

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.]

THE young gentlemen of the congregation of Temple Emanuel, will hold a meeting to-morrow, to discuss arrangements for a return social and dance to be given at an early date.

Mr. E. J. O'Sullivan, of the B. C. Business College, was, last Monday evening, presented, by his fifty pupils, with a magnificent gold-headed cane. The present was accompanied with an address which was read by J. R. Denny, one of the students, and came in the shape of a great surprise to Mr. O'Sullivan. The presentation took place at the rooms of the Business College, and was suitably replied to by Mr. O'Sullivan. This young gentleman, since his arrival in this city, has become very popular with all classes of the community. He has shown considerable energy in building up the college, and the success with which he is meeting is demonstrated by the beautiful and valuable present of which he was the recipient.

The Hebrew Ladies' Benevolent Association, of Temple Emanuel, held their annual meeting last Tuesday afternoon and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. E. Frank; vice-president, Mrs. A. A. Aaronson; secretary, Mrs. H. E. Levy; and treasurer, Mrs. I. Braverman. A vote of thanks was tendered to the retiring officers.

The ladies of the R. C. Cathedral are busy preparing for an entertainment to be given towards the end of the month. The programme is partly mapped out, and rehearsals will begin shortly. It is the intention to introduce a number of novelties in the programme. The date for the entertainment has not yet been decided upon.

A very pleasant "Welcome Social" was given in the schoolroom of the Gorge Road Methodist Church, last

Thursday night, which was attended by a very large number of people. Several hours were spent in pleasant intercourse and the refreshment table was well patronized.

The first Provincial Ministers' dinner of the present session was given Thursday evening. The gentlemen sitting down at the table were: Hon. Messrs. Robson, Pooley, Vernon, Davie and Turner; Messrs. Anderson, Baker, Booth, Croft, Eberts, Fletcher, Hall, Hunter, Martin, Nason, Rogers, Smith, Stoddart and Punch.

The Ladies' Aid of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Victoria West, will give a bazaar and concert in their hall on Tuesday afternoon and evening next.

Christ Church Cathedral was filled last Wednesday evening, the chief attraction being the oratorio "Christ and His Soldiers," which was beautifully rendered by the choir, under the leadership of Mr. Herbert Kent. Mr. Pauline, the organist, is deserving of considerable credit for his excellent accompaniments. The service was very successful, and it is not unlikely that it will be repeated at an early date.

Mrs. M. Isaacs and her two children, of Seattle, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Phillips, 40 Kane Street.

The Victoria Minstrels are holding rehearsals regularly, and will give their entertainments Feb. 26 and 27.

The entertainment given by the young men who are members of the Y. M. C. A. was decidedly successful. Mr. J. G. Brown, the director, sang in his usual pleasing style, and received warm applause. Messrs. Watson, Gold, Grant and Moir were also successful in arousing the enthusiasm of the audience. The Victoria Glee Club, consisting of Messrs. Watson, Gold, Grant and Lake, gave variety to the entertainment, and afforded considerable amusement. Mrs. Hall is entitled to credit for the manner in which she looked after the portion of the arrangements assigned to her.

A large number of invitations have been issued to the dancing entertainment which is to be given next Tuesday evening in St. James Hall, James

Bay. The dance given by the ladies of St. James some weeks ago was a very pleasant affair, and no doubt the forthcoming one will be quite as successful.

F. S. Barnard, M.P., and P. Dunlevy have returned home from the interior.

Rev. C. W. Townsend preaches his farewell sermons on Sunday, the 28th inst., and leaves shortly thereafter for Toronto.

Rev. W. W. Baer, of Nanaimo, is in the city. He will preach at Victoria West to-morrow morning, and in the Gorge Road Church in the evening.

Mr. N. Shakespeare has hit upon an original scheme to amuse the young people of the Band of Hope of the Gorge Road Methodist Church. A number of the young men of the Band of Hope of that church met and formed the Gorge Road Fife and Drum Band the other evening. The meeting was largely attended, Mr. Shakespeare being elected president; secretary and treasurer, Mr. John Hollins, leader; and Master Bachelor, colonel. The meeting took place at the residence of Mr. Hollins. The band starts out in a flourishing condition, being about fifteen strong. Practices will be held twice a week and it is expected that the band will supply good music during the summer months.

Mr. W. B. Ross, brother of Mr. Dixie H. Ross, the well-known grocer, is in the Jubilee Hospital suffering from an attack of pneumonia.

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