

NEWS AND VIEWS FOR WOMEN READERS

LIFE'S SOCIAL SIDE

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Exceedingly pleasant was the dinner party given on Christmas evening by the Dean of Ontario. The charming rooms were gay with holly and mistletoe, a bright fire burned in the grate and the dinner table was lovely with rose-colored decorations and Christmas crackers. Later some more guests joined the party and old fashioned Christmas games were played. Charades were acted by the company of players for whom a great future on the boards of the world famous theatres is foretold by their friends. Prof. Sandwell played delightfully and read the famous "The Night Before Christmas." Sir Roger de Coverly was danced and all the old songs were sung. Mrs. Herbert Robinson making a most efficient accompanist. The party broke up with "For Auld Lang Syne" and "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow," and three cheers and a tiger for the host.

About twenty young people gathered for a jolly Christmas party given by Mrs. A. C. Givens at her home on Albert street yesterday in honor of Miss Mamie Mooney, of the attorney-general's office, Toronto. Under the pretty decorations the couples danced and sang and made merry to their contentment and even after the time-honored turkey of noon-day or evening all were glad when the refreshment time arrived. Alley bowling and a variety of games and stunts filled the intervals between dancing, together with two splendid vocal numbers by Miss Anna Corrigan. Some of those present were: Misses Mamie Mooney, Marion Sullivan, Elsie Lawless, Ann Corrigan, Marie McDonald, Bessie Kane, Nancy Doyle, Carmel O'Reilly, Messrs. Harry Brangan, R. J. Lacey, R. Boyce, C. Devlin, Harry McNeill, D. McKillop, L. McDonnell, Dr. L. J. Blakey, Chicago, Ill.; and Dr. J. M. Givens, Oshawa.

On Saturday afternoon Mrs. J. Bell Carruthers, "Annandale," gave a party and Christmas tree for her grand children and their little friends. The house was gay with evergreens and holly and the splendid tree laden with gifts was a joy to behold. Some of the mothers of the children were present to assist Mrs. Carruthers and her daughters, Mrs. C. F. Constantine, Mrs.

Charles Hanson, Montreal, and Miss Edith Carruthers.

The Bishop of Ontario and Mrs. E. J. Bidwell entertained at dinner on Christmas evening at Bishop's Court. After dinner a Christmas tree with a gift for all the guests was robbed of its pretty things. Music and games made the party, which included both young people and their elders, a jolly one.

Major-General and Mrs. J. H. Elmsley, King street, gave a dinner party on Christmas night, when their dinner guests were joined later by some others and a bright evening spent in the rooms gay with seasonable decorations.

The Garrison Badminton Club met in the armouries on Wednesday with but a small attendance of members.

Miss Hora, Wellington street, was the hostess of a family dinner on Christmas evening.

Mrs. Bruce Hopkins, King street, gave a family dinner on Christmas night.

Rev. W. E. and Mrs. Kidd and their sons left on Christmas Day for Brockville to have dinner with Canon and Mrs. Dealtry Woodcock. Miss Edith Leeder, V.O.N., who spent Christmas at her home in Duquenne, will return to town on Saturday.

Rev. A. O. Cooke, Barriefield, left on Christmas Day for Montreal to visit his sister, Mrs. J. Farrand Pringle.

Mrs. W. G. Jordan and Mrs. W. H. Leadbeater are spending the holiday season with Dr. and Mrs. Dennis Jordan, Toronto.

Mr. Eugene Sheppard, Calgary, is spending Christmas week in Toronto. Mr. Hugh Reynolds is spending his holidays in Brockville with his mother. Dr. A. B. Haffner, Belleville, spent Christmas with his mother, 411 Johnson street.

Mr. T. Scott MacLellan, Lindsay, spent Christmas with his father and mother.

Prof. and Mrs. T. E. Callander, Natland street, left to-day for Toronto. Mrs. Callander will visit Dr. and Mrs. John Macnaughton while Prof. Callander goes on to Ann Harbor, Mich., to a meeting of the

Archaeological Society where the discoveries in the Near East will be discussed.

Prof. J. A. Roy, Queen's University, has left for a western trip to study immigration problems. He will cross the continent to Victoria, B.C.

Miss Gertrude Givens, Hamilton, is visiting her sisters on Beverly street.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Shibley, Montreal, Miss Laura Shibley, New York, and Mr. Travers Carey, Toronto, are with Mrs. W. B. Carey, Albert street.

Miss Hilda Jarvis, nurse-in-training at the Kingston General hospital, is at her home on Ann street.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Penne, Albert street, spent Christmas in Toronto with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Valleau.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ryder and their little daughters, Audrey and Nadine, are with Mrs. Ryder's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Purdy, Catarqui, for the holiday season.

Dr. G. D. Chown, Mrs. Chown and their children, Toronto, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Chown, St. Lawrence avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Neal, King street, motored to Lyndhurst and spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Neal.

Lt.-Col. J. E. Skinner, Mrs. Skinner and Miss Vera Skinner, Barrie street, will leave for Montreal on Saturday to spend ten days.

Mrs. Henry Wilkinson returned from Montreal to spend Christmas in Kingston, bringing Miss Margaret Christmas with her.

Miss Geraldine Daly, Montreal, will arrive in town on Saturday to spend the holiday season with her sisters, the Misses Daly, Albert street.

The Editor Hears

That December 25th, 1924, will long be remembered as a typical Canadian Christmas. The sun shone on the new fallen snow, the sky was as blue as it only is in our northern land and the crisp winter air made the most pessimistic of us gay. "Merry Christmas" was heard on all sides and the smile with which it was said drew a smile in response. No one could be dismal and happy gatherings of families were held in many Kingston homes, where the holly wreath in the windows showed the passerby that those within were keeping the great Christmas festival.

That we couldn't get on without Santa Claus, the familiar figure of our childhood. And why should we? He doesn't interfere with the

real meaning of the holy Christmas tide, if we do not let him take the place of the Christ Child in the little ones' minds. He comes, with his gifts as the Wise Men of the East came to bring their offering to the Babe of Bethlehem to whom all innocent joy is pleasing.

That in all institutions, the festival of the Nativity was a bright one. The halls were decked with red and green, the dinners were substantial and a feeling of good cheer was in the air.

That in some sections of the country the motor was laid aside in favor of the sleigh and old time parties were the vogue. There is a cheeriness about the jingle of the sleighbells and young men and maidens for many-generations of Canadians have whispered vows of eternal constancy to their merry accompaniment. No doubt the girls and boys of Christmas '24 were able to keep up to their fathers and mothers in this respect.

That the children with the new sled, the skates or the little red snow shovel had the time of their lives on Christmas Day. Good old St. Nicholas was very generous to most of us; perhaps he, too, felt more at home in the snow and his reindeer were in their element even in Ontario this year.

HEATED IRONS ARE DANGEROUS



Heated flatirons and bricks are unsafe bedfellows. Frequently during cold weather, beds are set afire by overheated irons or bricks. Even electrical pads present some degree of hazard. There is a cumulative effect of heat that may set the bed afire if they are placed under heavy bed clothes and the current left turned on all night.

Tested Recipes

By Mrs. M. D. M. Coconut Kisses. Whites of 3 eggs, beaten very stiff, 2 teaspoons cornstarch. Cornstarch put in with sugar, cook 20 minutes in a double boiler, stirring all the time while cooking. When cooked, stir in one cup shredded

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"Maybe some women ain't afraid o' mice, but all o' 'em is scared by telegrams."

coconut, then drop on buttered tins and brown in a hot oven; are delicious.

Oatmeal Cookies.

1 cup flour, 2-3 cup brown sugar, 1-2 teaspoon soda, 1-2 teaspoon salt, 3 cups oatmeal, 1-2 cup butter or lard. Mix with a little sour milk or cold water. Use fine oatmeal.

French Salad Dressing.

1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon pepper, 1/2 teaspoon paprika, 1 to 2 tablespoons vinegar, 4 tablespoons oil. Mix ingredients in order given stirring vigorously, then add 2 tablespoons chilli sauce.

A Thousand Island Dressing.

1/2 cup olive oil, Juice 1/2 lemon, Juice 1/2 orange, 1 teaspoon grated onion, 3 teaspoons parsley dropped in, 1/2 cup mayonnaise, 1/4 teaspoon mustard, 8 olives sliced, 8 cooked chestnuts sliced, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon paprika, 1 teaspoon Worcester sauce

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VIOLINIST BECOMES SECOND WIFE OF PLAYWRIGHT John Drinkwater (in inset), the famous English playwright who wrote the drama "Abraham Lincoln," has a new wife. She is Daisy Kennedy (above), the violinist. It is Drinkwater's second marriage.