WOMEN and THE HOME

NATIVITY PLAY IS TO BE GIVEN HERE

Bethlehem Will Be Presented in Warner Hall To-

CAST IS EXCELLENT

Dramatic Story of Nativity Will Usher in Christ-

An important event of the Christmas season will be the presentation of the beautiful nativity play, Bethlehem, in Warner hall tomorrow night. Rev. G. duction, the beautiful lines were written by the late Norah Holland. The incidental music for the play is the

in London four years ago, under the auspices of the London Drama league Norah Holland was present and assisted in directing the final rehearsal. Altogether, the play has a special interest

The cast this year is a very fine one. many of those taking part having been associated with every one of the four performances which have been given in Condon during the past four years. Miss Edith Vann again takes the role of the with Walter Holt as Joseph, W. B. Pope is to appear as Rumball as Diana, and Miss Ruth White

Adams, Miss Ethel Burch, Miss Lillian Adams, Miss Gibson, Miss Element and Mrs. Richard Smith; and the Fauns, Marcelle Adams, Ruth Rider, Dorothy Robinson, Margaret Graydon, Catherine

will represent the Chorus of L. K. Harrison, bandmaster of the R. C. R.'s, is choosing an excellent

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APPEARS AS MARY IN NATIVITY PLAY. APPEARS AS MARY IN NATIVITY PLAY.

Miss Edith Vann of this city, who will play the role of the Madonna in Norah Holland's nativity play. Bethlehem, which is being presented in Warner hall on Wednesday evening under the direction of Rev. G. Quintin Warner, rector of the Cronyn Memorial church.

little it would have been a different matter. But Hooty likes to keep u

Hooty Owl Sees Wonderful Prize

By THORNTON W. BURGESS. Hooty the Owl sleeps much of the people there, and some night he might have good hunting there.

So Hooty knew all about the new going on in the Green Forest of which going on in the Green Forest of which dam and the new pond, and what they were for. He wondered when the Faddy began that new dam. But per-bans this is not to be wondered at, floating their food supply down to the "Oh, don't you wish

and of course that is the very time when Hooty is abroad. He sees a great deal more deal, does Hooty, a great deal more of his ability to get about on soundless wings. No shadow moves more silently than does Hooty the Great Horned Owl. It is very handy at times to be able to move about freely without making a sound, very handy, indeed. Especially is this true at night when one is loss likely to be seen. Now, Hooty was not particularly indeal, does Hooty, a great deal he than most folk suspect he does. He sees, but is himself anseen, because of his ability to get about on sound-of his ability to get about the dam. When he got there no of the dam. when one is less likely to be seen.

Now, Hooty was not particularly interested in what Paddy the Beaver and his family were doing. He had no idea of a Beaver dinner. No, into idea of a Beaver dinner, and the top of a tall dead tree which he had more than once used as a watch tower, and there he looked as if he were a part of the tree itself. If Peter children were now too big. Could he children were now too big. Could he alight there I fear that Peter might

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A Few Reasons Why We Are you all know. They are eyes ined for use in the dusk, and they
large and round and cannot be
ed. No, sir, those eyes of Hooty's Installing More Gas Ranges ire large and found and always are fixed, and so he must turn his whole head. Sometimes as he sits on watch he moves his head very slowly, moves it around until he is looking straighat behind him. If you should see aim that way he would look as if his head was on backward. Sometimes he tarns it so quickly that he looks as if he turned it all the way around. If he did that of course he would twist his head off.

But whether turning his head slowly or quickly, Hooty is always looking, and what he is looking for is something that moves. In that light there isn't a chance to really see clearly a thing like a small animal or bird, so Hooty watches for something that Firstly-A good Gas Range can be purchased for one-half the cost of other ranges, and will last

toty watches for something that yes. Then on those noiseless wings, se great wings which make no nd, he floats, or seems to, right over that moving thing, and then strikes ickly. As a rule, he catches someting worth catching. But now and ng worth catching. ien he makes a mistake.

This night as Hooty was turning his ead slowly around he saw something noving. It was on top of a big gray, ld rock. It was too dark for Hooty o see clearly what it was, but what-



So having nothing more important to do he decided to walt a while.

We would advise prospective purchasers of was a prize, whatever cooking ranges to investigate the merits of it was. Hooty spread those broad, silent wings and headed straight for that rock, his great cruel, curved claws gas, as it is impossible for us to exchange ranges using other fuels for gas ranges, as we are constantly asked to do.

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UNCLE WIGGILY'S CHRISTMAS Johnnie and Billie Bushytail, the squirrels, were woods one day, when they met Jackie

and Peetie Bow Wow, the puppy dog

'Oh, nothing!" barked Peetie. "We'll help you do it, then." sai Billie, with a laugh and the four little while they jolly times they would have

chaps. And then Billie said:

the other squirrel chap let his tail droop on the ground and Jackie and Peetie he decided to wait a while. He perched thing good now, and it will count for

each of us!"
"How?" cried the others. "What is



"What is it?" cried the others.

went on Peetie, "I heard Uncle Butter, the goat, ask Uncle Wiggily, yesterday, if the bunny gentleman was going to hang up his NET PROFIT OF \$7 tleman was going to hang up stockings for Santa Claus to And Uncle Wiggily said he had, no stockings to hang up!"
"Oh! Oh! Oh!" cried the others.

"Why, of course, we can!" chattered each year. hnnie, after thinking it over. "And we'll make the stockings extra

nig, so a lot of presents will fit in hem," added Billie. them," added Billie.

No sooner said than done! The squirrels gnawed and pulled big pieces of the beautiful bark from a large birch tree. This they fashioned, rather roughly, of course, into a pair of stockings, fastening the edges together with some chewing gum which Peetie happened to have in his pockets. Had it been summer, or warm weather, the caimal boys could have used gum from been summer, or warm weather, the animal boys could have used gum from the spruce, hemlock and pine trees to fasten the bark edges together with, as

After-Supper Story

A Short Story Complete in This Issue.

You never can tell—the tiger that lies sleeping in the hidden jungle depths of the polished Beau Brum-had a moment to stop—she never would have done it. nel; the daring of desperation that have done it. the gentlest, most ladylike of women to put on the hat that had never been

manicured and marcelled.

In the evenings they attended some place of amusement or strolled the downtown streets, with their alluring electric transparencies and brightlighted shop windows.

But the beginning of the third week they took an apartment. It was week they took an apartment of town.

But when she entered the reception But when she entered the reception hall the joke weased to twinkle.

She had wanted to be lost in the crowd. She had her wish. She could not detach herself from it, she could only keep on with it. And the crowd streamed straight into the drawing-room, where the hostess and a long receiving line stood.

week they took an apartment. It was in a beautiful residential part of town. Effic Farthington thrilled at the thought of the delightful neighbors they would

Farthington had the whole, long, empty to come ancy work. At home she never had ime, for the house was always full f company, or she was entertaining or somebody else's company. Then She was no reader nor did she do onstantly there were luncheons, afteronstantly there were luncheons, after-noon bridge parties. Progress club-neetings, when she was either re-ponsible for the programs or on the effreshment committee, not to mention and identity of the charming woman who had so smilingly accosted them. mittee, not to mention church bazaars and food sales to cook room?"

and bake for.

They had been in the city almost two months, and facing another one of the empty, lonesome days. Effic Farthington for others followed her logether.

Such wonderful things to a good time as she was here. a good time as she was having!

endurance.

Her piffling household duties performed, she sat looking aimlessly out the window, her thoughts miles away—as many miles as dear Hillsborough.

Suddenly, a green flash arrested her attention—a colorful florist wagon drawing up at the Gordon Smith's opposite.

Never had the watching eyes at the Never had the watching eyes at the anthemums as were carried into the was less excuse and great bunches of decorative berries afternoon affair or a dinner?

Mrs. Tom did not remain at the win-she stood hesitating.
dow all the time, but with renewed interest in life, kept coming back to it so for what she had eaten. often that nothing escaped her. Caterers' wagons brought ice cream freezers and boxes of cake. man and two maids, each whisked out of automobiles magnificently-cloaked women who were to obviously an answer to prayer, assist in receiving at the tea. For a 1 load dropped from her cons ea it was evidently to be-a large, Effie Farthington opened her gold mes elegant affair. The arrival of musicians bag and stealthily hid a silver dollar

What wouldn't she give to be going To become one of the gay-hearted tea entertaining throng! To feel a human being again! mented Tom And the maddening thing was that her as he sat reading the morning paper closet was full of lovely new clothes merely skimmed at the breakfast table suitable for just such an occasion; a stunning hat she had never had on. Yet it was not until the first guests began to arrive that the reprehensible, scandalous idea entered her head.

Crew Abandons Aileen Lamont Chats on Dress Italian Steamer

Sailed From Philadelphia Dec. 8—In Distress Near Azores.

ontinue all the rage for evening wear Crystal beads, colored beads, steel nail-Associated Press Despatch. London, Dec. 21.-Messages to Lloyds heads and even sequins are making their eport that the Italian steamer Marina appearance. The arrangements of these (3,310 tons), which sailed from Phila- garnitures gives the wearer a chance t delphia on Dec. 8 for the Mediterranean show personality to a far greater extenthan the morning and afternoon frocks which so closely resemble each other as to line and material. ports, was abandoned by her crew on Sunday, at latitude 39.35 north, and longitude 36.20 west, just west of The English pull-on gloves are being The English pull-on gloves are being distinguished this winter from those of French, American or Canadian manufacture by the wrists. Nearly all the English gloves of this type have elastic gatherings at the wrists. Some of the latest ones are snugged at the wrists by silk lacings, which end in silk tassels

NET PROFIT OF \$750,000

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, Dec. 21.—Chairman George by silk lacings, which end in silk tassels

Lee of the Temiskaming & Northern "So I was thinking," went on Peetie.
"that maybe we could make Uncle Wiggily a big pair of stockings that he could hang up for Christmas."
"Oh, but we don't know how to knit stockings," objected Jackie.
"But the squirrels can graw some to the provincial treasurer. According to the provincial treasurer. According to the provincial treasurer according to the provincial treasurer according to the provincial treasurer according to the provincial treasurer. annual financial statement of the railthe squirrels can gnaw some to the provincial treasurer. According bark off a white birch tree," went on Peetie. "If the Indians used to make canoes out of birch bark, I don't see why we couldn't make Uncle Wiggily a pair of stockings out of it."

"Why, of course, we can!" chattered each year.

Ingersoil, Dec. 21.—At the annual meeting of the women's guild of St. James' Anglican church the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. W. J. Elliott; first vice-president, Mrs. C. H. Support for year: President, Mrs. W. J. Elliott; 1185 vice-president, Mrs. C. H. Sumner; second vice-president, Mrs. M. T. Buchanan; third vice-president, Mrs. C. C. L. Wilson; secretary, Mrs. Fred Rich; treasurer, Mrs. W. J. Peters, Reports submitted were very encouraging, institute held a chicken supper in Bundingting that considerable progress had been made during the year.

silent wings and headed straight for that rock, his great cruel, curved claws ready to strike.

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The next story: "Why Yowler Yowled."

WESLEY W. M. S.

West Lorne, Dec. 21.—The W. M. S. of the Wesley church heid its December meeting at the home of Mrs. Webber. Mrs. Holdings:" "The Bob Cat is coming!"

Miss Ellen Bolsby, the president, presided. The program, in keeping with the Christmas season, was presented by Mrs. Bunds, "Charletted Johnnie. Into one stocking jumped the squirthe Christmas season, was presented by Mrs. Bunds, "Sold the program, in keeping with the Sprikee, hemick and place the same with as the Indians fastened their canoes, or, rather, as they covered the seams with after sewing the bark edges. "Now, there's a fine pair of bark stockings for Uncle Wiggily," barked Jackie, when they were finished. And then the others leaped out also, and rustled the bushes as he hopped then, all of a sudden, there was a then the others leaped out also, for it was the rabbit. "It was pool of you to make them for me, will be made during the Julier; Yocal duet by Miss Alien Halliday; plano duet Yours." barked Jackie, jumping out. And then the others leaped out also, for it was the rabbit. "The was no Bob Cat. "Oh, thank you very much for the bark stockings," said the rabbit. "It was good of you to make them for me, will be member added to their relationship to the character of the seams with after sewing the bark edges. "Now, there's a fine pair of bark after sewing the bark edges. "Now, there's a fine pair of bark after sewing the bark edges. "The Wissel Marked Jackie, jumping out. "They're yours, Uncle Wiggily's Misse Sepon and Marie Smith; reading the them the others leaped out also, for it was the rabbit. "It was good of you to make them for me, will be made then all of the steem with a suddent the other and then all of a sudden a jolly voice laughed and said:

"My, what big stockings! I wonder "Wiggily's Christmas chimney."

whose they are."

"The John Young People. Solden

FOR MORE MONEY St. Thomas Board of Education "Effie Farthington, I dare you!" she Hears Plea Regarding Extra Services.

St. Thomas, Dec. 21.—The windup But she had to dress, to do her hair Mrs. W. H. Fox Presents
Union Jack On Behalf of
Isabel Hampton Chapter.

An impressive little ceremony took
place yesterday afternoon at the Ealing
school, when Mrs. W. H. Fox presented
the cadets with a beautiful flag, a gift
from the Isabel Hampton chapter. I. O.
D. E. The children assembled for the
presentation, singing, O Canada, and
God Save the King.

Rev. R. D. Mess spoke to the boys
briefly, and Principal McWilliams expressed his appreciation of the chapter's
gift. Capt. Thompson, the cadet instructor, received the flag from Mrs.
The chapter regent, Mrs. McNeil, and
Miss Smith were also present.

Miss Smith were also present.

Mel daring of despetation where dadylike of women may be capable of, Even a woman with soft, fluffly hair and child-innocent blue eyes like Mrs. Tom Farthington.
When Tom Farthington told his wife that a new business venture would the cadets with a beautiful flag, a gift to make him to a neighboring city for the winter and that she was to go with heaven. She hald never staged in the city hall. The mand after all her excitement and there alided his evening in the city hall. The world fag, and after all her excitement and after all her excitement and that she had to offers. It means to guishes, be could not carr meeting of the board of education was

JANITORS ASKING

The organization meeting of the 1926

board will be held on Wednesday after noon January 6.

The customary felicitations were e changed, with the veteran trustee, A. I Conley, tendering a vote of apprecia-tion to the officers of the board, chairof the delightful neighbors they would have.

But, of course, the inevitable hapneed—none of them neighbored.

It was too far out for Tom to come
home to lunch. Housekeeping in the
up-to-date little apartment was mere
doll's play compared to their Hillsborough nine-roomed house. Effic
Farthington had the whole, long, empty

The floor refusing to open and swallow her, there was only one thing baines. Trustees Wallery, Mrs. McCulley, Dr. Bennett, and officers of the
board were loud in their praise of the
had been carried out during the year.

Music and educational matters refuse
to mix in the Flower City. The Elgin
Thank you, my dear—so good of you board were loud in their praise of the chairman's work and of the congenial manner in which the work of the board had been carried out during the year.

Music and educational matters refuse the property of the congenial matters refuse the property of the control of the contro heir practices on Monday nights in the ity hall. The board of education meets the hall on the same night, but it nother room. Tonight a resolution was assed by the board requesting the city ouncil to arrange for a different prac-And soon Effic Farthington entirely in her element, was vivaciously and then another of the guests, puznight for the band

dee night for the band.

Harold Fawcett, West Lorne youth, who was accidentally shot while rabit hunting several weeks ago, has rejovered enough to return to his home rom the St. Joseph's hospital, London, where he has been a patient since he needed by

John Burrett, for many years guardian well-travelled crossings in this city is been pensioned off after 55 years rvice in railroad work. In the division court case of Me-cenzie versus Mrs. E. S. Partridge of ondon, Judge Ross has given decision

or the plaintiff, judgment being en-ered for \$77.42 and costs. Death claim. William Gall on Sunay night at his home, 50 Manitoba treet, after a long illness. He was a ative of Scotland and had lived in this for 49 years and was employed or Home Circle, No. 152. Be idow he leaves four sons and three to the little group she was with. Mrs Tom Farthington put down her plat-of unfinished cream and left the room Out in the hall, guilty and miserable

aughters, George, M.C.R., city; James, lso of the M. C. R. here, William f Ottawa, and Roy of Deroit; Mrs. James Barnes, Montreal;

What should she do? What could she do?

Murmuring some incoherent excus

And suddenly she saw her opportun

On a little table back under the stair

oin. She did not stop to wonder how

By AILEEN LAMONT.

New York, Dec. 21.—Beaded dresse

of a color contrasting with that of the

New bathing suits for Florida are

suits consist of a wool jersey blouse or

Peter Pan collar and a twisted bel

worn over a separate matching one piece swimming suit. At other beache

Many a bird has lost plumage in order

to serve the demand for boudoir and

cushions are covered with Taffeta crepe

living-room cushions this

happened to be there. It was

with the other coi

hight following three weeks' illness rom meningitis. The funeral was held ev. P. N. Harding officiating.

"I see our opposite neighbor has been report shows a very successful finan- a shot at Frank, but the ballet missed mented Tom Farthington that evening oming year were as follows: President, rs. McCready: first vice-president, for the benefit of the infant shelter and it says 'all interested are cor-dially invited.'"







MAN SLAYS TWO IN JEALOUS FIT

Shoots His Wife and Child, Wounds Girl-Weeps Over Dead Baby.

Associated Press Despatch. Orange, N. J., Dec. 21.-Prompted by what police say was jealousy, Anthony Marano, 25, shot and killed his wife, his infant twin daughter Jalia and seriously wounded a 14-year-old step-daughter, Anna Greico, then ran from roit; Mrs. James Barnes, and Miss are the house and made in the ho aughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dale, temlock street, passed away Sunday slept with the twins, Dominick and

The annual meeting of the Komoka Presbyterian W. M. S. was held recently at the church. The treasurer's daughter's feet and shot her. He fired

Morrison; secretary, Mrs. J. G. Stuart.
A bale of clothing to be sent to Rock francs, with total receipts of 5,300,000. A pale of elocating to be self to those Journals, Alberta, was packed by the adies at the close of the meeting.

Halls, well did receipts of show, as against expenditures of 4,297,000,000.

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dicating that considerable progress had yan Community hall. Leslie Harkness was chairman, and a good program was provided by local talent. given by Mrs. Punch, Roy Miller, Frank Miller; vocal duet by Miss Aileen Hal-