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The splendid banquetting affair gotten up and held under the name of FESTIVAL, by the Ladies of the Congregational Society at Gerson's Hall on the Fourth—was by all odds, the most brilliant of the season. The ladies under whose auspices it was gotten up are fully up to their epoch, have a perfect understanding of the public tastes and show no hesitancy in catering to them. The room was beautifully and tastefully decorated with elegant and appropriate mottoes festooning the walls—the work we understand of Mrs. J. P. Parsons. The various departments were models of neatness and beauty in themselves, and at once challenged the admiration of every visitor. Miss Snyders five cent curiosity, which we did not see, but which we are assured was a piece of ingenuity well worth the money was an addition not looked for, but very appropriate.

The managing ladies all wore a uniform costume of immaculate white, with a scarf of national colors about the shoulder which set them off to much advantage. In the evening the addition of a GRAND MOTHERS cap, was made as a head dress, which gave the younger ladies a grotesque appearance, though the pretty Miss Hobbs looked all the prettier for looking so oddly. In fact the cap addition changed the appearance of all the ladies from ministering daylight angels to candle light sisters of charity and the change was not disagreeable. Mrs. H. Eldredge seemed to be the presiding genii of the occasion, and without being endowed with the spirit of ubiquity, her pale happy face seemed to preside at every table, at the same time, over looking the comforts of all. Her two pretty little girls seemed to fill places so exactly suited to them that it looked as

though they were created for the occasion or the occasion for them. We would like to mention others but this has been a busy week with us and as publishing a paper is not our entire business we will have to leave much unsaid we would like to say. Take it all in all the 'FESTIVAL' was a brilliant affair; a complete success in every particular pecuniary and otherwise, notwithstanding the discouragements and obstacles that seemed to clog the wheel of the machinery at the outset. May God bless the ladies of that society and may they ever meet with a like crowning success in their every effort.

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