

Kunstfertiger Hand arrangirtes Feuerwerk, dessen Strudel und Garben alle Wechsel des buntesten Farbenspiels durchliefen und Garten wie Gäste in ein magisches Lichtmeer tauchten. Unwillkürlich machten sich Staunen, Bewunderung, Freude in einem Lebendigen Luft, das die laue Sommernacht weithin durchschallte. Zögernd kehrte die Gesellschaft in den Ballsaal zurück, wo die munteren und fröhlichen Reigen bis zum Hereinbruch des Morgens dauerten. Der nächste Tag war im eigentlichen Sinne des Worts der Erholung gewidmet.

Kein Unfall, kein moralischer Misston, kein Verstoß gegen Anstand und gute Sitte hatte diese Festfeier gestört, die allen Theilnehmern unvergesslich bleiben wird. Beides, die Liberalität und der humane bürgerliche Sinn der Gastgeber, wie die Sitte, Bildung und ganze Haltung ihrer Gäste, legten ein Zeugniß ab von dem guten und gediegenen Geiste, der dieses Haus belebt. Schon dies, wie vieles Andere, spricht dafür, daß die Firma F. A. Brockhaus mit ihrem 50jährigen Jubelfeste noch lange nicht den Culminationspunkt ihrer geschäftlichen Wirksamkeit erreicht hat!

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