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SOCIAL NEWS

BY WARREN CLEMENTS

Saturday.
Saturday Evening Whist Club meets.

Miss Irene Martin, of Moore's Hill southwest of this city, started yesterday on a sixteen thousand mile journey to meet her intended husband, Rev. P. S. Hyde, who is now a missionary to India. Miss Martin is very well known in this city, having visited here several times.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Grace M. E. church gave an afternoon social yesterday at the home of Mrs. Cummings on Richmond avenue. Quite a large number of the members were present and spent a most enjoyable afternoon. A short program was given, consisting of articles read by members and some business of the society was transacted, after which the members spent the time socially. A luncheon was served at the close of the social hour. The place of the next meeting was not definitely decided upon, but will be announced later.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the First M. E. church gave a box social in the parlors of the church last evening. The affair was very well attended, the parlors being well filled the larger part of the evening and a large sum was realized. The decorations of the parlors were tastefully arranged and the parlors presented a handsome appearance. The social was a very delightful one.

The progressive Circle of the Missionary Society of the First M. E. church gave a thimble social yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Worley on north fifteenth street. Nearly all of the members were present and enjoyed a pleasant time. The afternoon was delightfully spent in needle work and in a general social manner. Luncheon was served towards the close of the session.

Mrs. Woodbury of Union City, president of the C. W. B. M. of the Christian church at that city, will speak before the meeting of the local C. W. B. M. at the home of Mrs. Roseoe Kirkman next Tuesday.

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"DOWN WITH THE TRADING STAMPS"

THE RETAIL MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION TO DISCONTINUE THEIR USE.

MEETING LAST NIGHT

117 Members Now—Needs of Association—Results Shown.

The Richmond Retail Merchants' Association will from now turn a "cold shoulder" to the scheme of trading stamps as a factor in increasing trade and the members of this association will have nothing to do with them—those who are using the stamps resigning them and those who are not promising not to start the use. The fight against the illegitimate advertising having proved so successful, the merchants will attempt to get along without trading stamps, which they regard as a "gift enterprise" and one to be classed with the bad advertising.

The meeting last evening was most harmonious. Sixty-five firms were represented out of the one hundred and seventeen now in the association and all expressed a desire: (1) that there should be no factional quarrels among themselves; (2) that the association should present a strong front in its present fight; (3) that there should be no internal dissensions, as these would weaken the general strength of the association and cause its efforts to be of little avail. Talks were made by Sharon Jones, G. H. Knollenberg, Freeman Haisley, Bennett Gordon, Joe Nicholson and others on the benefits that would accrue to the merchants from the association, on the good work it is doing and will do, on the need of it and on several other similar lines of thought. The good results of the fight are even this early becoming apparent, a most encouraging, and the merchants feel that their efforts against injudicious advertising and trading stamps will be successful.

VLADIVOSTOK FLEET.

Details of Ships in Russia's Flying Squadron.

First among Russia's still untouched resources must be reckoned the Vladivostok flying squadron, of which we have heard so much, says Charles Johnston in Harper's Weekly.

The biggest ship in the Vladivostok squadron is the Gromoboi, of 12,336 tons displacement, and therefore heavier by 2,500 tons than the heaviest cruiser in the Japanese fleet, and outstripping our own heaviest cruiser by an even greater amount. She has a primary battery of four eight-inch quick firing guns in armor casemates, supported by sixteen six-inch quick firing guns and no less than forty-eight of lesser caliber, with five torpedo tubes. This big ship can do twenty knots and is exceeded in weight by only four cruisers in the British navy, there being nothing else of her class to equal her elsewhere in the navies of the world.

Second in the Vladivostok squadron comes the Rossia, launched three years earlier and within 200 tons of the same displacement. She has also four eight-inch and sixteen six-inch quick firing guns and forty-eight of lesser caliber. She has a belt of armor five to eight inches thick, but her batteries are not so well guarded as those of her bigger sister. She can also do about twenty knots, which would take her across the Atlantic in about six days. This ship has six torpedo tubes. Of less speed is the Turuk, displacing 11,000 tons, or about 1,200 more than Japan's best cruiser. She has a similar armament, though not quite so extensive, and only four torpedo tubes.

Add the Bogatyr, built in Germany, a much lighter, but also much faster ship, doing twenty-three knots, and thus able to keep up with the fastest ocean greyhound. She displaces 6,500 tons and has twelve six-inch quick firing guns and eighteen of less weight. This new and rapid ship will doubtless scout for the squadron, and there are only four Japanese ships, all cruisers of less tonnage, that could keep up with her. The work of this Vladivostok squadron will be to attempt to prevent Japan landing troops anywhere on the outer coast of Korea.

Three Symbols of Japan.

The three symbols of the Imperial house of Japan are the mirror, the crystal and the sword, and they are carried in front of the emperor on all state occasions, says Leslie's Weekly. Each has its significance. "Look at the mirror and reflect thyself," or, in other words, "Know thyself," is the message of the mirror. "Be pure and shine" is the crystal's injunction, while the sword is a reminder to "Be sharp."

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THE WEE BROWN MAN.

An Appeal in His Behalf to the Great White Czar.

Great czar, good czar, white Christian czar.
The white world loves this brown sea worth.
Brown brother, bared of hope, of faith—Brown child, newborn to blood and war.
The art child loves him for his art; The heart world loves him for his heart.
His dauntless heart, home or abroad, His love of flowers, nature, God.
It loves this sudden, orient star, This lithe Venetian, lover true.
This isle born elf, so old, so new.
Wee neighbor of the stalwart czar.
His thousand tales, his million flowers, His terraced steep, his cloud topt towers—
And it would have you love him, too, And track his warm seas through and through.

Great czar, brave czar, so far, so far, In year proud capital from these New nadirs of your nether seas—
Why, know you what these brown bees are?
Their length, their strength, is scarce a span!
They rarely eat, drink not at all.
The one man this, from pole to pole, That never knows the flowing bowl!
And brownie, sprite or baby man, He scarce may stand your waistband tall!
And yet his hands are iron, steel.
The arrow's flight is in his feet.
He comes, he goes, whirled by, can wheel As winds that whistle down your street!
He scarce seems human save that he Loves truly, bravely, humanly.

Great czar, wise czar, peace loving czar, Your strength is as a cyclone's strength.
You hold a world in your arm's length—Ten million ministers in war!
Your gold, the mines of Solomon—The north pole yours to lean upon!
Can you be greater? Aye, the hour You reach these water wraiths a hand Across your shoreless, gold strewn land
The grateful world will glad proclaim How greater far your place, your power.
And sing your Christian deed and name!
Ah, sire, hear us! Great white czar, So brave, so strong, so wise in war, Can you who scotched the Corsican Turn now to bait this wee brown man?
—Harper's Weekly.

CITY OF BENEVOLENCES.

Title Bestowed on Chicago by Dr. Pearsons, College Benefactor.

Chicago is the City of Benevolences, according to Dr. D. K. Pearsons, who, having given somewhere in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000 to small colleges in the last few years, has qualifications as an authority, says the Chicago Post. Dr. Pearsons recently sent \$50,000 to a California school to keep his part of an agreement to raise \$150,000 and learned that his gift had been duplicated by one from four other citizens of Chicago.

Dr. Pearsons likewise telegraphed to colleges in North Dakota, Missouri and Oklahoma, which had failed to fill the conditions imposed by his system of philanthropy, that he would extend the time limit until next fall, giving them another chance to gain \$50,000 each. These three schools are the only remaining institutions to which Dr. Pearsons is under obligations.

"This is the benevolent city," said Dr. Pearsons recently. "Four years ago it was practically impossible to interest a Chicagoan in a plan to aid educational institutions, but now it is to Chicago that people come to solicit help rather than to New England and the east. There are three women in this city who follow me in my gifts and add \$10,000 to the fund of each college that I help."

"Tell their names? No, indeed. Do you want me to cause them all the annoyance I have had with college beggars at my heels all the time? It is a fact that every 'literary' college in the United States, save ten, has called on me at my home in Hinsdale to ask me to add to its endowment fund. I permit my gifts to become known because the printers' ink used in making them public is a great stimulus to others to give. If people did not know of such things there would be no incentive."

"There is no educator who is a business financier. In all small colleges you will find superior education and lack of funds. One-half the people do not know what the word 'endowment' means, especially college presidents. After awhile I am going to the thirty colleges which have received endowments from me and demand an examination of their books and a yearly statement of receipts and disbursements. In other words, I propose to elect myself professor of economy in every college to which I have given money."

Dr. Pearsons has been the cause of the financial prosperity of colleges in several states. To Illinois small colleges he has given \$1,300,000.

Pumice From Russia.

The mineral wealth of Russia is hardly appreciated, and new industries are from time to time being developed, though the effect of the present war may be felt in many new schemes, says Harper's Weekly. A recent proposition is the development of the pumice stone, which has been found in the provinces of Erivan and Kars, in Transcaucasia. The deposits in Kars, at Malayakutma, are near the surface in horizontal strata and occasionally run over two and a half feet thick, furnishing a high grade mineral that is used for polishing and a poorer quality from which hydraulic cement can be made. The material is convenient to Kars, from which place it will be shipped by rail to Poti, on the Black sea, and thence conveyed by steamer to Odessa. When the works are operating to their full capacity several million pounds a year of the material will be produced. The world's supply of pumice is now largely derived from the Lipari islands, near Sicily.

A Novel Club.

The latest American institution is the Four Hours' Sleep club. Its members bind themselves not to spend more than four hours out of the twenty-four in slumber and to induce their friends and relatives to do the same.

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