

A Countess Who is Supposed To Be Of Interest To Women

Herein are Related Facts and Fancies Concerning the Activities of Individuals and Organizations, the Home, Fashions and Other Matters.

A fitting item for this women's page is news of the most creditable number of socks knitted by the female patients at the Provincial Hospital, St. John. Fifteen hundred pairs of socks have been knitted, beside sewing for the Red Cross purposes. In one week fifty pairs of socks were knitted and handed over to be sent to the front. Entertainments are given to which the knitters bring their work, and many keenly realize the necessity for comfort, setting a good example to some of the thoughtless. The material for this work is supplied by the Lancaster branch of the Red Cross to whom the articles are sent and the work is under the supervision of Mrs. Hetherington, matron of the hospital.

The Red Cross Circle of St. John (Stone) church is a comparatively new association which has nevertheless accomplished a large amount of work. It is under the able direction of Mrs. G. Fred Fisher; Mrs. Stephen Hall is head of the cutting-out department, and Mrs. Rolfe Kerr is convener of the knitting work. In addition to the work of making garments and hospital supplies, the circle are preparing a number of quilts which are made out of the pieces of waste from the garments. The interest in this circle has kept up so well that the attendance at the last meeting was larger than at first. Besides the many hundred finished pieces that have been sent in to the local Red Cross, the sum of seventy dollars in cash has also been subscribed. There are between seventy and eighty members.

The Young Peoples' Association of St. David's church is a flourishing organization. Their literary nights have acquired quite a reputation and are exceedingly well prepared. The southern evening given Monday was voted by all a great success. A fine item on the programme was the barjo quartette, given by Messrs. Walter Bagnel, H. Bond and the Hopkins brothers. They played darkey melodies, and for an encore, popular airs. The collection at this evening was a silver one and was most generously responded to. It is hoped to repeat this enterprising with a few additional attractions.

A labor of love and a work of recognition of bravery is the way the efforts of one committee of the Women's Canadian Club have been described. This is what is called the wounded soldiers' letter-writing committee. It consists of ten ladies with Mrs. J. R. Van Wart as convener. The idea of the committee is that any New Brunswick boy in the overseas forces who has the misfortune to be wounded or ill shall receive a letter from the club, assuring him of our sympathy and wishing him a speedy recovery. Each of the ten ladies have two or more letters of the alphabet given to her and any soldier whose name begins with either of those letters she takes as her particular care and writes a cheery letter. Clippings of home news, jokes and little trifles are often enclosed in these letters and from the grateful replies received it is known that the letters are appreciated. To get the correct address the next of kin is written to at once or the postmaster at the town. In this way the committee has proved to be more than one case a link of communication between the boy and his own home. All the members of this committee are busy women, eight of them being on the teaching staff of the city, but no one would willingly give up her letters to the wounded soldiers.

A club in another town heard of this effort and it is hoped that others may undertake the same work. Two or three letters would not be too many to receive if you were wounded and in hospital. "It's very dull here," wrote one chap from a convalescent home in France.

Mrs. A. W. Thompson of Picton, president of the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church, will address a meeting to be held in St. Andrew's church this evening.

Mrs. E. A. Westmorland gave a talk on "The Children of China," followed by a lantern lecture on The Islands of Fire, for the junior gathering at Exmouth street Methodist church yesterday afternoon.

An interesting visitor in St. John at present is Miss Robbins, who is visiting Mrs. James F. Robertson, Carlton street. Miss Robbins is a missionary to the Diocese of Honan, China, and is back in Canada after five years in that land. Her work is mostly among the young Chinese girls of from eight to twenty years of age, and the results have been most encouraging. Yesterday afternoon Miss Robbins addressed a well-attended meeting at St. Jude's church, Carlton street. On Monday evening she spoke in St. John (Stone) church and she visited Hampton and Sussex, speaking in a most interesting way of her work. After leaving St. John Miss Robbins goes to Halifax and Ottawa. She is on her way out west to visit relatives and rest, after which she will return to the mission field of China.

A Shampoo Jacket is really necessary to the woman who

shampoos her own hair is a jacket to protect her from the water that falls on the shoulders. Quite a practical towel can be made from a Turkish towel or from a straight piece of linen with a hole cut in the middle for the head to slip through. At the sides the jacket can be held together with cords, tapes or ribbon. Beauty can be added to the jacket by embroidering little flowers here and there over the front of it. French knots and daisy stitches fill in quickly. China blue and old rose are cheerful colors to choose for the stitches. The edge of the jacket can be finished with a rolled hem, a binding of braid or, if one has the time, a crocheted edge would increase the attractiveness of the garment. If time is limited, the jacket made simply from the Turkish towel and bound with tape will serve all practical purposes very nicely.

A simple way to butter bread crumbs for scallops is to melt the butter in a small pan, put the required amount of bread or cracker crumbs in the pan, salt and pepper and stir till crumbs have absorbed the butter. This is a much better plan than the old method of putting a few dabs of butter on top of the scallop and makes the crumbs almost as good as the interior of the dish.

Do you keep a pie cushion in your kitchen well supplied with pins and safety pins? We don't, but I always mean to have one, for sometimes the button flies off an apron or the sleeve won't slip up. It may only be necessary for untidy housekeepers, but it is very useful nevertheless.

For God and Home and Every Land. The regular meeting of the St. John Women's Christian Temperance Union was held at the home of Mrs. Seymour, our evangelistic superintendent. There was a large attendance. The subject was a memorial to Frances E. Willard. Quotations were given by about twenty of the members, and an original poem by another of our members was read as follows: In Memory of Frances E. Willard "How beautiful" she said "to be with God" As Death's cold fingers closed her weary eyes, And all the perfect joy of Heaven's surprise Illum'd the path her tired feet had trod.

"Just to creep in with Mother," O the Joy The perfect rapture, and the endless rest, That our sure anchorage, a mother's breast, Where life's wild storm could never more annoy.

Her pure, unweakened life, her faith sublime, Had upborne weaker souls, who cried for aid, And broken lives, whom sin had made afraid, Rose freed, enfranchised, from the thrall of crime.

O, blessed spirit, are thy ministries, Endured, with the vanished years? Comes there no echo to our listening ears "Thou gavest to me, when thou didst rest?"

Nay, thy brave works shall evermore endure, Thou need'st no polished shaft to tell thy fame, Upon the rescued lives, is writ the name Of Frances Willard, sacred and secure.

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The Evening News, Montreal, has an article on Women Inventors which certainly gives a contradiction to the masculine theory (which I remember once holly contesting) that a woman's brain is not creative. The list of inventions as here shown is not confined to devices for women, to save household work alone, but covers articles in general use. Miss Margaret Knight of Framingham, Mass., invented at the age of twelve a covered shuttle which is in general use today in cotton mills where it is a great protection to the operator. Her invention of the square paper bag, now in universal use, brought her a decoration of the Legion of Honor from Queen Victoria. Her latest is a motor for driving machines in factories. Mrs. Beattie Lazzelle has put upon the market a rubberized bathing cap which has among its good points the quality of drying so quickly that it may be worn three or four times a day if desired. Mrs. Lovell owned and operated a factory for the making of women's apparel where all employees were women.

It "pays" to look well. Some time spent every day by a woman in beautifying herself for the sake of her children, her husband, her friends, her self, is far from wasted. Anna Held says it is every woman's duty to spend at least an hour a day purely for facial care. We are a little too busy here to give quite so much time but at least it does pay for even one's own self respect to make the very most of oneself.

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Children's Corner

Letters Received by Uncle Dick From His Boys and Girls

TODAY'S LITTLE JOKE.
"Tim Brown was reading about a man who had a very long nose. The man passed the next word was 'alotgether too much for him.' 'B-b-b-b-b-b-b' he stuttered. 'Get on, Brown!' said the master. 'B-b-b-b-b-b' he continued. 'Barque, boy!' roared the master. 'Barque!' 'Tim glanced pitifully round the class room, then at the master, then at the book. Then he opened his mouth, and: 'Bow-wow!'"

Extracts from the Mail Bag

Liked Certificate of Merit. Salsbury, N. B.
Dear Uncle Dick— I was glad that I got a certificate of merit and thank you very much for it. I am going to try and win a prize. Am not a very good drawer, so couldn't try the last contest but am sending you the arithmetic contest.

Wishing you and the "Children's Page" every success, Your loving Niece, JEAN A. BROWNE.

Another Kiddie Joining Corner. Young's Cove.
Dear Uncle Dick— I am a new kiddie and would like to join the corner. Will you let me in? I am a little girl of 3 years, my birthday is the 22nd of August. I am going to send you the picture of a teapot to try my luck at first.

I wish I could wish love and best wishes to you and the corner. From your loving Niece, LULU TRIFTS.

Getting Playmates to Join. Avonmore.
Dear Uncle Dick— I am trying to get some of my playmates to join the Children's Corner. I go to school and I like it fine. I am in the third arithmetic. This is all for this time.

THELMA KAYE.
Has Three Brothers in Khaki. Hampstead, Queens Co.

Dear Uncle Dick— Thanks very much for offering to help me with my drawing. I will send some in this week.

We have had no school for a week, because the teacher is sick. My birthday is Dominion Day, July 1st. I also have three brothers with the soldiers, one with the 140th and one in the 104th Battalion, and another at Halifax with the R. C. R. He is a drummer.

Probably I have written too much now, so I will close with every success. I remain, your Nephew, ERNEST THOMSON.

Intensely Interested in Corner. Upper Gaspoint, Queens Co., N.B.
Dear Uncle Dick— I am fourteen years old and am intensely interested in the "Children's Corner," but as I have many lessons to study I have not written before. I know several of your nieces although I think there has not been anyone written from Upper Gaspoint. I am sending the puzzle which I solved.

Wishing the Children's Corner all good wishes, I remain, yours truly, VERA FRANCES COY.

Has a Clever Dog. Young's Cove Road.
Dear Uncle Dick— I am writing to tell you I am sending you some drawings of a teapot. I don't expect to get a prize as there are so many boys and girls that can draw better than I can. My dog can do some tricks. He will stand up on his hind legs for something to eat and will sit up and put out his paw to shake hands. He and I have great fun playing in the snow. I have quite a long way to go to school. I get pretty cold some times these cold winters. I will close now with all good wishes, from your Nephew, LEE R. LEWIS.

Had Nice Sleight Drives. Young's Cove Road, Queens Co., N.B.
Dear Uncle Dick— Just a line to say I am well hoping you are the same. It has been awful cold weather. I have had some nice sleigh drives and I have had some nice coats. I thought I would like to join the corner. I guess I will close for this time.

Your loving Niece, HELEN E. TOWER.

News of The St. John Theatres Told In The Right Way

Who's Who and What's What in the Picture Game and on the Stage --- Film Favorites and What They Say and Do.

The Loric's week-end show is an excellent one and the pictures are rather out of the ordinary run of films. "A Modern Noble," is the title of the chief picture. It is a story of a student at Heidelberg, who falls in love with the landowner's daughter and it is "All for love and the world will lose" with him. It is a story of an angry parent finally reconciled but the settings are unusual and both characters exceedingly well portrayed. Gretchen, the little peasant girl, is very well suited for the part and Richard Stanton as the student, gave a fine rendering of the character. The "Stein-song" and "Heidelberg" almost sang themselves to the scenes at the inn, where the students with their round caps, sashes and capes, gathered to enjoy a merry meeting. It was odd to see a scene laid at Kell, associated to our minds with far distant objects, battle-ships, not peaceful fishermen. But it is a well-worth-while play and the hero very good to look upon.

He says with emotion, which springs from deep feeling, that he cannot play Shakespeare without Miss Marlowe. His health will prevent her ever walking the boards again. The announcement is to be regretted, for Miss Marlowe's broken health is the penalty of success. Miss Marlowe, although so closely identified with American theatres, was born in England. Mr. Sothern has been regarded as the young Englishman who first made his mark on the stage of this continent with Helen Dauvray in Bronson Howard's comedy, "One of Our Girls," and then settled down in the United States. He was really born in New Orleans.

Those privileged to see and hear a director at work in a studio say it is intensely interesting. The director's running comments on the work of his players and the remarks of the spectators who have a personal knowledge of what goes to make a good picture are illuminating to the uninitiated. Director Garrick of the Gaumont Company had this to say one day: "Now I want you to watch this scene in the sleeping quarters of a convict camp (the picture is called the 'Idol of the Stage'). I didn't tell the extra men but I hired four local prize-fighters and told them to start a battle royal when the first signal was given. Watch 'em now. There isn't that immense? Just wait till the warden comes; those fellows nursed bruises for days." And so his comment ran. At times one would say that title isn't clear or "you can cut off five feet there." In this fashion a picture is whipped into final shape.

The three Russian artists, the Romanoffs, provided the audience with more titlle than a Hazard of Helene or Pearl of Pauline. There are a mighty clever trio, who twist brightly colored objects, balance flags and throw things around in a most marvellous way. Their costumes is very attractive and it is all covered with attractive and in the knife-throwing act, one does not know which to admire more—the skill of the thrower or the nerve of the lady who acts as a human target. A very good vaudeville.

There were also at the Lyric yesterday, two comedies, one very funny one about a rich relation who shut himself up and refused to see his poor relatives, and the ludicrous schemes whereby the poor relations tried to gain access to "Uncle." The horse strategem was especially funny.

The Metro production of Barbara Froelich contains the unusual contrast of the oldest actress in America and the youngest screen star in the world—Mrs. Thomas Whitton and Mary Miles Winter will both play Barbara at different stages of her career.

Universal City, Calif.—F. McGraw Willis this week began the preparation of a five reel adaptation of the well-known novel by Charles Sherman, "His Comes Up Smiling," in which Carter De Haven is to be featured upon the completion of his present vehicle, "Get the Boy."

In view of the unusual success that has attended both the novel and the comedy drama of this name, the story is expected to result in one of the most successful screen productions of recent months.

Ottis Turner is to direct the production in addition to overseeing the work of Harry Carter as director of J. Warner Kerrigan in his work in the stellar role in the making of the filmization of Houghton Townley's novel, "The Gay Lord Waverley."

The second of the Fornari recitals under the auspices of the King's Daughters took place in the High School rooms last evening. The performers repeated the success they had made the evening before. There was

Francis Ford and Grace Cunard will soon begin work on an Irish story "Breanna of the Moor." They plan to follow this with stories of various nationalities, for which they will write their own scenarios.

A poem on the Gaiety, Fairville, Contributed: I love the moving pictures, cause I'm a movie fan, I love to read the question, put to the question man, I love to read the stories, so thrilling and so sweet, To each and every hero how eagerly I greet, I love the new pink walls, I love the pictures too, In fact I love most everything, in the Gaiety right through.

A PATRON.

A Unique Combination of Drama, Comedy and Romance
JOHN BARRYMORE AS A HOBO AT THE IMPERIAL
90 MINUTES OF RIPPLING LAUGHTER
Filmdom's King of Comedy in Geo. C. Shedd's
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A Bright and Sparkling Film of Fun!
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