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## LONDON

On Wednesday, February 23 a surprise birthday party was given Mrs. Pearl Kelly at her home 9 Marmora St., by the "Get Acquainted Club and friends. A delightful evening was spent by all present. Solos speeches and numbers rendered by all made the event a pleasant one. A beautiful present a nut bowl and candlesticks of orange and black coloring (the club colors) was given Mrs. Kelly with the presentation speech by Rev. Woodcock. Mrs. Kelly acknowledged with a few words of appreciation the thoughtfulness shown by her friends. Other beautiful gifts were given by Mrs. Berry, Mr. Hunter and Miss Alice and Norman Drake, which were equally appreciated.

Monday evening, Feb. 14, the Hustlers' Class of the B. M. E. Sunday school with their teacher, Miss Gladys Stafford, gave a Valentine social at the home of Mrs. Mary Coursey, Little Grey St. The dining room was prettily decorated for the occasion in red streamers and hearts of various sizes. A dainty supper was served for 14c. Ice cream and other refreshments were also for sale. Misses Bernice Fountain, Phylis Howard and Violet Clinton were waitresses in the dining room. Mr. J. W. Fountain, superintendent, was cashier for the evening, and Messrs. Charles Marshall and William Harris looked after the ice cream. Misses Jeanette Woodcock and Florence Drake had charge of the home-made candies and Valentine Basket. Many Sunday school workers and scholars also friends of the city were present and enjoyed the evening together. Great credit is due Miss Stafford for her untiring efforts to make the event the success attained and for the pleasant time enjoyed by all. Net proceeds for the evening were \$9.50.

Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 8.15 p.m. a grand musical concert was given in the B. M. E. church under the auspices of the Church Aid. The attendance was fine and a delightful programme was enjoyed by all present, after which all repaired to the basement where the ladies had prepared hot dogs and coffee, ice cream and pie for all to enjoy with their friends. The committee—Mrs. Margaret Coursey, Mrs. Minnie Harris, Mrs. C. Brown, Mrs. M. Cook, Mrs. E. Groat, Mrs. A. Marshall, and Mrs. M. Drake, are to be congratulated in their effort which was such a success. Mr. W. Taylor and Mr. Wesley Fountain had charge of the tickets. The proceeds of the evening were very encouraging but at this writing we are unable to give the exact figures.

Wednesday evening, Feb. 23, prayer and praise meeting was held at the home of Mrs. E. Groat, Trafalgar St. There were 11 present and a great spiritual time was enjoyed by all. During this period of our cottage meetings we would welcome an invitation to any home in the city and would be pleased to see many more come out and join us at this midweek service.

Sunday, February 27 at 7 a.m. a grand young people's rally service and everybody's birthday was held in the B. M. E. church. A very in-

teresting programme conducted by the young people, was listened to by an appreciative audience and was enjoyed by all. Each and every number bespoke the great possibilities for the church of tomorrow in the talents possessed by these young men and women. We would make special mention of the splendid address on "Opportunity" given by Miss Beulah Harding also the fine paper, "The Young People of Today and their place in the church," by Miss Gladys Stafford. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the young people by the congregation for their successful effort. Mr. Charles Marshall was chairman for the evening and filled his place creditably. Birthday bags had been given to the friends of the community to give their thank-offering to God and a very pleasing response was received. The committee wishes to thank all who made the evening a success.

*Rev. Drake Ill.*

We much regret to learn that Rev. S. R. Drake general superintendent of the B. M. E. connection, is in poor health at present. His illness is of such a nature that it is feared he will be unable to perform any of his duties for some few months. The Dawn will endeavor to keep the public informed as to any change in his condition.

Miss Mabel Miller has been confined to Victoria hospital for the past few days. Her condition is somewhat improved at present.

Friends of Mr. C. H. Brown are pleased to see him again filling his place in the community.

Mr. Geo. Brown of Detroit was a recent visitor in the city as the guest of his aunt Mrs. Eliza Groat.

Mrs. Carrie Hunt of Toronto and two children, and Mrs. Myrtle Anderson, Detroit, spent the week-end with their father, Mr. John Anderson and family.

On February 28th the C. L. A. C. P. gave a very pleasant surprise to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Brown of Hill street. There were also in the party a number of other friends. The dining room table groaned under the heavy load which was deposited thereon. A very pleasant evening was spent by the entire party.

Mr. Hiram Berry of Hamilton is expected in the city next Thursday evening to act as special entertainer at the Arts Ball of the University of Western Ontario. *The Gazette*, the college paper, refers to Mr. Berry as one of the best entertainers on the continent.

Mr. Louis Groat of Lansdowne Ave. tendered his wife, Mrs. Grace Groat, a birthday party on the 2nd of the present month. There were 32 guests present all of whom spent a delightful evening. Mrs. Groat was the recipient of many beautiful and valuable presents. A dainty luncheon was served at midnight.

Miss Frances Moxley, who is at present confined to Victoria hospital is reported as progressing favorably.