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SCRIBES AFTER RIVER RECORDS

Newspaper Exploring Party Goes Up Today.

CONDITIONS FAVORABLE

Believed that the Lord Roberts Can Get at Least a Mile Farther Up Than Previous Parties ---- Farmers Came Down Today.

The newswriters of the various city papers with a few guests and friends will leave this afternoon on the tugboat Lord Roberts of the John E. Moore fleet, to explore the St. John river. There have been mid-winter excursions (so-called) that have gone up the St. John in January, but these will all be discounted by today's performance. Today being Candlemas day and the recognized mid-winter day, a successful excursion at this time would by far eclipse all previous ones. The newspaper men are determined to break all records on this occasion even if they have to resort to the use of axes. According to reports received this morning there is every indication of getting about a mile further up river than the previous parties.

The boat with the party on board will leave North Wharf at 3.15 o'clock and proceed through the falls, returning about 6 o'clock.

Among those invited on the trip in addition to the newspaper men are: Mayor White, Clarence Ward, Magistrate Ritchie, Chief Clark, D. L. Hutchinson, L. R. Ross, R. J. Armstrong, F. G. Spencer, Wm. Downie, Dr. Geo. U. Hay, Arthur Gilmour, Chief John Kerr, Harbor Master Ferris, Commodore Robert Thomson, A. P. Hazen, C. H. Essen, N. R. Burrows Wm. Hawker, H. F. Albright, Registrar J. B. Jones, Bruce Robb, Fred L. Tufts, W. G. McGinley, Sydney L Kerr and others.

River trips in midwinter are rapidly becoming popular, not only with residents of the city, but farmers living along the river front have also caught the spirit of enthusiasm, and four of the inhabitants of Belyea's Landing made a successful venture this morning, landing at Indiantown about ten o'clock, and bringing with them, besides a good store of country produce, tidings of woods and stream.

Fred. Hilyard, James Rose, Myles Belyea and Mr. Apt left Belyea's Landing in two small boats at eight o'clock this morning, and as the wind was unfavorable were obliged to resort to the "spruce hurricane," which they plied vigorously for about two hours, arriving in Indiantown safe and sound at about ten o'clock. The voyagers report having encountered no ice on the way down.

They state that conditions in the lumber woods are by no means encouraging, owing to the absence of snow. A large number of logs have been yarded; and unless the "beautiful" comes quickly and in large quantities, there will be no means of conveying it to the streams and river-front.

The river is open as far up as Mill Cove, above Carrier's Point, and the ice above there has been so much affected by the soft weather that in many places it is unsafe for crossing.

The party brought with them a considerable quantity of eggs, butter and general country produce, for which they found a ready market. They start out on the return trip this afternoon, and as the wind will be "right on their heels," will go up river under canvas.

A resident of Indiantown remarked to a Times man this morning that it looked quite like summer "to see a fellow running around with a basket of eggs on his arm.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT

Wm. Cunningham Broke His Leg in Purdy & Green's Grocery Today.

Wm. Cunningham met with a painful accident while working at Purdy & Green's quarry at Pokiok yesterday afternoon.

He was digging under a pile of stone when a large overhanging rock became loose and fell against one of his legs, fracturing the bone. He is twenty-two years of age, and has been an employe of the firm.

POLICE COURT

Two Boisterous Drunks Fined $8 Each at this Morning's Session.

In the Police Court this morning but two prisoners faced the magistrate. James Gallagher imbibed too freely yesterday of the cup that cheers, and while purchasing a ticket in the I. C. R. Station became boisterous, and Officer Collins placed him in the cooler. This morning Gallagher was charged by Officer Collins with being drunk and using profane language. He was fined $8.

William Smith was arrested last night by Officer Rankin, charged with being drunk. This morning Smith pleaded not guilty, and as a result came very near bringing extra expense upon himself.

Officer Rankin said that he was called in Wm. O'Keefe's licensed tavern to eject Smith, and did so. He said that Smith was drunk. The latter denied that, and said that Officer Marshall knocked him against the door of the tavern and swelled his lip thereby. He then asked that William O'Keefe be summoned to appear as a witness in his behalf.

The latter soon arrived, and said that he requested Smith to leave his tavern several times, and also instructed his employes not to serve him, as he was intoxicated. Thereupon Smith grabbed him by the throat and attempted to kick him, and he was forced to call Officer Rankin to eject him. The witness said that he did not wish to press the charge of assault against the prisoner, and the latter therefore narrowly escaped an extra fine of $20. Judge Ritchie informed Smith that he could be fined $8 or two months in jail.

BLESSING OF THROATS

This being Candlemas Day, the blessing of the candles took place in all the Roman Catholic churches this morning during the masses. Tomorrow being the feast of St. Blaze, the blessing of throats will take place in all the Catholic churches in the city. Heretofore the parishioners of the cathedral parish went to the other parishes in the city to have their throats blessed, but this year His Lordship Bishop Casey, decided to have the blessing of throats take place in the cathedral as well as in the other parishes.

AN INVENTOR DEAD

LONDON, Feb. 2. — Lord Masham (Samuel Cunliffe-Lister), the patentee of many inventions, including a compressed air brake for railroads and a wool combing machine, died today at Swinton Abbey, Masham, county of York. He was born in 1815 and was created a baron in 1891.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

TO LET—THE PREMISES ON WEST SIDE of Smythe street and north side of Union street, at present in occupation of the Page Wire Fence Company, including store, office and warehouse. Also upper flat on Smythe street, suitable for storage or offices. Electric elevator in connection. W. M. JARVIS. 2-2-tf.

TO LET—FLAT IN HOUSE No. 74 MECKLENBURG street. Hot water heating and all modern improvements. Can be seen Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Apply on premises to W. A. McGINLEY.

WANTED TO ABOLISH ALL COLLEGE FOOTBALL FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS

University of Chicago Would Take Drastic Action --The Game, if Played at all by Them, Will be Greatly Reformed---Fine Exhibition of Rugby Game by New Zealand Team.

CHICAGO, Feb. 2 —Reformed football as recommended by the faculty representatives of the "big nine" colleges at a conference in Chicago a few weeks ago will prevail in the future at the University of Chicago and at Northwestern University. This was agreed upon yesterday at separate meetings of the faculties of these institutions.

In each faculty the decision to abolish the former style of college football was unanimous, and the professors of the University of Chicago went so far as to express their preference for the abandonment of all styles of football for a period of two years. As a step towards this end, resolutions were adopted stating that it was the desire of the University of Chicago to abolish the game entirely for such a length of time. A copy of the resolutions will be sent to the other universities composing the "big nine" with the request that an agreement be entered into eliminating the game of football for the next two years.

At the meeting of the faculty of Northwestern University, all the recommendations by the "big nine" conference were adopted although nothing was said about abandoning the game.

With the acceptance of the recommendations made by the conference, football, if it is played at all next fall, either at Northwestern or the University of Chicago, will not have much resemblance to the former style of football played at these schools. Professional coaching will be prohibited, the training table will be abandoned, all players must have been students of the university for at least one year, no practicing will be allowed until after the regular opening of the fall term of the school year.

Post graduates will be allowed to participate in the game and the rules controlling the actual playing game will be revised so as to remove all the evils that have been charged against it.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2. — Referring to yesterday's exposition of Rugby football given by the famous team of New Zealanders at Washington Park, Brooklyn, the Tribune this morning says:

The chief feature of the game, which required no scientific knowledge to be thoroughly appreciated and enjoyed, was the accurate and lightning passing of the New Zealand backs who, coming down the field at top speed, like a pack of greyhounds, on the event, kept the ball in their possession until the goal line had been safely crossed and a "try" scored. This spectacle must be witnessed to be appreciated.

Among the spectators, who numbered about a thousand, were G. T. Kirby, chairman of the Columbia Alumni football committee; Prof. Kemp of Columbia, and Prof. J. B. Fine of Princeton. All were well pleased with what they saw, and will have favorable reports to make. Mr. Kirby stated that while he did not think the game had any chance of supplanting the college game in the estimation of Americans, he saw much in English Rugby that was admirable, much more so than the "socker" variation. The openness of the play, the freedom of movement permitted by the absence of anything like football armor, and, above all, the superb passing, were what appealed to him.

Manager G. R. Dixon and Captain Gallaher, of the New Zealanders, said they had not played with any idea of financial gain, but rather for the sake of showing Americans what they could really do on the gridiron. The weird Maori cry of defiance with which the Antipodeans opened the game was an unique feature of the match. At the end they gave three cheers for the beaten side. The New Yorkers, wholly out of practice, were, of course, outclassed, even though they were assisted by six of the New Zealand reserve. In the second half the visitors played with 14 men against 15, Captain Gallaher sending one of his players to the assistance of the home side. The New Zealand team scored 5 goals, each of which counted 5 points, and seven "tries," for each of which three additional points were allowed. On the other hand, New York got two goals and one try.

The New Zealand party left for Niagara Falls on the 7.55 train last night. After playing at San Francisco they will sail for home on February 15.

LOVITT CASE UP IN SUPREME COURT

Argument for Succession Duties on Part of Estate

PROVINCE CLAIMS IT

Hon. Mr. McKeown Says That Branch Bank of British North America Held Money as Agent—Sheriff Levies on Saw Logs for Wages Claim.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 2.—(Special).—The argument in the case of the King vs. the executors of the estate of the late G. H. Lovitt was continued in the supreme court this morning. Hon. Mr. Pugsley continued his argument on behalf of the province and was followed by Mr. McKeown. The latter claimed that the money Mr. Lovitt had on deposit in St. John at the time of his death was a debt due by the Bank of B. N. A., to the estate and was not liable to succession duties. The contract he held was really with the head office in London, the St. John bank being merely an agent. It is the principal that owes the money and not the agent. The court reserved judgment.

The Underfeed Stoker Company v. Jas.Ready; Coster, K. C., moves to set aside the verdict. Pugsley and Barnhill contra. The case is still before the court.

R. Chestnut & Sons shipped a car load of canvas canoes to Vancouver today.

Sheriff Holden visited Blissville yesterday and levied on seven hundred logs belonging to Irvine Anderson, who has been operating a lath mill there a short time. The claim is made on behalf of Ernest Fowler for wages. The mill has been closed up by Murray & Gregory, and the machinery is being shipped to St. John.

Postmaster Fred S. Hilyard is seriously ill at his home here from an internal trouble. Two doctors are in attendance and believe that an operation will be necessary to save his life. His brother, Thomas Hilyard, arrived from St. John this morning.

Sergt. Hornbeck, of the Royal Canadian Regiment, Halifax, is here in search of recruits.

WAS STRUCK WITH BOTTLE

Young Man Named Mullins Attacked by Roughs on Charlotte Sr. Last Night.

Last night about eleven o'clock quite a crowd was attracted by the cry of murder at the corner of Charlotte and Duke streets. A crowd of roughs attacked a young man named Mullins, and one of them struck him on the head with a bottle, cutting it badly. The roughs then ran away, and the young man went to Hazen Dick's drug store for treatment, but was advised to seek a doctor. He then went to the office of Dr. Bentley, who dressed the wound. As no police were around at the time, the roughs will probably go unpunished. If the blow received by young Mullins had struck him near the temple, murder would have been the result.

LATE LOCALS

The funeral of Mrs. Andrew Johnson takes place on Sunday from her late residence, 54 Simonds street.

It is rumored that C. F. Brown will be a candidate for Lansdowne ward in the coming civic election. The citizens who were mentioned in the Sun this morning as possible candidates flatly deny it.

The body of the late Wm. A. Dalton, which arrived here yesterday from Rutland, Vt. will be taken to Port Lorne, N. S. tomorrow morning. A funeral service will be held at 8.30 o'clock this evening at the home of his father 71 Brittain street.

The supply of produce in the country market this morning was good and Saturday shoppers will find little difficulty in selecting their Sunday dinners. The prevailing retail prices are as follows: Turkey, 20c. to 23c.; duck $1.00 to $1.60; chickens, 75c. to $1.50; beef, 8c. to 18c.; pork, 14c.; lamb, 9c. to 15c.; moose steak 20c.; mutton 7c. to 14c; venison, 12c. to 20c; turnips, 18c.; carrots, 30c.; parsnips, 35c. parsley, 5c.; lettuce 7c., scarce, celery, 12c.

Officer Crawford, winner of the policemen's snow-shoe race at the sports on Tuesday evening last, wishes the Times to state that he accepts the challenge of his confrere, Officer Totten, to race on snow-shoes, and is prepared to race any distance or for any amount that might be suitable to Officer Totten. Officer J. H. McCollom, the soldier policeman, is also after Officer Totten's scalp, and is prepared to race him either on snow or ice. An effort is being made to get Officer White, winner of the half-mile skating race, and Officer Ira Perry to race on the steel blades in the near future.

LATE PERSONALS

Percy D. Sutherland, son of J. N. Sutherland, general freight agent of the C. P. R. arrived in the city at noon from Toronto on a visit to his father.

Louis Green returned from Montreal on the noon train.

Rev. C. W. Hamilton returned this morning from a trip to the United States.

Hon. F. J. Sweeny went to Moncton at noon.

T. B. Kidner, superintendent of manual training is in the city.

DIED IN KENTVILLE

HALIFAX, N. S. Feb. 2—(Special)—The death occurred at Kentville this morning after an illness of three weeks of Rev. Philip M. Holden, of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church. He was in his 77th year and a native of Halifax.

COLD WAVE HAS ARRIVED

MALONE, N. Y., Feb. 2. — The mercury today touched the lowest point reached in the Adirondacks this season. It was 29 below zero at Meacham Lake, 25 below at Mountain View, 28 at Loon Lake, 26 at Lake Titus and 24 at Malone.

A SAFEGUARD TO MARINERS

Proposition to Install Wireless Telegraph Stations on Vancouver Island.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 2 (Special)—A guarantee against delay in enabling shipwrecked mariners to communicate their plight, and at the same time serve as a valuable protection against a wreck, proposals are to be submitted to the Ottawa government by the Victorians controlling the Pacific Wireless Telegraph to establish six to ten stations to cover the west coast of this island. The promoters ask a subsidy of $12,000 or $15,000 to cover the installing cost of six stations. The proposal is the result of the recent wreck of the Valencia in which so many lives were lost and when so much difficulty was experienced in getting into communication with the shore, from the wrecked steamship.

BROKERS FAIL

PITTSBURG, Feb. 2—Announcement was made today that Fred L. Fast & Company, brokers, of this city, have made a voluntary assignment to Clarence D. Devington, secretary of the North American Savings Company. The assets and liabilities are given as $100,000.

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK, Feb. 2—Cotton futures opened firm, March, 10.97; May, 11.15; July, 11.23; August, 11.08; Sept., 10.60; Oct., 10.49.

FRANKLIN SYNDICATE

Creditors of Famous "520 Per Cent Miller" Will Get a Small Dividend.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2. — At a meeting of the creditors of Wm. F. Miller, of the Franklin Syndicate, yesterday, a final dividend of .132 on a dollar was declared. With the sending out of the checks, which will be done in the next two weeks, and the final order of the court discharging the trustee in bankruptcy, there will be a legal end of one of the greatest swindles of the last century.

Of the principals, Miller, the originator, is the only one at liberty. He is working in a shoe store in Brooklyn; his partner, Edward Schlesinger, is dead, and Robert F. Ammon, who was a party to the swindle and who received a part of the money, is serving a term of imprisonment in Sing Sing.

There were 3,110 creditors, with claims aggregating $228,000. A former dividend of 15 per cent. was declared, making the total dividend to creditors .282 on each dollar.

THREE HURT IN A TRAIN WRECK

Passenger Trains Crash on Salt Lake Road and Three Persons Are Injured.

LOS ANGELES, Cal. Feb. 2—Three persons were injured, one of them seriously, in a small wreck on the Salt Lake road in which two passenger trains crashed together in a head-on collision near Rolland last night. All of the injured were passengers. They are: Rev. E. J. Bulgin, travelling evangelist, temporarily residing in this city, two or three ribs broken, internal injuries which have caused hemorrhage.

Mrs. Fred Munta, Redlands S. P. Rowland, Redlands.

DECIDED FOR LIBRARY

CHICAGO, Feb. 2—The Harper memorial committee of the board of trustees of the University of Chicago recommended to the trustees yesterday that the memorial take the form of a general library building to cost $1,250,000.

UNION IS PROPOSED

Anglicans and Methodists of Ontario Will Meet to Consider Church Union.

BELLEVILLE, Feb. 2 (Special)—An important conference between Anglican and Methodist clerical associations has been arranged to meet in the City Hall, Belleville, February 7. The conference will be presided over by the Very Rev. Dean Smith, D. D., of Kingston, and the Rev. Principal Dyer, D. D., of Belleville. The programme consists of papers by the Rev. M. E. Wilson, M. A., on "Church Disunion from a Historic Point of View." By the Ven. Archdeacon MacMarine, M. A., and the Rev. J. A. McCannis on "The Necessity and advantage of Reunion." Also papers on "A Possible Polity for a Re-United Church," by the Rev. Edward Costigan, L. S. T., and the Rev. G. F. Matchler, B. D., Ph. D.

The membership of the conference numbers eighty of the clergy of the two bodies resident within the territory between Kingston and Trenton. This conference is not any new phase of the church union movement, now prominently before the country, but simply an unofficial discussion between the clergy of these two great bodies of topics of common interest at this time.

A FAST RUN ON THE I. C. R.

Trainload of Cattle Made the Trip from Montreal to St. John in 34 1-2 Hours.

A train load of cattle, consisting of 12 cars, arrived from Montreal this morning via the I. C. R., after a record run of 34½ hours. The animals were all in good condition, and after spending a few minutes in the Union depot the train was taken to Sand Point, where the cattle will be placed on board the steamers.

This is the best time made for a cattle train this year.

Rev. M. S. Trafton, pastor of the Reformed Baptist church will address the Gospel Temperance meeting on Sunday afternoon at four o'clock, in Union Hall.

WOULD TAX CHURCHES

Mayor of Toronto Proposes to Tax all Churches and Educational Property.

TORONTO, Feb. 1.—A proposal that all churches and educational institutions should be taxed was made by Mayor Coatsworth at a recent meeting of the board of control. The mayor pointed out that between twenty-five and thirty million dollars of property was exempted in Toronto, and that $180,000 more has been added last year. The board of control appeared to be in favor of a proposal to seek legislation to abolish these exemptions, but it was decided to discuss the matter in detail later. In order that the city may obtain a greater revenue from the hundred and fifty hotel and fifty shop licenses in the city, the board decided today to ask for legislation to enable municipalities to fix the license fees.

THE LUDLOW IS ON AGAIN

New Ferry Started on Route This Morning but may Perform any Time.

The ferry Ludlow went on the route this morning for the first time since her memorable accident of January 9th, when she endeavored to bore her way in under the east side floats. For a time this morning the Ouangondy made alternate trips with the Ludlow and stood ready to take her place should she act skittish after her period of idleness. Capt. Estabrooks was in the wheelhouse of the new boat and up to the time of going to press he had managed the craft without mishap. The Ouangondy was taken to the corporation wharf where she will be kept in readiness for an emergency.

TO HER FATHER'S FUNERAL

LONDON, Feb. 2. — Queen Alexandra and her suite left London today for Copenhagen, where Her Majesty will attend the funeral of her father, the late King Christian of Denmark.

MONCTON MAN STRUCK BY RAILWAY TRAIN AND KILLED IN NEW JERSEY

MONCTON, Feb. 1—The New Brunswick relatives and friends of Judson L. Beck M. D. M. E of Vineland N. J., will read with sorrowing interest the news of his recent tragic death, particulars of which are fully given in a Vineland paper. Dr. Beck, who was the son of the late Martin Beck, was born at the Beck homestead on the Petitcodiac river, two miles west of Salisbury. He spent the greater part of last summer accompanied by Mrs. Beck with his sister, Mrs. Horsman, widow of the late Allan Horsman, and with his brother-in-law, John S. Sharpe, at Salisbury. At the solicitation of Dr. Beck his sister, Mrs. Horsman, closed her house at Salisbury and accompanied him back to New Jersey to spend her declining years with him. Now comes the sad news of Dr. Beck's tragic death by train. The reports of his death as given in the Vineland papers are as follows: "Dr. J. L. Beck was instantly killed at 11 o'clock this morning by a train on the Central Road. The accident happended at the Landis Avenue crossing at Norma. The pay train in charge of Conducter W. Darling and Engineer C. Van Middlesworth, was coming towards Vineland and Dr. Beck and his driver, Arthur Smith, were also coming this way. They collided at the crossing. He was perhaps fatally hurt, the horse was killed, the wagon reduced to kindling wood. Dr. Beck was thrown some distance away from the wreck, but the horse and wagon and Smith were dragged some distance. The back of Dr. Beck's head was crushed, but otherwise he was not bruised to any considerable extent. Dr. Beck was almost instantly killed." The paper goes on to say that Dr. Beck at the time of the accident was in his closed cab and that accounts for the accident. When the sad news was conveyed to Mrs. Beck and family the account says the happy household was turned into one of deep sorrow.

Dr. Beck practiced in Boston for a time but had been living in Vineland for 18 years. The funeral was under Masonic auspices.

Friends of the late C. C. Hamilton of Shediac, were recently surprised to receive an official document from the marine department, Ottawa, notifying that Mr. Hamilton's services as one of the pilot commissioners at Shediac would be no longer required. Mr. Hamilton, in his life time, had served as one of the pilot commissioners, but upon his death, about four years ago, it was taken for granted by the people of Shediac that his office became vacant. The marine department, however, appears to have taken a different view of the matter.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

The bug in the boiler of the Ludlow has been removed. She went on the ferry route again this morning. This is the thirty-fourth time she has gone on the route after repairs to herself or to things that got in her way.

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Mr. Jamesey Jones wishes to state that any rumors to the effect that he is not a candidate for the city council may be traced to his enemies. He is in the field to stay. The city needs men who are not afraid to have honors thrust upon them by an admiring public. Jamesey is not afraid.

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VALUABLE SUGGESTIONS

Times New Reporter:

Sir:—Might I be allowed to offer a suggestion in regard to the "Martyr" Ludlow. Place a magnet on the east and west floats, also one on each end of the boat.

There is ample material in the council from which magnets could be made. There are at least two of about equal bulk, which could be easily magnetized for the purpose.

Or if this would not meet the views of council they could introduce a "Pickett" system which would "Holder" to her course in spite of her "Lewis" actions.

Lastly, if all other remedies failed, she should be "Hamm"-strung as in the case of vicious "Bullocks." Yours.

HALFSPEED.

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A rotund alderman and a well-known meat merchant were to have skated a race on Crescent Lake today for a prize of $25. They were to wear Long Reach skates and auto-goggles, and all Prince William street was to go out and see them whiz. The great event has been postponed until suitable weather. The Squire offers to make a side bet of a side of beef that he will trim the alderman.

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The Ouangondy convoyed the Ludlow this morning until it was fairly certain that the latter would not bolt, and then retired to winter quarters to await developments.

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If any humble citizen had stated to any alderman that he (the citizen) believed the alderman "had a bug," public opinion might have censured the citizen. But why does the treasury board invest in two packages of Bug Exterminator for City Hall? An anxious public will pause for a reply.

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Deputy Mayor Lewis has resolved that unless the aldermen mend their ways when he is in the chair at City Hall he will give them thirty days with the stone-breaking brigade. He says his boys in the stone yard are much more courteous in debate and effective in action.

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ANXIOUS ENQUIRER:—The total cost of the waterworks extension will be $1,237,016.23, plus fifteen per cent, with nine law-suits to hear from. Rumors of a total cost of $2,468,793.98 are without foundation in fact. They are Dry Lake statistics. Your taxes will therefore not be doubled, but only increased 99 per cent.

VALENTINE FASHIONS NOT MUCH CHANGED FROM OTHER YEARS

In the ever revolving cycle of feasts St. Valentine's Day has almost reached us again and the fourteenth of this month will see its celebration.

Associated with the festival are many interesting traditions and customs, some of which have fallen into disuse whilst others have been recently originated, thus perpetuating the memory of the revered saint in a secular way at least. Shakespeare says that on this day birds begin to mate and hence, possibly arose the custom of sending love tokens.

This year the festival is being looked forward to with unusual interest and judging from the present outlook is likely to become more popular as time goes on.

The assortment of Valentines to be found in the stores is both large and varied many new and original designs have come to light during the past year, among which may be mentioned the "rag-time" which takes the form of a large card about the size of an ordinary wall calendar bearing appropriate inscriptions and to which are affixed figures of the type referred to attired in variously colored muslins. The photo-cabinet style while less pretentious finds favor with a large number of buyers and is gotten up along the lines of caricature work.

It is gratifying to note that the glaring,—and in many cases, vulgar—penny valentine, at which "Mother Grundy" must frequently have shrugged her shoulders is beginning to lose its popularity, and is being replaced by a fair sized wall card bearing a suitable rhyme and a colored design that in many cases is really clever and original.

The valentine sachet is something of the style of the lace-edged love token and is being much admired.

Then there are more elaborate designs too numerous to mention which find popularity with those who hail with delight the approach of the ever-popular festival.

Among the pleasing functions of this year Valentine teas will play a very important part. In these the hostess finds an admirable means of entertaining her friends during the early part of the evening. The table, as usual, is spread with immaculate linen and adorned with flowers, foliage and hearts bearing appropriate verses, together with designs in keeping with the occasion. Valentine concerts and socials have also been discussed and this year, indications are that the feast of St. Valentine will be something of a gala day.