

## IRISH PLAYS ARE WELL PRESENTED

St. Peter's And St. Rose's Societies Give Good Entertainments

St. John Baptist Holy Name Society Has Good Program of Irish Features

A large and appreciative audience was given a real treat in Saint Peter's Auditorium last evening when the St. Peter's Holy Name Society Dramatic Club presented a typical Irish four act comedy-drama "Kerry Gow," under the direction of J. U. Hagerly. The play was one of which carried the audience far back. It told of Irish love and intrigue; it had a touch of pathos, but was well interspersed with real Irish wit and humor.

Helen M. Grannan, in the role of Nora Drew, made a pretty and winsome Irish colleen and although this was her first appearance she gave a wonderfully clever and sympathetic portrayal of her part.

Jack Hagerly, as Dan O'Hara, was never seen to better advantage. His acting was finished and gave evidence of careful study, resulting in a true portrayal of the character.

Guy C. Hansen, who is also well known to theatrical patrons throughout the city, appeared as Major Griffin, a typical old Irish gentleman. His acting met with popular favor and his clever interpretation was in keeping with his long experience on the stage.

Edward Martin won considerable praise for the manner in which he essayed the role of Valentine Hay, the villain. While his lines failed to elicit

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Miss Agnes Wright, a Kenosha, Wis., physician's assistant, was twice on railway cars that figured in accidents, and each time she administered first aid with a promptness and coolness that won her a citation from the railroad president. On one occasion she saved a man from bleeding to death.

sympathy, his work was to be compared favorably with that of many on the professional stage.

M. Gertrude Ryan, as Alice Doyle, of the Drew household, also added to the already gained on the amateur stage. Her portrayal of Mrs. Doyle was exceptionally good.

Patrick M. Monahan, as Patrick Drew, and Charles J. Cronin as Raymond Drew, were well received, giving clever interpretations of the parts. Francis E. O'Donnell, as O'Driscoll, of the m'cree-well type, was also favorably received by the audience. His character work was out of the ordinary and met with much favorable comment.

Owen G. Hughes, as Captain Sydney; Douglas A. Aiken, as Sgt. Bull; Clement J. Quinn, as Jack "The Jockey"; and Edward S. G. Hansen, as Dennis Doyle, gave very clever interpretations of their different roles and all contributed to the success achieved. The play will be repeated this evening and Wednesday evening, and capacity houses are already assured.

A solo by William Grannan and a novelty singing quart by Miss Ada Williams and Charles Stackhouse added considerably to the enjoyment of the evening. The hokey singing decorated with flowers and fancy electric lights, presented a beautiful appearance. Music was furnished by St. Peter's Y. M. A. male orchestra, under the direction of Eugene W. McBride. This was of an excellent order and the appreciation of the audience was much in evidence. The accompanists for the specialties were Prof. Davis, Miss Winifred Glynn and Miss Ada Williams.

## IN ST. ROSE'S

St. Rose's Dramatic Club, under the direction of J. J. O'Toole, presented the three-act comedy, "Danny Boy," at St. Rose's Hall last evening. The hall was filled to capacity. The company of the evening was Mrs. J. J. O'Toole.

The cast of characters was as follows: Miss Stratton, Miss Alma O'Toole; Betty Woodbridge, Miss Pearl Joyce; Gerlie Gallagher, Miss Lillian O'Brien; Rose Gallagher, Miss Dorothy Viger; Mr. Gallagher, Miss Emily O'Toole; Dan Gallagher, J. B. Richards; Harry Devlin, Louis Murphy; Mooney, Leonard Upton; Officer Mulaney, L. P. Murphy; Mr. Hemmell, J. O'Toole; McSorley, Joseph Doyle; Washington Jefferson, Arthur Quinn; Phillip Carter, Angus DesRoches.

The specialties between the acts were dancing, by Joseph Byrnes; solos by Miss Josephine Viger and Miss Margaret Cathness and dancing, Miss Margaret Cathness.

## HOLD IRISH NIGHT

The Holy Name Society of St. John the Baptist held an Irish night of music, song and story last evening. The address of welcome was given by the president, John M. Elmore. The program was as follows: Irish airs, St. Patrick's Day orchestra; solo, "The Dear Little Shamrock," F. L. Barrett; Irish jig and reel, Philip Hunt; Irish character song, John McDermott; solo, "When Little Eyes are Smiling," F. C. Hazel; Irish airs, "Mother Macree," by the orchestra; Irish character songs, Arthur Devine; solo, "The Harp that Once Through Thine Halls," Joseph McDermott; Irish reels, Robert Emmett and Thomas Killen; Irish selections, "Mother Macree," orchestra; Irish step dancing by Arthur Devine; Irish stories, Hon. R. J. Ritchie; God Save the King.

The society held an open night for the entertainment and the large audience greatly appreciated the excellent program, each number of which was admirably rendered.



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## Social Notes of Interest

Mrs. Simon A. Jones gave a small but none the less enjoyable bridge at her residence, Garden street, last evening in honor of Mrs. E. A. Smith, of Shediac, who is visiting the Misses Sidney Smith.

The members of the Trojan Athletic Club added another to their already long list of successful entertainments last evening in their Klarny dance at the Pythian Castle, Union street. A five piece orchestra provided excellent music for the program of its dances. The decorations in the ball room were carried out in green and white and were emblematic of St. Patrick's Day. The program included several novelty dances when favors in the form of green and black hats appropriately trimmed were distributed among the many guests. At the close of the evening delicious refreshments were served by an efficient committee from the club.

Mrs. John E. Sayre is entertaining at luncheon today at her home in Robesay in honor of Mrs. Walter S. Johnston, of Montreal, who is visiting Mrs. James L. McAvity.

Friends of Miss Armstrong, King street east, will be glad to know that she is able to be about the house again after the accident of six weeks ago in which she fell and injured her foot.

Mrs. F. Caverhill Jones gave a small but very enjoyable tea over the weekend, at her residence, Gernall street, in honor of Mrs. E. A. Smith, of Shediac. Spring flowers centred the artistically arranged tea table, over which Mrs. Charles M. Bostwick presided.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Cairns, De Monts street, West Saint John, gave a very enjoyable bridge of seven tables at their residence on Saturday evening. A profusion of yellow daffodils and narcissi decorated the drawing room, and dining room. The fortunate prize

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winners were Mrs. J. B. M. Baxter, Weston and Dr. J. H. Barton. Delicious refreshments were served when the hosts were assisted by Mrs. C. F. Dixon, Mrs. Kenneth Cairns and Miss Muriel Baird. The guests were the Hon. J. B. M. Baxter and Mrs. Baxter, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Barton, Mr. and Mrs. Mont Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Brown, Mr. G. C. C. Justice, W. C. C. Grimmer, P. G. C. Bayard Stillwell, and P. G. C. L. Lynds. The subject was "Resolved, that the system of a town manager at a fair salary and under the supervision of a board of business men, would be preferable to the present system of commission form of

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Miss Eldred Craft, of Shannon, N. B., has arrived in the city to spend the remainder of the winter.

Mrs. F. Pirie, of Grand Falls, and Mrs. Warren Benson and little son, of Saint John, have been recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mitchell, Connel street, Woodstock.

Mrs. F. R. Rand, of Sackville, and Mrs. Harley S. Jones, of Apohaqui, were visitors in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Heber Vroom expects to leave this morning for Fredericton to attend the regular monthly executive meeting of the Provincial Chapter, I. O. D. E.

Mrs. James T. McCarthy, 51 Sewell street, was the hostess at a very delightfully arranged children's party yesterday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock in honor of her little granddaughter, Marie. The dining room and table, which was centred with a decorated birthday cake, were trimmed with St. Patrick's Day colors. At each little guest's place were baskets of sweets and favors. Those present were the Misses Marjorie Bain, Edna Kelly, Olive Kelly, Dorothy O'Neill, Mary McNulty, Mary White, Jessie Green, Frances Lynch, Gertrude Lynch, Agnes Brown, Thelma Brown, Mary Murphy, Vera Berana, Katherine Cathness, Katherine Mackin, Mabel MacDonald, Geraldine McCarthy, Katherine McGuire and Irene Glynn.

## PYTHIANS DEBATE

Town Manager System Supporters Win Interesting Contest in Temple Hall

Saint John Lodge, Knights of Pythias, upholding the town manager system of civic government for Saint John won from the Union Lodge in the second of a series of Pythian debates between the four city lodges held last night in the Temple Hall, Main street.

The debates are in competition for the shield donated by the Past Chancellors' Association. The judges were P. G. C. C. Justice, W. C. C. Grimmer, P. G. C. Bayard Stillwell, and P. G. C. L. Lynds. The subject was "Resolved, that the system of a town manager at a fair salary and under the supervision of a board of business men, would be preferable to the present system of commission form of

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