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What a very busy week this has been, and I am sure everybody must be heartily glad that a day of rest is at hand; I think there have been more than 1000 people in the past two days than there were during the entire autumn; the gentlemen don't seem to be getting a great deal of enjoyment out of these afternoon affairs, but very often a hostess is gracious enough to give a dance after her reception, and although these afternoon affairs are necessarily very small they are always very enjoyable; I had one interesting bit of gossip news that I quite regarded as my piece de resistance, and with it hoped to cause a little stir in society just two days ahead of Christmas. I am naturally very amiable, but when I saw my item in the paper referred to, I wished that after all it might not be true and that I would have the pleasure of contradicting it on Saturday; a rather unpleasant wish so far as the principal parties were concerned, but what a triumph it would have been for me. To return, however, to the reception and tea, of which there are several this week, but none of them more successful or brilliant than the one given by Mrs. Malcolm McKay of Orange street, on Wednesday afternoon. The hostess was a very pretty girl, dressed in black silk; Mrs. Fred Sayre and Mrs. Walter White poured tea and coffee, and looked exceedingly well in their costumes. The former wearing a gray silk bodice, with quantities of blue chintilly lace, and the latter a black crepon gown, the bodice elaborately trimmed with white lace. The following young ladies assisted in looking after the guests: Misses Florie, Grace and Mary MacMillan, Miss Vassie, Miss Mabel Thompson, Miss Agnes Warner, and Miss Josie Troop. Ices, cream, tea, chocolate, cake, etc., were served; the tables had very pretty decorations, while the chrysanthemums being the flower used. The dining room looked very pretty, and through the other rooms were scattered large potted plants, and beautiful flowers. Among the ladies present were the Countess de Barry, Mrs. Gardner Taylor, Mrs. H. P. Timmerman, Mrs. Boyle Travers, Mrs. Morris Hazen, Mrs. Vroom, Mrs. Harrison, Mrs. John Burpee, Mrs. de Soyres, Mrs. Holden, Mrs. George K. McLeod, Miss Clench, Mrs. F. Allison, Mrs. Charles Scammell, Mrs. Charles Palmer, Mrs. H. Austin, Mrs. Dever, Mrs. Charles E. Harrison, Mrs. Hanford, Mrs. D. P. Chisholm, Mrs. Douglas Hazen, Mrs. Walter Stanley Ritchie, Mrs. Charles Coster, Mrs. P. Chisholm, Mrs. Vassie, Mrs. Charles Coster, Mrs. Treuman, Mrs. Vassie, Mrs. Charles Coster, Mrs. Stanley Ritchie, Mrs. G. R. Pugsley, Mrs. Wm. Pugsley, Mrs. Warner, Mrs. Tuck, Mrs. G. McLeod, Mrs. Lawson, Mrs. Barclay Boyd, Mrs. W. Starr, Mrs. E. Symonds, Mrs. E. T. Sturdee, Mrs. Laurence Sturdee, Mrs. Stetson, Mrs. Walter White, Mrs. Fred Sayre, Mrs. Howard McLeod, Misses Bayard, Misses Tuck, Misses Dunn, Misses Hanford, Miss Lillian Hazen, Miss Furlong, Miss Fennell, Miss Nan Burpee, Miss Travers, Miss Mello Vroom, Miss Marion Peters, Miss Murray, Miss Beatrice Hazen, Miss Florie, Miss Ethel Allison, Miss Nellie Jarvis, Miss Louise Holden, Miss Dever, Miss Raymond, Misses Pugsley, Miss Winnie Hall, Misses Skinner, Miss Josie Troop, Miss Mabel Thompson, Miss MacMillan, Miss Coster. The newest bride, Mrs. H. P. Timmerman, was present and wore a pale gray cashmere dress, a velvet jacket and a large black hat.

The prettiest birthday party that has been held for some time, was the one given by the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Seares of Pitt street to her young friend, Stanley Ritchie, last from four to eight o'clock; over one hundred invitations had been issued and despite the inclemency of the weather, was well attended. About eighty five little folks being present. The invitations were rather unique being in the form of a little verse, "I ask you little friend, if you wish to have your party, for the daisy never fails, come Saturday from four to eight;" they were written on very pretty paper the pages of which were sprinkled with daisy seeds. Little Miss Daisy made a most charming and graceful little hostess in a lovely dress of white sprigged muslin trimmed with daisies and ribbon.

Mrs. Seares was assisted in looking after the little guests by Mrs. Estough, Misses Nellie, Robie and Emile McAvity, Miss Geraldine Masters, Jack Seares and others. All were very anxious to make the occasion a memorable one; the supper table on which was every delicacy, was effectively decorated with daisies, small twined gracefully here and there, and chrysanthemums; a pretty idea was carried out in draping the table from one end to the other with a yellow silk scarf to form the letter "S" the first letter of her name and the number of "S" the first letter of her name and the number of her years which are six. The usual games were played that of "Donkey," causing much merriment; for the manner in which she affixed a tail to this animal, little Miss Daisy being, while Miss Fennell presented with a daisy silver pin, while Miss Fennell was consulted for her want of artistic ability with a very large pen and holder; there was also dancing and music for the little folks all of whom looked perfect pictures of childish beauty and grace in their pretty dresses. A number of older younger folks had been invited in to spend the remainder of the evening and it is needless to say thoroughly enjoyed themselves as Mr. Seares' residence is especially adapted to entertaining and with the treasures of art brought from almost every European city, is a most interesting home. The little hostess of the occasion received many dainty gifts among which was a beautiful doll and many flowers, daisies and primroses prevailing. In the evening she took part in the dancing with the daisy and primrose, herself charmingly dressed, eliciting much admiration from the guests.

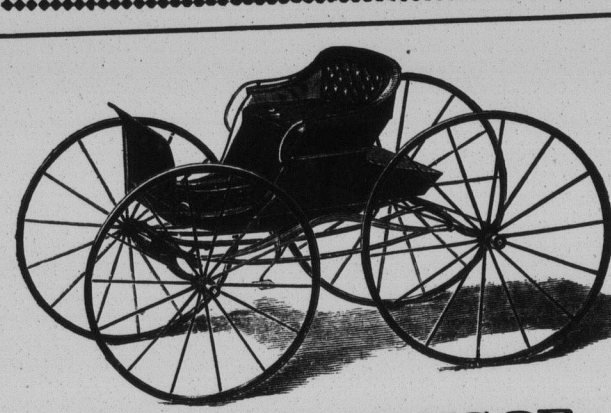
Among Miss Daisy's guests were the following, little Misses Sturdee, Misses McLaren, Florence Pittfield, Hazel Pittfield, Katie Hazen, Frances Hazen, Phyllis Stratton, Elsie McLeod, Dorothy Purdy, Jean McDonald, Nellie McDonald, Margaret Barnaby, Mignon Kerr, Frances Kerr, Margaret Calhoun, Sarah Calhoun, Della McAvenny, Misses McInerney, Frances Simonds, Jean White, Vivian Barnes, Mable McAvity, Hannah Logan, Misses Jenkins, Grace Magee, Georgie Collins, Leta Dykman, Marie Sedler, Mai Cornwall, Birdie Edget, Olive Sells, Gladys Ballock, Baby Jones, Jean MacAnlay, Marion MacAnlay, Kittie Best, Hazel Smith, Ida Smith, Dorothy Creighton; Masters James Adams, Douglas Adams, Malcolm McAvity, Roy Caritte, John Sayre, Roydon Harding, Bess Barnaby, Walter Jones, Carl Flood, Kenneth Brown, Eric Titus, Arthur Rankine, Hugh McLean, Donald Fisher, Kingston Jones, Master Morris, Digby Sedler, Lawrence Allen, Masters Leonard, Ronald McAvity, Clifford McAvity, Charlie McAvenny, Arthur McDonald, Harold Sells, Kenneth Creighton, Master Bullock, Masters Thompson, Valentine Outram, Percy, McAvity, Tom McAvity, Clara Mott.

Mrs. W. Walker Clark was at home to a very large number of her lady friends on Monday afternoon at the residence of Dr. W. H. Steves, No. 4 Wellington row. The afternoon was a perfect one and in consequence the guests were all beautifully groomed. Mrs. Clark was wearing a lovely green silk with cream lace trimmings, a gown that was particularly becoming to her clear and pretty complexion; she was assisted by her daughters, Mrs. W. H. Steves and Mrs. W. Henry Scovil, the former of whom had on a striking dress of black and pink with black lace trimmings and the latter a green black and yellow gown with cream lace trimmings. The tables were prettily decorated in white and pink, the flowers used being white and pink chrysanthemums; the large drawing rooms looked very bright indeed and the floral arrangements were very artistic; palms, ferns and potted plants being placed with a view to the prettiest effect. The ladies of the family were assisted by the following young ladies:

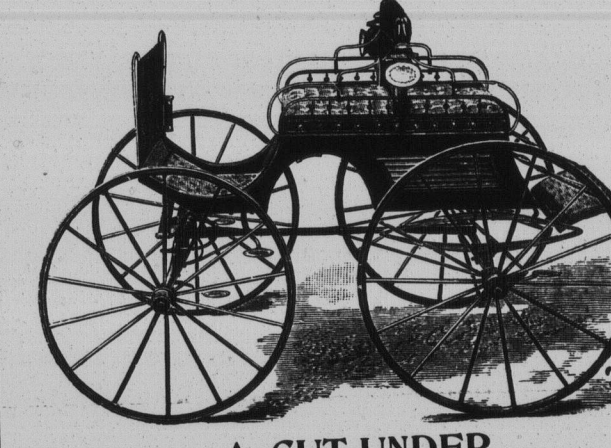
Miss Winnie Wright, who was wearing a lovely cream silk gown.
Miss Jarvis, in a becoming gray and black silk.
Miss Marie Downville in a pretty pale blue dress.
Miss Grace Scovil, who looked charming in a gown of white and pink.
Miss Raymond had on a pink bodice and black skirt and Miss Pugsley wore a pretty cream dress, trimmed with fur.
Mrs. John Burpee, who poured tea, and coffee, had on an elegant black silk dress and Mrs. Jacques Allison, who dispensed cocoa were also a handsome dress of black silk.
Among the invited guests were: Countess de Barry, Mrs. L. A. Allison, Mrs. John Burpee, Miss Kaye, Mrs. Charles Kerr, Mrs. Sidney Kaye, Mrs. Charles McInerney, Mrs. H. E. Lander, Mrs. Robie, Mrs. H. McLeod, Mrs. F. H. J. Hall, Mrs. Charles Morrison, Mrs. Marzham, Mrs. Douglas Hazen, Mrs. Wm. Hazen, Mrs. Arthur Wright, Miss H. Peters, Mrs. (Charles Lee, Mrs. Edith Clench, Miss Barlow, Mrs. Logan, Mrs. Marion, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Wm. Pugsley, Mrs. G. R. Pugsley, Mrs. Chas. Hazen, Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. James Downville, J. M. Robinson, Mrs. H. L. Sturdee, Mrs. E. T. Sturdee, Mrs. Bois DeVeber, Mrs. Andrew Jack, Mrs. Alex. Wilson, Mrs. Byron Clough, Mrs. George Cushing, Mrs. Wm. E. Jones, Mrs. Barclay Boyd, Mrs. Wm. Stone, Misses Marzham, Mrs. J. Woodford Smith, Mrs. J. Roy Campbell, Mrs. E. G. Scovil, Mrs. J. M. Scovil, Miss Scovil, Mrs. Carlston Lee, Misses Dunn, Mrs. McIntyre, Mrs. Medley, Mrs. Charles Coster, Mrs. E. L. Sturdee, Mrs. J. V. Ellis, Miss Ellis, Mrs. Brigstocke, Mrs. F. J. Harding, Mrs. Alfred Seely, Mrs. J. J. Botwick, Mrs. J. Wilmoit, Misses Wilmoit, Mrs. John Barraman, Mrs. Harry DeForest, Misses Masie, Mrs. L. A. Currie, Mrs. Synnolds, Miss Synnolds, Owen Campbell, Mrs. Synnolds, Miss Synnolds, Mrs. Walter Treuman, Mrs. Prescott, Mrs. Fred Sayre, Mrs. Howard, Misses Robertson, Mrs. Warren, Mrs. Walker, Misses Walker, Miss Payne, Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Austin, Miss Eaton, Mrs. John Magee, Mrs. A. G. Blair, Miss Blair, Mrs. Steves, Miss Murphy, Mrs. Cor. Mrs. Harding, Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Payne, Mrs. Armstrong, Misses Pugsley, Miss Wright, Miss Raymond, Mrs. Raymond, Miss Jarvis, Mrs. DeB. Carle, Mrs. James Magee, Mrs. Howard Troop, Mrs. Troop and a large number of others.

In the evening a dance was given for the young ladies who assisted in the afternoon. Running refreshments were served during the entire evening; the music was provided by the young people all of whom presided in turn at the piano. There were present: Miss Emma Robertson, Miss Louise Howard, Miss Triles of Sussex, Miss Pugsley, Miss Downville, Miss Scovil, Miss Raymond, Miss Minnie Wright, Miss Jarvis, Mr. Harold Wright, Mr. Tom Pugsley, Mr. J. M. Robertson, Dr. Tom Walker, Mr. Leonard Jewett, Mr. Bruce Scovil, Mr. Charles deBarry, Dr. W. Steves, Mr. W. H. Scovil.

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