

Literature, Music, Art, and Social and Personal Notes.

Social and Personal

The popularity of the Monday teas, at the Woman's Club, was attested by the large number of charming people who called last Monday afternoon. Although quite a number of the members of the club are out of town, the rooms were well filled by congenial visitors who passed a pleasant afternoon chatting over a cup of tea.

and is highly spoken of at the Navy Department. Mr. Howard Wismer and sister, of St. Catherine's, Canada, who have been visiting friends on Church Hill, left for Washington Thursday night.

MISS ELIZABETH MEREDITH NURNEY.



Miss Elizabeth Meredith Nurney, of Suffolk, Va., is an artist of no mean merit. She has made a number of figure and portrait paintings, which have been widely praised. She took a complete course in art under Professor Clarence S. Kipstick and Blanche Montague Harbun, of Norfolk.

Books and Authors

THE COMING OF LOVE: Theodore Watts-Dunton, author of Aylwin. Jan. Lane, publisher. The art of enjoyment being replaced by the science of amusing one's self, poetry has gone out of fashion; that is, and not the true when sentiment, clothed in poetical garb, appeals to fancy and popularity now-a-days.

I've flung away a-ready that ere knife— I'm dyin' for the comin' o' the swallow.

ISLAM IN AFRICA: Anson P. Atterbury. The Knickerbocker Press. New York and London. In this book we have a vivid picture of the native races of Africa. After Mohammedan conquest of Africa, its political, moral, and religious influence upon the continent and people, its antagonism to Christianity in North Africa, and finally, the solution of a great problem to be found in twin factors—Christianity and civilization—both depending upon the heroism of men and women yet to offer themselves as living sacrifices in the grand cause, and for the great needs of humanity.

Art and Artists.

The July number of "Hoffmann's Catholic Directory," which is published by M. H. Williams, Co., Wis., records for the last three months 747 changes of priests, 37 deaths, and 242 ordinations; and also changes among the Catholic clergy of the United States. This official magazine is a valuable guide for getting information in regard to the Catholic Hierarchy.

Mr. Joseph A. English has returned to the city after spending several months at "Bremo," in Fluvanna county, Va. Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Robinson, who were in Richmond last week to attend the funeral of Miss Letitia Robinson, Mr. Joseph Hall, has returned to their home in Newport News.

Miss Elizabeth Roseneck is spending the months of July and August at the Hygeia Hotel, Old Point Comfort. Miss Alice Reddy will leave shortly for Old Point Comfort, to spend several weeks. Mr. John Sedgwick continues very sick at his home on East Grace street.



THREE SUMMER MAIDS.

country home, on the James river, have returned. Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Hahn left on last Wednesday for the North, expecting to spend the summer in Canada and in Nova Scotia. Mrs. Charles Baughman and family left Saturday to spend the summer at Greenwood, Va.

Literary Notes. No short poem of the past decade, excepting possibly "The White Man's Burden," by Kipling, has caused so much comment as Edwin Markham's now celebrated poem, "The Man With the Hoe."

MUSIC AND MUSICIANS. Sir John Stainer, the government's chief inspector of music, professor of music in Oxford, declares that in England the profession is altogether overstocked, and that a serious crisis is at hand. Great numbers of musicians of character and attainments are dying of starvation for want of employment.

Major Norman W. Randolph continues very sick with acute inflammation of the stomach. As soon as he is able to travel he will leave for Buffalo Springs.

Dr. Charles L. Steel, the president of the Virginia State Dental Association, will leave Monday to attend a meeting of that body at Old Point Comfort.

But when I think of the bathing sprite Who sits on a boat and dangles her feet, And isn't afraid a wave to meet, A girl like that has captured me quite, And I love her true—I am afraid.

Which I like best, I cannot say, That see the world with a learned surprise. And I love her true—I am afraid.

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Music is the art of the prophets, the only art that can calm the agitations of the soul, it is one of the most magnificent and delightful presents God has given us.—Luther