

couraged by the fact that the efforts that have already been made have resulted in a marked decrease in the mortality from the disease.

Very respectfully,
NORMAN BRIDGE.

Mr. Hugh Johnson was a guest in the Park over Sunday.

Miss Gallagher of Boston, Mass., is visiting Mrs. H. S. Vail.

Miss Louise Floyd left on Monday for a six weeks' trip in the east.

Mrs. Nathan Corwith will entertain at a luncheon on Thursday, November 16.

Miss Clara Bock is spending a two weeks' vacation with relatives in Wisconsin.

Miss Mary Phillips was hostess at a very pretty children's party on Saturday afternoon.

An informal dancing party was given by Mrs. G. D. Boulton on Saturday evening.

J. W. Forsinger and family who have occupied the ReQua house, left for their Chicago home Friday.

Miss Ethel Turnley entertained at a tea on Tuesday afternoon in honor of the Misses Hawkins of Springfield, who are guests in the Park.

Mrs. Thomas Theodore Watson has issued cards for a reception on Wednesday, November fifteenth, to introduce her daughter, Miss Alice Watson.

Mr. F. H. Page and family who have occupied the H. H. Chandler home during the summer, left for Chicago on Thursday. They intend building here another summer.

The Highland Park branch of the Needle-work guild held its annual meeting for the election of officers and distribution of garments, at the home of Mrs. Spencer, on Thursday, November 2d. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Miss Jane Street; First Vice President, Miss LaBar; Second Vice President, Mrs. H. J. Millen; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. T. H. Spencer. Over four hundred garments were collected and distributed to charitable institutions in this city and Chicago.

Highland Park Club Lecture Course.

A large and interested audience greeted Professor MacClintock of The University of Chicago on Tuesday evening upon the occasion of his second lecture in the University Extension series.

The general subject of the course is "Studies in Fiction," and this lecture dealt with the element of plot in story telling.

The object of the lecturer in this course is to help readers to an intelligent and discriminating knowledge of what constitutes true art in fiction, in order that they may be able to choose and to appreciate good novels and to know why they are good and in what their excellence consists, and on the other hand, to enable them to reject weak and bad novels and to reject them with a true appreciation of their defects; in other words, it is a simple course of training in the elements of literary criticism as applied to the art of fiction.

The lecturer pointed out Tuesday evening, that the first essential of plot in any story is the selection of the incidents to be narrated. Unimportant and unessential incidents must be dropped or passed lightly over, and the really essential and characteristic incidents must be made prominent and grouped in effective combinations.

All good stories are found upon analysis to conform to certain simple and well defined types which are best illustrated in dramatic form.

The lecturer instanced by way of illustration, Shakespeare's dramas "King Lear," "Hamlet" and "Macbeth," and analyzed them to show how the plot was evolved and the interest excited and sustained by dwelling upon those important and characteristic incidents which taken together lead up to and form the central theme of the play.

He showed us that interest in a good story is really interest in the great problems of life as they are being worked out in the world about us and that we feel a story to be great just in proportion as we feel it to be true to life itself.

The grouping of characters, the larger movements and climaxes of plot. The connection of parts, the

elements of intrigue, of suspense and surprise. The necessary environment and background; all these were dwelt upon in a simple and luminous manner that showed the lecturer's firm understanding and grasp of his subject and enabled his hearers to follow him with pleasure and profit.

We congratulate the management of the club upon securing so profitable and entertaining a course of lectures, and urge all novel readers, and all who are interested in literature as a whole, to hear the remaining lectures of the course even though they may have missed the two already given.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Kirk gave a theatre party to see Nat Goodwin Wednesday evening.

Mr. William Egan and family have closed their home and will spend the winter in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Vesper of Pasadena, Cal., were guests of Mrs. S. P. Brand last Saturday.

The engagement is announced of Miss Fay Thompson of Chicago to Mr. Ford Carter of the Park.

There will be a parlor lecture and parish reception at the residence of Mr. Francis Thorn on Thursday evening, November 16th, not on Monday evening as previously announced. The subject of the lecture which is to be given by Mr. Wolcott is "George Borrow, the man and his books." All members of Trinity parish and their friends are cordially invited.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Ella Byers Clerihew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Milne Clerihew, to Mr. Anson Clauden Morgan of Highland Park. The ceremony will take place at the residence of the bride's parents, in Minneapolis, on Wednesday afternoon, November 22, at 5 o'clock.

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