

Week's Social News

THE Bachelors' ball will take place this year on the customary date, December 31. The committee is comprised as follows: Albert G. Hunt, chairman; Mortimer B. Fuller, secretary; James Blair, Jr., treasurer; Theodore S. Fuller and Charles H. Welles, Jr.

John Willard Raught, the well known artist, has been summering in the vicinity of Lake Carey this season, and has made a number of interesting studies of that region which furnishes varied and almost unlimited fund of subjects for the landscape painter. A new photographure from one of Mr. Raught's works has just been published by Klackner & Co. of New York, and is on exhibition in the window of the Griffin Art shop. The plate represents a scene on the Anvers river, in France, with a number of peasant women washing clothes upon the banks in the foreground. In this print, which is the second published from Mr. Raught's creations, the engravers have been remarkably successful in bringing out the general tone and poetic detail which speaks the inspiration of the artist and is so difficult to reproduce in black and white.

The Dixie theatre seems to be in high favor during these pleasant days and evenings. Box parties have been quite the fashion lately, and there are few performances when many friends, whom Mr. and Mrs. Dixie have made in recent years, are not present. The entertainment afforded is of such a class that everybody is delighted, and people are growing to be as much interested in the success of the venture as if they were in the theatrical business. One of the elements in its favor is the happy arrangement which has associated Mr. Sisson in the enterprise. Aside from his relations with the public in the capacity of manager, his sketches on the stage, with his clever and beautiful young wife, have added much to the satisfaction of the patrons. Mrs. Sisson is of Quaker blood and has much talent as a writer, particu-

larly in the way of verse. As Esther S. Wallace she achieved success on the stage very early in life. Those who saw her in a juvenile role this week could not but be charmed with her work. It is always a joy to the audience when Mr. and Mrs. Sisson fill in a bill.

Housekeepers will find at the Woman's exchange various substantial and dainties on the following days: Monday, meat pies, baked beans, brown bread, Tuesday, savory meat, rusks, pies and crullers; Wednesday, baked beans, Scotch scones; Thursday, pies and rusks; Friday, fish croquettes or fish balls, or cutlets, and Scotch short-cake; Saturday, baked beans, and brown bread, rusks, rolls, and delicious cakes, and mayonnaise dressing every day. Broths and delicacies for the sick made to order, also deserts.

The announcement that Madame Semblich, of the Metropolitan Opera company, will be at the armory, October 21, will give unlimited delight to all music lovers of this region. Mr. Hand's musical season will open bravely, indeed, with such an attraction as Madame Semblich.

tures, and possesses several, has already marked this "Hostile Envoy" for his own. Perhaps the largest in the group will attract most people, as well for its local interest as for its great beauty. It is a view near the home of Hon. Galusha A. Ketchum, showing the residence nestled among the lovely hills. It is painted in the soft silvery tones that remind one of Corot, without forming in any sense an imitation.

"The Ruined Abbey" is another fine subject, while "St. Gatahad" is an unusual type, showing two matted horse-men, and by its fragmentary effect having a singular fascination. The range of subjects is wide, including a charming Venetian scene, a bazaar at Cairo, a particularly delightful "Swiss Village," and several beautiful landscapes and figure pieces. The exhibition will remain here for several days, and for the sake of art culture in this town, it is to be hoped, forever.

Colonel and Mrs. H. M. Boles will spend the next few days in Philadelphia, in attendance upon the National Prison congress. The headquarters of the congress will be at the Continental hotel, and it is expected that the deliberations of this body will result in legislation which will effect many reforms in prison methods. The opinions of few men in the country are heard with more deference than are those of Colonel Boles, who has given years of close study to the subject and whose latest book on Penology is recognized as being one of the most valuable of all authorized statements relating to criminology.

Messrs. J. H. Brooks and James Blair, Jr., had an automobile trip to Pocomoke this week. Among the incidents of the run was a "Dewey hold-up," when the Admiral and Mrs. Dewey in their carriage received the assistance of Mr. Brooks' chauffeur in quieting their restive horses. A sprained wrist and other damages not so painful were among the results. Some of the horses insisted upon running away and, in fact, one jumped entirely out of the harness. He was driven by a woman with a baby

on one arm, and complications ensued which naturally appealed to Mr. Spencer's kind heart. A comforting affords opportunity for knight errantry surpassing that of the days of chivalry.

Mrs. Henry F. Atherton, on Thursday evening opened the parlors of her pleasure home, 100 Madison avenue to the ladies of the Home Missionary society of the Providence Presbyterian church, for an informal "good-bye" to Mrs. W. H. Sadler, who for many years has been actively identified with the mission work of that organization, and who leaves this city today for Pittsburgh, N. Y., where Mr. and Mrs. Sadler and children will reside for the coming year or so. Underneath the social pleasantries of the occasion there was a great sadness, regret at their leaving, and during the evening Mrs. Sadler received the warm greetings and best wishes of all present. Music and light refreshments were also enjoyable features of the "Good-bye" social.

Mrs. H. W. Kingsbury gave a luncheon yesterday, in honor of her sister, Miss Wisner. The other guests were: Mrs. H. H. Brady, Jr., Mrs. P. B. Bell, Mrs. Henshaw, Mrs. Klotz, Mrs. B. E. Watson, Miss Hunt, Miss Matthews, Miss Alice Matthews, Miss Marjorie Warren, Miss Louise Matthews.

Miss Pennypacker has gone to Morristown, N. J., to act in the capacity of private secretary to Miss Dana for a time. She will later be connected with the art department of that famous school for young women.

Among the young men from this vicinity who will go to State college on Thursday next, are: Leo Griffin, Will Berry, Archie Phillips, Martin Roper, Vera and Homer Taylor, Louis Ridenour and Altomero.

Mrs. Mary Throp Phelps has returned from Europe to occupy a handsome suite of apartments in the Young Men's Christian association building.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Barker, who spent the summer at Dalton, have returned to occupy their home on Olive street, recently purchased from I. S. Mott.

Madame Lenore Thomson has returned from Minneapolis, and is again delighting congregations at Elm Park church with her beautiful voice.

The Misses Derbyshire, of Manchester, England, who have been the guests of Miss Louise Matthews, on Olive street, left the city this week.

Mr. David Boles will give a dinner on Thursday next, in honor of guests which he is to entertain at a house party.

Mrs. W. D. Zehnder will go to New Haven next week, to visit her son, Hilary, who is at Yale.

Mrs. W. I. Finch and daughter, of Atlantic City, is spending some time in the city with friends.

Movements of People. E. D. Lathrop is at South Montross. E. L. Peck is at home from a European trip. C. F. Stade is at home from Atlantic City.

Mrs. T. D. Lewis is at home from Lake Winola. Mrs. F. W. Gunster has returned from Lake Ariel.

Rev. L. H. Waring has returned from Tyrone, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gardner are in Danville, Pa.

Mrs. E. Palmer has returned from Brooklyn, N. Y. M. V. Morris and family have returned from Lake Winola.

Dr. A. D. Preston is at home from South Hadley, Mass. Mr. Parkes, of Providence, R. I., is the guest of David Boles.

The Misses Gilmore have returned from summering at Waverly. Miss Irene Reynolds has been at Clark's Summit for the past fortnight.

Views of A Woman

"Oh the time we waste And the thoughts we waste"

On the people who never did know, and now we know that they never did know, and never could understand that they should not keep other people waiting.

The time we waste is the important factor; the thoughts are mainly uncomplimentary to the bothersome ones who are always late for everything. We do waste an enormous amount of time in waiting for those who say they would be at such a place at such hour. They always have fifty-four excuses, any one of which would be adequate for the occasion, if it were true. They feel distinctly injured, if we appear to be, on account of the delay, and they go away making remarks to the effect that "she always was a disagreeable, fussy old thing."

They are invariably behind time and they catch the habit from their and, knowing they are certain to be late, time ourselves accordingly, and finally become demoralized, likewise, and even up matters by keeping other people waiting.

I heard of one woman, a thrifty, provident soul, who made garments without number in the moments spent in waiting for dilatory people. She was one of the Biblical women, whose families call them blessed. She did not feel constrained to go into all the world and preach her gospel of helpfulness, but did much of her very effective preaching from her own fireside. There was always a bit of work near at hand which she could easily catch up on as easily drop, and her hands wrought much while she waited. "I do not intend to have them waste all my time," she said.

Another kept a basket of table linen ready for a few minutes' work. That was always her employment while waiting for the friend who was to go calling with her; for the grocery boy who was expected on the cook's errand out; for the husband late at dinner; for the child who was to come from school; for the kindergarten committee; for the Society for the Dissemination of Literature on Higher Education among the South Sea Islanders; for the Browning club and the Blue Book Circle. She had a larger supply of napkins and tablecloths hemmed with beautiful closely set stitches than will be found in the linen closet of the average well-to-do housewife. Every piece was hemmed while she waited.

Another woman I learned French rather completely while she waited. It is not always easy to drop a novel thus picked up for a few minutes. One is likely to wish the invading caller, or expected guest in Jericho. Neither is it satisfactory to have a magazine article in the midst of its most interesting part, but a little bit of foreign language can be learned in that way so that it is really remembered. The woman found that she could get several words of a vocabulary securely fastened in her mind while she waited for one and another whose time did not seem to count. She learned most of the irregular verbs in that way, and by dint of habit was able to repeat to herself whenever she was alone. She read French in the street cars and in the trains when she traveled. Thus the spare moments brought a new outlook before her gaze, and after she had gained a fair working knowledge of French, she began another language closely allied, and it was all done at odd times when there seemed absolutely nothing else to do. "It often keeps me from fretting," she said, "when I am obliged to wait for pesty people like you."

It is really surprising what a lot of studying can be accomplished in these odd moments and how little one minds the passing of time while thus engaged. One is even conscious occasionally of a vague sense of annoyance at the termination of the delay, simply because the thoughts are so delightfully occupied. Yet there is another side to the question. Do we not often try to keep the brains of our busy at the expense of vitality and mental activity? What if we are making a mistake, after all, when we are so ambitious to gain knowledge or to acquire dolles or hemstitched table linen? Where is the harm, instead, drop down in an easy chair and close the eyes during the few minutes of waiting, or step out into the open air and do deep-breathing exercises? What if the waiting times for the slow-to-merry friends or in the committee meetings for a quorum are really the matches of rest we need for an overtaxed brain and body? I wonder.

The great difficulty is that much of the waiting of life has to be done where you can't crochet, parabolic mats, her hand tabling, nor carry French grammars and dictionaries. It is waiting for street cars on stupid corners, waiting in friends' drawing-rooms while they are making elaborate toilet with which to dazzle you, waiting for men to keep business engagements, when in the aggregate are really, you know, just as wanting in punctuality as are women, notwithstanding the popular superstition on the subject.

Of course, you can knit mats, as they say some of the teachers did in the institute, while you ride in the cars or wait on the corners. It will be a little conspicuous, but then you have the mats. You can date stockings or other useful things at thimble time, which are given solely to shove off new work-bags which are never completed. Yet, after all, there is some waiting which has to be done in this world, and which isn't anything to do but wait. Perhaps the belated may be one we call Justice, or maybe Recognition, or Kind Words, or even at the last, Death, who is late in coming.

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PAGAN RITES IN SCOTIA. Many Scottish Customs That Have Their Origin in Superstition. From Stray Stories.

Nearly all travelers in Central Africa have referred to the curious customs prevalent among almost all pagan native tribes of driving quantities of nails into sacred trees and other objects that have been adjudged worthy of veneration, and this not in malice, but as a religious rite, the nails in question being intended as votive offerings. Exactly the same thing may be witnessed today at the sacred well of St. Maebruba, in Loch Maree, Ross-shire, where is an ancient oak tree studded with countless nails of all sizes, the offerings of invalid pilgrims who came to worship and be cured. Pennies and half-pennies also are to be seen in enormous quantities driven edgewise in the tough bark, and a friend of the writer's who visited the spot some little time back discovered in a cleft high up in the trunk what he took to be a shilling. On being extracted, however, it proved to be counterfeit. Probably the donor, finding that he could get no value for his coin in the natural world, concluded he might as well try, as a last resource, what effect it might have on the spiritual.

Of course, the poor coiters and others who flock to St. Maebruba with their nails and their pennies do not for a moment admit that they are assisting at a pagan ceremony. Well worship has always occupied an important place in paganism, and the sacred oak, before which each pilgrim must thrice kneel or humbly presenting his offering—what is it but an obvious survival of the sacred groves of Druidical times?

HAS TRAVELED 1,483,320 MILES. Remarkable Record of an Old Confederate Soldier.

From the Philadelphia Press. Thomas J. Hardaway, a crippled Confederate soldier, who has been in the railway mail service for the last thirty-two years, has a record for having traveled 1,483,320 miles during his term of service. He is now running between Brunswick and Waycross, Ga. Mr. Hardaway entered the employment of the government in 1870, and for six years ran as a clerk between Macon, Ga., and Clayton, Ala., covering a distance of 163 miles between those points. He was then transferred to the Savannah and Live Oak (Fla.) run, a distance of 170 miles, which he did for two years. His run was then extended from Savannah to Jacksonville, via Live Oak. This filled in another two years, in which he traveled 225 miles each way. Then he ran for one year between Charleston and Jacksonville, a distance of 288 miles each way. This was followed by a fine record of nine years between Wilmington, N. C., and Jacksonville, Fla., a distance of 1,000 miles in the round trip. In 1890 he was placed on the run he has followed for quite thirteen years, in which he covers 120 statute miles every day of the year, save two weeks he is given for a vacation. Mr. Hardaway has traveled enough distance to have made three round trips to the moon and then have enough to spare for globe trotting all around this terrestrial sphere, and again, had his mail car continued in the same direction it first started, he would have circumnavigated the earth nearly sixty times—enough service to have worn to fragments thousands of dollars' worth of rolling stock.

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THE MAN WITH THE PUNCTURED TIRE.

They lit of the creature who yields the hoe. Of the toiler behind the plow: They warble a psalm to the horny palm And they garland the sunburned brow. There's praise for the laddie behind the plow That hemorrhage bath of fire; But here's to the victim of Fate's worst blow— The man with the punctured tire.

There's flame in his optic that bodeth ill; There's a dangerous set of jaw; There's mighty unrest in his heaving chest— And he scoffs at the moral law. Then was to the creature—our man or he— That arouseth the smoldering ire Of him who must trundle his bike by hand— The man with the punctured tire. —S. W. Gillilan, in Los Angeles Herald.