

THE HOME
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NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

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Music in the Home

ABOUT CHINESE MUSIC.

Chinese music has always been beyond the grasp of the occidental mind, appearing to have neither rhyme nor reason to it. As a matter of fact, a Chinese musician must be very skilled, indeed, in his profession to hold a position in an oriental orchestra.

Chinese music is not written. The words of some of the favorite songs have been handed down from father to son for generations that so far back before the days of the troubadours. When the music is played it is played according to the memory of the musician and his ideas of interpretation. A musician varies the performance as his best judgment dictates, and strings, reeds or brass may break in at almost any time. The Chinese performers are a survival of the wandering minstrels, and today they are the same, as they were when Confucius was a boy. A good Chinese orchestra has thirteen pieces, led by a "deeda," or brass cornet with a flat note. This and the "wong-siu," or flute, carry the air.



RED CROSS EXECUTIVE

At an important meeting of the Red Cross executive yesterday morning, consideration was given a communication for the Canadian executive that the year's needs would be \$4,000,000 in addition to the regular supplies. New Brunswick's portion of this amount is \$100,000, and ways and means of raising it must be considered. Letters were read from Sergt. Emley and Pte. J. S. Lennon, prisoners of war in Germany, thanking the local executive for donations and for the Manitoba Red Cross, thinking the St. John board for supplies from this city which reached a Manitoba man. The executive also considered plans for the regular meeting on Friday afternoon in St. Andrew's church.

STONE CHURCH
RED CROSS.

The last tea of the season was held at the Stone Church Red Cross meeting yesterday afternoon. A pleasant incident of the afternoon was the presentation to Mrs. Horace Wetmore of a life membership from the circle. Mrs. John A. McAvity, president of the local Red Cross made the presentation in a few well chosen words. It was reported that at Easter this circle had sent to the St. James street military hospital for each patient, fresh eggs, grape fruit and cake.

W. C. T. U.

The first meeting in the month held by the Women's Christian Temperance Union, is a devotional one, and that of yesterday was led by the Evangelistic Superintendent Mrs. Seymour. There was a very good attendance of members. Special prayers

Lace, especially fillet, will be seen this summer on many of the muslin and silken frocks. There are many lovely patterns to choose from in the shops, and fascinating modes of using them will be found in books or evolved from Milady's brain.

were said for the Empire and for the boys at the front.

During the business session a resolution was passed to the effect that the W. C. T. U. take up the collecting of old silver and gold in order to raise money to provide the soldiers at the front with comforts. This collecting of bits of jewelry or broken silverware has been carried on with great success in Ontario, and large sums of money raised in this manner. The W. C. T. U. will undertake a collecting campaign.

Greetings were sent to Mrs. R. D. Christie, vice-president of the W. C. T. U., who has been ill for some weeks, but who is now improving. She has been greatly missed from the meetings.

Mrs. R. W. Davis, who is the superintendent of railroad work, gave an interesting report of visits made to men who had been injured on the trains and who were patients at the hospital. The men have expressed much appreciation of the thoughtfulness of the Union.

The W. C. T. U. ward at the military hospital has been regularly visited and the inmates sent flowers every week. At Easter they were especially remembered.

Miss Bessie Bell returned to the city from spending an enjoyable Easter vacation with her parents at Ennisville.



THE ST. JOHN STANDARD
Wednesday, April 3, 1918.

Clip Three of these Coupons bearing consecutive dates, and present them together with our advertised price of 98c, at our office and receive your copy of Heart Songs.

3 COUPONS 98c SECURES IT.

Books are now in stock and mail orders will be promptly filled.

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CANADIAN NURSES
CLUB WAS RECENTLY
OPENED BY PRINCESS

Mrs. G. H. Kuhring Writes to Standard from London of Delightful Home—Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire Provided Funds.

The following letter was received by a representative of the Standard from Mrs. G. A. Kuhring. The event described will be of much interest to all who contributed towards the Residential Club for Canadian Nurses in London.

London, March 19th.

I am writing you because I think you will like to hear about the opening here yesterday of the Residential Club for Canadian Nurses. The house the former residence of the Earl of Minto, is beautifully situated on a broad sweeping drive from the Park and is so bright and attractive. Its many windows all looking out on places of beauty and comfort. Fine houses and charming surroundings. The Countess of Minto has left many of her pictures and other personal belongings, which give an added grace to the splendid rooms and nice furnishings. Our nurses can come here not only to rest but to enjoy the privilege of elegance and ease such as this place provides, quite different from anything that could have been secured, I suppose, anywhere in England.

Lady Perley and one or two other members of the committee received the guests at the front entrance and they passed on up stairs to a large drawing room to await the arrival of the Princess Patricia. About thirty-five nurses were present in uniform and formed a guard of honor at the entrance as the Princess arrived, and she was escorted into the drawing room by Lady Perley. Miss McDonald the matron in chief of the C. A. M. C. and Mrs. Henshaw.

Lady Perley explained the way the opening of the club had come about. Miss McDonald had brought to her attention the fact that Canadian nurses were constantly arriving in London from France with nowhere to put up. Coming at night and finding advice they were to be filled up, closed, and perhaps getting into unsuitable or uncomfortable places, and in some cases, even having to go right out of London to find quarters.

Lady Perley thought over the matter and spoke to one or two interested people, approaching Lady Minto who had a special interest in all things Canadian and the present plan opened up. (She then telegraphed to Mrs. Gooderham at Toronto, asking her if the I. O. D. E. would contribute \$25,000 to establish a much needed club in London for Canadian nurses. Within a week the reply was cable back they would. The house was secured, and necessary outfit sent in and nurses began to arrive and enjoy their new quarters immediately. The club secured and outfitted by this generous donation will probably soon become self-supporting as each nurse pays a small fee and the table will support itself, although excellent meals are available at less cost than elsewhere. Lady Perley spoke warmly of the promptness with which the I. O. D. E. has responded and their readiness to assist any national need that presents itself as most inspiring and patriotic. She then asked the Princess to open the club.

Princess Patricia said that, having seen the house, she was sure that in its charming surroundings the nurses would have the opportunity of rest and comfort to fit them for their noble and arduous work.

There was a large attendance of Canadian ladies and others including Lieutenant-General Sir Richard and Lady Turner, the Dowager Lady Jersey, Lady Kirkpatrick, Lady Drummond, Brigadier-General Hughes, Lady Hanbury-Williams, Sir A. Macphail, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Campbell Stuart, Captain and Mrs. Watts.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Miss Adams, Colonel and Mrs. Grant Gordon, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. R. Reid, Mrs. Waldorf Astor, Colonel, Valentin Matthews, and Mr. Andrew Fisher, High Commissioner for Australia.

Princess Patricia wore a dark amethyst colored velvet suit with black tulle and looked very well. Mrs. Henshaw of British Columbia head of the I. O. D. E. in London then spoke for the I. O. D. E. She was dressed in a white serge tailor made suit with the badge of the order very noticeably fastened on her coat. She moved a vote of thanks to her Royal Highness for honoring the club by her presence and in opening it on behalf of the I. O. D. E. each member of which she felt sure would rejoice in the opportunity of showing their warm appreciation for the splendid service their sisters of the nursing profession were giving so generously to the care of the sick and wounded under the patronage of the Princess Patricia. The matron in chief, Miss McDonald seconded the vote of thanks and added a word of appreciation on behalf of the nurses for the splendid quarters provided for them and for the prompt assistance of Sir George and Lady Perley and to Daughters of the Empire.

The party then broke up and inspected the house. I had to be in the dining room directly below the drawingrooms of which there are two. Above again are bedrooms, and, like all London houses, the ceilings are high and stately many, but there is a lift in this house which one operates oneself and that makes all the difference.

Among those I saw were Mrs. F. E. Hodgins, Mrs. Lyons Bigger, Colonel McLaren, who was talking to Mrs. Stobart and Mrs. MacLaren Brown, Mrs. Rivers Bulkeley and a few ladies I knew from Ontario.

Everyone was delighted and were saying nice things about the house and about the Daughters of the Empire and the nurses were beaming of course and looking forward to bringing visitors to see them in their new quarters, as well as enjoying them for themselves.

There are nine clubs of this sort in different centres in France, opened by a fund under the patronage of the Princess Patricia and any nurse or worker connected with our Red Cross or a similar work can put up in them if passing through, at a small cost. They are called the Princess Patricia's Rest Clubs for Nurses and after they are once furnished and started by the fund practically pay their own way. The cooks, housemaids, housekeepers or superintendents who start the fact are all V. A. D's. ladies, who are sent out from Devonshire House and who give their services without charge.

I thought you would like this little bit of first hand news about this important and most creditable new work.

Very truly yours,
MARY KUHRING.

"FIGHT OR FARM."
GUARD OR GARDEN.

With these alternatives facing them, the War Gardens Association has decided to at once proceed to enlist recruits for the cultivation of vacant lots in and near the city this summer.

At the public meeting, which is to be held in the court-house to-night, President Zetabrooks will outline the plans of the Association. Members who are unrolled, the territory to be covered by the Association subdivided under divisional commanders, the organization completed and a helpful address delivered by Mr. Thor. Adams, of the Conservation Commission, Ottawa.

The zone of operation of the Association will be confined to east, west and central St. John, Lancaster and Fairville. Interested persons from these districts whether men or women, are invited to attend the meeting and help forward the Association project.

The call for increased production, in order to release foods for export to the soldiers and allied people overseas, is a most urgent one and the people of St. John will doubtless respond to it eagerly and wholeheartedly.

VALCARTIER CHAPTER, I. O. D. E. The Valcartier Chapter I. O. D. E. held their regular meeting at the residence of Miss Edith Miller, Douglas Avenue, last evening.

The sum of \$35 was voted towards the De Monts Chapter Maple Sugar Fund. Arrangements were made for the canteen at the Red Triangle Club which this chapter will take charge of the third week in April. It was decided at this meeting to omit henceforth the serving of refreshments at the meetings.

Mrs. Frederick R. Taylor, regent, is in the chair.

Who's Who and What's What in the Picture World and on the Stage—Favorites and What They Say and Do.

OPERA HOUSE.

Talk about changing your mind! Nothing could change quicker than Caesar Rivoli does at the Opera House this week. He is most certainly a very clever actor, as well as a remarkably active "quick change" artist and his impersonations of the six characters in his little sketch were splendidly done. Later in his act, he gives impersonations of the mannerisms of famous musicians and their different ways of conducting their orchestras while the Opera House orchestra plays the appropriate music. This was novel and interesting. The musicians imitated were Creators, Verdi, Strauss, Suppe, Gounod and John Philip Sousa. No doubt the more ancient ones were truly imitated according to historical facts but many present

could vouch for the faithfulness to life of those of Sousa and Creators. Next in interest to me on the bill was the hand balancing of Paul La Varre and his brother. This is an excellent act and so nicely done throughout. The men are graceful and perform many wonderful feats of strength. It is deserving of very high praise.

The jokes and funny remarks which Charles Sweet puts off were amusing and his way of telling stories was much enjoyed by the audience. He is quite a musician and did some stunts at the piano, imitating a banjo player, a harpist and playing a cornet with one finger and one key.

Coleman's musical mannikins sing, talk and play the banjo. One is white and one black and their remarks are the cause of much merriment. Their banjo playing with their manager is a good finale to the act.

Al H. Weston and Irene Young are singers, dancers, (at least the lady is) and talkers. They have a laughing song which has a most infectious chorus and got everybody giggling.

With the sensational adventures of

the heroine of the Paramount serial, "Who is Number One?" this week's programme at the Opera House is not one to be missed.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. R. B. Anderson of Waterloo street returned last evening to the city after spending a few days with relatives near Norton.

Among Fredericton people in the city are: W. E. Farrell, F. D. Carter and W. D. Wilson.

The Dominion Tanners, Ltd., of Woodstock, N. B., employing seventy-five men, which has been owned and operated by the Armour Co. of Chicago, has been sold to a Canadian firm, for the sale of which negotiations have been going on for some time. As the Armour Company had been making money at the Woodstock plant, the price set was high, but when the Canadian firm reached it, the sale was put through. F. A. Willard, the present manager, will remove to Chicago, and the new firm will take charge in the near future.

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY
Continuation of Our Easter Festival

Dorothy Dalton
In the Paramount-Tee Production
"LOVE LETTERS"
Shannon Fife's Well-Known Novel

FATTY ARBUCKLE
—
"HIS WEDDING DAY"

British Government Weekly.
Florence Gilmore, Soprano.

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Afternoons 2.30. Evenings,
7.15, 8.45.
All Changed Every Friday
Afternoon.

Jessie Parker & Co.
One Act Sketch, a Plot of Fun
an of Keen Interest. The
Title Tells You It is.

Twin Beds at 3 a.m.

AND THEN SEE ALL THESE:
NELLOS—Man and Woman;
Juggling.
DAN GRACEY—Some Lively
Comedies.
RAG-TIME TRIO—Sprightly Instrumental Act.

PHOTO PLAYS.
W. S. Hart in
"The Last Card"
2 REELS.

GEM ORCHESTRA IN CHOICE SELECTIONS.

TODAY
Afternoon 2.30
Evening 7.30 and 9

CAESAR RIVOLI
The Man of 100 Roles, Who Changes His Clothes Quicker Than
a Lady Changes Her Mind

COLEMAN'S Musical MANIKINS AL. H. WESTON and IRENE YOUNG

PAUL LA VARRE AND BROTHER CHAS. R. SWEET
Sensational Hand Balancing Comedian and Singer
Also SOME Pianist

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