

# BAKING POWDER

Delicious and wholesome

The new stamps issued in Japan in commemoration of the wedding of the Crown Prince are now reaching this country. The principal decoration of these stamps needs a Japanese explanation before it can be comprehended, and even then a great deal has to be taken on faith, since to most people the legend surrounding the design looks like so much cordwood.

In the oval frame is pictured a low table spread with paper, the place where all Japanese marriages are solemnized. The table is decorated with bamboo stalks and plum twigs and blossoms, and at each corner rises a spray of pine. The pine and the bamboo being evergreens represent that in which there is neither variability nor shadow of turning; the plum on the other hand stands for that which buds, blossoms and fruits for the good of man. The decorations of the paper table cover are the crane and the tortoise; of these the bird is symbolic of 1,000 years and the turtle 10,000 years. Here sit the bride and bridegroom and pass each other cups of sake to the number of nine, and so they are married, for the nine drinks together symbolize the perfect Japanese marriage.

This in Japan is the emblem of wedlock, and for that reason it has been reproduced in the commemorative stamp issue on the wedding of the Crown Prince. At just such a table sat he and his bride, and the stalks of bamboo and sprays of pine and the blossoms of the plum all joined in wishing them both all health, wealth and happiness without changing, and the crane and the turtle fixed a sort of generous time limit to all the good wishes by suggesting that it might possibly come to an end five or ten thousand years hence.

That is the way the Japanese set forth the meaning of the picture on the new stamp and for confirmation they point to the legend, which they stoutly aver is a statement of the name of the prince and the princess and the date when they slipped the nine cups of sake.

His Beginning.

Years ago there was a cold night in the latter part of December at Brattleboro, Vermont. There has been many freezing nights there before, but on this one something happened.

A young man, Larkin G. Mead, attracted by the beauty of the great white stillness, went out of doors, and slowly, yet with much delight, modelled a figure, which in his mind, stood for the Recording Angel writing down the events of the year just dead. All night the statue grew, and the sculptor threw on water at intervals to freeze it into hardness. He was alone and happy.

The next morning the neighbors awoke to find the snow angel, pen in hand recording their history upon a snowy scroll.

Local history says that this bit of work decided the future of the young man who did it. He resolved to become a sculptor and went abroad to study. Well known as his work afterward became, perhaps he took no such pleasure in it as in that little bit of modelling under the cold Vermont sky.

Faith in Fall.

A working sense of fun is a good thing to have, for sometimes, if the humor of a situation cannot take the place of cash, there is no compensation at all. A case in point, as the Londoner prints it, is that of the late H. D. Traill, an English litterateur.

One of Mr. Traill's earliest journalistic commissions was to write a series of articles in a paper edited by a lady well known thirty years ago as a strong advocate of "woman's rights," on the anomalies and injustices of the law relating to woman's property.

The articles were duly written and published, but the remuneration agreed upon was not forthcoming. After repeated but fruitless demands for payment, Mr. Traill brought a suit against the lady, who successfully invoked against her contributor the very law she had engaged him to attack.

"John," she asked, do you ever play poker for profit?"

"No," he replied, thoughtfully, "the game serves as my way of being charitable."

Hamlet—They say there's money in clothes.

Rialto—But not in mind, me boy—not in mine!



Here are some again almost at the very heart of summer, when the dainty misses in their maidens, F.K.'s and organdies transform social gatherings into variable fairyland mazes, when the impressionable swain and equally sentimental maiden "make eyes" and take the high code back and forth at one another on the beach, when, they wheel nearer to Mother Nature, or perhaps of these moony, moony nights when gentle breezes blow and piazzas seances are so enchanting. The excursion so soon on the river is soon to start, those lovely silver-lit nights when one enjoys "ditties" and the dance in a quiet corner of the steamship's deck, or if it be daytime and the outing is a land picnic, why there's such real enjoyment in rambling, rowing, swinging etc. In the sometimes foggy, sometimes sunshiny city there is golf for the society class, baseball for the sport loving class, and little suburban picnics for every class, beside the general run of home socials. School children are soon to be freed for their holidays, and what an exodus to pastures of green there will be! How the rural aunts, uncles, and cousins will be more or less bothered with this quizzing, meddlesome crowd! But on the other hand; as often occurs, won't the boyish quota of this army of youngsters be made use of in the hayfield, or otherwise about the farm.

These are the days when the suburbanite hastens toward the trains and boats about tea-time loaded down with all sorts of parcels from a bar of soap to a lawn mower, and when the bicycling fiend makes life a great uncertainty to the unwary. The soda-fountain stores are getting square with the Sundays observance people, while the ice cream freezer's monotonous squeak approaches nearer than anything yet, perpetual motion. All hall-fair season of these many phases! We enjoy your bliny days, perhaps grumble at your hottest but then you serve us up a cooling bath of fog, and all is well.

The "day in the country" season for the business man has at last arrived and commencing to-night the hard-worked classes may revel from Saturday evening until Monday morning near to Nature. For weeks, which have no doubt seemed as months, the people having been looking ahead to the Star Line's inauguration of the popular Saturday night trips upriver, and now they are here. This afternoon at five o'clock (local) the steamer "David Weston" will leave Middletown for Wickham and intermediate points, arriving back on Monday day at 8 a. m. The advantages of this special arrangement need no explanation, and with a swift steamer, a capable steward and officers of a most accommodating nature, the happy "breathing spells," so dear to the hearts of the city-worn, are here once more.

On Tuesday the public schools close for their eight weeks vacation and needless to say several thousand youthful hearts are beating in joyous anticipation of the many pleasures which will surely transpire in these two months. Examinations over in most of the lower standards, but in the advanced classes there is a little backwardness. However by the 28th, every class will be ready to bid adieu to the summer term with all work complete. The closing exercises in the various schools held in about town will be particularly interesting this year, especially in the High school where preparations for the last day proceedings have been going on for some time. The graduating class will be larger than ever before being composed of some sixty youths and maidens, all of whom have shown up remarkably well in their tests. Co-education has been a huge success in our High school as the graduating classes of the last two years have shown marked increases. In 1898 the class numbered 37, in 1899 it was 49 strong, but as above stated it is 60 this year. Dr. Bridges as a principal may well feel proud of his school's creditable showing. As yet the valedictorian for this term's class has not been decided upon, but Miss Ella Smith, daughter of J. Willard Smith, is the most probable candidate. The mark attained by her have placed her in the front rank. Beside the usual speeches by the school board officials and invited speakers the exercises on Tuesday in the High school will be of a very interesting nature. The school orchestra will furnish music, Frank Hogan will sing a solo, and the following essays will be read:

"What is Excellent is Permanent,"—Edith Cummings.

"Master of Fate,"—Helen Frink.

"Heroes,"—McMillan Freeman.

The War in South Africa—William Fagley.

The trial scene from Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice" will be rendered by the following members of the graduating class, and introduced and spoken of by Miss Florence Estabrook.

Shylock—Douglas Montgomery.

Bassanio—B. E. Gallagher.

Antonio—W. Fagley.

Grimaldo—Don Malcolm.

Fertile—Alice Davidson.

Marina—Miss Haley.

There will also be recitations and choruses, presentations of diplomas etc. Exercises start at 11 a. m.

The weddings of the week in town, while not as many as last week, were fully as interesting and pretty. June's fairest weather blessed the happy events. Among them were:

Wednesday evening at the residence of Robert A. Courtenay, Douglas avenue, his daughter, Bertha May, was united in marriage to Frank A. McClasky of the A. A. McClasky Manufacturing Co. The ceremony was performed by Rev. L. G. Macneil of St. Andrews church, assisted by Rev. Dr. Morison. Only the immediate friends and relatives were present. The bride was attended, with Miss Edith Courtenay as maid of honor and Miss Maud McClasky, and J. Frank Best of Brockton, Mass., acted as groomsmen. Miss Courtenay was attired in a handsome gown of white brocaded satin with bridal veil and orange blossoms, and carried a bouquet of shower roses. Miss McClasky wore white organdie over pink silk and carried a bouquet of pink roses. After the ceremony a dainty wedding supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. McClasky are general favorites, and were the recipients of a large number of wedding presents. A handsome china dinner set came from the employees of the McClasky Manufacturing Co. The father of the bride gave her a piano. Among the other presents were: Case of solid silver cutlery from Mrs. Hargreaves North, Y. a. sister of the bride; solid silver spoons from Mrs. Courtenay; cut glass water bottle from the groomsmen; onyx topped table, divan and Morris chair from Mr. and Mrs. A. A. McClasky. The groom's present to the bride was a diamond and pearl pendant, and to the bridesmaid a crescent of pearls. Mr. and Mrs. McClasky left last night on a trip through Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. On their return they will reside on Paddock street.

A pretty wedding was solemnized at an early hour Wednesday morning at the residence of Mrs. Wm. Bravley, when her second daughter, Margaret, was united in marriage to Fred C. Nevers. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. P. McKim in the presence of immediate relatives. The bride was the recipient of many and beautiful presents including substantial cheques from the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Nevers. The young couple left by the steamer Cumberland for Boston and other points of interest in the United States.

Another pleasing event took place Wednesday morning at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception when Rev. F. J. McMurray united in marriage Miss Mary F. Pettie and Louis Cennell, both of this city. The bride looked charming in a suit of blue cloth trimmed with white silk, and was attended by Miss Josephine McGowan who wore white muslin with white lace. The groom was assisted by J. W. Pettie, brother of the bride. The groom's gift to the bride was a handsome gold pendant and to the bridesmaid a gold brooch with pearl setting. The bride received many costly presents which showed the esteem in which the happy couple are held.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Helen Parker, formerly of St. John and Mr. Davy as Earl shames. Miss Parker is the daughter of Captain Raymond Parker of Tyne-mouth Creek, St. John county, now residing in Liverpool, and has been a master in the employ of Trepp & Son for twenty-five years.

St. Rose's church, Fairville, was the scene of a quiet but pretty wedding when Bridget the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Furness of Fairville, was married to William Buckley of Clifton. The bride looked charming in a dress of moire trimmed in satin and white lace, and she was attended by her sister, Miss Emma Furness, while John Conboy did the honor for the groom. The young couple received a great many handsome presents. They will reside in Fairville.

At the free baptist parsonage Wednesday afternoon, Noble Ellard, a popular north end young man, was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude Smith of Hampstead. Rev. David Long officiated. The newly married couple were the recipients of many presents. Mr. and Mrs. Ellard left for upriver on the steamer Hampstead.

A very pretty wedding took place in the church of the Assumption, Charlton, when Rev. J. J. O'Donovan on Monday evening last united in marriage. Mr. J. J. McDonald a popular young merchant of the West side to Miss Ella McDonald. The bride looked pretty in a blue gown with white applique trimmings she was assisted by her sister Miss Dora McConan, while Mr. P. Bourke supported the groom. After the ceremony the bridal party drove to the home of the bride's parents where a reception was held. The bride is popular in many circles. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald will reside in Fairville.

Miss Margaret Arnold of Sussex spent Sunday with friends here.

Miss Wabert of St. Martins, who has been the guest of Mrs. Simon, Charlotte St., went up to Belvidere on Thursday.

Miss Viola Carleton of Sussex was in town over Sunday.

Mr. M. A. Smith of St. Martins is spending a few days with friends at St. John.

Miss McLeod who has been the guest of Miss Gertrude McDonald returned to Sussex on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Smith were in Fredericton on Tuesday attending the McLaughlin Babbitt wedding.

Mr. George Palmer, Mrs. Palmer and the Misses Seaman of Moncton were in town on Sunday.

Mr. Ellis Barnes and Mr. James Howe of Hampton were here on Saturday. They made the Jour-

ney on their wheels.

Mr. J. A. Tilson was in Westfield on Sunday, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Wilson, Jr.

Mrs. J. R. Calhoun, Miss Grace Calhoun, Mrs. S. W. Oddy Black, Miss Longmaid and Mrs. T. B. Lavers left Sunday night by S. S. Tanagra for England. They will visit the Paris exposition.

Customs clerks E. F. Sandall, D. J. Gleason, Keith A. Barber and S. W. Kain have passed for first-class clerks.

Miss Belle Mowat, stenographer, returned early in the week from Ottawa where she took evidence in the consolidated electric cases.

At New York Thursday last Miss Ethel Calbert Harding of New York, and Mr. Charles B. Mott of Utica, were married. This bride is grand-daughter of the late Sheriff Harding.

Miss Mary Fay left Monday for Toronto to visit her father who will leave soon on a lengthy business trip to Colorado.

Miss Travers has returned from Boston and New York Saturday. Miss Francis Travers will arrive home from New York next week.

Lady Tilley has returned from Ottawa and Toronto. Miss Edith Tilley of Toronto is staying with her.

Mrs. A. O. Gibbs received her friends on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon and evening, of this week at 109 St. David street.

Mrs. Burton E. Huestis was at home Wednesday and Thursday, 20th and 21st at 120 St. James street.

Mrs. John McClelland left Tuesday for Halifax, where she has two daughters attending the convent. C. J. Worden has gone to Halifax to put seats in a presbyterian church there.

H. A. Austin who has been on a visit to Judge King at Ottawa before the departure of the judge and his family to England returned home Tuesday. J. J. McClelland has returned from New York.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Frost returned Monday from spending a few days at Bedford.

Andrew Ralston, Jr., went to Boston by the State of Maine Monday morning.

Miss M. W. J. Rennie returned from their wedding trip Monday.

J. Roy Campbell and Ald. Baxter went to Windsor Tuesday morning to attend the King's college closing. Ald. Baxter received the degree of B. C. L.

Mrs. W. H. Tuck left for Nelson, B. C. on a visit to her daughter Mrs. Freeman Lake, and will later attend the Women's Council Congress in Victoria.

Dr. J. M. Sher and wife were at Rochester, New York, on the 15th and witnessed the Otis day celebration, which was a grand affair.

Richard Davis of Charlton left today for Staten Island, N. Y. to visit his daughter, Mrs. R. F. Purdy.

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Progress Job Print.

HAMPDEN.

June 21.—Mr. and Mrs. H. D. McLeod have arrived at "Anholm" for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Scholten and family are located at Mrs. Campbell's home, near the station for the summer.

Dr. Charles Holden was in town on Friday in consultation with Dr. Warneford with reference to Mrs. Geo. H. Barnes who is seriously ill.

Mrs. Scholten left for Cape Breton (at Russell, Bessie, is home on a visit to her parents.

Mr. S. Downes of Boston arrived last week and will spend another summer at "Linden Heights."

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Raymond of the Royal Hotel, St. John, have moved into the Hanford Lang sixth house where they will spend the summer.

Rev. Thomas Stebbing is at Moncton in attendance at the Methodist conference.

Miss Frances Pritchard, who has been at Fredericton for the past year, has arrived home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hayward, who spent the winter in Europe, have returned and will occupy their spacious residence at the village for the summer.

Mrs. Geo. W. Ryan of St. John was a visitor in town on Saturday.

Mrs. Thomas Wakeling is spending the summer with Mrs. N. M. Barnes, at Linden Heights. Mr. Harry Barnes, whose mother is very ill, is home for a few days.

Miss Annie Smith of St. John, is visiting Mrs. Geo. A. Scholten.

Mrs. Stearns of Dragon is spending the summer with Mrs. Bedford, her late husband's mother, at the Braithwaite house.

Mrs. Arthur B. Smith is visiting relatives in the city.

Miss Sadlier is visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Whitaker.

FREDERICTON.

[Prognosis is for sale in Fredericton by W. T. H. Fenwick and J. H. Hawthorne.

June 20.—"Happy is the bride that the sun shines on" so says old song and never was it more brightly not dawned a fairer wedding morn than yesterday when Mr. Walter S. McLaughlin of Minneapolis, Minn., and brother of Mrs. Leo D. Babbitt left to the altar Miss Isabel Babbitt daughter of the late Mr. John Babbitt and niece and adopted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Chestnut. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. D. Freeman at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Chestnut Waterloo Row. The palatial residence was tastefully decorated with palms, white lilies and valley lilies. The spacious drawing room where the wedding ceremony was performed was a perfect bower of beauty; the bridal party stood under a bell of white lilies and lilies.

The bride who was one of our most popular and sweetest of young ladies, was given in marriage by her uncle and was handsomely groomed in ivory satin entrance, with trimmings of London lace and chiffon and wore a bridal veil and wreath of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley and was attended by Miss Jennie McLaughlin of St. John sister of the groom, who was dressed in pink silk and wore over pink satin trimmed with guipure lace. She carried a bouquet of pink carnations. The groom had the support of Mr. Thos. B. Blair manager of the Bank of N. S. agency at St. John. At the conclusion of the ceremony a reception was held afterwards a rocheche luncheon was enjoyed. About seventy-five guests were present. The bride was the recipient of a large number of beautiful presents among which were several cheques for a substantial sum.

The groom's present to the bride was a "sun-bone" of diamonds and to the bridesmaid a brooch of emeralds and pearls. Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin took their departure by the 4.30 train and will visit Niagara Falls and points on great lakes before proceeding to Minneapolis their future home. The bride's going away gown was of fine white cloth with blouse of white silk and was of white and gold.

Among the strangers in town to attend the wedding were, Dr. and Mrs. J. V. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McLaughlin, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ellis, CONDUCTED ON PAGE EIGHT.

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