the hall bearing a monogram in red and green "G-L. 1888-1908," where they were met by Mrs. Zeb Turlington, Miss Hattie Williams, Miss Julia Stirewalt and Mr. W. M. Neal.

In the drawing room the happy couple, in whose eyes beamed the fires of youthful love, received the congratulations and best wishes of their numerous friends. Mrs. Lowrance wore a dress of black net trimmed in cut jet and real lace that was on her wedding gown. Those receiving with them were: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brown, Mr. J. C. Neal and Mrs. Fred White, of Charlotte. The decorations of ferns, asparagus and red dahlias with a mass of ferns over the mantle and festoons of ruby ribbon from the chandelier presenting a lovely picture.

In the library which was decorated with roses and cut flowers a wealth of presents beautiful and costly, was displayed. These simple tokens showing the esteem in which the couple is held by their friends. Here Mrs. J. B. Huston and Miss Laura Miller served punch. Those receiving in the dining room were Mesdames Sossaman and D. E. Turner, where the guests were seated at two long tables on each of which was a heavy pillow of chrysanthemums with a festoon of ruby ribbon hanging from electric lights. A menu consisting of a salad course, cream, cake, coffee, fruits and nuts was served, the dining room being tastefully decorated with golden rod and ferns.

Mesdames Lucy McPherson, S. W. Stevenson, R. J. Caldwell and T. O'Connell presided in the pantry.

Miss Mary Shoaf greeted the guests in the sitting room. Mrs. A. M. Turner presided at the register, there being seventy-five to register. Among the out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Huston, Mrs. Dr. Brown, all of Mount Ulla; Mr. and Mrs. H. Ellis Shoaf, of Mill Bridge; Mrs. Fred H. White and Mrs. W. A. Sossaman, of Charlotte. The wishes of their numerous friends is that they may see many more years of wedded life and that they can celebrate their diamond wedding.

Miss Hester Steele went to Charlotte Saturday to be with her sister, Mrs. D. C. Smith.—Mr. W. E. Shepherd returned home Sunday afternoon, after a trip of nearly a month in the West.—Mr. Sprinkle, of Pennsylvania, is spending awhile in the city.—Mrs. W. M. Morris and little daughter, of Concord, are visiting relatives here.—Mrs. A. E. Freeze and her daughter, Miss Lula, returned Tuesday night from a visit to Lenoir.—Mrs. S. A. Rivers and Mrs. V. G. Blythe, of Louisville, Ky., were visitors here Saturday, the guests of Mrs. George C. Goodman.

HICKORY.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Hickory, Oct. 30.—The hostess for the Wednesday Afternoon Book Club certainly had been making a study of "Harmony" for she entertained the club on a day when even the elements aided her. Her book was White's "Riverman," and every street in the town was in truth a "river" in miniature. But except for illness and absence from town, all the members breasted the flood and were well repaid.

Mrs. E. B. Menzies, the hostess, gave a fine talk on Stewart Edward White and read a letter from him, telling of his boyhood and youth, which he spent in the north woods with his father and the rivermen of his life in California and the West, of his ornithological labor, of his college days, of life in the Black Hills and gold camps, of his sojourns in Paris and England, and his return to this country, and the beginning of his literary work. In and through all, there is felt the man's love for life in the "undiscovered country," the beautiful north woods, where he wrought and studied and lived and broadened by intercourse with the grandest influence, the most sublime teacher the world knows—nature. It was by association with nature itself that White became the cultured artist that he now is and it was here in the beloved woodlands that he found scenes and characters for his books. We were all delighted to hear of a new book from his pen promised for the early spring.

We had all been depressed more or less by the pouring rain and in order to dispel all gloom and enliven the club, the hostess invited us to the dining room. No one could longer feel "blue" for Hallowe'en color and favors made "sunshine in a shady place." Lights shone brilliantly from huge goblin globes all about the room, while on the largest, a monster with crooked nose and mouth awry, rode the witch herself, not with her proverbial broom and cat, but holding long golden streamers, reaching to each guest plate, each streamer bearing the witch's miniature, to the delight of all. A delicious salad luncheon was served and notwithstanding goblins galore and witches ready to fly away with one's "nearest and dearest and one you love the best," the club members all did full justice to the hostess' good things—and it was almost dark when they dispersed and flew homeward—but the golden light from the goblin globes shone all around about and though much later in the day, the gloom and dimness seemed gone and forgotten.

Dr. Eben Alexander, of the University of North Carolina, late U. S. Minister to Greece, is to meet with the Traveler's Club the evening of November 20th and talk on "Modern Greece."

Mrs. J. A. Ramsay was the hostess of the Hickory Book Club Wednesday afternoon, October 28th, with every member present although it was raining. Great chrysanthemums in many varieties, perfect in form and color greeted the guests, most of them the compliments of Miss Amy Wheeler, the results of her care and skill. The variety of opinions on the books read since last meeting combined with touches of humor made the discussion quite interesting. And this was especially true in regard to the book of the hostess which according to club custom is dealt with more in detail. "The Testing of Diana Mallory," by Mrs. Humphrey Ward was the book of the day, the criticism and reviews of it being especially enjoyable. Current events of interest preceded adjournment to the dining-room where "the feast of reason and flow of soul" went on with the enjoyment of the other good things among which fried oysters and chicken salad were pre-eminent.

Another delightful meeting is in anticipation when the club meets next with Mrs. E. L. Shuford, November 11th.

Thursday, October 22d, Mrs. O. M. Royster entertained the Traveler's Club with a large attendance in spite of the pouring rain. Hera or Juno was the subject of responses to roll-call. On realizes that a review of these myths, renowned in poetry and in art, is of literary and artistic value, since they unite the beauty of the past with that of to-day. The first article was Mrs. J. H. Patrick's on "The Age of Tyrants," in which was given a brief account of the rulers and law-givers previous to that time, as well as during the period. Mrs. J. L. Cilley followed with the topic, "The Growth of Various Greek States," bringing Sparta and Athens into prominence. The true picture of those times presented by both papers, showed study and the proportionate values of historical facts given with clearness and interest. Mrs. E. B. Cline then gave the club a treat by her literary taste in the selection of marked characteristics of Hesiod and noted passages from "The Father of Didactic Poetry." Milton bathed himself in Hesiod and this is especially true of "The Theogony," "A mine to dig for relics of heathen mythology." "The Works and Days of Hesiod" were the inspiration of the polished "Geogics" of Virgil and of "The Idyls" of Theocritus. Although Hesiod and Homer are supposed to have lived at the same time, they are in striking contrast. Homer objective, impersonal keeps himself behind the scenes; Hesiod subjective, personal is in the foreground. Mrs. Chadwick closed the programme with a reading, "Juno and Latona," from Lucian's witty "Dialogues of the Gods." Among the items of interest in "Current Events" was an absurd epitaph quoted from The Charlotte Observer, found by Dr. Herring on John Parham's tomb:

"If it hadn't a been for them there salts,
Dad wouldn't have been in these here vaults."

And then some pictures of recent excavations in Crete by Mr. Evans.

Dainty refreshments followed adjournment to meet next with Mrs. J. L. Murphy.

This pleasant hour in a dark day made truly "sunshine in a shady place."

An appreciative audience heard Mr. Sears' lecture on "Grumbling and Its Cure" at the Academy of Music last Tuesday evening. This entertainment was under the auspices of Lenoir College and a good house greeted this popular lecturer.

Mrs. C. M. Sherrill spent several days in Charlotte this week.—Mrs. Alice Ferguson, of Greenville, S. C., returned home to-day after spending a week here with her daughter, Mrs. E. B. Cline.—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Blackwelder have returned from a visit to friends in Catawba.—Mr. E. B. Cline, who has been off on a week's business trip to Montreal, Canada, returned to Hickory last Tuesday.—Mrs. W. H. Little left Tuesday to visit her mother near Lincolnton.—Miss Lillian Rudisill, of Lincolnton, and Miss Slater, of Orangeburg, S. C., visited Mrs. W. H. Little last Monday and Tuesday.—Messrs. W. L. Boatwright, J. F. Click, J. D. Elliott, W. T. Sledge, R. L. White, R. G. Williams and Rev. J. D. Harte attended the South Fork Association which met in Gastonia last week.—Mrs. LeRoy Whitener's many friends will be glad to learn that she is doing well after undergoing an operation at her home last Wednesday.

NEWBERN.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Newbern, Oct. 30.—One of the most charming social events ever held in this city was that of the opening dance given by the Clarendon German Club Wednesday night. Dancing began at 10:30 and lasted until 1. The evening was filled with prevailing good humor, fun and merriment within in spite of the blustering storm without. Mr. J. A. Nunn, the newly elected leader, very gracefully and skillfully led the german with Miss Emma Duffy, and proved himself a master of most intricate and unique figures. One of the special features of the dance was the "Arbor Polonaise" during which the dancers carried overhead beautiful garlands of flowers through the mazes of an elaborate figure. Another dance of particular beauty was the "Lampion Polonaise." As the Italian orchestra played with energy "I'm Afraid to Go Home in the Dark," the glare of the electric lights was replaced by the pale and soft rays of many brightly colored Japanese lanterns while the merry dancers "tripped the light fantastic toe." Among those partaking of this hospitality were: Miss Emma Duffy with J. A. Nunn; Miss Elizabeth Ellis with J. S. Claypoole; Miss Henrietta Hancock with M. Rountree; Miss Nettie Rawlings with R. H. Smith; Miss Whitford, of Beaufort, with Wallace Smith; Miss Taylor, of Beaufort, with Dr. N. M. Gibbs; Miss Bertha Willis with Mr. Smith; Miss Harriette Marks with Dr. J. F. Patterson; Miss Alice Spencer with Mr. Myers; Miss Katie Street with Mr. A. Greenebaum; Miss Mary Rice with O. G. Dunn; Miss Burke with M. DeW. Stevenson. Stags: Dr. W. L. Hand, A. F. Patterson, R. Davenport, J. A. Street. Chaperones: Mrs. S. C. Whitford, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Rawlings.

At her beautiful home on Johnson street, Miss Katie Street most delightfully entertained the R. S. V. P. card club which has its meetings on Friday afternoons. Bridge whist was the amusement of the afternoon, which passed away so pleasantly and so quickly. After several very exciting games were played a delicious salad course was served, after which the guests reluctantly departed. Those who enjoyed Miss Street's hospitality were: Mesdames D. Congdon, Thomas Williams, Samuel Eaton, Misses Mamie Hunter Richardson, Mary Rice, Harriette Marks, Annie Foy, Henrietta Hancock, Nettie Rawlings, Jane Stewart and Emma Duffy.

On Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maguire a most brilliant reception was held from 4 to 6 o'clock complimentary to Miss Maguire, of Norfolk, and Miss Sult, of Berwick, Pa. The whole first floor was hospitably thrown open to the guests who came to call on Mrs. Maguire and her charming visitors. This home was veritably "A House of a Thousand Candles," which with the beautiful autumn leaves for decorations made a scene of rare beauty. In the dining room a most delicious collation was served. Those receiving in the front parlor were: Mrs. Frank Maguire, Miss Maguire, Miss Sult, Miss Elizabeth Ellis and Mrs. Larry Moore. Those dispensing hospitality in the dining room were Miss Katherine Street, Misses Howland, Miss Annie Foy and Mrs. Burrus. Several hundred guests called upon Mrs. Maguire during the afternoon.

WADESBORO.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Wadesboro, Oct. 29.—An engagement of more than usual interest to a wide circle of admiring friends in this and other States was announced in a most unique style at the home of Miss Goldie Mills last Tuesday night when the Bachelor Girls' Club met there. On entering the dining room, beautifully decorated with autumn leaves and chrysanthemums, punch was served to each guest. As the last red drops were drained from the dainty glass cups, the guests were surprised to observe on the outside of each, a heart on which was written the words, "Cottingham-Burns, December 1908." Following this a buffet salad course was served. Those present were: Misses Elsie Bennett, Charlie Belle Craig, Bessie Dockerry, Bessie and Ethel Ashcraft, Jennie B. Brent, Portie Huntley, Helen McLendon, Johnsie Dunlap, Marion and Lora Little, Jennie Doake Plunkett, Winey Caraway, Nannie Howard, Dora Burns, Jessie and Estelle Moore; Mesdames H. B. Allen, J. F. Allen, E. W. Martin, S. B. Hanes, J. M. Covington, Jr. The bride-to-be, whose engagement was announced at this happy occasion, is the second daughter of Mr. C. M. Burns, of this city. She is an attractive young lady, refined and cultured, while the groom-elect is Mr. Clive Cottingham, president of the Cottingham Grain Co., of St. Louis, Mo. He is a young man of fine character who, by his own exertions has built up one of the most successful enterprises of his city. He is a brother of Mrs. T. W. Chambliss, of this city.

MONROE.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Monroe, Oct. 30.—Miss Margaret Parker and Mr. Earl Dees were united in marriage last Wednesday evening at 7 in St. Paul's Episcopal church, the Rev. Fred A. Fetter performing the always impressive ceremony in a most impressive manner. It was a very beautiful and solemn occasion as they stood before the altar surrounded by a throng of interested and loving friends which filled the little church, which was truly a wilderness of flowers. The white-robed choir, among whom was a number of trained voices, sang "The Voice That Breathed O'er Eden" as a processional. This was followed by "O, Perfect Love," after which the groom and his best man, Mr. Ney McNeely, came in from the vestry. Then the ushers entered in pairs and stood on either side of the aisle in front of the altar. The ushers were: Capt. Hugh H. Hinde; Messrs. T. P. Dillon, Compton; Lester L. Parker, of Pageland; Samuel I. Parker, a brother of the bride; Pickett McLarty and Walter B. Love. The maid of honor, Miss Caroline A. Parker, sister of the bride, preceded the bride. She was gowned in light blue silk with lace trimmings, wore a large picture hat and carried the bride's Prayer Book. The little ribbon bearers were: Miss Anna Bernard Benson and Master d'Arcy Hinde. Last came the bride, accompanied by her brother, Mr. J. J. Parker, who gave her away. She wore a gown of ivory white satin trimmed with point lace, the handiwork and gift of her aunt. Her tulle veil was arranged under a wreath of lilies of the valley, and she carried a shower bouquet of white carnations and ferns. The bridal party left the church, the choir singing, "Lord, Who at Cana's Wedding Feast, Didst as a Guest Appear?" The happy pair took the 7:30 train for their honeymoon trip.

The groom is a young business man of Monroe who came here from Laurinburg. He is much esteemed and liked by all. His bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Parker and is very popular and attractive. Among the out-of-town guests for the wedding were: Mrs. Helen S. Perry, of Atlanta; Miss Maria Moffitt, of Wilmington, and Miss Beulah Parker, of Lane's Creek.

The L'Allegro Club was delightfully entertained last Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. B. C. Ashcraft. A number of visitors was present besides the members. "Forty-two" was the game of the afternoon and there were six tables. After an interesting game it was found that Mesdames E. S. Green, C. H. Richardson and Robert Farr had tied for the prize, a beautiful pin tray, which fell, by lot, to Mrs. E. S. Green. Delightful punch was served by Mrs. J. A. Stewart. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. S. O. Blair and Miss Lottie May Blair, served an elegant salad course, hot chocolate and wafers. Mrs. Ashcraft's guests were the following: Mesdames J. W. Yates, Henry Laney, S. H. Green, V. D. Sikes, E. S. Green, O. W. Kochtitzky, W. E. Carson, C. H. Richardson, E. C. Williams, S. O. Blair, Ellie McKenzie, Bob Evans, Robert Farr, Frank Laney, Wriston Lee, W. B. Houston, W. T. Whitfield, Ed Stewart, H. D. Stewart, T. J. Shannon, Will Guess, J. A. Stewart, W. J. Rudge, Roscoe Phifer; Misses Ola Bruner and Bright Ogburn.

The Thalia Book Club had their first meeting of the year with Miss Mary Davis. Officers were elected as follows: Miss Pattie Lee, president; Miss Edna Harris, secretary and treasurer. Misses Anna Chreitzberg and Susie Covington were elected new members. The old members are the following: Misses Mary Covington, Inez Flow, Pattie Lee, Mary Davis, Bright Ogburn, Edna Harris, Nancy Watkins, and Mrs. Nerens English.

The Sorosis Club was delightfully entertained by Mrs. H. B. Adams this afternoon at her home on Washington street. It was a Halloween affair, and the idea was beautifully carried out in the decorations, place cards, etc. The club will this year study the United States. An entertaining article on "Indian Art" was read by Miss Anna Blair. The hostess read an interesting sketch, entitled "The Oldest City in the United States." The history review was ably conducted by Mrs. J. A. Stewart. The guests were then led to the dining room, which was darkened and lighted with pumpkin Jack o' Lanterns. All the decorations were suggestive of the coming Halloween. The luncheon consisted of grape fruit, chicken salad, stuffed peppers, timola sandwiches, pickles, wafers, ice cream, cakes, coffee and mints.

CONCORD.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Concord, Oct. 30.—The Emery Club, a new social organization for Concord, held its initial meeting with Miss Shirley Montgomery on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at her beautiful home on North Union street. As the name suggests, each member went equipped with dainty work-bag and fascinating handiwork and for more than one hour the click of busy needles kept time to the hum of merry conversation. As the hands became weary and work was laid aside, most dainty and tempting refreshments were served. The guests d' honneur were: Mrs. D. B. Privett, of Goldsboro, and Misses Mary Cole, of Raleigh, and May Oates, of Charlotte. The members are: Mesdames. P. T. Durham, president; J. D. Lentz, H. M. Barrow, D. L. Bost, E. A. Moss, J. W. Cannon, D. F. Cannon, P. B. Fetzer, A. J. Yorke, J. M. Craven, Misses Shirley Montgomery and Jenn Coltrane.

Miss Jenn Coltrane entertained most delightfully on Tuesday evening, complimentary to Misses May Oates, of Charlotte, and Mary Cole, of Raleigh, the attractive guests of Mrs. Plato Durham. The pleasures of the evening were greatly heightened by the rendition of beautiful vocal solos by Misses Oates and Cole, each a singer of rare ability and sweetness. At the close of the evening an elegant salad course was served by Mesdames D. B. Coltrane and Z. B. Moore. Those who enjoyed Miss Coltrane's hospitality were: Miss Oates and Mr. W. W. Gibson; Miss Cole and Mr. R. M. Odell; Miss Shirley Montgomery and Mr. R. P. Gibson; Miss Elizabeth Gibson and Mr. M. L. Cannon; Miss Nan Cannon and Mr. M. Richmond; Miss Lina Hartsell and Mr. I. I. Davis; Rev. and Mrs. P. T. Durham; Messrs. W. R. Odell, A. G. Odell, F. L. Smith, L. W. Brander and Dr. F. O. Rogers.

Cards have been issued by Rev. and Mrs. Bascom York, announcing the marriage of their daughter, Bettie, and Mr. Myrton M. Rudisill on Wednesday evening, November 4th, at 7 o'clock, at their home on Church street. Miss York is a most excellent young woman and an accomplished musician, while Mr. Rudisill is a worthy young business man and well deserving of the bride he wins.

The first meeting of the Christian Reid Club for the season, was held at the home of Mrs. H. M. Barrow on Saturday afternoon last. Most attractive programmes in white and gold (the club colors) have been arranged for the winter's study on America. At this meeting three most interesting papers were read, "Colonization of America," Mrs. H. M. Barrow; "The American Revolution," Mrs. R. A. Brower; "Distinguished Americans, sons of Clergymen," Miss Laura Leslie.

Mrs. H. I. Woodhouse gave a sketch of the author of the day, George Meredith, whose "Diana of the Crossways" is one of the books to be read by the club this winter. Most elegant refreshments were served by Mrs. Barrow.

Miss Lura Wheeler, who has been the guest of her brother, Mr. R. S. Wheeler, for several weeks, returned home Saturday.—Miss Ohla Brown is visiting in Charlotte, the guest of her cousin, Miss Nancy Brown.—Mrs. Edmund McDonald, of Charlotte, is spending several days with her daughter, Mrs. G. L. Patterson.—Mrs. J. C. Harmon, who spent several days in the city last week visiting Mrs. R. K. Black, has gone to Apex to spend some time with relatives.—Misses May Courtney Oates, of Charlotte, and Mary Cole, of Raleigh, are the attractive guests of Mrs. Plato Durham.

ASHEBORO.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Asheboro, Oct. 30.—Mrs. W. D. Stedman was hostess to The Randolph Book Club on Friday, October 23d. The afternoon was spent with Indiana writers, the programme being a most interesting one. Well prepared papers on James Whitcomb Riley, George Ade, Booth Tarkington and Meredith Nicholson were read by Mrs. W. C. Hammond and Mrs. E. E. Kephart. Mrs. J. D. Simpson then read selections from Riley's poems after which Mrs. Kephart delighted the guests by singing "Dear Little Girl Goodnight."

The hostess served refreshments of cream, cake and grapes, and presented to each guest beautiful chrysanthemums of white and yellow. Besides the regular members present, the guests were Mrs. E. H. Morris, Mrs. W. A. Coffin, Mrs. T. H. Anderson, Miss Nannie Bulla and Miss Erwin.

STATESVILLE.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Statesville, Oct. 29.—The last loiterers at seashore and upon the mountainside are now coming home to winter quarters. Preparations for the winter season and especially for the Christmastide are beginning to fill brain and heart, yet not to the exclusion of the summer scenes and experiences.

While seated around the glowing evening fire, we yet hear at times in imagination the lap of the tide upon the beach, the cry of the sea bird, the thunder roll of the waves at approaching storm, or again the murmur of the forest, the sough of the pine, the ripple of the little brook, the dash of the cascade, and into our Christmas gifts of picture or embroidery we almost unconsciously reproduce the undulating wave, the lines of sailing vessel and fishing craft, or the majestic outline of some hoary mountain peak, adorned at its base with the scarlet and gold of autumn's painting.

Do we not take up our daily homely avocations with a lighter heart and a braver hand from our long communication with the beauty and the strength of nature's manifestations?

The Eclectic Book Club, which met last week for its third meeting this fall, was entertained at the handsome new home of Miss Lou Campbell on Race sereet.

The club this year is studying the history, literature, manners and customs of France and the following programme was given: History of France, from Francis I, to Louis XV, Mrs. A. L. Coble. Joan D'Arc, Mrs. J. O. Purnell. Poem, Mrs. Dorman Thompson. Catherine De Medici, Mrs. W. A. Thomas. After this, Miss Campbell served delicious refreshments. The guests of the club were: Mesdames H. C. Cowles, L. White, J. S. McRorie, W. M. Barringer, R. B. McLaughlin, C. M. Wood, J. A. Bowles, E. B. Watts and Misses Barr Morgan and Margaret Brady. After a most pleasant evening, the club adjourned to meet on November 4th.

The Round Dozen Club was delightfully entertained on Wednesday evening by Mrs. R. L. Poston at her attractive home on Mulberry street. The house was made beautiful with many bowls of lovely roses and nasturtiums. The interesting embroidery and fancy work of this club is just now most absorbing, as dainty Christmas tokens shape themselves under the skillful fingers.

The special guests were: Mesdames Harvey Lee Morrison, of Okolona, Miss.; J. D. Stocker, of Jermyn, Pa.; T. G. Fawcett, Jr., of Mount Airy; C. M. Richards, Allen Mills, J. A. Bowles, and Miss Thompson, of Jermyn, Pa. A delicious salad course brought the meeting to a pleasant close.

The Wednesday Afternoon Club met with Miss Helen Anderson on Wednesday, at her well-known home on Broad street. This club of young ladies has decided to take up a study course for the winter. The subject will be "Southern Writers," divided by States. The writers of Virginia will occupy the attention of the next meeting. After a most pleasant and agreeable discussion, Miss Anderson served dainty refreshments and the shades of evening dismissed the assembly.

"The Little Helpers," the little aid society of the Temple Immanuel, gave a little surprise party on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Miss Leah Stephany in honor of Misses Ida and Corinne Clarke, whose early departure from the city is so much regretted by their many friends.

After a hat trimming contest the first prize was awarded to Miss Miriam Simon, while Miss Hannah Wallace received the booby.

The two honor guests received pretty souvenirs.

The company was then invited to a set table, beautifully arranged, and tempting dishes proved a delightful and happy "surprise party."

DURHAM.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Durham, Oct. 30.—A delightful party was given at the home of Mrs. J. S. Manning, North Mangum street, Thursday evening from 8:30 till midnight.

The party was given by Mrs. Manning in honor of Miss Mordecai, the beautiful Southern girl of New Orleans, who is visiting here. The home was prettily decorated in beautiful cut flowers and ferns of all kinds and sizes. Bridge was played and there was a great deal of spirit to it, as some clever playing was done. There were several prizes given. Miss Mordecai being the guest of honor received a gold belt pin; Miss Joe Taylor captured, for the best playing, "Flowers of the Dusk;" Miss Madge Winston found consolation in a book of poems.

After the cards were put aside the hostess invited into the dining room, delightfully fragrant with its decorations, the guests, who were served in two courses a charming little luncheon. At 12 o'clock the guests departed, after having spent a most delightful evening. The couples present were: Miss Mordecai and Mr. G. W. Connelly, Miss Willie Smith and Mr. R. H. Sykes, Miss Mary Weldon Huske and Mr. R. H. Lewis, Jr., Miss Lottie Sharpe and Mr. Kemp P. Lewis, Miss Gertrude Winston and Mr. Frank Webb, Miss Madge Mershon and Dr. C. A. Woodard, Miss Lila Wright and Dr. Thomas A. Mann, Miss Joe Taylor and Mr. Sidney W. Minor, Miss Annie Louise Vaughan and Mr. Paul C. Sneed, Miss Ida Cowan and Mr. Lawrence Adams, Miss Katie Watkins and Mr. Claiborne Carr, Miss Nan Jordan and Mr. Horace Flowers, Miss Eleanor Green and Mr. Sidney C. Chambers, Miss Rosa Green and Mr. John Rose, Messrs. Cheshire Webb and Paul Collins, of Hillsboro, and Mr. Will F. Carr, of Durham.

There was a meeting of the "Tourists" Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Joe Graham on Mangum street. The house was bright and attractive with autumn flowers. The club will devote the winter to the study of Austria-Hungary, and a splendid programme has been arranged for each meeting. At the meeting Thursday Mrs. J. S. Carr, Jr., read a very interesting article on "The Picturesque Danubie," and a carefully prepared paper on the "Commerce and Industry" was presented by Mrs. Abbot E. Lloyd, while Mrs. J. A. Robinson told about the "Location and Boundary of Austria-Hungary."

At the close of the programme a delicious buffet luncheon of several courses was served in the dining room. There all the rich beauty of autumn color are illustrated in the pretty decorations suggestive of All Hallow'en. The room was elaborate with autumn foliage, branches of red and brown and golden leaves being massed on sideboard and mantel amid white gleamed jack-o-lanterns cut from pumpkins. In the centre of the table was a large pumpkin filled with bright leaves of luscious fruits, surrounded by miniature lanterns, while candlesticks bearing white tapers, made from ears of corn adorned the corners. Besides the members of the club Mrs. W. J. Griswold and Mrs. William Morris enjoyed Mrs. Graham's delightful hospitality.

The Pythians Thursday night entertained the members of their lodge in splendid style with initiatory work in the second degree and then followed refreshments and a smoker.

The festivities opened with an aspiring page who furnished the lodge infinite amusement. After all the work was over the partitions were raised and delightful supper was before the eyes of the fraternalists. First oysters prepared in any style were served, then salad, sandwiches and coffee as the second course. There were no speeches. A few visiting knights gave a word or two before the castle hall was abandoned.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hudson are home from a bridal trip of several days. They came home last evening and there was given them a supper and an informal reception at the home of Capt. P. M. Gallegher, father of the bride. After the supper and reception the couple went to the home of D. L. Williams, where they have taken rooms for the present. Mr. Hudson, as will be recalled, is a well known railroad man and his bride was Miss Mamie Gallegher, previous to her marriage. Both are well known and have many friends here.

Last Saturday afternoon the Spinsters' Club met in West Durham at the home of Miss Hattie Owens. By way of variety the members all adjourned to the bowling alley of Mrs. W. A. Erwin, where a very spirited game was indulged in. Mrs. Jeffries won the highest score. After the game they returned to the home of Miss Owens, with appetites whetted for the delicious refreshments which she served. After the exchange of books the guests returned to their homes, voting Miss Owens a delightful hostess.

On the afternoon of the 27th Mrs. Alphonso Cobb entertained the Tuesday Afternoon Club at the home of her mother, Mrs. Q. E. Hawls, on Morehead Heights, in honor of her sister, Mrs. Strickland, who is here on a visit. There were five tables, bridge whist was played, Miss Lila Wright making the highest score. After the game dainty refreshments were served. The evening shadows gathered all too quickly for this happy party so loth were they to leave so bright a scene.

WINSTON-SALEM

Correspondence of The Observer.

Winston-Salem, Oct. 30.—The week has been characterized by nothing more exciting socially than some very pleasant and profitable club meetings.

The week just passed has been characterized by nothing more exciting socially than some very pleasant and profitable club meetings.

Last Thursday the Round Dozen was very graciously entertained by Mrs. A. H. Eller in Southside. The lesson review on the revolutionary war and the causes leading up to it, was very pleasantly given by Mrs. Phin Horton. This was followed by an agreeable social hour, during which the hostess, as skilled in culinary matters as on literary lines, served delicious refreshments. Mrs. P. R. Jones was the guest of the club.

The Monday Afternoon Book Club met at the home of Mrs. Alice V. Maslin. Roll call was answered by names of noted Roman emperors and interesting facts in connection with them. As the club is making a comprehensive study of Italy and Sicily, Mrs. Henry Roan's most admirable paper was a summarized sketch of the Roman empire. This was followed by a very interesting discussion of the books which are circulated among the club members. The hostess served tempting refreshments.

Mrs. J. Lindsay Patterson left on Tuesday for Russellville, Tenn., to attend the marriage of her brother, Mr. Hugh Patterson, to Miss Lucy Nenney, which was solemnized Wednesday the 28th inst. Mrs. Patterson will be the guest for some time of her mother, Mrs. William Houston Patterson, at the latter's country place, "Cavan a' Lee," where a delightful family reunion will be held and later a reception will be tendered Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Patterson by his mother. When Mrs. Patterson returns to Bramletts, her mother will accompany her.

Rumors of marrying and giving in marriage, which have been circulating in the Twin City for some time were very pleasantly confirmed by the following invitations which have been received here:

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Snarden
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Alice Veil
to
Mr. Roger Ogden Burton
on Thursday, fifth day of November
nineteen hundred and eight
at twelve o'clock
Grace church, Baltimore.

Miss Snarden is the sister of Mrs. Henry Teller Cocke, and as her guest met many Twin City folk on whom her beauty, her gracious manners and her charming vivacity made a profound impression. Mr. Burton, the groom-elect, is a relative of Robert Ogden and is not only a gentleman of culture, but is prominent in business circles as well. They will reside in New York City.

Another reads after this fashion:

Mr. and Mrs. Pleasant Henderson Hanes
request the honor of
———'s
presence at the marriage of their
daughter
Margarette
to
Mr. William Thomas Old
on the evening of Wednesday, the
eleventh of November, at six o'clock
at the Centenary Methodist Episcopal
church, South,
Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

An accompanying card says:

Mr. and Mrs. Pleasant Henderson
Hanes
request the pleasure of
———'s
company on the evening of Wednesday, the eleventh of November
at half after six o'clock
at Four hundred and ninetean Cherry
street.

The bride-to-be is one of the most beautiful and popular young ladies in the Twin City. She spent several months this year in European travel, her friends here little dreaming she would so soon make a permanent home elsewhere. Mr. Old, a resident of Elizabeth City, is finely typical of the culture and social life in that portion of the old North State.

J. P. B.

SHELBY.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Shelby, Oct. 30.—Miss Ray Suttle, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Suttle, Thursday evening became the bride of Mr. Lewis Josiah Bailey, of Marshall. The ceremony took place at 8 o'clock at the home of the bride, Rev. John W. Suttle, brother of the bride, officiating. The house was artistically decorated with palms and yellow and white chrysanthemums. In the front parlor where the ceremony took place Southern smilax and white chrysanthemums were used. The brode, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a handsome gown of white satin made empire, trimmed in princess lace. She wore a veil and orange blossoms and carried a shower bouquet of Bride's roses and lilies of the valley. Miss Elva Wray, a cousin of the bride, was maid of honor. She wore a pretty creation of pale yellow messaline, trimmed with old lace. She carried a cluster of yellow chrysanthemums. The bridesmaids, Miss Mary Sue Wray, of Asheville, and Miss Bryte Baker, wore dainty gowns of white chiffon over yellow silk made directoire style, and carried armsful of yellow chrysanthemums. Little Dorothy McBrayer, neice of the bride, was ribbon bearer in a dainty white frock with yellow sash. Dr. Arthur Pritchard, of Asheville, was best man for Mr. Bailey. Just before the ceremony Mrs. E. Y. Webb and Mr. H. T. Hudson, sang exquisitely "Rose of Love." Mrs. H. T. Hudson, with her usual skill and rare touch played the wedding march. Following the wedding, which was attended only by relatives and intimate friends, there was a large reception. Mrs. C. B. Suttle, mother of the bride, wore a handsome gown of black chiffon cloth. Receiving in the front parlor was the bridal party, Mr and Mrs. C. B. Suttle and Mr. and Mrs. Julius Suttle. In the front hall were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Suttle and Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Holland and Mr. and Mrs. Lander McBrayer. In the sitting room Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Paul Webb showed the bewildering display of bridal presents including handsome silver and cut glass of every description and beautiful china. In the dining room, where elegant simplicity in the decorations of yellow and white prevailed Mr. and Mrs. Odus Mull and Miss Madge Webb were stationed. Elegant refreshments were served by Misses Birdie Webb, Gladys Wray and Lucile Jennings. In the back hall, presiding over the punch bowl were Misses Selma Webb, Ora Eskridge, Selma Eskride, Ora Flack and Pearl Lattimore.

Mrs. Bailey, as Miss Ray Suttle, was one of Shelby's most popular and lovable girls. Mr. Bailey is a lawyer of splendid parts and a native of Tennessee. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey left Shelby Friday morning, their trip including a ten day's stay in Florida, then an extended trip to points North and a long stay in New York. Mrs. Bailey traveled in a smart tailored gown of green cloth and hat to match. They will be at home after December the twenty-fifth.

In honor of the bridal party Miss Suttle gave a beautiful course dinner Wednesday evening at her home. The guests were: Misses Elva Wray, Mary Sue Wray, Bryte Baker, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Hudson, Mrs. E. Y. Webb and Messrs. L. J. Bailey, Dr. Arthur Pritchard and Mr. Fortner.

Miss Elva Wray was hostess at a beautiful seven-course breakfast in honor of Miss Suttle and her bridal party on Thursday. The dining room was exquisite in its decorations, the color scheme, yellow and white, being carried out in perfection. At each place was a white satin box with the wedding cake and on top in gold letters the initials. Nasturtians were used in profustion and these vivid flowers made a lovely centrepiece. Miss Wray's guests were: Misses Suttle, Baker, Wray and Messrs. Forest Eskridge, L. J. Bailey, Dr. Arthur Pritchard, Mr. Fortner and Stough Wray. Miss Suttle wore a stunning gown of tan broadcloth with a picture hat.

Misses Mary and Susie Covington, of Monroe, are the attractive guests of Congressman and Mrs. E. Y. Webb.—Mr. and Mrs. Bryant and child, of Charlotte, are guests of the College Hotel.—Mr. and Mrs. Ransom, of Charlotte, are guests at College Hotel.—Mrs. R. L. Ryburn is expected home from eastern Carolina this week.—Miss Lossie Jenkins, who has been the charming guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jenkins left last week for her home in Tarboro.—Mrs. Hugh Miller and child are visiting relatives in Charlotte.—Miss Ora Flack, who is teaching at Fallsboro, came in Thursday to attend the Suttle-Bailey nuptials.—Mr. Graham Morrison, of Lincoln county, was the guest of his cousin, Dr. Reid Morrison, last week.—Mr. Forest Eskridge spent a few days in Charlotte this week.

Overfatness Condemned.

Fat, or even fattish, women readers who want to be in the mode this year must understand that the demand is for lines, not curves, and govern themselves accordingly.

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