

ISCHUA VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

BRILLIANT SOCIAL EVENT

Perhaps the swellest house party ever given in Franklinville was that at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Simeon Robbins on Pine Street Tuesday evening. The event was in honor of Mr. Gus McClure and there were about 100 guests present.



The house is, as nearly everyone here knows, pretty close to the finest in this section and is furnished in elegant style. The rooms are spacious and grand and the ballroom on the third floor is a fitting accompaniment in which to entertain. It was lighted by rows of electric lights and tastily decorated with bunting, Chinese lanterns and evergreens. The parlors below were well supplied with cut flowers and every nook and corner had an unusually inviting appearance. Mr. and Mrs. Robbins received their guest in the main hallway after they had been shown in by a flower girl. Other maids in waiting showed the guests to the different cloak room where flowers were furnished to each.

The 43rd Separate Co. orchestra of Olean of five pieces discoursed entrancing music from the lobby in the upper hall. Most of the guests had arrived by 9 o'clock and after a short time of greeting and pleasant sociability many repaired to the ballroom where Terpsichore reigned gaily. The scene was a decidedly animated and delightful one and many who had for years forgotten the light fantastic indulged readily and with evident pleasure. The ladies were in charming evening dress and many of the gentlemen also wore full dress. Several of the gowns would have graced any occasion in the land.

The hours sped rapidly by until about 12 when as many as could be seated below, were served with dainty refreshments by a corps of well-trained assistants. Dancing was continued a few hours longer and as the guests bade the host and hostess good bye and wished them any happy returns of the evening, they wondered when again they would have the opportunity of as thoroughly enjoying themselves as they had that night.

Such events are all too few in Franklinville and it is hoped that Mr. & Mrs. Robbins have set a good example to be followed by others. They certainly have set a high standard and may well feel proud of their beautiful home and their style of entertaining.

Mr. McClure, in whose honor the reception was given, was a busy man from early evening until early morning, receiving the congratulations of his friends and assisting much in the pleasure of the occasion. It will be a time in his life that he can henceforth look back to as one of the happiest in his career.

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