

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. E. W. Mellon entertained the Thursday Afternoon Pleasure Club and a number of other guests at her home on North Poplar street, yesterday afternoon.

Besides the members of the club the following named were guests: Mesdames D. K. Pope, H. S. Bryan, Charles Lester Oates, Fred W. Glover, W. C. Godwin, C. M. Patterson, L. S. Bailey, H. L. Adams, J. F. York, J. H. Howell, Harry W. Shaw, R. L. Groom, E. V. Phylaxson, W. C. Lovejoy, W. W. West, M. M. Murphy, C. L. Alexander, T. M. Shelton, Misses Alice Glover, Floesie Settle and Rebecca Chambers.

Miss Jeanie Houghton entertained at 5 o'clock last evening in compliment to Miss Rosa Johnston, who is to be married the 22nd of this month to Mr. Robert W. Stokes.

The guests were the following: Mrs. C. H. C. Mills, Misses Rosa Johnston, Jeanie Cuthbert of Petersburg, Virginia, Willie Durant, Estelle Vernon, Hazel, Thomas, Flora Johnston, Alice Houghton, Caro Brevard, Maud Holt, Annie Hawkins and Norma Alexander.

Miss Hattie Orr yesterday afternoon entertained the Cheldon Book Club, which is now studying the works of Catharine de Medici. Misses Estelle Vernon, Mary Irwin and Margaret Ward were on the programme for papers.

Mrs. J. E. Wilson, of Steele Creek township, who has been visiting relatives in Union, S. C., will arrive in the city this morning and will spend some time with her daughter, Mrs. Thomas W. Dixon.

The Hoffman-Rhyme wedding will take place at the home of the bride, at Mount Holly, at 5:30 o'clock the evening of the 27th instant. Written invitations have been sent to a limited number of friends and no cards will be used until the announcement of the marriage.

The attendants at the wedding will be: Miss Helen Rhyme, a sister, who will be maid of honor, and Misses Georgia Lowe and Norma Van Landingham. The best man will be the groom's brother, Mr. B. G. Hoffman, of Philadelphia. The groomsmen will be Messrs. Law White, of Philadelphia, and J. W. Craig, of this city. Little Miss Augusta Cannon, a niece of the bride, will be ring bearer.

Among the visitors in the city yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. John A. Gruff, of Mocksville, who were guests at the Central.

One of the events of the next week will be the reception which it is tendered by Charlotte Pythians to Supreme Chancellor Charles E. Shively and daughter, Miss Mary Shively, in the parlors of the Southern Manufacturers' Club Monday afternoon, from 4 to 6 o'clock. The cards have been issued but none of these have been sent to the members of Pythian families, for all of these are expected to attend without formal invitation.

The following named ladies are to receive in the several parlors. In the first parlor, Mesdames T. S. Franklin, John F. York, C. A. Bland, L. B. Pruett, J. Arthur Henderson, M. P. Pegram, Jr., B. D. Springs, A. E. McCausland and Walter Scott and Misses Julia Robertson, Louise Wakefield, Robekah Glenn, Annan Locke Hutchison, Julia Alexander, Kitty Walker and Norma Van Landingham. Parlor No. 2—Mesdames J. M. Harry, W. M. Lyles, F. D. Letcho, T. W. Dixon, B. S. Davis, D. C. Moore, D. C. Hutchison, F. R. McNeich and C. L. Alexander and Misses Selene Hutchison, Louise Wadsworth, Willie Durant, Violet Alexander, Hattie Orr, Marie Wheeler and Alice Baird.

Parlor No. 3—Mesdames J. A. Solomons, L. A. Dodsworth, C. W. Parker and E. S. Pegram and Misses Caro Brevard, Lucy Ray, Sadie Belle Mayer, Lucy Robertson, Mary Armand Nash, Hill—Mesdames H. A. London, J. G. Baird, C. S. Alston, D. A. McLaughlin and W. B. Swindell and Misses Fannie Moore Burwell, Lottie Gray, Lydia Nash, Annie Parks Hutchison and Adeline Bell. Dining Room—Mesdames T. P. Ross, E. W. Berryhill, J. A. Fore, Luke Seawell, W. G. Lake, W. H. Young, A. C. Hutchison, Lloyd Withers and Misses Charlie Hutchison, Bessie Nash, Agnes Hutchison and Bess Hutchison. King, Ada Felts and Bess Hutchison.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Wolfe, after spending a week with Squire and Mrs. C. H. Wolfe, near the city, left yesterday morning for their future home in Asheville.

Miss Blanche Heardt, who has been the guest of Mrs. David Bachman, for the past several weeks, left yesterday morning in Raleigh the first of the week.

The following cards have been received in the city: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. White announce the marriage of their daughter, Lulu Williams Biggs to Mr. Edwin Robeson MacKathan on Wednesday morning February the fourteenth.

Among the visitors in the city today are Mr. and Mrs. George A. Lockhart, of Wadesboro, who are guest at the Central.

Mr. McKay, McKennon and Miss Flora McKennon, of Maxton, were among the guests at the Buford last night.

Mrs. T. P. Weston entertained at cards, at her home on North College street, last evening, in compliment to her illness. Misses Alpha and Laura Green, of Atlanta, Ga. The lady's prize, a cut glass vase, was won by Miss Lois Conrad, the gentleman's, an imported German stein, by Mr. J. O. Walker, and the pitcher's a Japanese vase, by Miss M. J. Davis.

The guests were the following named: Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Green, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lovins, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Dugan, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young, Dr. and Mrs. C. G. McManus, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Zueler, Mr. and Mrs. Carey Butt, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Dowd, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. McManus, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Conklin, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Lett, Mrs. M. Bray, Mr. and Mrs. Hope Neely, Misses Sara and Lily Kelly, Bertha Kneppinger, Elizabeth Conrad, Ruth Todd, Sarah Houston, Beatrice Blake and Lois Conrad, of Danville, Va.; Estelle Vernon, Essie Fannie and Maud Farrill, Kate Torrence, Mable Beck, of Richmond, Va.; Messrs. Thomas W. Alexander, W. J. Moon, Jr., John M. Crain, J. W. Keys, Baxter Ross, W. L. Jenkins.

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DEATH OF MRS. ANNIE HARRIS.

Funeral Yesterday Afternoon at Back Creek Church—The Passing of a Good Woman.

Mrs. Annie A. Harris, one of the best known residents of Crab Orchard township, died at her home near Newell yesterday morning at 3 o'clock. She had been in failing health for some time and her death was not unexpected.

Surviving the deceased are a husband, Mr. Walter Harris, seven sons and two daughters. These are Misses Loula Query and Irene Harris, and Messrs. Marks, Fred, Baxter, Thomas, Will, Manley and John Harris. The funeral took place at Back Creek Associate Reformed Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. G. R. Stewart, the pastor, conducting the services. The interment was made in the cemetery near the church.

HOT BABY CONTEST.

Last Day of the Carnival of Hearts—Auction Sale To-Night—The Baby Show the Special Feature of the Evening—The Winners of the Prizes—Live Time Among Mothers.

The Carnival of Hearts will close to-night with an auction sale of all the household and pantry supplies, and fancy work which are not sold at that time. Another interesting feature of the carnival to-night will be the announcement of the winners of the premiums in the several voting contests which have been carried on since the opening day. No admission will be charged to-night.

The climax for yesterday's features was the baby show in the afternoon. At 3 o'clock 27 babies, accompanied by fathers, mothers, or nurses, were present to be entered for the prize. The first that were viewed by the judges were the babies not over six months old, the next from six months to one year old, then those from one year to eighteen months, and the last from eighteen months to two years. The contest was interesting, and animated as well, so far as the adult admirers of the little folk were concerned. Every baby was coaxed and encouraged to smile its sweetest smile and give every evidence of its intellectual training, and the little ones, seeming to have at least a partial appreciation of what was expected of them seemed to vie with each other in their efforts to make the most favorable impression upon the judges. The ladies to whom the responsible work of decision was given were deliberate and careful, but they confessed their task was a difficult one. A baby show is interesting, and often amusing, as well, to onlookers, and yesterday's show was no exception. Every mother's baby is of course to her the dearest and the prettiest, and more than one comment like these was made after the decision was announced: "Don't you think my baby as pretty as the one who got the prize? I certainly do."

"I don't see how the judges could give the prize to that baby, when mine is just as pretty." And one fond mother, before the show expressed the thought that was no doubt echoed many another mother's heart, when she said: "Well, the baby will get a prize if the judges are fair. It all depends upon their fairness."

The baby show was a success, and the little boys and girls made four pretty pictures worth remembering, even if at one time it did seem they were all crying—making one chorus of twenty-seven voices. They were soon persuaded to banish tears for smiles, and their laughter was at more than one time united as their sobs had been.

The judges were Mesdames W. W. Hugdon, J. Q. Adams and J. G. Blair. The following babies were the winners of the prizes: Frances Harriet Beattie, six months old, a go-cart; Leonard LeGrande Hunter, ten months old, gold baby-pin; Mildred Lathrop Henderson, eighteen months old, gold stick pin; William Baxter Hussey, twenty-three months old, gold ring. The contest for the stick pin was so close between little James Vason and little Miss Henderson that the judges could not decide, and it was left to another lady.

The programme last night consisted of music and elocution, by Mrs. E. H. Stewart, Miss Mary Stewart, Miss Julia Alexander and Mrs. F. D. Lee. Dinner will be served to-day as usual.

THE "STABAT MATER."

An Enjoyable Rendition of a Fine and Elaborate Musical Composition by The Elizabeth Choral Society. Give a Concert to an Appreciative Audience.

The choral society of Elizabeth College rendered last night, in the college auditorium, Rossini's "Stabat Mater," the soloists being Miss Bel L. Seymour, Mrs. R. H. Matthews, Mr. W. H. Overcash, Mr. E. P. Tingley and Mr. J. C. Watson. The accompanists were Miss Gertrude Cappellman at the piano, and Mr. F. W. De Golyer at the organ. Prof. H. Zehm was the director and deserved much praise for the beautiful success of the event.

The auditorium was crowded to its utmost limit and the audience being an inspiration, not only in numbers but in personal feeling, being composed of the representative music lovers of the city. The music in the Stabat Mater is especially lovely and the rendition of it all last night, from the prelude, by the organ and piano, to the final amen, was so finished and enjoyable, it seems difficult to discriminate in praising any one part in preference to another.

The duet between Mrs. Matthews and Miss Seymour was particularly beautiful, the contralto voice of the former and the soprano of the latter blending in exquisite harmony. Both were becomingly gowned in white. The duet sung by Mrs. Seymour and Miss Seymour, "Thou Will Lead Me," was admirably rendered by Mr. Tingley, and was followed by a very beautiful part of the programme, recitative and chorus, Mr. J. C. Watson being the soloist, being in excellent voice. The quartette, "I Have Longed for Thy Salvation," was charmingly rendered by Miss Seymour, Mrs. Matthews, Messrs. Watson and Overcash. The finale, "Even as Our Trust is in Thee," being exquisite. The caratina, "I Will Sing of Great Mercies," was sung by Mrs. Matthews, and her rich contralto voice was shown to lovely advantage. The inflammation sung by Mrs. Seymour and the full chorus, was rendered with dramatic effect and every note of it was sincerely enjoyed by every one. The lovely quartette, "Hear us, Lord," was sung by Mrs. Matthews and Miss Seymour, and Messrs. Overcash and Tingley. The finale and amen, by the full chorus, was a superb climax and was thoroughly appreciated.

Charlotte people have learned that anything done for Elizabeth means an evening of pleasure for all who attend and the large crowd which enjoyed the Stabat Mater last night will anticipate with pleasure returning at the first opportunity to anything of this popular institution. Mr. E. H. Matthews, who was to have sung the tenor parts, was unexpectedly called out of town.

One of the Oldest Subscribers. The business office is in receipt of the annual subscription from Major J. C. Keener, of Ingalls, who is one of the oldest subscribers to the Observer. Maj. Keener is a veteran of two wars. He served in the Mexican war as a colonel. During the civil war he served as a major, rendering valuable service for the Confederacy. He is now 90 years old, but his health is good and he is as vigorous as many men of half his years. The major has not none of his interest in public affairs and current events. Besides the Observer he takes a New York paper, his county paper and magazines. He is one of the best informed men in his county.

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