

## PERSONAL GOSSIP.

F. B. Gregory, his many friends will be pleased to learn, is on a fair way to recovery.

Wm. E. Wilson, of this city, left by the bark "Colorado" for Valparaiso on a pleasure trip.

An enjoyable children's party was given last week at the home of Major and Mrs Nicholles, James Bay.

Rumor says that a Victoria young lady well known in musical circles, is engaged to a rising young architect.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Wollaston jr., 103 Vancouver street, gave a pleasant progressive euchre party last Thursday week. There were five tables running.

A prominent Civil and Mining engineer from Nelson, is furnishing a residence in this city. Rumor says he will shortly be married to a Victoria lady.

Mr. R. J. Huffman returned from Orillia, Ont., Thursday evening, with his bride. Mr. and Mrs. Huffman are residing temporarily at 8 Pioneer street.

A handsome residence is being erected in the western slope of Pandora hill, for a young couple who will shortly be married in the Metropolitan Methodist church.

Invitations are out for a farewell party and dance in Harmony Hall, Tuesday evening, Feb. 7th, in honor of Mr. T. G. Moody, jr., on the occasion of his leaving for Toronto.

A concert under the auspices of St. Lukes' Guild, Cedar Hill, will be given next Friday evening in Philharmonic Hall. The proceeds will be devoted to needed improvements in connection with the church building.

Mr. P. C. Allen, of Seattle, a graduate of the Leipzig conservatory of music, will shortly take up his residence in this city and teach at the Victoria Conservatory of Music, taking the place of Mr. F. Victor Austin, who has severed his connection with the Conservatory.

The Provincial Government have at present under construction a wagon road which will add another to the many beautiful drives adjacent to the city of Victoria. The new road starts from the Foul Bay road east of the cemetery, following near the beach around to Oak Bay and the Cadboro Bay road. The new drive is sure to prove an attractive one both for tourists and citizens.

The St. James Hall entertainment, Wednesday evening, was pronounced a most enjoyable affair. There were about one hundred and fifty present, gentlemen being very considerably in the minority. The programme consisting of twenty dances, with over six extras, lasted until 1 a. m. The ladies of St. James' church

(Jan. 1, 1892, 1 house, 13 people.)

## KASLO CITY

Situated on the west shore of Kootenay Lake, has unequalled natural advantages, and this city, to-day, has a brighter future before it than was ever predicted for Denver, Col., for there is more rich silver ore in sight in the Kaslo-Slocan district immediately tributary to Kaslo than was ever seen before on any continent or in any country.

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deserve much credit for the success of their second dance this season.

Columbia Lodge, No. 2, I.O.O.F., gave their annual reception and entertainment on Wednesday the 18th inst., in their spacious hall. The auditorium was filled, every available seat being occupied. After an interesting programme of songs, recitations, etc., the assembly partook of a pleasant repast, which was followed by dancing until an early of the morning, to music furnished by the Browne-Richardson orchestra.

Temple Emanu El was filled to its utmost capacity on Wednesday afternoon. The cause of the commotion was the marriage ceremony of Mr. Aaron Lewis to Miss S. Jackson, by Rev. Dr. Philo. The service throughout was unique and attractive, and Mr. Lewis, at the conclusion of the ceremony, lifted his wife's veil and sealed with a kiss the loving union. The wedding breakfast was served at the New England Bakery, and in the evening a large gathering enjoyed the grand reception and ball at Philharmonic Hall, where naught but joy and mirth prevailed until an early hour the next morning.

The Burns' anniversary concert on Tuesday next, by the choir of the First Presbyterian Church, promises to be a splendid affair. The programme includes such celebrities as Madame Laird, Mrs. Cochrane, Miss O'Neil, Miss Jamieson, Miss Brown, Miss Edith White (lately of Tacoma), and Messrs. Russell, Watson, Brown, Kinnaird, Grant and the choir. In

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addition, the services of Mr. Allan, the Scottish reader and elocutionist, have been secured. With such a bill of fare, there should be a bumper house. There will be a trio in character, a duett in character and many novelties. The hall will be decorated, and all who intend going should be at the hall early, in order to secure a seat.

The concert given by St. Andrew's Choral Society, Wednesday evening, was not by any means a success. Want of practice, it is believed, was the reason. One of the choruses was left out altogether, because the young ladies decided they would not make fools of themselves as not half of them had ever seen it before. However, there were several renditions which were excellent. The gem of the evening was a duett "O Lovely Peace," by Mrs. Junion and Mr. Werner, their voices blending to perfection. A trio, "What Blissful Joy," by Miss Dolan and Messrs. Kent and Werner, was also a decided success. The chorus showed themselves to advantage in "Hymn to Music," marking well the shadings, and proving, if carefully trained, there is plenty of good material in the society. Mr. Bridgman is always appreciated, as he is a fine musician, and no one in Victoria can accompany songs quite so nicely.