

## A Column Which Is Supposed To Be Of Interest To Women

Herein are Related Facts and Fancies Concerning the Activities of Individuals and Organizations, the Home, Fashions and Other Matters.

### NEWS OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

We are always pleased to receive any news of Women's Societies, fashion notes, new or tried recipes, etc., which may be of interest to our readers and we will publish same when suitable. All communications for these columns to have name and address (not for publication), and to be addressed to the Editor, Women's Column, The St. John Standard, St. John.

### FREE KINDERGARTEN TAG DAY.

"My Daddy is fighting for you. Please help my mother by sending me to school." It would have been a story heart that could have refused this appeal for the Free Kindergarten, on Saturday, and in spite of the most unpleasant weather a very substantial sum was gathered in to help on this work. Any one who has had to do with children in St. John will testify to the decided improvement in manners and morals and cleanliness that has been noticed since the beginning of the Free Kindergarten work. The "Taggers" spent a busy day and the city was well canvassed. A great assistance to the ladies in charge were the bands of Boy Scouts. A well organized committee of ladies were all day at the recruiting room on Germain street which were used as headquarters for the workers and where lunch was served. The committee of management included Mrs. W. F. Matthews, president of the association; Mrs. Holman and Mrs. Lawlor at the Germain street rooms; Mrs. F. H. Alexander and Mrs. Byron Langley in charge of the city workers; Mrs. R. B. Travers, Mrs. Walter More, and Mrs. Neil in West St. John; Mrs. Plagor, Mrs. J. E. Bullock, Mrs. Secord and Miss Alice Estey in charge of refreshments. Mrs. Branscombe in charge of the military section. An immense band of fifty-two young ladies worked diligently all day long. Over \$1,200.00 has been realized, with more returns to come in.

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### conference of the Associated Charities

was held on Saturday afternoon at the home of the secretary, Miss Robertson, King St. East. At these meetings the ladies go over the cases reported by the secretary and decide upon the help to be given. There were quite a number of cases requiring assistance this week.

### Ladies Aid.

The Ladies Aid of St. Andrew's Church held one of their monthly sales in the Dufferin sample rooms on Saturday afternoon. The following ladies were in charge: Mrs. Horace Cole, Mrs. L. G. MacNeil, Mrs. C. H. Smythe and Mrs. Mellick. In spite of the unpleasant day, a substantial sum was realized. This society, whose president is Mrs. Charles Bell, is raising funds for improvements to be made in the church. They lately donated \$80.00 to the Patriotic Fund, giving half the proceeds of one of their successful entertainments.

### For Lonely Soldiers.

The lady teachers of the King Edward School have supplied and packed twelve boxes of comforts for soldiers. They plan to send these boxes of good things to some lone soldiers and will dispatch them through the Soldiers' Comforts Association. It must not be forgotten the large donation which the teachers gave to the Patriotic Fund at regular intervals, and many of these teachers are members of other patriotic societies.

### Main St. Baptist Church.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Main St. Baptist Church are taking up a course of studies and will meet monthly and use the studies outlined in the King's Highway. The meetings are arranged by the educational committee of the Main St. Church.

### St. Vincent's Alumnae.

The St. Vincent's Alumnae held a meeting on Sunday afternoon. It is proposed to hold sewing meetings throughout the season of Lent and the Knights of Columbus have kindly offered a room for this purpose. It was also decided at this meeting to look after the canteen at the Soldiers' Club at some later date.

### Try This for a House Plant.

The difficulties of raising ferns in a furnace-heated house are many, and very often they discourage the indoor gardener from attempting anything more pretentious than a few bowls of bulbs. A creeping plant is described in the Country Gentleman, and as it is warranted to survive the most persistent neglect it may be a welcome change for the discouraged fern grower.

### Associated Charities.

The usual weekly meeting of the

### family and is called "Rus repens," or

creeping Rus. It may be grown in quite a small pot or shallow fern dish. It has small leaves of a rich dark green color, grows quite rapidly, and its trailing branches make the plant very pretty for a centerpiece. It is easily propagated by cuttings, which root readily in sandy soil, and unless the earth in the pot is allowed to become dust-dry it will continue to grow undisturbed.

### Repotting each spring, though not

necessary to the life of the plant, will do much to make it thrive. Carefully remove much of the old ball and part of the older roots, repot in the same sized pot, using good, rich loam. The top growth may also be pruned at this time, and if kept in the shade outdoors and regularly watered it will soon display a fresh, green growth and may be utilized in any part of the house during the following fall, winter and spring.

### FASHION HINTS.

Muff collars on loosely flaring coats are extremely smart.

Collars which fit snugly and are high enough to wrinkle represent one of the latest fads.

The modified edition of the Eton jacket is worn in the daytime and the bolero is on view in the evening.

Fur is vanishing from the winter girl's street costume. She still wears fur trimmed shoes, fur trimmed lingerie, fur trimmed dancing frocks, but buttons and braided ornaments have taken the place of fox and beaver, and such on her outdoor garments.

The little "hip hoop" is very effectively worn by some women but would be impossible for most of us.

Creamy, flat-brimmed Leghorns with black velvet crowns and rich bands, are most becoming and fashionable as sports hats.

### An Aesthetic Thought.

If those of fortune be bereft And in thy store there be but left Two loaves, sell one and with the dole Buy hyacinths to feed thy soul.

Saadi, the Persian Poet.

### Stewed Vegetables.

One cupful of canned corn, one cupful of cooked diced carrots, one cupful of cooked diced potatoes, one minced onion, one tablespoonful of butter, one-half cupful of cream, salt and pepper to season.

Fry the onion in the butter for five minutes, add the vegetables, cream and seasoning. Simmer ten minutes and serve at once. It would be good on toast.

A woman's idea is that nothing but bad news ever comes by telegraph.

## Children's Corner

Letters Received From His Boys and Girls

### TODAY'S LITTLE JOKE.

Micky (meeting new boy in playground): "Who are you?"

New boy: "I'm Henry the Eighth."

"Nonsense! Henry the Eighth was an English King. He died in 1547."

"I know that. But if you look around you'll find there were seven Henrys in this school before I arrived."

### Another Member.

Dear Uncle Dick:— I am sending you a drawing of a teapot which I would like to win the prize on, and also wish to join your corner (Uncle Dick's).

Yours truly, BEVERLY SMITH.

Now Takes Standard Daily, Bellefleur Creek.

Dear Uncle Dick:— This is my first letter to you. I am sending you a teapot drawing. We did not take The Standard until about a month ago and now we take it every day. I have seen in The Standard a lot of kiddies' names and I thought I would be one, too.

I was thirteen years old my last birthday. I hope I can win the prize.

Your friend, HENRY LONG.

Only Entry in Contest Debarred When Fifteen.

Dear Uncle Dick:— I would have written before only I thought I was too old. I have enjoyed the "Children's Corner" very much. I would like to join the corner. I know several of your nephews and nieces.

Your niece, ELLA G. PRICE.

Prize Winner's Letter Wickham, N. B.

Dear Uncle Dick:— I am sending you my drawing of the teapot. I hope I will have some success. Thank you very much for the Story Book. My birthday is on the 11th of November. I will be fourteen years old then. I will be very sorry when I have to stop writing to the corner. We have not had any skating lately, when there was some I used to skate to school every day on the St. John River. I have about a mile and a half to go to school. In winter I have to go all alone, but in summer there is another little girl that goes, her name is Marion Black. Well, perhaps, I have written too much now, so I will close.

From your niece, NELLIE V. EBB.

Like Arithmetic Contests. 15 Canterbury street, St. John, N. B.

I thought I would write and tell you that I am entering this week's contest. But what I am writing I would like to tell you that I would like to do arithmetic for the contests.

Yours truly, GERALDINE RYAN.

Won Prize This Week. Mt. Middleton.

Dear Uncle Dick:— I am sorry I didn't get a prize last week but I am going to try again. My birthday is on April 3rd and I will be seven years old. I have a dog named Ponto and a black cat we call Nigger. He is nearly eight years old. I hope you will like my teapot. I was so pleased to get your letter and paper yesterday.

With lots of love from your little niece, F. MURIEL C. KILLAM.

Tried Hard in Contest. Chilton R. R. No. 1.

Dear Uncle Dick:— I was looking at the children's corner and I saw the puzzle to work, so I thought I would try it. I was thirteen the 19th of August last. I remain, your loving niece, ETHEL BRADLEY.

A DAILY THOUGHT.

If you cut your hand, don't blame the innocent tool.

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## News Of The St. John Theatres Told In The Right Way

Who's Who and What's What in the Picture Game and on the Stage --- Film Favorites and What They Say and Do.

### Miss Mary Miles Minter was in

Montreal last week, staying at the Windsor Hotel. She made several appearances at the different theatres and was most enthusiastically received. As we have been let behind the scenes so much in these days and have found out that yellow shows white before the camera, and things are not always what they seem, it is pleasant to know that Mary Pickford's looks are all her own and that Mary Miles Minter is just as pretty as she appears on the screen.

### Just a word as to manners on the

stage. Did you ever notice how the hero sometimes forgets to take off his hat for some moments after he has entered a room? I suppose that may happen when the stage is set out of doors, and it is difficult for the actor to remember that he is playing a house scene. Also they very often shake hands with their gloves on, which may be American manners, but is not British good form.

I heard an interesting description of a visit to Universal City. "It was very odd," my friend said, "to see castles and gates and stone walls all over the place. In one part where the grand stand all round, and here you could go and watch the pictures being staged. All round stand 'pers' dressed in their dress suits waiting to be hired for ball room scenes or banquets. One funny incident was a picture of a wounded man in bed. The director fussed over his bagages and position for nearly half an hour, then found it had grown too dark to take the picture."

The Young-Adams Company played Saturday night for a farewell performance "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," with H. Wilmot Young in the leading role. A Country Store was held between the acts. The matinee was the Great John Gaston, and a reception was held on the stage. This company have made many friends while in St. John, and many have enjoyed the various plays they have put on.

### Girl and Game.

Helen Holmes, daredevil heroine of "The Girl and the Game," the new railroad film novel being produced by the Signal Film Corporation, narrowly escaped death by drowning off Ventura, Calif., when a high powered speed launch she was driving in a race with a fast express, was swamped by a mountainous wave.

The race between the speed launch and the express, one of the most thrilling of its kind ever undertaken for the benefit of a motor picture, had continued for about a half mile, when Miss Holmes suddenly lost control of the wheel. A moment later, the boat swerved from its course, plunged sideways into the swell and turned over, throwing the heroic girl into the water.

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### Curtain Flashes.

Miss Blanche Sweet jumped from twenty-five dollars a week as a dancer to a salary nearly \$50,000 a year. She was discovered by Director Griffith.

Mae Marsh was first taken to the studio by her sister, and it was her spirituelle beauty which attracted attention.

Bryant Washburn's five-months-old son, Bryant Washburn, IV, made his initial appearance in motion pictures last week in Essanay's three-act

Curly Hair.

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