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we are supposed to be seeking pleasure. Most of us know that the city owns and uses scavenger carts, but few care to follow them about, or stroll in the neighborhood of the incinerator. I should like very much to know how many school-girls and schoolboys were permitted to attend the theatre last week. But I do not covet the privilege of an acquaintance with the parents who allowed them.

MISS EDITH DRURY, of Kingston, is visiting Miss Phyllis Porteous, 1160 Dorchester street.

On Saturday evening, Mr. Angus W. Hooper entertained a number of friends at dinner at the St. James Club, to meet Capt. and Mrs. E. C. Hamilton. The guests included Miss Angus, Miss Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hope, Miss Macdougall, Mr. Abbott.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lyman, Victoria street, leave very shortly for Bermuda, on a holiday of some weeks. Mr. Lyman has not been well for some time, and it is expected that the change of climate will be of great benefit.

THE Marteau concert on Friday evening, was, from every point of view, a most enjoyable one. Though his last appearance here was some time ago, everyone had too vivid a recollection of his talent not to entertain a very pleasurable anticipation of the concert. He is too well-known to need any further criticism of his performance. Suffice it to say, he was not one whit below his high standard of excellence on this occasion. The orchestra, too, was in capital form, and showed the results of all the extra practice indulged in of late.

M. Henri Marteau has greatly changed, as could only be expected, since Montrealers last saw him, for then he looked a mere boy. However, his manner is as simple and unaffected as ever.

The audience was tolerably large, and very representative. But there is one thing that Montreal theatre and concert-goers require to "mark, learn, and inwardly digest." And that is, that it shows no surprising amount of good-breeding, to say nothing about consideration, to invariably stroll in some time after the advertised hour. It is impolite to the artist, and it is most disturbing to those who have arrived at the proper time, and do not care to be pushed past in the middle of a much-to-be-appreciated number. Of course, to a certain extent, the fault lies with the management, who should peremptorily forbid the doors being opened during the numbers, once the concert has begun.

Among those present were: The Misses Abbott, Mr. J. Abbott, the Misses Angus, Miss Arnton, Miss May Stephens, Mr. Paterson, Miss Gillespie, Miss Sise, Mr. H. C. Scott, Miss Scott, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Drummond, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Drummond, Miss Drummond, Mrs. Mcighen, Miss Mcighen, Mrs. R. W. Reford, Miss Riddell, Miss Hampson, Mr. and Mrs. Hector Mackenzie, Mr. A. W. Hooper, Mr. G. Gillespie, Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Coristine, Mrs. S. Green-shields, Miss Cassels, Mr. J. Grant, Miss Grant, Mr. T. Davidson, Miss Davidson, Mr. J. Try-Davies, Miss A. Galt, the Misses Molson.

THE afternoon dance given by a number of musicians, under Prof. Gruenwald, in aid of their fund, was hardly what might be set down as an unmitigated success. It was given in Stanley Hall, and the floor was excellent, as was the orchestra, composed of 30 pieces. But the trouble was that though they piped, it was evident that few cared to dance. The idea was suggested early in the winter, and most of the well-known people received letters asking for their support in making the venture a success. Now, lax as we may be in regard to most lenten observances, we do, as a rule, draw the line at dancing. Therefore, it seems to me that it would only have been kind to

have apprised the musicians of this fact, and prevented their going to so much expense and trouble for nothing. Personally, I am not fond of dancing in the afternoon, any more than for cards at that time, or ice cream for breakfast. But, doubtless, many are. And, perhaps, if it had been suggested to Prof. Gruenwald, he would have arranged to have it after Easter. It is extraordinary how little interest the majority of people take in what does not materially affect them. The musicians are very much to be sympathized with in what was to them, no doubt, a serious financial loss.

CAPT. and Mrs. Hamilton, and little Miss Beryl Hamilton, who have been visiting Mrs. D. Lorn Macdougall, at the Windsor, left this week for Vancouver, to continue their trip around the world.

Mr. H. C. Scott, Sherbrooke street, who has been confined to the house for some weeks with a very sharp attack of la grippe is now convalescent.

LAST week, a very pleasant luncheon was given at the Mount Royal Club, by Principal and Mrs. Peterson, for Mr. and Mrs. Stobart, of Winnipeg.

Another chain letter, I see, has been begun. To most of us this is not pleasant news. It really seems as if in a short time, all the money in the country would be amassed into these various Patriotic Funds. This new one is in aid of the "wives, widows, and orphans of Britain's fighting men, and to better equip Canadian troops." The Family Herald and Weekly Star seems to have the management of it, and the names of the subscribers are to be engrossed on parchment and sent to the Queen. One cannot help feeling sorry for Her Majesty as one daily hears of fresh lists and addresses, and goodness knows what else, that she is to be asked to wade through.

MR FRANK P. BROTHERS, Manager of the Demerara Electric Company, formerly manager of construction of the Montreal Street Railway, accompanied by Mrs. Brothers, went through to New York on the D. & H. train Sunday night en route to South America. Mr. Brothers goes via Barbadoes, Trinidad, etc., to Georgetown, British Guiana, where he is undertaking the construction of an electric railway, similar to the one he installed in Kingston, Jamaica. Mr. Brothers expects to be absent about six months. He was accompanied by his secretary, Mr. Norman S. Rankin.

AN engagement, the announcement of which created no little interest and excitement in Montreal this week, is that of Miss Muriel Howard, eldest daughter of the late Dr. R. P. Howard, to Mr. Bertie Severs, of the Bank of Montreal, of Vancouver, her cousin, and nephew of the late Mrs. Howard. The wedding has been arranged to take place on April 25. It is a very usual thing to speak of the popularity of various people. It may mean much or little. But it may be said, in all sincerity, that Miss Howard has ever been one of the greatest favorites in Montreal society. So that, while congratulating her, it cannot be forgotten that in future her home will be in Vancouver, a subject of great regret to her many friends here. It seems that Miss Howard and Mr. Severs have been engaged ever since the latter's removal to British Columbia. It is seldom that Montreal people allow secrets of this nature to remain hid.

Another engagement that occasioned much surprise is that of Miss Maggie Ramsay, fourth daughter of Mr. W. M. Ramsay, to Mr. Gordon Osler, of Toronto.

TO-MORROW afternoon, a "Musical At-Home," in aid of the Patriotic Fund, is being given at the Victoria Rifles' Armoury, from four to seven. A collection will be taken by the "little daughters of the regiment" (why not "of the Empire?"), and I believe a number of ladies, as Red Cross Nurses, will dispense tea. No doubt it will be a most pleasant