

## OF INTEREST TO WOMEN.

[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.]

ONE of the most pleasant socials I have attended this season was the one given last Wednesday evening by the Ladies' Aid of the Pandora Avenue Methodist Church. Right here I desire to say that the ladies of this congregation understand thoroughly how to make people feel at home. The ladies had prepared an interesting programme, and the room was very beautifully arranged. After the programme had been concluded, light refreshments were served. Among those who helped to make the time pass pleasantly were: Rev. C. Watson, Miss O'Neil, Miss Berridge, Mr. Firth, Mrs. Gardner, Mr. Sargison and Mrs. Hall.

A friend of mine was telling me the other evening of the curious marriage custom that prevails in Brittany. At the close of the wedding ceremony, the bridegroom gives the bride a box on the ear, saying:

"That is how it feels when you make me vexed," after which he kisses her, saying "and thus when you treat me well."

A Breton once married a German lass from Suabia, and gave her the usual salute on leaving the altar, but the resolute damsel, ignorant of the prevailing custom, without waiting for the kiss, dealt her swain a tremendous clout on the side of the face and said:

"Look here, I'll have none of that!"

The young fellow rubbed his cheek, and knew now, at least, that his better half would not stand any nonsense.

The custom may be a very pretty one for Brittany, but I doubt if Victoria young ladies would not imitate the German lass from Suabia.

On Monday evening, at St. James Church, James Bay, the Ven. Archdeacon Scriven performed the ceremony which united in wedlock Charles S. Baxter, of the C. P. N. Co., to Miss Elinor M. Carmichael, second daughter of the late John H. Carmichael. Miss Carmichael has for some time past been teaching a class at the Central School, and is very popular with her acquaintances. Mr. George McFarland, of Vancouver, supported the groom, and Miss Annie Carmichael made a very interesting bridemaid. A large number of friends were present to witness the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Baxter left by the City of Kingston on a short honeymoon to Portland, and on their return will settle down in their home on Leighston Road.

Rev. J. H. White, on Wednesday evening last, tied the indissoluble knot which made Mr. Frank C. Jones, of Grand Prairie, and Miss Cora M. Watson, of this city, man and wife. Mr. George A. Harding officiated as groomsman, and Miss Etta Watson assisted her sister. The wedding presents were numerous and substantial. After the wedding, a pleasant party was held at the residence of the bride's parents, 23 Henry street, which did not break up until the departure of the morning boat.

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## PERSONAL.

Mrs. John Grant will spend the winter months with friends in San Francisco.

Miss Carrie Dowler, of Smith's Falls, Ont., is on a visit to her brother, City Clerk Dowler.

Alfred Flett, deputy provincial treasurer, and wife, has returned from a visit to San Francisco.

Miss L. Sayyea, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Bone, sailed for San Francisco Thursday.

Mrs. Robt. McPherson, of New Westminster, is in the city, the guest of Mrs. D. W. Morrow, 137 Blanchard street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Kerr have returned from their honeymoon trip, and have taken up their residence at 116 Fort street.

Mrs. Renouf leaves in a few days for Southern California, where she will remain for some months, hoping to recover her health. Ald. Renouf will follow later on.

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