

TABLE GOSSIP.

The engagement was announced the past week of Miss Mary Smoot of 57 Fairmont st., Lowell, and Mr Robert Parkman Blake of 29 Brimmer st., son of Mrs S. Parkman Blake. Miss Smoot is a relative of Mr Charles H. Blake to a nephew of Mr Henry L. Higginson and Mr Francis L. Higginson, his mother being their only sister. Mrs Blake is traveling in Europe at the present time. Miss Marian Blake is Mr Blake's sister.

Mr Washington B. Thomas is greatly missed by his Boston friends this winter, as he spends the greater part of his time in New York. He is a member of the Myopia Hunt, the Country and Essex clubs, as well as other organizations. He is also an enthusiastic golfer and for a time was president of the United States golf association.

Mr and Mrs Francis E. Shaw of Mt Vernon st., who sailed for the Mediterranean the middle of January, will, after a month spent in Egypt, pass six months in general travel on the continent.

A dinner of 12 covers was given at the Algonquin club Tuesday evening by Mrs Francis Batcheller in honor of Gen and Mrs Stewart L. Woodford of New York. A sunken fountain formed the main decoration of the table, the border of which, as well as the table, were strewn with catherine mermel roses, having tiny electric lights concealed beneath the foliage. Large baskets of the same roses, tied with pink gauze, were placed at regular intervals on the table with pink shaded candles between them. Mrs Batcheller wore a beautiful empire dinner gown of pink panne velvet embroidered with gold and silver. A necklace of diamonds and pale pink corals, together with her rope of pearls, diamond bracelets and a tiara, comprised her jewels. In the afternoon Mrs Batcheller invited the authors' club to meet at Gen Woodford at the hotel Somerset, who gave an address. Mrs Julia Ward Howe, president of the club, read her poem, "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," after which Col Thomas Wentworth Higginson recited some original verses. Mrs Batcheller received in a princess gown of gray chiffon crepe with yoke of Irish lace. She wore the gold decoration, set with diamonds, which was bestowed upon her by the queen of Italy last year in recognition of her book entitled "Glimpses of Italian Court Life." Among the guests were Mrs Curtis Guild Jr, Mrs Mary E. Wilkins Freeman, Mr William Augustus Allen, Gen Anderson and his daughter, Mrs Wadsworth, Mr and Mrs D Despradelle, Mrs Howard Ticknor, Mrs Caroline Ticknor, Mrs Henry Tudor, Mr Charles Follen Adams, Miss Rosamond Lang, Mrs Kate Gannett Wells, Mrs Grace Le Baron Upham, Mr and Mrs John Colby Abbott, Mr and Mrs G. P. Andrews, Mr Nathan Haskell Dole, Mrs Francis Walker, Miss Walker, Miss Helen Leah Reed, Mr Arthur Fairbanks and Dr Edmund von Mach.

Miss Gertrude Stevens of Beacon st. will entertain at luncheon Tuesday, March 16.

Mr F. W. Sargent and Mr Alexander Cochrane were registered in New York early in the week.

Mr Francis J. Otis, who sailed for Europe on Wednesday, gave a farewell luncheon to a number of friends in New York on Tuesday.

Among prominent Bostonians who have been in New York the past week are Mrs Rodolphe L. Agassiz, Mrs Thomas P. Lindsay, Mrs Ronald T. Lyman, Mr John S. Ames and Mr George L. Peabody.

Mr and Mrs John E. Cowdin (Gertrude Cheever), Mr and Mrs Victor Sorcinian (Miss Humeveel) and Mrs Waldorf Astor were among those who received invitations to the theatricals given by Mrs Abram S. Hewitt and the Misses Hewitt at their home in Lexington av., New York, on Tuesday night.

Mr T. Jefferson Coolidge Jr, and Mrs S. V. R. Crosby, with Miss K. S. Crosby and Miss Crosby, were among those who sailed on Wednesday from New York for a trip abroad.

Mr and Mrs F. E. Sheild, who have spent several winters at Nassau, gave their annual dinner last week in honor of the governor. The decorations in the dining room were very beautiful. Among the guests were Mrs Wm. Charles P. Greenough, who were spending the season at Nassau.

Mrs Edward C. Swift of Prides Crossing has been staying at the Holland house in New York the past week.

Mr and Mrs Grant Carter, who have been traveling in the south, arrived in New York the middle of the week.

Mr John C. Abbott will give his lecture, "Fables and Furbelows," at the hotel Tulleries on April 21 at 3.30 o'clock p. m. for the benefit of the discretionary fund of the out patient department of the Boston consumptives' hospital.

Louise Chandler Moulton, the writer, is confined to her home by illness.

The Waban Tennis course, one of the youngest but most successful clubs in Newton, will present their long anticipated annual dramatic performance on Friday and Saturday nights of this week in the local hall. The club includes several amateur actors of more than local fame, and in three previous shows has earned the deserved reputation of giving theatricals of an unusually high order of excellence. Their annual performances, from a financial standpoint, are for the purpose of adding to an already respectable club fund, to be used later in erecting a casino or clubhouse and larger hall. For the usual minstrel circle this winter has substituted the old Hansy Pudding game "Poison," which was first presented by a cast of several old favorites together with a few new stars. The actors are Mr G. M. Angier, Mr F. A. Arend, Mr E. H. Robinson and Mr W. M. Buffum. Miss Katharina Kimball, Mrs F. H. Putnam and Mrs F. W. Kane. As a curtain raiser, "The Robinson, leader of the Harvard 'Cap and Gown quartet," and Mr G. S. Gould, M. I. T. '07 will give an original musical skit of college life, "Studying," introducing four of the former's popular compositions, and the play will be followed by three excellent vaudeville acts, being songs by Mrs Helen Parker LeeClear contralto, a local favorite of new laughable character act by Mr R. O. Brigham, and last but not least a black-face burlesque by the clever comedian Mr H. Stewart Bosson and the well-known cadet star Mr Ralph Maynard. The committee in charge is Mr G. M. Angier, Mr E. H. Robinson, and Mrs J. C. Buffum, and Mr W. M. Buffum is manager.

Miss Alice A. Greene of Cohoes, N. Y., whose engagement was recently announced to Mr Percy Laurence Moore, is at present visiting at the Brookline home of Col and Mrs George W. Moses, and made one of a large party at the cadets' gymkhana on Friday evening.

Mrs Lyman D. Willett of Colchester, with her two daughters, Mrs Fred Stoddard and Miss Mervell Willett, will leave on Monday for Florida.

Miss Grace Grayle Masters, daughter of Mr and Mrs E. Woodworth, was married on Wednesday, Feb 28, at 12 o'clock, noon, to Mr C. Edward Thrasher of Newton, Rev Dr G. L. Perin of the Brookline Universalist church officiated. The short wedding-trip Mr and Mrs Thrasher will reside at Newton Centre.

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Mrs T. Lindall Winthrop and her granddaughter, Miss Honora Pyemont have arranged to sail for Europe this present week. Miss Pyemont, who arrived here late in the fall with her grandmother from England, where Mrs Winthrop resides much of the time, has enjoyed a series of gayeties as one of the season's debutantes. She will be missed by the number of friends she has made during her visit to this city. Miss Pyemont is a niece of Mrs J. Grafton Minot.

Mr and Mrs William Farnsworth and Miss Ellen Farnsworth entertained a number of guests at dinner Thursday night. Friday night the Farnsworths gave a dinner of 10 covers.

Mr and Mrs Washington B. Thomas gave a dinner on Tuesday night, and on Thursday night they repeated the hospitality.

Mr and Mrs Robert A. Bolt of Longwood gave a dinner at their home Wednesday night.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Little gave a dinner at their home on Commonwealth av on Friday night.

Mr and Mrs Charles Amory, Mrs Arthur Blake, Mr and Mrs William Nickerson, Miss Ruth Nickerson and Mr Richard Nickerson are leaving town today for California. Miss Nickerson is one of the leading debutantes of the season, and the dinners and small dance given in her honor during the winter were very handsome and successful affairs.

Mr Holker Abbot, who went abroad on business connected with the coming exhibition of the Copley society, returned home the last of the week.

Dr and Mrs Elbridge G. Cutler gave a dinner dance at their home, 214 Beacon st., Friday night for their daughter, Miss Anna Cutler.

Mr Francis I. Amory and his son, muster Francis Amory, left town for Washington Thursday for a brief visit. Mr and Mrs George A. Draper, with their daughter, Miss Helen Duaper, and Mr Wildlife Draper left town Thursday for Cuba. Mrs Draper's sister, Mrs Davy of Kentucky, accompanied the family.

Mrs W. A. L. Bazely gave a dinner dance at her home, 116 Commonwealth av, on Wednesday night.

Mr and Mrs Paul Hamlen gave a dinner of eight covers Tuesday night at their house on Boylston st.

Mrs John C. Phillips, who has been visiting her son in Washington, has returned to her home on Berkeley st.

Mr Amory Austin of Boston is passing the winter at Newport, where he has taken apartments at Bowler's, 113 Toura st.

There was plenty of fun at the hotel Tulleries on Thursday night when a number of the young girls of the Back Bay entertained their gentlemen friends by giving a leap year party in their honor. The conventional order was reversed, and instead of the matrons receiving, this courtesy was dispensed by Mr Samuel D. Warren Sr and Mr A. W. Loggellow. The ushers were girls who were under the direction of Miss S. Margaret Stackpole. The others were Miss Mary J. Amory, Miss Alice Thorndike, Miss Joan Bird, Miss Elizabeth Gray, Miss Helen Thomas, Miss Katherine Warren, Miss Nina Burnham, Miss Marion Fenno and Miss Lillian Mitchell. Miss Margaret Stackpole led the cotillon with Mr Francis Appleton Jr. Wedding rings, lanterns, pipes, cigarettes and fans were the favors. Among those present were Mrs Rodolphe Agassiz, who wore black velvet and jet, with white chiffon on the bodice; Mrs John L. Thorndike, emerald green velvet, with a deep fringe of gold beads and gold embroidery on the bodice; Mrs J. Montgomery Sears, black jetted net, with a necklace of emeralds and diamonds and black spangled wings in her hair; Mrs Washington B. Thomas, sapphire blue velvet and a chain of pearls; Mrs Henry Stackpole, black lace and jet, with white chiffon on the bodice; Mrs J. J. Storrow, blue-spangled tulle over blue satin; Mrs Charles Bird, blue satin embroidered with silver and white lace and gold spangles on the bodice and a black velvet collar, with a diamond clasp; her sister, Miss Childs, wore black chiffon and jet, with diamond ornaments, and Mrs Harold J. Coolidge was in cream white satin, with sable fur on the skirt and bodice.

Some of the young women who attended the Dorothy Forbes, very attractive in gray tulle spangled with silver over white satin, with a large pink rose on the bodice and a collar of pearls with diamond slides; Miss Helen Thomas, pale pink satin, with pale blue satin on the bodice; Miss Lily Mitchell, gold embroidered tulle over yellow satin; Miss Edith Bird, blue chiffon with gold spangles and a coat of point lace; Miss Elizabeth Gray, white satin and tulle with crimson roses on the bodice and a red ribbon in her hair; Miss Alice Thorndike also wore white satin and tulle; Miss Alice Bolt, gray pompadour silk with wreaths of pink roses; Miss Priscilla Stackpole, white tulle and white satin with silver spangles and a collar of pearls; Miss Adelaide Jackson, white satin with a fringe of silver beads on the bodice and a parrot plume in her hair; Miss Molly Elliot, pink and white striped satin; Miss Mary J. Amory, white tulle over white satin with silver spangles; Miss Nora Isagli, pale pink satin and chiffon; Miss Olivia Thorndike, blue chiffon and a blue ostrich plume in her hair; Miss Dorothy Dexter, pink satin and tulle with violets on the corsage; Miss Alice Bowker, white, satin and lace with touches of pompadour ribbon; Miss Marion Fenno, gold embroidered over yellow satin; Miss Elizabeth Stone, white satin and tulle on the bodice; Miss Susan Dabney, blue satin and tulle; Miss Alice Bowker, white and tulle, white lace over white satin and pink roses on the bodice.

The debutantes present included Miss Ellen Farnsworth, who wore a princess dress of blue satin; Miss Elizabeth Brooks, white chiffon and lace with touches of pompadour ribbon; her cousin, Miss Louise Wheelwright, pink and white striped tulle with white lace on the bodice; Miss Helen Sears, blue cloth if white with pale pink chiffon on the bodice; Miss Katherine Warren, white satin and tulle; Miss Miriam Shaw, blue dotted net over blue satin with garlands of blue satin ribbon on the skirt; Miss Margaret Stackpole, white satin, and tulle; Miss Joan Bird, white silk, flowered with pink roses and a white parrot plume in her hair; Miss Ruth Nickerson, blue satin and tulle with pink roses on the bodice; Miss Julia Coolidge, pale gray liberty satin and tulle; Miss Gertrude Sturgis, white dotted net with a girle and shoulder knots of blue satin ribbon; Miss Claire McKean, white chiffon with a lace border and girle of pompadour ribbon over rose pink satin; Miss Elizabeth Coolidge, white satin and tulle; Miss Mary E. Lowell, white spangled tulle over white satin; Miss Alice De Ford, old rose satin; Miss Nina Burnham, white satin and tulle with white roses and foliage on the skirt and bodice; Miss Elizabeth Jackson, white chiffon and lace with touches of pompadour ribbon, and Miss Grace Stackpole, who will be presented next season, in yellow satin and lace.

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The engagement is announced today of Miss Lucy Wadsworth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Herbert G. Woodworth of 101 Ivy st., Longwood, to Mr William Minot of Boston. Mr Minot, who is a Harvard man, class of '07, is a nephew of Mr Laurence Minot of 144 Marlboro st., where he also resides. His brothers are Mr Vredenburg Minot, who is a student at Harvard, and a still younger brother, Mr Soderick Minot, who also makes their home with their uncle, Mr Laurence Minot.

Mr and Mrs David Greenough and daughter of Greenough av, Jamaica Plain, who recently sailed for Europe, expect to spend two years abroad in travel.

Miss Beatrice Ayer, daughter of Mr and Mrs Frederic Ayer of Commonwealth av, has recovered so rapidly from her recent illness that she goes out to drive daily.

Mrs Henry D. Sleeper of Beacon st is building a beautiful summer cottage in Gloucester, near the site of the old Colonial Arms hotel, which was burned during the late fall. The house is nearly completed and Mrs Sleeper and her son, Mr Henry Sleeper, expect to occupy it in the early spring.

Miss Ruth Talbot, only daughter of Mr and Mrs George N. Talbot of Brookline, made a beautiful bride on the occasion of her marriage to Mr Erwin H. Furman of New York which was solemnized in the church of Our Savior in Longwood on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Enchantress pinks, tied with pink gauze ribbon, decorated the tops of the pews of the middle aisle, and clusters of them with easter lilies were arranged on the altar and in the chancel. The bride wore a princess gown of white satin with point lace on the bodice and a tulle veil held in place by a wreath of orange blossoms. She carried pink orchids and lilies of the valley. The matron of honor, Mrs Norman Boyd of Philadelphia, a sister of the bridegroom, wore white satin and white tulle with pink ribbon. The eight bridesmaids, Miss Lowe and Miss Gray of Boston, Miss Stark of Saginaw, Mich; Miss Bill and Miss Harris of Springfield, Miss Glazier of Hartford and Miss Cobb and Miss Boyd of Brookline wore lovely dresses of white chiffon with hand painted flowers and folds of rose-pink satin and rose-pink hats with trimmings of pink chiffon. The matron of honor and the bridesmaids carried baskets of killarney roses tied with large bows of pink gauze ribbon. Mr Russell Bowle of Richmond, Va, was best man. Rev Dr Reginald H. Howe performed the ceremony. The ushers were the three brothers of the bride, Dr Fritz Talbot, Mr Max and Mr Stanley Talbot, also Mr William Bird of East Walpole, Mr Roy Smith, Mr William D. Wadsworth and Mr Walter Sacks of New York. A reception was given at the home of the bride's parents, Sewall av, Brookline, after the ceremony. Mrs Talbot, the bride's mother, wore white chiffon with a yoke of white lace and diamonds on the bodice, and a black hat with black ostrich plumes; she carried pink orchids. Others present were Mrs Charles Bird, who was with her daughter, Miss Edith Bird, in black lace and chiffon and a black plumed hat; Mrs Maurice Richardson, lavender satin and white lace and a black hat with black ostrich feathers; Mrs Edwin Sheafe, black chiffon, a coat of eracaul and black hat with black feathers and steel buckles; Mrs Sheafe's daughter, Miss Barbara Sneath, was in white liberty satin with inserts of white lace and a white hat with touches of gold; Mrs Clarence Burrage, black chiffon and black lace and a black hat with jet; her daughter, Mrs S. Parker Bremer, wore champagne voile and a black plumed hat; Mrs H. H. Gay, black satin and chiffon and a black hat with pale blue satin ribbon; her daughter, Miss Caroline Gay, wore pale gray tulle with jet and pearls; Miss Martha Pitkin, who was with the bride, wore a burn, wore pale pink net with buds of pink satin ribbon of a darker shade and a black plumed hat; Miss Louise Heller, gray broadcloth embroidered with white silk and white lace on the bodice and gray velvet hat with a long gray plume.

Miss Ruth Greenough was a guest at a party given last week in the Rathskeller of one of the hotels by Miss Houghton of New York.

Washington's birthday was a gala occasion for out-of-door sports in Lenox, a number of skaters enjoying the fun of skating on the ponds of Dr Henry P. Jaques and Mr George B. Blake.

Mrs George von L. Meyer and her daughter, the Misses Julia and Alice Meyer, who visited New York early in the week, returned to Washington on Wednesday, but not in time to receive at the last official "cabinet day" of the season.

Mrs Oliver Wendell Holmes was hostess at a luncheon in Washington on Wednesday. Mrs William F. Draper was among the guests.

An engagement that will arouse considerable interest in professional and musical circles is that of Dr Henry P. Jaques and Mr George B. Blake. Mrs Jaques, a graduate of the Long Island college hospital in the class of '88 and took special post-graduate work at Harvard. He has been for five years camp physician to the New York state Y. M. C. A. boys' camp on Lake Champlain, and is visiting his father, Dr Henry P. Jaques, at the Brooklyn hospital and Polhemus dispensary. He is a brother of Carroll J. Swan of Boston and A. P. Swan, last year's captain of the Rutgers university track team.

The John Adams chapter, D. A. R., at its regular monthly meeting held at the Lenox on Friday afternoon, was invited as a body to attend the wedding of Miss Bessie McLean, daughter of Mrs Donald McLean, which will be solemnized in New York on Tuesday afternoon. The chapter has sent a magnificent cut glass vase to Miss McLean as a bridal gift. The committee who selected the present were Mrs Samuel Thompson, Mrs Adella Paige and Mrs Edward Clark.

Mrs F. S. Shepley of Warren st, Brookline, and her daughter, Mrs Julia and Violet Shepley, who have been traveling abroad the past year, are at present at Han Moritz, Switzerland. Later they will go to London for the season, returning home in August.

Miss Edith M. Mallin of New York has been visiting Mrs Mary Sherwin, daughter of Gen and Mrs Sherman of Jamaica Plain, returned home the middle of the week.

Mr and Mrs William H. Gardner (born Hodgson) of Winthrop have been the recipients of many congratulations during the past week on the occasion of the birth of a little son, Edwin Russell. Mr Gardner is the author of the words of the late E. A. MacDowell's most famous song, "Thy Beaming Eyes." His opera "Atlantis" is to be produced next month at Jordan hall.

Miss Charlotte M. Lamkin of Newton Center left town the early part of the week for Florida, where she is a guest of Mrs William L. Mallin of Pittsburgh, Penn, who is entertaining friends on her houseboat. Mrs Mollen was formerly Miss May Taylor of this city.

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Preparations will be completed in a few days for the fair in aid of the Industrial School for Crippled and Deformed Children at hotel Somerset on March 5 and 6. This sale promises to offer a finer display of novelties than in previous years, and it is earnestly hoped that those interested in this very deserving charity will avail themselves of this opportunity to visit the fair. In addition to the many attractions, a very clever silhouette artist, Mr Osborn, has been engaged. His work is present during the afternoon, and will be assisted by Mrs Osgood and Miss Rosamond Weeks. Mrs Butland, whose art in telling fortunes by palmistry is very well known, will be an attraction. Mrs A. L. Rotch, who has charge of the fair, has arranged for a fishpond surrounded by trees and palms. Arrangements have been made for those making purchases to have their parcels delivered at their residences at a very small expense. Contributions may be sent to the heads of the various tables and flowers will be gratefully received if sent the morning of the sale to Mrs G. S. Mumford, in charge of the flower booth; candy table, Miss Adele Thayer; miscellaneous, Mrs Leland; household, Mrs W. B. P. Weeks and Mrs A. G. Weeks; toys, Mrs S. R. Anthony; baby, Mrs C. S. Houghton; cake, Mrs C. A. Porter; cushion, Mrs E. S. Webster; bundle, Miss Eleanor Emmons. Those in charge of the lunch and tea rooms will be assisted by Miss May Denny, Miss Mary Buchan, Miss Katharine Homans, Miss Marion Milliken, Miss Harriet Milliken, Miss Sarah Pierce, Miss Dorothy Pierce, Miss Alice Fay, Mrs Ethel Fay, Miss Rosamond Fay, Miss Thomas Russell, Mrs W. O. Gay, Miss Clara Winthrop, Miss Colette Demeress, Miss Stimson, Miss Anna Cutler, Mrs Dorothy Warner, Miss Elizabeth Brooks, Miss Helen Sears, Miss Barbara Sheafe, Miss Clara Means, Miss Rosamond Disney, Miss Alice De Ford, Miss Nina Burnham, Miss Louise Wheelwright, Miss Barbara Howe, Miss Margaret Ware and Miss Joan Bird.

Miss Grace Kellen of Commonwealth st, who was the hostess of the wedding of Miss Beatrice Brown of Providence, was tendered a bridge, whilst and tea by her hostess on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Mary Coolidge Hall will be a Shrovet Tuesday bride, as her marriage to Mr Benjamin Loring Young will be solemnized in Emmanuel church at noon of that day. Bishop Lawrence will perform the ceremony, assisted by Rev. Edward Worcester, rector of Emmanuel. Miss Hall is a daughter of Mrs Richard J. Hall of Bay State road. Mr Young is the son of Mrs Benjamin L. Young.

Several plans are being made for the summer season at Newport, 25 cottages having been rented thus far at this celebrated resort. It is estimated that the severe storms of the winter have damaged the beach and the buildings at Bailey's Beach to the amount of \$50.

The Czerwonky quartet will give its first concert in Steiner hall tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. The members are Mr Richard Czerwonky first violin, Mr W. Kraft second violin, Mr Carl Scheurer viola and Mr Rudolf Nagel violoncello. Mr Felix Fox, pianist, will assist. The program comprises a "Quartet in D minor," by Haydn; "Sonata in E flat for piano and violin," by Richard Strauss, and a "Quartet in G minor," by R. Glere, which will be given its first rendering in Boston.

Mr and Mrs Joseph Widener of Philadelphia, who are so well known here, called with their children for Europe the past week. Mrs Widener has been prominent at the Boston horse shows in former years.

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The private theatricals given by Miss Elizabeth and Miss Clemence Crafts at their home, 11 Commonwealth av., on Wednesday evening were attended by about 50 guests. Two one-act plays were presented on a stage that was arranged in the rear of the drawing room for the occasion. The first play was "Le Tresor," by Francois Coppee. Mr Horace B. Stanton took the part of Le Duc Jean de la Roche-Morvan and Mrs Stanton appeared as Veronique, a niece of L'Abbe, the latter character being played by Mr Christian de Gulque. "Le Pretexa," by Mr Daniel Riche, was presented by the Comte Bertrand de Sarlages, who took the part of Laperche. The other members of the cast were Mr George Munroe, who appeared as De Torney, Mr Shaun Kelly as Andre Lebrizard, Miss Margaret Bradley as Jeanne, Miss Nora Isagli as Mme. de Flerens, Miss Ethel Forbes as Mme Lebrizard and Miss Elizabeth Crafts as Augustine. After the theatricals supper was served. The performance was so successful that some who witnessed it are urging that a public presentation shall be given later on. On Tuesday night there was a dress rehearsal at the house of the Misses Crafts, and on Monday night a dinner of 16 covers was given. Mr and Mrs Crafts left on the midnight train Wednesday for New York, where they were the guests of Mr and Mrs Gordon Bell, the latter a daughter of Mr Crafts, until they sailed yesterday for Europe. Miss Elizabeth and Miss Clemence Crafts went over to New York on Thursday, where they joined their parents prior to sailing yesterday with them. The family expects to return in midsummer and will go to the Crafts' country home at Richfield Springs, N. Y. A few who attended the theatricals on Wednesday night were Mrs Oscar Isagli, Mrs Charles Hayden, Miss Faulkner, Miss Dorothy Forbes, Miss Juliet Higginson, Mrs Russell Sturgis Codman, Mr and Mrs Francis B. Forbes, Mrs Lev-cret Bradley, Miss Martin Fenno, Mr and Mrs Harold J. Coolidge, Mr and Mrs Albert F. Bigelow, Miss Helen Prince, Miss Mary Vaupain, Miss Katharine Roosevelt, Miss Julia Ward Howe, Miss Julia Coolidge and Miss Barbara Higginson.

The house boat Roxana, which has been chartered by Mr J. E. Harlow of this city, was at St Augustine, Fla, on Wednesday on its way to Miami. Mr Harlow is accompanied by Mrs Harlow, Mr and Mrs J. L. Foster and Miss Margaret Foster. The Roxana was chartered last year by Mr and Mrs Larz Anderson, who made a trip aboard her in southern waters.

Miss Fowler of 275 Newbury st gave a large reception at her residence on Tuesday evening in honor of Miss J. J. Hoff of Paris. Miss Hoff, who is an exceptionally handsome woman, was gowned in white satin, elaborately embroidered. Miss Fowler wore a pearl-colored gown and white flowers in her hair. Miss Florence Robinson, who was one of the guests, wore a Paris gown decorated with pink roses. Mrs William Fowler wore a black lace gown, with red trimmings, and Mrs L. E. Robinson was in black and white chiffon. Mrs Goodspeed wore a handsome costume of light blue.

Mr and Mrs Charles Head, who have been in Cuba for several weeks, are expected to return home early in the week.

Miss Jane Bigelow of Boston is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr and Mrs C. Braxton Dallam, at their residence, 20 St Paul st., in Baltimore. On Monday afternoon Miss Virginia Greenway Albert gave a very pretty tea to introduce Miss Bigelow to the younger set of Baltimore society, and a number of other entertainments have also been arranged for her.

Among those who will dance at the theatricals to be given by the Vincent club next month are Miss Dorothy Dexter, who is one of the club's best dancers, Miss Katherine Fay and Miss Helen Prince, Miss Alice Thorndike, Miss Claire Means, Miss Woodruff and the Misses Jones of Cambridge. Miss Dexter, who is piquante and pretty, will perform a dainty French dance in a Pierot costume, while Miss Fay and Miss Prince will give a brilliant Spanish dance in costume. The matel this year will be intricate and full of novelties and, given to the music of the "Rec Mill," promises to be one of the most attractive features. "The Clown's Dance" will be specially pretty, and it is in this dance that the Misses Jones will appear.

Mr Walter Denegre and family of New Orleans, who spend the greater part of each year at their beautiful summer home, "Villa Crest," at Manchester-by-the-Sea, have this winter been making large additions to their house, and recently have purchased a large tract of land on Higdon av, which they will add to their estate.

Mrs Mary E. Wilkins Freeman was the guest of honor at the final reception given by Mrs Stillman B. Allen and her daughter, Mrs William Augustus Allen, at their home on Commonwealth av on Monday afternoon. Mrs Freeman wore a gown of black lace over black liberty satin, cut square in the neck, with touches of pale celadon green. Mrs William Allen wore a beautiful gown of white crepe, embroidered with sprigs and garlands of pink roses. Among the guests were Dr Daniel Hand, Mr and Mrs Horace P. Chandler, Miss Grace Chandler, Mrs Henry Raymond, Mr and Mrs Frederick C. de Smitz, Rev Reuben Kidner, Mrs George Van Draell, Mrs Greland, Miss Greland and Mrs Agnes Blake Poor.

Mrs H. W. Hayes of Beacon st, Brookline, left town early in the week for a fortnight's visit with friends in New York. Mr and Mrs Hayes have been receiving no end of congratulations upon the success of their prize-winning Scottish terrier, Hilda, which won three ribbons and a silver cup at her first showing at the Kennel club show of the New England Kennel club.

Mr and Mrs John E. Peabody of Cambridge were guests last week at the Falseneau cottage on Washington st at Newport.

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Miss Katherine Freeman of Belmont left town on Friday for New York, where she will visit friends for a few days. She will then go to Overton Penn, for a two-weeks' visit with friends.

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—The sudden death of Mr Samuel Tuckerman, which occurred Monday at his home on Linden st. Alston, was a sorrowful event to many people in this city. Mr Tuckerman was identified with the musical life of Boston, having rendered valuable service in this line to the cathedral, where he was an attendant. He was a member of the Handel and Haydn society, and sometimes appeared as soloist at the concerts of the society. Mr Tuckerman is survived by his wife, three sons, who are Mr John, Mr Paul and Mr Samuel Tuckerman, and by three daughters, who are Mrs Saunders of Ottawa, Can; Miss Elizabeth Clalborne Tuckerman, and Rev Mother Augustine, who is the superior of the Carmelite convent in Roxbury. Among those who are affected by his death are Mr and Mrs Leverett S. Tuckerman of Hereford st. Mr John A. Tuckerman of Bay State road, Mrs Francis Parker of Salem, Mr Newcombe Tuckerman and other prominent people.

—Mrs Ernest Major, wife of the well-known artist, left town early in the week to spend some time in New York with friends. Mrs Major has just returned from a delightful visit at Havana, where she has been staying with Mrs Charles H. Bond of Commonwealth av.

—The many friends of Mr Eugene Tompkins will regret to learn that he is seriously ill at his town house on Commonwealth av.

—The Circolo Italo-Americano was given a reception by the Denison house college settlement club on Washington's birthday which was largely attended by prominent people. Mr Daughausen sung Scotch songs in a delightful way. Among those present were Mrs L. D Brandeis, Mrs Saltonstall, Miss Helen Kimball, Mrs Cummings, Mrs David P. Kimball, Mr William H. Hill, Miss Cornelia Warren, Mrs Cunningham, Miss Ida Moran, Mrs Augustus Hemenway, Miss Susan Upham, Miss Vida Scudder, Miss James of London, Mrs Edmund Wheelwright, Mrs L. Shannon Davis, Miss A. Lathrop, Mrs Curtis, Miss Curtis, Miss Alice Longfellow, Mrs William C. Loring, Miss Eustis, Mrs Eustis, Mrs Ingersoll Bowditch, Mrs Alfred Bowditch and Miss H. Collamore.

—There was a large attendance at the reception and tea given by the Water Color Art club on Dartmouth st Friday afternoon. At the tea table, which was decorated with killarney roses and pink shaded candles, were Mrs Gardner M. Lane, who wore gray satin striped velvet and a gray hat with gray paradise plumes; Mrs A. Lawrence Rotch, a princess dress of black velvet with gold embroidery and white lace on the bodice and an ecru felt hat with white ostrich plumes; Mrs Horatio Lamb, dark green velvet with ecru lace on the bodice and a brown plumed toque, and Mrs Thomas Motley, dark blue cloth and a blue toque with black feathers. The young ladies who assisted in serving were Miss Elizabeth Gray, who wore coral red cloth with cloth of gold on the bodice and a black plumed hat; Miss Elizabeth Brooks, blue broadcloth and a white lace blouse, her hat was black with black ostrich plumes; Miss Milham Shaw, pearl gray cloth, the bodice embroidered in self-tones, and a blue hat with blue feathers; Miss Elinor Quincy, gray mirror velvet and a blue plumed hat; Miss Louise Wheelwright, ecru cloth and a black hat with black ostrich plumes; Miss Margaret Stackpole, black velvet and a white satin blouse embroidered in gold thread, her hat was black with white plumes; Miss Alice Thorndike, natter blue cloth with bands of satin of the same shade and a large blue hat with black plumes; Miss Mary Vaughan, silver gray cloth and a gray satin blouse; her hat was black with a long plume and velvet rosette of old rose. Noted among the guests were Hon T. Jefferson Coolidge and his daughter, Mrs Lucius M. Sargent; Mr and Mrs Henry S. Grew, Mr and Mrs S. E. Guild, Mrs William L. Parker and Miss Alice Parker; Mrs J. Montgomery Sears, Mrs Bayard Thayer, Mrs Leverett Bradley, Mr and Mrs J. H. Morrison, Mrs G. C. Hammond and Miss Alice Fay, Miss Martha Sisbee, Miss Adeline Bigelow, Mr and Mrs Arthur Little, Miss Claire Means, Mrs John L. Thorndike, Miss Olivia Thorndike, Mrs Dudley Pickman, Miss Mary B. Lowell, Miss Jean Oliver and Mrs Harold J. Coolidge.

—Mrs William W. Vaughan of 351 Beacon st opened her house on Tuesday afternoon to the members of the Tuesday club. The topics for discussion were, "Is the consumer who is not a producer, and therefore renders no equivalent to society, a parasite?" and "The Consumers' League."

—Mrs W. S. H. Lothrop of Chestnut st, with her cousin Miss Nellie Bacon of Jamaica Plain, a relative of Mr Robert Bacon, assistant secretary of state, will soon leave for Mrs Lothrop's beautiful plantation in Porto Rico, where they will remain for an indefinite time.

—Mr and Mrs F. L. Milliken who, with friends, are touring the south in a private car, were at Camden, S C, according to latest advices.

—Miss Vining, who is a member of the Sorosis club, will attend the annual election of officers which will be held in New York on Monday, and also the McLean wedding on Tuesday.

—Mrs Louisa A. Freeman and Mrs Lucy F. Frothingham of Marlboro st, who went to California in January, spent some time at Riverside. They have now gone to Hollywood.

—Mrs Frank Stevens and her young daughter, Harriette, returned to Andover the early part of the week from a week's visit with Mrs Henry S. Dickinson, at her apartments, 386 Commonwealth av. Mrs Stevens and Mrs Dickinson are sisters.

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—The engagement is announced of Miss Margaret Stirling Gallagher, daughter of Mr and Mrs John M. Gallagher, of Chicago, to Dr William Joseph J. Daly of Boston. Miss Gallagher on the paternal side belongs to a prominent Baltimore family, while through her mother she is a granddaughter of the late Thomas Costigan of Philadelphia. She is a very cultivated as well as a very attractive young woman and is now in her junior year at the Northwestern university. Dr Daly is a Harvard man and a graduate of Berlin and Leipzig universities. He is a member of the University and Puritan clubs. The wedding will take place shortly after Easter.

—Mrs B. F. Pitman, who played the leading role in "The Greatest Thing in the World," the play given by the Amateurs before a large audience in Whitney hall, Brookline, on Monday and Tuesday nights, wore some notable gowns in her part of Virginia Bryant, which she gracefully impersonated. Her dress in the first act was a beautiful white satin nearly covered with white crystals. In another act she wore a trailing morning dress of lavender chiffon over a rich jacket, of point lace. Miss Leslie H. Lindsey, who as Madge Chiselhurst was given great applause, wore a ball dress of white tulle with rosettes of pink satin ribbon in the first act, and in another scene she appeared in a street costume of black velvet with white fox furs and a rose-pink hat laden with pink ostrich plumes. Others in the cast were Miss F. W. Sprague, Miss Marlon Hay, Miss L. C. Carter, Mr Stewart Baird, whose performance was so brilliant that it is difficult to class him as an "amateur." Mr A. L. Crocker, Mr W. G. Stetson, Mr F. N. Robbins, Mr R. G. Fuller and Mr E. B. Ahlborn.

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—Mr and Mrs Richard W. Smith of Marlboro st announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Eleanor Sargent Smith, to Mr Arthur Goddard Smith of New York. Miss Smith is a Radcliffe girl and president of the Student government association of that college.

—Mr George N. Towle of Newton Center left town the middle of the week to spend a month in Florida.

—Mrs Larz Anderson, who is sometimes referred to as the richest woman in Washington, has conservative though correct taste in matters that relate to dress. At a recent dinner party she was much admired in a gown of point lace over satin, the latter a close fitting princess robe, over which the lace was draped with the careless grace of tulle or gauze. The neck of the gown was low and round, the sleeves short, with a fall of the lace from the shoulder which ended in a sharp point. Among her visiting gowns Mrs Anderson has a black panne velvet with long-trained skirt and close-fitting long coat, which is one of the richest as well as the most subdued toilets seen in Washington drawing rooms this season. A heavy white lace blouse, which shows less than five inches at the throat. The coat is cut in the sharp-pointed front that promises to prevail in the newest spring suits, and is trimmed with a single row of inch-wide black silk braid. The buttons also are of black silk braid. A medium-large black velvet hat, which is a modification of the early Victorian models, is worn with the suit. Another visiting gown is one of tobacco brown broadcloth, which is made with a long-trained skirt and a close-fitting coat, the latter trimmed with brown braid. With this suit Mrs Anderson wears a brown velvet hat trimmed with marabout. Her furs are a beautiful deep collar and muff of sable.

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—Much interest is expressed in social circles over the recital which Mrs Elsie Washburn, the talented reader, will give at the hotel Tulleries, on Thursday, March 19, at 11 a. m. Mrs Washburn will be assisted by Miss Lillian Vincent Beatey soprano, and Miss Edith Sampson Holden violinist. Mrs Stanley P. Clemens of hotel Westminster is in charge of the affair.

—Mr and Mrs Joseph White of Dedham announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen, to Mr Charles Luther Bullock of Jamaica Plain.

—Mrs Thomas Sherwin, wife of Gen Sherwin, and her daughter, Miss Mary Sherwin, of Jamaica Plain are soon to leave for London, where they go to visit Sir Philip and Mrs Lee-Warner (Miss Sherwin), whose marriage was one of the social events in London last June.

—Mrs Daniel Condit Osmun, who has been visiting her many friends in Boston, Brookline and Cambridge, has left for the Berkshire hills, where she will remain until April, when she will return to her home in Washington.

—Miss Harriet E. Mable, who went abroad in November, is at present in Florence, having gone there from Rome, where she has spent her time since her arrival on the other side.

—Mrs Waldo Merrill, formerly of Beacon st, who is occupying a suite of apartments at the hotel Cambridge, has left town for Philadelphia, where she will be the guest of Miss Newhall for several weeks.

—Mrs George Pierce, formerly of Newport, is spending the winter with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr and Mrs Charles C. Pierce of Brookline.

—Mr and Mrs William H. Ellis and Miss Marlon Ellis have returned to their home at Ashmont, Mass, from Newport, where they were guests of Elizabeth C. Tilley.

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—Mr and Mrs Charles Cutler of Beacon st, who are at present in the south, will return in time to open their charming Villa at Cohasset early in the season.

—The Thursday Morning Musical club gave a memorial concert in Jordan hall on Thursday morning in appreciation of its late president, Miss Fanny Thompson French, whose recent death the members regard as a severe loss to the club. Miss French identified herself closely with the interests of the club, and its splendid success as one of the high-class musical organizations of the city was largely due to her devoted efforts. Mr Arthur S. Hyde, organist of Emmanuel church, introduced the program on Thursday morning with a "Prelude in C minor" by Bach, and he also accompanied Mr Earl Cartwright, who sang a group of "Serious Songs" by Brahms. The large chorus, composed of members of the club, sang very impressively Horatio Parker's arrangement of "The Lord is My Shepherd," with Mrs Gertrude Holt as soprano soloist. Mr Hyde was the conductor and Mr Albert J. Snow was organist. Miss Edith Jewell played the violin and Mr Schuecker the harp. The Smalley trio, composed of Miss Edith Thompson, Mr Nicolai Sokoloff and Mr Ralph Smalley, rendered Beethoven's trio for pianoforte, violin and violoncello in B flat major in a splendid manner. Two selections by the chorus, comprising Mendelssohn's "Laudate Pueri" and George Henschel's "Morning Hymn," closed a program which was a fitting tribute to the memory of a woman who had faithfully served the musical interests of the club for many years.

—Mr and Mrs Albert J. Lovett of Boylston st spent the week end in New York with a party of friends.