

NEWS AND VIEWS FOR WOMEN READERS

Life's Social Side

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On Saturday afternoon the Victorian Order committee with the Kingston Chapter of Graduate Nurses, entertained the mothers who bring their children to the Welfare station to receive the wise and kindly advice of the Victorian nurses and the benefit of Dr. H. E. Day's weekly clinic. The large recreation room of the Y.W.C.A. was filled with bright faced smiling mothers and babies as good as gold, because they are healthy. Mrs. S. Crawford, President of the Victorian Order committee, and Miss Abernethy, President of the Graduate Nurses, with Mrs. Robinson and Miss Leod, received the guests and F. J. Wilson of the Y.M.C.A. acted as chairman and introduced the performers who gave a much enjoyed programme. Miss Nora Williamson, played a piano number, Miss Isabel Hughes, sang, Miss Peggy Miller recited in her inimitable way, Guy Merriner, New York, gave an amusing piano-lecture. Miss Barker, sang, Jack Elder's songs were most amusing and Mrs. Kettle's song heartily applauded. Miss Frances Devlin was the accompanist. Tea was served from a table decked with red and white, and centred with red berries; holly was tied to the baskets of sandwiches and everything had a festive air. One had only to see the happy mothers and babies to realize what a power for good in the community the Welfare station, where last year over 2,000 visits were paid by mothers and their babies, is. Said one young mother whose lovely crowing baby was being admired, "Oh, when he is out-of-sorts I just wheel him over to the station and Mrs. Robinson tells me what to do and he gets all right again."

Mrs. Norman Fraser, Queen's Residence, was the hostess of a charming dance on Saturday for the girls in residence. The sitting rooms were artistically arranged and the big reception room gave plenty of room to the dancers. Mrs. Fraser received, wearing a gown of black charmeuse and lace, and a corsage bouquet of crimson roses. Supper was served from the dining room. Among the guests were, Miss Helen Tofield, Miss Grace Moores, Miss Phoebe Smith, Miss Elsie Jones, Miss Phyllis Spencer, Miss Jessie Mair, Miss Gweneth Matheson, Miss Lois Taylor, Miss Ruth McClement, Miss Anella Minnes, Miss Gladys and Miss Florence Montgomery. The men were students and cadets from the Royal Military College.

The Badminton Club met in the Armories for the last time before Christmas on Saturday. Among those present were, Col. and Mrs. Victor Anderson, Col. and Mrs. Constantine, Col. and Mrs. Harris, Col. and Mrs. Beverley Brown, Col. Stockwell, Col. and Mrs. J. F. Foulkes, Major and Mrs. Lafferty, Major and Mrs. Greenwood, Prof. and Mrs. Hicks, Major and Mrs. V. Tremaine, Major and Mrs. Noel Carr, Mrs. T. D.

R. Hemming, Mrs. James Hamilton, Mrs. F. W. Hill, Capt. and Mrs. Roberts, Capt. and Mrs. Murchie, Capt. Preston, Mrs. James Miller, Miss Hora, Miss Mildred Jones, Miss Allen Rogers, Miss Helen Strange, Miss Marion Ogilvie, Miss Edith Carruthers, Capt. Carruthers, Capt. Morton.

The Board of the Y.W.C.A. have set up a gorgeously decorated Christmas tree in the Club room at the "Y" and on Friday they entertained the Girl's Fellowship Club, the Recreation Club and the Unity Corps, the latter providing an excellent programme. The tree lighted by electricity and gay with silver, was also laden with sweets and gifts. On Saturday afternoon the girls of the sewing class and other small girls were entertained by these energetic and kindly women, among whom are Mrs. William Jackson, Mrs. H. Breck and Miss Isabel Ross.

The dinner dance at the Frontenac Club on Saturday was a pleasant affair although the attendance was not large. Among those present were, Mr. and Mrs. Holloway Waddell, Miss Emma Pense, Major and Mrs. Frederick Alderson, Captain and Mrs. Kelly, Miss Nora Macne, Miss Lillian Fair, Miss Edith Carruthers, Miss Helen Nicol, Miss Caroline Mitchell, Miss Isabel Minnes, Capt. Henry, Capt. Lee, Capt. Carruthers, J. Hickey, A. N. Lyster, Gordon Cunningham, Cadet McMahon and Mr. Goodwin.

Mrs. Frederick Etherington, University avenue, was the hostess of a small dinner on Saturday evening when her guests were Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Connell, Col. and Mrs. Victor Anderson and Dr. and Mrs. James Miller.

Mrs. W. P. Wilgar, Mack street, is entertaining the Monday Bridge Club this afternoon.

Miss Florence McKibbin, Picton, is spending the week with her sister, Miss Edna McKibbin, Union street. Miss Pearl Gardiner a Queen's arts graduate of 1922, spent the week-end in the city, the guest of Mrs. Charles Loudon, Union street. She has been attending the Faculty of Education course in Toronto, and is on her way to spend the Christmas vacation at her home in Bainsville.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Rankine Smith and their daughters, Margaret and Velma will come from Ottawa on Friday next to spend Christmas with Mrs. T. G. Smith, Wellington street.

Mrs. W. B. Carey's tea dance on Saturday afternoon for Miss Gweneth Matheson, was a pleasant affair, indeed, her guests, including some of the girls of the younger set and cadets from the Royal Military College.

Miss Beatrice Smith, Hamilton, will be in town for the dance at the Royal Military College on Thursday. Miss Helen Lyman will come from Boston to spend Christmas with the

Misses Lyman, King street. Theodore Lyman, Montreal, will also be with his sisters and daughter.

Cadets Max and Brian Carr-Harris will go to Ottawa from Royal Military College, to spend Christmas with their aunt, Mrs. W. Dale Harris. They will be here for the Lewin-Dale Harris wedding.

Colonel and Mrs. A. F. Harris, Kingston, are expected in Ottawa for the Lewin-Dale Harris wedding on Saturday next and will be the guests of Mrs. W. Dale Harris.

Mrs. John Macgillivray and Miss Mary Macgillivray, Albert street, have returned from Boston. Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Conley, Brooklyn, N.Y., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Nicol, Frontenac street. Miss Aubrey McLeod, St. John, who has been in Montreal, will join Mrs. G. K. McLeod at "Annandale" this week.

Sale of hand painted chine and pictures, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Compton Studio, 163 Alfred street.

Diary of a Fashion Model

By GRACE THORNOLIFFE

Frock of Navy Striped in Silver Thread.
Late this afternoon I happened to be in the vicinity of Park avenue, and I resolved to call on my friend the decorator.

"You threatened to serve tea at five all winter," I warned her.

"That's just to attract such callers as you more frequently," she confessed.

"A warming cup of tea does sound alluring on such a chilly day," I replied. "But I really won't insist on it because I came only for a talk with you."

"You're very welcome," she assured me. "And because it is so cool, we are most surely going to have our tea."

"My dear, that's just the catch in this case," she told me. "It sounds so grand and expensive, and it isn't at all."

"It may not be expensive, but it's beautiful," I insisted. "How did it happen?"

"I was with a young girl who was going to one of the world-famous designers," she told me. "I wanted to see the things, but had no idea of getting anything for myself, as I'd decided to pay less for clothes this year."

"And you found you could get this for less?" I asked, breathless.

"My dear," she went on. "I saw a tall mannikin come out in the lovely navy wool crepe. It was so much the type I wear that I had to ask the price."

"And did it simply floor you?" I inquired.

"It floored me because it was so much less expensive than it looks," she admitted. "After that I couldn't refuse it."

"Those silver stripes are woven in, not applied as I thought," I remarked, taking a fold of the material in my hand.

"Yes, I realized it must be made from a pattern piece of material when I saw how perfectly the stripe fits into this inverted pleat at the sleeve," she remarked.

"That is a charming sleeve," I said.

"Yes, it's different from any I've seen," she confided. "You see, the inverted pleat makes it smooth and flat at the shoulder, and then the wider under-arm part gives ample freedom for movement of the arm."

"I like everything about it," I declared, as she advanced toward me with a steaming cup of tea.

Another reason why father does not take mother down town for a chicken dinner is because for the price of the dinner, he can buy enough chicken for all the family, if he could get mother to spend a couple of hours in a hot kitchen to cook it.

That no two women in the town have as many friends as our Victorian nurses, whose blue uniforms are a welcome sight in time of trouble.

That we the Woman's Institutes are helping to make some one else happy at Christmas.

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Efficient Housekeeping

BY Laura A. Kirkman

What Will Your Christmas Dinner Cost You?

In the average home, the Christmas dinner is the part of the Christmas celebration upon which the housekeeper must economize. For when the housekeeper-mother has paid for the kiddie-car for the two-year-old, the big doll for sister, and the pair of skates for the 14-year-old, in addition to the Christmas tree and the stocking toys—there really is not much money left over for turkey! So today I am going to suggest an economical yet satisfying dinner to serve on Christmas Day:

- Stuffed Forequarter of Lamb
- Cranberry Sauce
- Brown Gravy
- Old-Time Potato Cake
- Baked Canned Corn
- Grape Juice
- Minced Pie
- Pumpkin Pie
- Nuts
- Candies

This is feast enough for anyone. It is no different from the old-fashioned Christmas Dinners which our grandmothers cooked—except for the substitution of lamb for turkey. Even the turkey stuffing is there (in the lamb), and the cranberries and "pumpkin pie." And if the lamb is garished effectively, the turkey will not be missed. To make it still more "Christmasy" the housekeeper should decorate her dinner table with yuletide favors and have a Santa Claus centerpiece of some sort.

Stuffed Forequarter of Lamb: When you order this have your butcher trim it and crack the bones. Prepare a sage and onion stuffing, (one part chopped onion to two parts breadcrumbs, moistened with melted butter and seasoned with sage, salt

and pepper) and lay this stuffing on the flank end, then skewer it into shape. Place the meat in a roasting pan, dust well with flour, sprinkle a little more flour in the pan, and bake with the bottom of the pan covered with boiling water. From time to time, baste with the liquor in the pan. In roasting, allow about 20 minutes to the pound.

Old-Time Potato Cake: Mash enough boiled white potatoes to fill a quart measure twice. Season richly with melted butter, salt and pepper; then stir in three large onions finely chopped, and three beaten (not separated) eggs. Place in "loaves" in two bread pans, brush mounded tops with more melted butter, and bake till a golden brown in a moderate oven.

I referred to garnishing the lamb. This may be done in several ways. One of the most effective ways is with sprigs of parsley laid on top of the meat and encircling it on the platter. Another way is by using celery leaves to form a ring around the meat on the platter, and using crisp half-slices of bacon (crinkled or curled) on top. Still another way is with the greenest celery leaves interspersed with radishes which you have cut flower-shape (that is, made petals of the red skin).

Tomorrow—Answered Letters.

All inquiries addressed to Miss Kirkman in care of the "Efficient Housekeeping" department will be answered in these columns in their turn. This requires considerable time, however, owing to the great number received. So if a personal or quicker reply is desired, a stamped and self-addressed envelope must be enclosed with the question. Be sure to use YOUR full name, street number, and the name of your city and state.—The Editor.

To-morrow's HOROSCOPE

By Genevieve Kambie

TUESDAY, DEC. 19TH.

There are definite and unmistakable testimonies of all manner of fortunate and propitious activities to be read from this day's planetary configurations. There is the prospect of opportunity, for an important change or journey, which may be almost revolutionary in its benefits, since it springs from the friendly aspects of Uranus, the radical, both by lunar and solar transit, and is fortified by excellent Mars and Jupiter positions. Some care is urged against deception or treachery.

Those whose birthday it is are under excellent promise for a year of important change and achievement. They should embrace every opportunity to further their fortune, but have a modicum of caution against treachery or fraud. A child born on this day will be talented, original in thought and action, popular and energetic and may attain public recognition. It may have an active and eventful career.

Let the classified advertisements help your Christmas buying and selling.

What the Editor Hears

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Although true, be cautious about stating that which appears to be false.



This Smart Gown of Woolen Crepe Has Sleeves with an Inverted Pleat.

She began arranging the tea-caddy, and I glanced about the shop. Finally, my eyes came back to my hostess.

"I find your charming gown more attractive than any of these lovely knick-knacks you have to tempt the shopper," I confessed. "Do let me see it better."

She came over toward me and wheeled slowly around. "I'm very glad you noticed it," she confessed. "I'm very proud of this frock."

"It looks like an import to me," I guessed.

"It is," she beamed. "I brought it back from Paris with me."

"What swank, being able to buy it."



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