So in all things let us be accurate."

Readers of the Salad would greatly aid me in my task by asking questions (not necessarily for publication, which I prefer to answer in full in an early issue of the Weekly Salad and their receipt acknowledged immediately by mail.) All inquiries should be addressed to the editor, as a matter of course, and the writer's correct name and address, otherwise they cannot be taken into consideration.

Fate of a Royal Mummy.

THE DISTINGUISHED French Egyptologist M. Devocan related the following anecdote: He discovered in his Egyptian excavation the mummy of a Rameses. Coming with this precious package to the railway station, he refused to commit it to the baggage car and insisted on having it with him in the passenger car, and had to buy and extra ticket for his dead royal majesty. Think of a Rameses of 3,000 years ago riding in a simple passenger coupe to his residence in Cairo.

But, even this was not enough humiliation for the earthly casket of royalty, and more than that awaited him at the custom house. He had to buy and extra ticket for his dead royal majesty, Think of a Rameses of 3,000 years ago riding in a simple passenger coupe to his residence in Cairo.

Pus Without Bacteria.

Dr. Karl Fehleisen, in the Wiener Klinische Wochenschrift, has called attention to the fact that non-bacterial pus has been observed in the lower animals, in whom abscess cavities having formed, the pus contained in them was aseptic. The occurrence of non-bacterial pus in aseptic abscess is also significant. The author produced these pustules in various applications, some of which were minus bacteria. Herpetiform vesicles (fever sores) are often sterile. From this the author concludes that the formation of pus is not necessarily due to germs.

Outdoor Treatment of Sick People.

George H. Carvete would place patients in the open air all the time, rain or shine, hot or cold, day or night, summer or winter, properly guarded against the elements, and, if necessary, having a trained nurse within call to put on or take off clothing as required. This plan can be carried out on a lawn, under the trees, on the veranda, or in a protected enclosure. Patients suitable for this treatment are those suffering from debility, bronchitis, rheumatism, sciatica, neuritis, abdominal troubles, dyspepsia, Bright's disease, neuralgia, old and new, typhoid fever, tuberculosis and other troubles. According to the author's experience, cases of acute rheumatism, especially of the type of the rheumatoid variety, respond to treatment in the open air more readily than in any other place. The influence of the wind and sun, and the change of temperature, are of great value in such cases. The author has had many cases of acute rheumatism, especially of the type of the rheumatoid variety, respond to treatment in the open air more readily than in any other place.

Care of the Hands in Winter.

An extreme temperature, or either very hot or very cold, is the cause of the chapping of the hands. Water is more cleansing than cold water. A dozen drops of the tincture of benzoin added to a basin of warm water is beneficial to the hands. A person's hands should be washed in a basin of warm water. A rubber flesh brush is a great comfort. A little hot oil, such as olive oil, rubbed on the hands, softens and makes the skin pliable. Annual mud is also excellent for this purpose. Care in drying the hands is essential to their good condition, especially in winter. A soft towel will gather up all the moisture and should be used in between the fingers of each hand so that water may be thoroughly dried. After drying the hands, a good plan is to rub in a little cold cream or ointment, after which, if they are particularly sensitive, powder may be dusted over them.

Carrion Pigeons as Doctor's Messengers.

Carrion pigeons have been put to useful use by a physician of Oakland, Me. On one occasion he was called to attend a patient who was seriously ill. To reach the patient, he was obliged to make a dangerous trip. Before he returned to the hospital he gave the family of his patient six carrion pigeons which were to be used as messengers to inform him of the patient's condition. A pigeon was dispatched as often as necessary, carrying assurance to the physician of the patient's steady progress toward recovery.

Invisible Photography.

Imagine a piece of ordinary writing paper, with not a trace of anything upon it, and nothing suspicious about it, slip it in water, hold it up to the light, and a perfect photograph mysteriously appears. As soon as the paper is dried the image has disappeared, and nothing but an ordinary piece of paper remains. But a paper having the power to turn itself into transparency as often as you wish it. Do you not see the possibilities of film with such invisible photography? Let me reveal the secret. Select an uncolored, soft paper that is upon a solution of gelatine about ten grains per cent. For five minutes immerse it in water, for twenty or thirty seconds in the following solution: Ammonium bicarbonate, 100 grains; water, 6 ounces. Again, the paper will be transparent. Now, if you wish to make a picture, immerse it in a solution of a soluble salt, such as potassium cyanide, and allow it to soak for an hour or two until the yellow tint of the paper has disappeared.

STAGE NOTES.

Two large audiences witnessed the performance of "The Game Keeper," with Smith O'Brien leading the company, at the Academy of Music yesterday. The fact that the audience was larger at each performance is conclusive evidence that the play is making a big hit. No romantic Irish melodrama written in recent years commences to compare with it. This afternoon and tonight will be positively the last opportunity to witness this beautiful production.

"The Game Keeper," "The Last of the Danes" has made such a big hit in London that the Boston Tros, who is playing the title part, will keep it on the boards until the end of February.

THEATRICAL.

ATTRACTIONS TODAY.

ACADEMY—"The Game Keeper." Afternoon and night.

STAR—"Bowery Burlesquers." Afternoon and night.

BOWERY BURLESQUERS at the Star.

It was forty-five minutes after the usual time that the curtain came down at the Star last night on the performance of the Bowery Burlesquers, as frequent were the changes of the specialties and the rapidity of the changes that the audience was kept in a state of constant surprise. The first act was a comedy by Messrs. Black and Garagan, and the leading comedienne, Miss Ethel Boles, who, with her husband, Mr. Boles, had to "keep up" at every turn. The latter team, Miss Boles and her husband, were in the closing act, and were well received by the audience. The two teams had been excellently by any who have appeared at the Star.

The performance is highly costumed and elaborate, and the music, solo and chorus, is of a high order of merit. The only serious criticism that could justly be made is that the burlesquers were permitted to "carry on" while several of the most valuable musical numbers were being rendered.

The performance will be repeated this afternoon and tonight.

Mme. Nevada.

The handsome world-gown worn by Madame Nevada at the annual meeting of the Manuscript Society in New York recently was an attraction for the feminine part of the audience that almost everywhere she was seen. It was one which she will wear at many of her performances, and it is very rich, despite the fact that the little dress is a firm believer in the "less is more" motto. The dress is a simple, elegant affair, and it is a pleasure to see it in the hands of a woman who has so much to do with the stage.

Thomas Dixon, Jr.

On Monday night, when the fourth anniversary of the death of the late Thomas Dixon, Jr., was celebrated, the name of Dixon was mentioned in the program of the World City School of the famous pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, Dr. Dixon. Dixon may have stood among the learned men of classical and modern times, and in the presence of assembled multitudes of Plymouth church, New York, and in the halls of the University of the South, and in the halls of the University of the South, and in the halls of the University of the South.

Next Week at the Academy.

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Standard Tuning Forks.

Musical pitch has a curious tendency to creep up. It is said that Bach's music sounds much differently now from what it did when Bach wrote it, because the instruments are now pitched higher. In 1882 it was found that the pitch of high A in Vienna was 438 vibrations per second, and in 1855 this number had further increased to 439. Accordingly, a musical conference was held, and a resolution was taken to establish the old pitch of 435 vibrations per second. Upon this announcement the Reichsanstalt, the Imperial Physical and Technical Institute of Germany, set its standard instruments, and since tested and corrected many thousands of tuning forks, shortening them if they are too low, and lengthening them if they are too high. All the military orchestras of Germany are pitched alike, and the Reichsanstalt keeps the tuning forks correct. And this solution was the one proposed in providing new standards to Germany in musical matters.

Superheated Steam Engines.

Now that superheated steam is occupying much attention as an economical agent in engines, practical difficulties in its action are being discussed. One of the most serious is the friction of the piston in the cylinder, and the great heat rapidly dissipating by burning any oleaginous compound that is introduced. A prominent British firm who have used superheated steam for many years at a turbine engine, in a paper read at the International Engineering congress at Glasgow recently. It appears that the difficulties which it began with the construction of the engine, and that existing engines are mentioned in it. The great heat, 700 degrees usually for the best economy, distorts the cylinder head, and the valves, so that allowances must be made for this heat by the use of liners around it in a certain way. Two valves, one working inside the other, as in some expansion engines, cannot be used, and extra allowances must be kept off as small as possible. Corliss valves will not work under superheated steam, and the form of packing, such as rings and pistons, and pistons, will require special attention. Superheated steam is a very economical agent in engines, and it is being used in many places. It is being used in many places. It is being used in many places.

Definitions.

I beg to let the answer to the question asked by L. B. G. stand in place of a definition, for what is a definition but an explanation. He asks "why is it that cabinet makers or other makers almost invariably have black spots on the nail of his thumb?" It is a well known fact that cabinet makers and other artisans working in woods, as well as others who use a hammer for driving nails, comparatively seldom are apt to show this temporary deformity which is caused by a blow upon the root of the nail causing it to become inflamed and to discharge matter and does not disappear until the nail has grown so far that the discolored blood can be

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Millinery News

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Now is the time to get bargains in Hats.

Women's Tailored Hats—Were \$3.98 up to \$5.98. Now 98c.

Notice the cut in prices.

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A Look Ahead

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A beautiful waist of white albatross, very choice quality, made with stitched silk straps and fine tucks; fastened in back with black pearl buttons; all seams silk bound. \$5.00 each.

Fine all wool French Flannel Waists in red, blue and lavender; fastened in back with trimmed with narrow bands of black stitched silk and small pearl buttons. A most desirable pattern. \$4.00.

A less expensive waist, made after same design as the \$6 and \$8 waists, the only difference being in the material. \$2.75 and \$3.50 each.

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It is a well known fact that carpenters who use a hatchet and large nails are much more likely to have their nails well balanced and with slender handles rarely if ever exhibit this black hammer spot on the nail.

The reason for this may be looked for in the fact that the ordinary claw-hammer used occasionally by the wood workers for small nails is made of light and by the stockkeeper or home-maker is a clumsy, badly balanced tool which does not insure accuracy of aim in the blow and besides its heavy and long use becomes so weighted that it is very apt to slip from the hand of the nail and hit the thumb of the hand holding the nail in position for the blow of the hammer. The large nails and the flat and often badly shaped surface of the hatchet hammer used by the carpenter and the slender handled, delicately balanced hammer which insures accuracy of aim even for small nails or rivets, used by the machinist make such a painful and disabling accident as hitting the thumb in driving nails almost impossible with them.

Carl Seiler, M. D.