

Society

[THE HOME JOURNAL would be pleased to receive the dates of parties and the names of persons attending social gatherings. To insure publication, this information would have to reach this office not later than Thursday noon.]

SOCIETY is napping again. This time it is her winter doze she is enjoying, and there's no knowing when she will wake up. The world of gaiety has been a quiet enough one since 1892 began its course, and the last week has been devoid of any big social events, to say nothing of small ones. 'Tis true that several concerts, of a high order of merit, have taken place, but, as for receptions, nothing worth mentioning has transpired.

Society girls in the East have a new fad. All the pretty girls are saving their love letters diligently now, in hopes to accumulate enough with which to paper their bedrooms. It is really quite the latest and most approved form of wall decoration. They make the dado of the envelopes and the general decoration of the letter sheets.

The At Home of Y. L. I., No. 33, at Harmony Hall, last Monday evening, was an enjoyable event. The young ladies of this organization are, indeed, royal entertainers. During the first part of the evening, a concert, consisting of the following programme, was arranged: Overture, Bantly family; vocal solo, Miss Dolan; vocal solo, Miss Shaw; violin solo, Mr. Bantly; vocal solo, Miss Goddyn; instrumental duet, Mr. and Miss Sehl; vocal solo, Mr. Lang; and an instrumental duet, Misses Dougherty. Mr. Frederick H. Lang occupied the chair.

An interesting and instructive lecture on "That Young Man" was given, last Tuesday evening, by Rev. P. McF. Macleod, in the school-room of St. Andrew's church. There was a large attendance, and the speaker was listened to with great pleasure throughout.

The Comus Club dances are always enjoyable, and the one given last Tuesday night at Harmony Hall was no exception to the general rule. The

music was furnished by the Bantly family.

A concert will be given in the new Roman Catholic Cathedral in aid of the building fund about the end of this month. The selections will all be furnished by the best local talent.

The entertainment in aid of the Cathedral Sunday School, held in the school room of Christ Church, last Wednesday night, was successful in both attendance and merit. The following programme was presented, and each item was loudly applauded: Overture, Misses Poole and Attridge; song, Mr. C. Rhodes; vocal duet, Mrs. Walkem and Miss Rhodes; song, Miss Bell; violin solo, Mr. T. R. Smith; song, Mrs. W. Goepel; duet, Messrs. Weber and Carpenter; piano-forte solo, Miss J. Bell; vocal duet, Hawaiian; song, Miss Harvey; banjo solo, Mr. Wootton; song, Miss Bell; piano, Mr. Pauline.

A concert was given last Thursday night at St John's school room, under the auspices of the Young Men's Church of England Guild. An interesting programme was given, including the "Hunting Chorus" by the Cathedral choir under the direction of Mrs. Johnson. The following ladies and gentlemen took part in the programme: Mrs. Janion, Miss Heathfield, Miss Lipscombe, Messrs. Kent, White, Rhodes, Wootton, Arrowsmith and Clement Rowlands.

The dinner to be given by the legal profession was postponed, and will be held next Monday night.

The Knights of Pythias' anniversary ball will be held in Assembly Hall, Fort Street, Friday evening, February 19. Prof. Emil Pferdner's orchestra, consisting of ten musicians, will furnish the music.

The St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society will hold their annual ball in the Assembly Rooms, on Monday, January 25.

A presentation was made last Wednesday evening in St. George's Hall to the secretary of the order of the Sons of

England, Bro. S. A. Roberts. The present was a handsome past master's jewel, and was gracefully handed to the recipient by Bro. E. G. Prior, M.P., and appropriately acknowledged. Mr. Roberts soon leaves for the east.

Geo. O. Morris, representing the Katie Putnam Company, is in the city.

T. Ryan, ex-mayor of Winnipeg is in the city on pleasure and business. Mr. Ryan is a great worker in the church and Y. M. C. A. of Winnipeg, and is a very popular man among the masses.

The Society of Spiritualists gave a supper and dance at Harmony Hall last Thursday evening.

Mrs. C. E. Pooley will entertain her friends at her residence, Esquimalt Road, next Wednesday evening.

The members of the choir of the First Presbyterian Church are making arrangements for a concert in honor of the memory of Burns. It is only necessary to say that Mr. J. G. Brown has the matter in hand in order to convince everybody that the affair will be a success.

No less than six divorce cases are pending in the Victoria courts.

The Saanich Agricultural Society will hold its annual ball and supper on Thursday, February 11.

The Iona Club gave its regular fortnightly dance in Harmony Hall last evening. These receptions are growing in popularity.

The Sons of England will give a concert and entertainment under the auspices of Pride of the Island Lodge in Temperance Hall, Pandora street, this evening.

An interesting article on the possibilities of the new town of Galena will appear in the next issue of THE HOME JOURNAL.

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