

Society

formally at "bridge" on Friday afternoon, for Mrs. Stewart, New York, who is staying with Mrs. C. G. Thomson.

Mrs. A. E. Malloch was hostess at the tea hour on Thursday afternoon. Miss Stinson, Chicago, is staying with her sister, Mrs. D'Arcy Martiu.

The Misses Gillespie gave a most enjoyable buffet luncheon on Friday for Miss Rosalind Osborne, when among those present were Miss Daisy Gillies, Mrs. A. Y. Osborne, Miss Watson, the Misses Young, Miss Marjorie Stinson, Miss Jean Hall, Miss Shaw (Montreal), the Misses Gibson, Miss Alice Macdonald, Miss Elsie Forbes, Miss Meta Bankier, Miss Mona Murray, the Misses Findlay, Miss Alice Hope, Miss Lillian House.

Mrs. William Gibson of Beamsville, gave a large and very successful "at home," at the Conservatory of Music on Friday afternoon, when the decorations were all in honor of St. Valentine. Mrs. Gibson, wearing black and white, received at the entrance of the hall room which was draped with red and white bunting and a profusion of scarlet hearts. Miss Gibson assisted in receiving the guests. Lomas' orchestra played charming music, partly concealed behind masses of palms and ferns, large scarlet hearts adorning the sides of the stage, fastened to the hunting drapery. The tea-table was beautiful with American beauty roses, and dainty ferns placed on billows of white tulle, over which many small hearts were scattered, the bou-bons and small cakes carrying out the scarlet color scheme. Mrs. Turnbull and Mrs. Daring, Toronto, poured tea and coffee, assisted by Miss Meta Gibson, Miss Edna Greening, Miss Florence Harvey, Miss Marjorie McPherson and Miss Rosalina Osborne.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hendrie are spending the week in Montreal.

Miss Carrie Crerar entertained informally at the tea hour on Monday afternoon for Miss Mary Hamilton, who left on Wednesday for Ottawa.

Mrs. Rennie gave a small bridge party on Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Hawkins entertained at luncheon on Tuesday, when covers were laid for twelve and the table was extremely pretty with yellow daffodils in a straw basket as centerpiece.

Mrs. Drake, London, spent the week end with Miss Douglas Young, Oak Bank, and while here a number of informal teas and bridge parties were given for her.

Mr. and Mrs. Gibson are giving a bridge party next Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean entertained at bridge on Tuesday evening.

Miss Carrie Crerar leaves shortly to visit her sister in Montreal.

Miss Dorothy Henderson is staying in Toronto.

Mrs. Harry Fearman, Fearman Place, was hostess of a small bridge party on Monday afternoon.

Mrs. H. C. Simonds gave a tea on Wednesday afternoon for her niece, Miss Marjorie Footner, New York, who will spend the rest of the winter here. The tea table was charmingly arranged with red tulips and ferns and was in charge of Mrs. Sydney McEwen and Mrs. Footner, assisted by Mrs. O'Connor, Miss Simonds, Miss Marjorie Stinson, Miss Mona Murray and Miss Aileen Tandy. Some of those present were Mrs. Gilmore, Mrs. Bowick, Mrs. Bray, Miss Kennedy, the Misses Macdonald, Miss Florence Harvey, Mrs. Jack Glasco, Mrs. Finch-Noyes, Mrs. Almon Abbott, Miss Jean Malloch, Miss Edna Greening, the Misses Gibson, Miss Bankier, Miss Marjorie McPherson, Mrs. Ernest Applebe, Miss Carrie Crerar, Miss Violet Watson, Mrs. E. V. Wright, Miss Daley Gilles, Miss Violet Grant, Miss Rosalind Osborne, the Misses House.

Mr. and Mrs. Morrison gave a delightful small dance for their second daughter, Miss Helen Morrison, at the Bank House on Wednesday evening. Mrs. Morrison, who wore black, was assisted in receiving by her daughter and Miss Lawson, who is their guest. The large drawing-rooms were cleared for dancing and supper was served upstairs at little tables. It was one of the most enjoyable small dances of the season, and "good-night" was said with great reluctance by the young people, among whom were Miss Jean Malloch, Miss Meta Gibson, Miss Mona Murray, Miss Helen Hobbles, Miss Colquhoun, Miss Powis, Miss Dorothy Gates, the Misses Balfour, Miss Melrose, Miss Hope, the Misses Howell, Miss Jessie Shaw, Miss Alice Macdonald, Miss Rosalind Osborne, Mr. Crombie, Mr. Chevalier, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Alan Young, Mr. Pennington, Mr. Frank Price, Mr. Waggle, Mr. Hobbes, Mr. Binney, Mr. McPhie, Mr. Travers, Lanes, Mr. McLeod.

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Mrs. Gordon Henderson was hostess of a bridge party and tea on Thursday afternoon at her beautiful home, "Idlewild." Mrs. Henderson received in a Directoire costume of rose flowered silk, and was assisted by her mother, Mrs. Sanford. The tea-table was very charming with a big bowl of pink tulips set on a beautiful cloth of damask, and heavy lace, that covered the entire table. A few of those present were Mrs. Turnbull, Mrs. Gates, Mrs. C. S. Scott, Mrs. Ernest Lazier, Miss Eugenie Gibson, Mrs. E. V. Wright, Mrs. Rennie, Miss Marjorie Stinson, Mrs. Gilmore, Mrs. R. L. Jones, Mrs. E. Gunn, Mrs. Payne, Mrs. Alex. Zimmerman, Mrs. H. H. Robertson, Mrs. F. W. Greening.

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\$4.59, reduced from \$5.38	\$4.79, reduced from \$5.65
\$5.19, reduced from \$6.00	\$6.19, reduced from \$7.00
\$5.43, reduced from \$6.38	\$6.75, reduced from \$7.88

Brass beds: extraordinary offerings

BEAUTIFUL new designs and effectively rich shapes bought especially for this sale at very low prices and marked so low as to ensure a tremendous demand. The savings average up to a third.

There are bow foot and straight foot styles, in polished bright finish, seamless tubing and malleable castings. Heavy posts with 4-inch knobs and ornamentations; included are some new square post colonial styles. These handsome beds are very rich and effective. Only seeing them yourself will give you a full realization of their beauty. A wide collection for choice.

\$17.88, value \$25.00	\$31.88, value \$38.00
\$23.98, value \$33.00	\$37.89, value \$45.00
\$30.88, value \$39.00	\$42.88, value \$50.00

White metal beds: remarkable values

A FINE and complete variety of attractive new designs in single and double bed sizes. There are about 20 handsome styles to select from. All are new. The price saving is simply wonderful for such good quality and workmanship.

Some have brass tops and crossbars; nearly all are trimmed with brass ornamentations in many styles: 1 inch to 1 1/4 inch posts, with 3/4 inch fancy fillings. At these February prices you gain with a bed to buy in the next year will want to miss such a good bargain.

\$3.59, value \$4.00	\$7.79, value \$8.88
\$4.88, value \$5.75	\$9.29, value \$11.00
\$3.98, value \$5.00	\$8.98, value \$10.50
\$6.38, value \$7.50	\$12.38, value \$14.00

\$2.50 cable net curtains, neat patterns, full size \$1.59

Rich Royal velvet, Wilton, Axminster room size rugs reduced: you save over a third

Sale starts Monday with broad varieties and remarkable bargains

SAVINGS of OVER a third, in many cases, and the very pick of patterns from one of the most famous of European makers. Rich Oriental colorings—crimson and blue grounds with exquisite Persian patterns.

Some are in self colors of blue or green with beautiful conventional designs. All have very effective borders.

They go on sale, for the first time, Monday and are undoubtedly the best bargains offered in many a year.

\$16.95, formerly \$23.50, size 3 by 3 1/2 yards

\$19.75, formerly \$26.50, size 3 by 4 yards

\$28.25, formerly \$39.00, size 3 by 4 yards

\$31.65, formerly \$45.00, size 3 by 4 yards

\$31.65, formerly \$45.00, size 3 3/4 by 4 yards

\$36.75, formerly \$50.00, size 3 3/4 by 4 1/2 yds.

Room size carpets, rugs: bargains

Tapestry, Brussels and Axminster room size Rugs, made from ends of our own good wearing carpets. Nice colorings and designs. Good qualities. Sizes for most any room.

\$14.25, value \$18.27	\$12.75, value \$18.00
\$19.75, value \$26.50	\$22.00, value \$32.50

Balance of hearth rugs to clear

Half price and less in many cases. Door, hall and hearth sizes in nearly every popular weave, coloring and pattern. Daghestan, Mohair, Plush, Wilton, Axminster, Smyrnas and Japanese. The balance—about 40 Rugs—go on sale Monday for a final clearance.

39c, formerly 45c to 50c	88c, formerly \$1.10 to \$1.75
59c, formerly 85c each	\$1.29, formerly \$1.75 to \$1.85
69c, formerly \$1.25 each	\$2.88, formerly \$3.75 to \$4.75



Corner King East and Hughson Sts. **THOMAS C. WATKINS** Hamilton Ontario \$2.50 frilled bobbinet curtains, 5 styles, at \$1.86

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LIVING CHESS.

Game Played in Old Royal Rink in 1885.

The following extract from the Times of Dec. 15, 1885, will be read with interest by all who are interested in the games of living chess to be played in the Drill Hall next week:

About one thousand lovers of the ancient game of chess assembled in the Royal Rink last evening to witness a novelty in the way of playing. The idea of "living pieces" is not new, for it was introduced many years ago into a pantomime by Burnard; the same author also utilized cards in a similar way in an article called "The Queen of Hearts."

The tournament of last evening was well arranged and successfully carried out. After an overture by the 13th Band, a signal was given, and amid "flourish of trumpet and martial music," the contestants marched into the rink, forming a very imposing procession. There were stately kings and queens, brave knights, lordly bishops and portly jesters. After marching around the battlefield they took their respective positions on a prepared board, and, as they all stood arrayed in crimson and white, clad in mail, with drawn sword, and wearing costly dresses, the mind traveled back to the historic "Field of the Cloth of Gold."

The red started out well, but soon a heavy move was made by a white rook, and that was the sign of a defeat for the red, for they were soon "checked" and finally removed, the first game being won by the white. The king placed his crown upon a cushion and the armies left the field, the band playing, "See the Conquering Hero Comes."

After a short interval the second game was commenced. After repeating the entrance to the first game, it was soon evident that the red were about to make a strong defence. The danger to the white was also made manifest to a judge, rector and verger, who took up positions ready to administer justice, mercy and comfort to the vanquished. The game was played better than the first, for the red were determined to win, and they were declared victors of the game amid applause, as the procession left the rink. Great praise is due to the ladies who undertook the entertainment, and after paying all expenses there will be a surplus left for the Women's Aid Society of Christ's Church Cathedral, to further their good work.

The games were directed by Ald. Judd and Mr. H. N. Kittson, whose moves with ordinary chess were duplicated by the living pieces. The pieces were represented by the following ladies and gentlemen: White—Mr. V. E. Fuller, king; Miss Hendrie, queen; Messrs. W. Orson and Hanham, bishops; Messrs. M. O. Tidwell and J. H. Brown, knights; Messrs. R. A. Kennedy and J. H. Parks, rooks; Rev. Mr. Hobson, king; Miss Louisa Roach, queen; Messrs. Kirby and W. Coulson, bishops; Messrs. Neils and M. Merburn, knights; Messrs. J. M. Lottidge and Dr. Woolverton, rooks. The heralds were Mr. F. L. Hopper, (red), and Mr. Geo. Brown (white), and the jesters Masters Gregory and Southern.

SNOW ON SIDEWALKS

Ald. Wright Protests Against the Way the By-law Was Enforced.

To the Editor of the Times:

Sir,—I was interested in seeing a letter in the Times issue of the 13th signed "Geo. F. Jells." I would not take up your valuable space or my time to reply to this letter if the police magistrate had not made some reference to me regarding the Snow by-law. In the first place, I wish to state that I am not a sorehead, nor am I finding fault with the draft of the Snow by-law, but the very unjust way in which it was administered on the date in which my firm was fined \$2. Mr. Jells states that Alderman Wright made a very feeble attempt to show the sidewalk in question was cleaned. Alderman Wright made the statement, upon his word, which is in the public opinion, good, that the sidewalk had been cleaned, and also produced the man who cleaned the sidewalk, who took an affidavit that he had done so. I would not consider this feeble evidence, but

INTERNATIONAL LODGE.

Despite the rain there was a large turnout of members at the meeting of International Lodge, held in the C. O. O. F. Hall last evening. A petition to the Provincial Government, protesting against the three-fifths clause in the Local Option Act, was unanimously carried. The good of the order took the form of impromptu speeches, in which nearly every member took part, and brought out some oratorical talent of a high order. Next evening the Light Blues will entertain the winning side.

LIMELIGHT WINNERS.

Rev. John Young, M. A., pastor of St. John's Presbyterian Church, will deliver an illustrated gospel temperance address, entitled "The Safe Way," in Wesley Church lecture room to-morrow, Sunday, evening, to which the general public is invited. Suitable music by Wesley Church choir. Song service at 8.15.

Many a man has become crooked owing to straight whiskey.