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Mr. Ferguson Murphy, Mr. James Morrison and Mr. William Dyer are home from Oskode Hall, Toronto, for the holiday season.

The Western U. Sports Club enjoyed a jolly tea-dance on Saturday afternoon, following their hike, which is always a feature of these functions. Tea was served in the Arts Building.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Fick, Simcoe, Ont., announce the engagement of their granddaughter, Miss Edith V. Parr, to Mr. F. M. Foster, 49 St. Vincent street, Toronto, the marriage to take place in January.

The London Hunt and Country Club was the scene of another informal tea-dance on Saturday afternoon, given by the house committee. Many took the opportunity of dancing away the afternoon hours and partaking of tea, amid the glow of bright fire on the occasion. Mrs. Frank Leonard and Mrs. Hume Cronyn officiated at the tea table.

Mrs. Percy Sharp, Wilson avenue, was the hostess of a delightful birthday party, given on Friday night in honor of her husband, and her father-in-law. The function took the form of a dinner, tables being arranged for both grown-ups and children, who were included among the guests. On the tables pink and white carnations formed pretty decorations, while throughout the house the Christmas idea was carried out in green and red. Both Mr. Sharp, Junior, and Mr. Sharp, senior, were made the recipients of handsome presents before the evening was over. Miss Gale contributed with several interesting vocal numbers.

The choir of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church spent a most enjoyable social time after choir practice on Friday night, when they were invited by the choir committee to the church gym, where a great Christmas tree, laden with gifts for everyone, was displayed. An interesting feature of the occasion was the presentation of a case of pipes to Mr. Chas. E. Wheeler, the organist, while Mrs. Wheeler was presented with a beautiful basket of fruit.

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EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM OF SASKATCHEWAN IS SUBJECT OF ADDRESS

Women's Canadian Club Hears of the West From Premier Martin.

The Hon. W. M. Martin, premier of Saskatchewan, addressed the Women's Canadian Club on Saturday afternoon in the Normal School on "The Educational System of Saskatchewan." A subject more discussed in recent years, and upon which the province of Saskatchewan has expended more money than any other scheme, according to the speaker. The address was illuminating and far-reaching, and dealt largely with the difficulties facing the province of Saskatchewan in regard to the education of the people.

The difficulty of building schools in a province having so scattered a population was the first phase of the question dealt with.

In Saskatchewan the people have been forced to build far more schools in proportion to their population than has any other province in the Dominion. For example, the province of Saskatchewan has 2,500 and 1,600, while in Saskatchewan, many of these schools are very small, but I won't consider it an indication of inefficiency in them. They come that much closer to the influence of the teacher.

Large Expense. The building of all these schools in enormous amount of money, actually more per head than that spent by any other province of Canada. During the first ten years of the life of the province a school was built for every day in the year. All these schools are in operation during the summer time, but there are perhaps 500 of them which are not in operation during the winter months, on account of the extreme cold in rural districts and scarcity of teachers.

When once the schools are built, however, there is the problem of getting the children to school. This is a very difficult, on account of the large foreign population and the many rural schools of the province. During the school attendance officers in the cities, but not in the country districts. In a school where the children of Saskatchewan passed a school attendance act, which provided for the establishment of a central school attendance

organization, to which the rural schools of the province must report monthly.

Teachers Scarce. "A third difficulty which faces the educational authorities in Saskatchewan is the matter of getting enough teachers to man the schools. During the last two years the situation has not been quite as difficult as in the previous years, there being only 300 teachers short in each of these years. In the four years previous to that, however, there were as many as 1,000 or more teachers short every year. The result has been that the province of Saskatchewan has had to induce teachers who are not qualified to teach in the outlying schools, the splendid salaries of \$1,500 and sometimes furnished residence as well, being not uncommon for such service."

The speaker also touched on the splendid system of rural school nurses recently inaugurated in that province. "The school boards who are the large urban centres employ school nurses to inspect the health of the pupils, and until ten years ago the rural districts were without inspection. At this time, however, the same sort of system was organized for the rural districts. There should be from 50 to 60 school nurses to visit the rural schools of the province, while, as a matter of fact, there are only 15 or 16. In 1919 there were examined 15,000 school children, and over one-third of these got medical attention."

THE MARRIAGE OF ANNE

BY MAY CHRISTIE

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LXXXVI.—To Julie For Help.

The company of Mrs. Brown did not tend to lighten my mood.

I wanted the company of youth. I wanted Neil, my husband.

But above all, I wanted to explain to the house in the little table-land he had witnessed.

The hands of the clock went slowly on and on. The crowd sat listening, smoking, fanning itself, in a kind of languid boredom.

There was a young girl I had dreamed of as a young woman. She was the usual romantic, girlish dream of a young man. She was the girl who had slipped lower and lower, nodding dreamily. The trumpets trumped, the drums beat, and the crowd seemed to vibrate with a brassy blast.

Oh, how I longed for quiet.

The hands of the clock went very close on now. I must escape. I must get where Neil was—must speak with him.

Mrs. Brown was sleeping, her head buried in her hand. She was not to be disturbed. I hurried down the corridor, and reached the lounge.

Here, at a corner table, sitting alone, were Margery and Neil. They were looking at each other, and I knew that they were in the midst of a serious conversation.

"I'm tired, I think I'll go upstairs," I said to myself, and I turned to go. But I saw that Neil was looking at me, and I knew that he was waiting for me to speak.

"What's the matter?" he asked. "You look as if you had something on your mind."

"Good night," he said shortly. "Shall I send you to your room? Cocoa, or coffee, or some tea? Or hot milk?"

"No, thanks. Good night," I called. "Breakfast at half-past eight," called Neil after my retreating figure.

"He's furious with me," I drearily told myself. "He thinks I've spent the entire evening with that wretched purpose. He won't believe my explanation."

When I gained my pretty suite, I thought of writing Neil a letter, telling him the circumstances of the case. Then I decided that writing a thing on paper made it look worse than in the telling.

So I climbed into bed, resolving that tomorrow things would be brighter for me. The windows of my pretty room were open, and the cool breeze of the sea was in my ears. It sounded like a lullaby, and soon sent me off to sleep. A loud knock came at the door at eight o'clock next morning.

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Mixed Population. The last matter dealt with by the speaker was the question of the mixed population of Saskatchewan.

"There is some difficulty found in getting a fusion of four peoples to go to school, and in getting English-speaking teachers to reside in the foreign districts. This latter difficulty is overcome in many instances by the building of teachers' residences in such districts. The biggest difficulty is getting children into the schools in the Old Colony Mennonite districts, where land has to be expropriated by the government, and schools erected and teachers sent to remain idle until the pupils at last consent to come to school."

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Christmas dinner, something suitable for goose. Also the question was asked some time ago how to keep rubbers looking like new. Try shoe blacking. Of course, it has to be done quite often. Please accept my gift for X. M. Will sign as usual. HAPPY HOLIDAYS.

Ans.—The following is a menu which is suitable for Christmas dinner. Grape fruit cocktail, cream of tomato soup, olives, roast goose (with dressing), sweet sauce, potatoes, cranberry sauce, carrots and peas, celery and lobster salad, with mayonnaise dressing, candy, salted almonds and coffee. Many thanks for a hospital note.

Ans.—Am mailing directions also seeds. A Christmas Dinner. Dear Miss Grey.—Here I am again, coming to bother you once more, but you never seem to tire of it, and I am sure must be a lot to look after. Have you any seeds, Miss Grey? I would like some cosmos and petunias if you have them. Also, could you give me any suggestions for a menu for a Christmas dinner?

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