FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN

Let's Talk It Over

SMALL HOUSE OR FLAT WANTED.

When you were young and went to parties did you ever play musical chairs? There are a certain number of persons you remember, and one or two less chairs than the number of players. When the music plays, all run merrily round the chairs till the music ceases, then you rush for a chair and some are bound to be left out.

The approach of the first of May reminds me very much of the climax of musical chairs. The music stops—that is, your lease is up, and you run for another chair, and Lo! they (the houses) are all filled! You are "it" and can't play any more.

Unfortunately musical chairs is only a parlor game, but living in a rented house in St. John is something much more serious. Two of my friends took a house in the autumn, a nice little new flat in a central part of the city. There was no paper on the walls, but the landlord spoke in glowing terms of what he would do when the Spring came. Being—in those days—of a trusting nature, these ladies did not have a lease signed, and when Spring came, found to their surprise that the owner of the flat had rented it to a friend of his, never even giving the first tenants an opportunity of continuing where they were for one year. They were "it" and the game went on merrily while they fled to the peace of the country.

This year the number of rentable houses is far, far less than the number of persons desiring a home, and many a stranger, as well as older residents of St. John, has walked weary steps in answer to advertisements in the papers, only to find the houses most inconvenient or not at all central, and far from the car line. Strangers are at their wits' end as to where to live, and get a very wrong impression of St. John from their inspection of the houses offered for rent.

It is told as a fact that a real estate owner was approached by a lady who said: "I want to rent that house, No. 44 Blank street."

"But, Madam," said the agent, "Mrs. So-and-So is living there, and I don't think she is going to move."

"Oh, yes, I know that," was the answer of the believer in preparedness, "but I want the refusal of that house when she dies."

On the slightest rumor of the removal from the city, people are madly rung up on the telephone and asked about their home. A bank man is beseiged with questions from the time his transfer is announced in the papers, and when a death occurs in a family, the relatives are questioned as to the plans of the survivor before it is good taste to speak to the bereaved.

It would be funny, if it were not so serious, and what seems worst of all is that no remedy is in sight.

A row of tin huts and the establishment of a tent city at King and Queen Squares has been suggested, and if something is not done it will be either some such solution or the departure from the city of many valuable citizens, who are so unfortunate as to merely want a clean, convenient house to live in.

—MARGUERITE.

LEADERS IN GIRLS WORK.

A class for leaders in girls work was held last evening under the auspices of the co-operative girls work committee, at the Y. W. C. A., attended between 50 and 60. It was found foundn ecessary to split the class in sessions will be held Wednesday afternoon and Thursday evenings for necessary to split the class in two, and the balance of the course. Last night's lesson was the first of four on 'teen age girls and the Canadian Girls in Training programme, the subject of the lesson being "The 'teen age girls, her characteristics and needs." The session proved most interesting and a number of practical questions were discussed.

"Did you raise anything on your promise to pay?"

"Oh, yes; I raised a smile."

Getting Too Fat? Try This—Reduce

People who don't grow too fat are the fortunate exception. But if you find the fat accumulating or already cumbersome, you will be wise to follow this suggestion, which is endorsed by thousands of people who know. Ask your druggist (or if you prefer write to the Marmola Co., 864 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich.) for a large case of Marmola Prescription Tablets. 75c. is the price the world over. By doing this you will be safe from harmful drugs and be able to reduce two, three or four pounds a week without dieting or exercise.

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It's just fine. Don't stay stuffed-up with a cold or nasty catarrh.

MRS. E. A. SMITH CHAMPIONS THE CITY'S CAUSE

Tells the Work Being Done for Returning Soldiers and Their Dependents—Invites Dominion Council of Women to Meet Here.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa March 13.—Like a true resident of St. John, ever out to boost the advantages of that city, Mrs. E. Atherton Smith came to the front at this afternoon's session of the executive of the Dominion Council of Women, with an invitation for the council to hold its 1920 meeting in St. John.

Mrs. Smith suggested that the council should visit St. John in September of that year as that, she said, was the month best adapted for displaying the scenic beauties of the city and river. Her invitation was received with much applause, and there is a strong probability it will be accepted. The council meets in Regina in June, 1919, and Mrs. Smith's invitation is the first the council has received for 1920, her foresight being shown by the fact that she got it before the committee some fifteen months before the date of the meeting. When members of the executive depart for their homs tomorrow, it will be with the promise to boost St. John as the 1920 meeting place.

Also on Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Smith had a good word to say for the women of St. John and their effort in behalf of the returned soldiers and soldiers' wives. Mrs. Robson, of the Repatriation Committee of Ottawa, had spoken urging the executive to bring before their councils the necessity of showing kindness and consideration to the dependents of soldiers, particularly girls whom soldiers had married in England, and who were coming to Canada to make their homes for the first time. Along this line she thought there was good opportunity for pioneer work. This brought Mrs. Smith to her feet. "The women of St. John," she declared, "had been meeting returning soldiers for years. We in St. John did not have to be pioneered in any patriotic effort," she said proudly. "We needed no call from the government. We felt it a privilege to know the wives of the sons of Canada, and we always wanted to do the best we could for them. We sew every day for them. They had needed garments for children, so many have been ill after the ocean voyage and they and their children needed attention. We tried to look after them all, for we considered it an honor to meet these men and women coming to Canada. I shake hands with every soldier I meet down there and welcome him home," she said in closing, while the convention gave her enthusiastic applause.

CONCERT.

Do not forget the literary and musical entertainment in the Institute of Germain Street Baptist Church, Friday evening, March 14th. The best musical talent of the city will take part in it and Tennyson's Dream of Fair Women will be presented by the leading pupils of Miss Amelia Green.

ECONOMIC FUTURE OF CANADA RECEIVING ATTENTION AT PARIS

The Dominion's Participation in the Lyons Fair Has Awakened the Interest of the French Industrial Leaders Towards This County and a Greater Effort for Canadian Trade Will Be Made.

Paris, Mar. 12—(Cable from Leon Trepanier)—While the Canadian ministers are busily engaged in terminating the work entrusted to them as peace conference delegates, the economic future of Canada is occupying their attention and is being discussed at daily meetings. The successful results which are anticipated as the outcome of Canada's British participation at the Lyons fair, have awakened the interest of the French industrial leaders towards Canada.

The recent visit to Paris of delegates of the Federation of British Industries, representing a membership of seventeen thousand firms, and the speeches delivered at a banquet presided over by M. Clementell, the French minister of commerce, mark the preliminaries of a direct and durable accord between the British and French business men and producers. Canada is no less interested in such co-operation and the comments of the French press show signs on the part of France of a policy with more advantageous co-operation for the conquest of foreign markets.

Le Journal des Debats notes that before the war Great Britain was the best client of France, and this paper insists that in the interest of both countries such good relations should not only be maintained but extended. Are Canadian producers satisfied with the facilities extended them through the Franco-Canadian treaty for trade with France?

There seems to exist among Canadian business men here and those participating at the Lyons fair an impression that the French-Canadian treaty of 1907 was much more favorable to France than to Canada.

Since the outbreak of the war and under the stimulus of war orders the exports of Canada to France have largely exceeded the imports from France, the respective totals being $14,278,335 and $3,632,444 in 1914, compared with $8,197,439 and $2,341,507 in 1909.

LOOK AT CH'LD'S TONGUE IF SICK, CROSS, FEVERISH

Hurry, Mother! Remove poisons from little stomach, liver, bowels.

Give "California Syrup of Figs" at once if bilious or constipated.

constipated waste, undigested food and sour bile gently moves out of the little bowels without griping, and you have a well, playful child again.

You needn't coax children to take this harmless "fruit laxative;" they love its delicious taste, and it always makes them feel splendid.

Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. To be sure you get the genuine, ask to see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, it is a sure sign that your little one's stomach, liver and bowels need a gentle, thorough cleansing at once.

When peevish, cross, listless, pale, doesn't sleep, doesn't eat or act naturally, or is feverish, stomach sour, breath bad; has stomach-ache, sore throat, diarrhoea, full of cold, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the foul,

ST. STEPHEN LOSES CITIZEN

Frank Todd, a Leading Business Man of Charlotte, Passed Away Yesterday.

St. Stephen, March 13.—St. Stephen has lost another of her most prominent and esteemed citizens in the death of Frank Todd, which occurred at his residence here this afternoon, at the advanced age of 76 years, from heart trouble. He had been in failing health for some time but had been about town and attending to business until a few weeks ago, and was able to drive out daily until last week. The deceased gentleman was the eldest son of the late Freeman H. Todd, one of the pioneer lumbermen of this section, and was born in St. Stephen, where all of his long and active life had been spent. He has been for many years a valued member of the board of school trustees of the town. He was a director of the St. Stephen Cemetery Company, and was for a time the president of the St. Stephen Bank. A man of great means his charitable deeds were many, but always so unostentatiously bestowed that none but the beneficiaries knew of them. His relaxation from business was found in hunting and fishing and he was widely known all over the province. His home life was ideal and in her great loss his aged widow has the sincere sympathy of the community. He was a member of the Unitarian church in Calais, and in politics a leading Liberal. He is survived by his widow, one brother, William F., of St. Stephen, and a sister, Mrs. C. W. Young of Brookline, Mass., who was with him during his last illness.

The funeral service will be held at the home Sunday afternoon.

"I don't see how you can read that trashy novel," declared mother. "Do you see any merit in it at all?"

"Why, yes," answered father. "It is intensely realistic."

"What do you mean? Why, the conversation between the lovers is utterly silly slush and their actions are idiotically absurd."

"Yes; that's what I meant," agreed father mildly.

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ENGLAND'S AIR RECORD DURING THE WORLD WAR

Shot Down 8,000 Enemy Machines, While 2,800 British Machines Were Missing—Plans for the Future.

London, March 13.—During the war 8,000 enemy airplanes were shot down by the British air forces, while 2,800 British machines were missing, Brigadier General J. E. B. Seeley announced in the House of Commons today, in introducing the army's air estimates of 66,500,000 pounds. General Seeley said that if the war had continued the estimate would have been £200,000,000.

When the armistice was signed, he added, England was turning out 4,000 airplanes a month, and had 200 squadrons in commission compared to six at the beginning of the war.

General Seeley said it was intended to keep 102 squadrons for defence, but that the country would not rely so much on the number of machines as in remaining in the forefront of aerial development. Air forces, he added, would be maintained in Egypt, Mesopotamia, Archangel and the near and middle east. He pointed out that political offices at Bagdad would be able, by airplane, to carry out in two days the same number of inspections in order to secure continuous friendly relations with the inhabitants as would previously have taken two months.

General Seeley said that a large part of the estimate would be available for the encouragement of civilian aviation.

The first duty of the new civilian branch of the air ministry, he continued, would be to secure an international agreement in Paris with regard to the future of flying, which must always, in many respects, be an international business, because there are no natural boundaries.

Dilating on the enormous development in aviation, including the discovery of the wireless telephone by which aviators are able both to send and receive from the same operator, General Seeley mentioned an entirely novel type of aircraft, which is under consideration and which, he said, mathematicians claimed could attain hitherto unheard-of speed.

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Making Room.

New York Herald: Jersey woman demands that works of Dickens and other authors who write engagingly of drink and drinking must be banished. And when private libraries of nation have shrunk to "Ten Nights in a Barroom" and "Life of John B. Gough" the five foot book shelf will be handy for the family crockery.

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VIEWS DIVERGE REGARDING THE GUILTY PARTIES

Unable to Agree Whether International or Military Tribunals Shall Judge the Violators of Nations' Rights.

Paris, March 13.—There is a divergence in the views of the members of the commission investigating the responsibility of the war on several important points, according to the Temps. As to whether the former German emperor, and other heads of enemy states should be brought to trial is a question on which a division of opinion exists, while the matter of an international tribunal, or military tribunals for the judging of those charged with violations of the rights of nations during the war, has not been settled.

The American delegations have opposed an international tribunal, pointing out that the United States was not a belligerent during the whole period when such violations were committed. A possible solution under consideration is the appointment of military tribunals composed of officers of different nationalities.

Alkali In Shampoos Bad For the Hair

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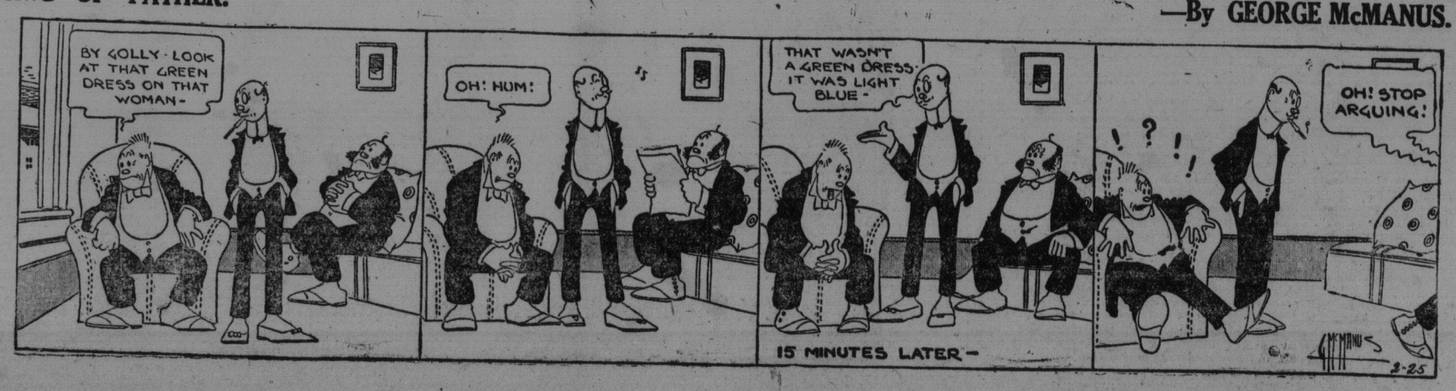

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