# Housekeeping, Nursery, Gardening and News of Interest to Women

## **BIG SISTERHOOD ENJOYS SUCCESS**

Five Hundred Girls Took Part in First Annual Rally.

USEFUL ACTS

Always on the Alert for Opportunities to Do Some Good.

Five hundred girls took part yester-day afternoon in the first annual rally of the Big Sister Movement. The meeting was held in the Y.W.C.A. head-quarters on Eim street. A number of the industrial centres of Toronto were represented, as well as the training schools, the university and the Y.W.C.A. After a rally service, tea was

Miss Una Saunders, general secretary of the Y.W.C.A., told of the success which "big sisterhood" was achieving wherever it was introduced, and emphasized the need for all girls, of every class, to stand together for each other's

The Big Sister Movement was inaugurated at the Toronto Y.W.C.A. by Miss Agnes Drummond at the St. Valentine social, Feb. 14, 1912. At present there are 600 girls on the roll. The first Sunday in every month is designated as "Big Sister Sunday" in the Y. W.C.A. residences, when the girls in residence are reminded of the ideals of the movement.

A DAILY STORY FOR CHILDREN

The Frogs' Swimming Match

Once upon a time there was a big pond, and in it lived a great many

the movement.

Every girl who enrolls as a big sister is given a pamphlet on which is printed a series of suggestions for daily conduct. She is asked to be on the alert for opportunities of doing useful acts for other girls, and to be especially on the look-out for lonely and disconsolate girls. "Be gentle, cheerful and honest in your work" is part of the advice which she receives. And finally she is asked to remember that she can do all things thru Christ who strengthens her. Im addition to a general futerest in the welfare of her fellows, each girl is asked to single out some other girl who will be her "little sister," and look to her for counsel and help.

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Miss Saunders explained that the organization of the Big Sisters was of the most simple type possible as it was made a part of each department of the Y.W.C.A. in the form of a "Big Sister Club." Each Y.W.C.A. house in Toronto also had a Big Sister Club. The only officers of the club are a president and secretary. No threasurer is required. The members sure it would be something nice, and, of course, they all wanted to be the large young girls on their arrival in Ing young girls on their arrival in the city to the club. The next introduction is to the secretary of the frog that bragged about his swimming the frog that bragged about his swimming the from the fro W.C.A., and in most cases this results in the stranger soon acquiring all the advantages of the Y.W.C.A. with its local. Dominton and world-

Miss McGuffin convenor of the evangelistic committee, made a plea for consecrated service on behalf of

Mrs. R. C. Donald, president of the Toronto Y.W.C.A., expressed gratification at the large attendance and the success of the new movement Among other Y.W.C.A. leaders present were Mrs. N. W. Rowell, president Dominion Council; Mrs. Gandier and Miss Jones, the newly-appointed secretary of religious work.

A Victrola for Christmas. A gift that will surely be appreciated a Victrola from the Victrola Parlors of Ye Olde Firme of Heintzman & Co., Limited, 193-195-197 Yonge street. The assortment is large; prices moderate, and terms easy. Store open even-

In defining the states duty to the child Dr. Struthers said that two of the duties of the state had already been generally recognized. First was the cultured or literary training imparted and subsequently vocational education with a view to what the child's future calling might be.

HEALTH TRAINING HAS PLACE

Dr. Struthers at Faculty of Education.

IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS PROGRAM

Canada Has Only Lately Real ized That Cultural and Voca-

Struthers' lecture on Friday night on "The State's Duty to the Child." The address was given under the auspices of the Faculty of Education at their assembly hall. Spadina avenue. Principal Pakenham presided.

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Clear and practical was Dr. W. E. motor cars to go to school or college lec-

tional Training Should Be Supplemented by Hygiene-



Once upon a time there was a big pond, and in it lived a great many families of builfrogs. They were very happy together, and the little frogs were full of fun and played together all day long.

but he was going to try his best and bring home the prize. Off they started! One, two, three.

four, five, six, seven. Seven frogs all swimming as hard as they could. Number five is ahead, no, it's three, hurrah! No, there goes one; oh, he is away ahead, he'll win, hurrah! He has reached the flag and is turning to come back, and so is five; they are swimming side by side, the others are away behind, and the race now is just between these two. They are still to-gether, and are evenly matched. On they go, side by side, but poor number one is getting tired and isn't swimming so fast, and slowly he drops behind and number five reaches the rock the winner. They all crowd rock the winner. They all crowd around and tell him that he is the fastest swimmer in the pond, and they give him the prize.

He is so happy that he runs hom to tell his mother all about it, and she is glad and gives him a big fat worm to eat, and he thinks this is the happiest day of his life.

The parents did not appreciate the importance of proper food. Parents gave the children what they liked, rather than

Give the little baby useful presents esents his mother will appreciate silver-mounted rattles, heavily em-

either useful nor sensible. Little coats, either the crochet or sweater kind, are always attractive, and something that every little baby needs every day-you know what they welcome. The same may be said of soft wool stockings and long bootees. A baby can hardly have too many pairs. Woolen overalls have become necessary part of baby's toilet. The a necessary part of baby's toilet. The kind without feet are best for the little baby, and for the creeping baby, since they may be worn in the house; but for outdoor wear for the walking or go-cart baby, the overalls with feet in are best. White or brown rubbers, whichever is most suitable for your particular baby, are often considered a luxury by mothers, so that a pair of these would give both mother and baby real pleasure. The knitted Afghan or carriage cover is always acceptable, and makes a gift useful from the time baby is a week old until

from the time baby is a week old until the wool is worn out. A blanket made of eiderdown, and bound with ribbon makes a present less expensive than the Afghan, and much quicker to make. A plece of fine white French fiannel is always of use in the house where there always of use in the house where there are babies. It makes the pretty ger-trude petticoats for the young baby, and trude petticoats for the young baby, and it makes short petticoats for the little girls who dislike to be called babies now. I do not like the flannel, already embroidered when bought, that never looks babylike to me; but a fine piece of flannel, scalloped and buttonholed, makes as dainty a garment as any baby could want.

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So there's an idea for you if you haven't a minute for making; give the little mother some of this beauti ful baby goods, and she will be perfectly happy making the pretty gar-ments to suit herself and her baby. To made a gertrude petticoat requires one and a half yards of the flannel. tles and hot water bottles, safety pin cushions, towels, pillows, tiny covered

of balls, white wooden toys that have no paint to be sucked off, rubber ani-mals and dolls that may be washed, blocks, washable rag dolls and pretty linen picture books. Elaborate and expensive toys are

OOP By GELETT BURGESS



LEONARD LAMB Upon the pantry shelf, the cakes And pies and jellies mother makes pots of jam Are much enjoyed By Leonard Lamb. For Leonard is a Goop—he goes And helps himself

Don't Be A Goop!



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Edmund Scheuer.

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CHRISTMAS STAMPS.

The Christmas seal issued by the National Sanitarium Association for the benefit of the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives promises displace the usual sticker with great majority of people that send out Christmas gifts. There have been four million seals ordered, and it is hoped that there will be at least \$25,000 add-ed to the fund this year, that amount being urgently needed, as there is now accommodation for almost 200 patients at the free hospital and from \$75,000 THE WOES OF MRS. NEWLYWED



dries up so much it is hardly fit to eat," complained Mrs. Newlywed.

"Why don't you add a little sait?" said Mr. Neighbor. "It will keep the custard from drying and caking and adds very much to the delicious taste."



A Pot of Musk.

ry pretty ornament for the winter dining-room. Only those who have seen a full, healthy pot of this fragrant plant in perfect bloom can appreciate the delicate beauty of it.

The musk plant or mimulus, be longs to the great family of tender annuals. That is to say, the musk is more or less a greenhouse plant. But, nevertheless, it can be grown as a house or shady garden plant, if care is taken to supply the proper atmos-

A rapid grower, of decidedly trailing strong enough to stand upright. Look-ing closely one will notice how simi-

half-an-inch or so wide, perhaps two inches long, with rather deeply indented edges, bases wider and often a wee bit heart-shaped, the lines tapering to a graceful point. A healthy plant send up many stems fairly thickly covered with leaves, and in a few weeks these stems fall over the sides of the pot trailing a foot or more at

Some varieties of musk have the leaves and stems covered with a fine downy growth, almost invisible. downy growth, almost invisible. This downy covering serves to hold the drops of moisture, unabsorbed on the leaves, giving the plant a particularly lovely appearance, as if fairy-sprinkled with early dew-drops.

The whole plant is fragrant with a sweet numerat and very perfectating.

sweet pungent and very penetrating odor. Indeed, one good-sized pot in bloom sends out such an overpowering fragrance, that it is sufficient to per-

# DOMESTIC SCIENCE LECTURER

Helpful Education for Our Boys OME mothers seem to think that a boy working in a kitchen is equivalent to an elephant ambling thru a china shop, but according to Ohio's state superintendent of instruction, Mr. Frank W. Miller, this

Mr. Miller is insisting that some time shall be devoted in every Ohio school to teaching boys to cook. He does not expect the lads to learn the larger phases of housework, like planning meals, dividing the income or managing the house, but thinks that if they are taught simple elements of cooking, scientific facts about eating and the whys and wherefores of home duties they will have a deeper love for home and a greater respect for practically the bare cost of distributions. managing the house, but thinks that if they are taught simple elements of duties they will have a deeper love for home and a greater respect for He says: "After all, education is to help us in working out our daily

problems of living. Why it should make a Miss Nancy of a boy to blacken a stove or straighten a disordered room, I never could see. Sensible mothers let their inquisitive children experiment and construct to some useful end. The electricity they study in physics will never be more helpful than when its principles are applied to mending the bell, regulating the lights, extending the telephone, or attaching the electric irons.

"The theory of transmission of heat can be learned at the kitchen range while the burner that gives a useless yellow flame, instead of a clear blue blaze, is being adjusted. "Of what use is the study of chemistry to anyone if it does not lead to some good use daily, and how better can it be used than when applied to

I have seen great husky boys sitting in the kitchen whittling and grumbling while their mother set the table and put the finishing touches to a belated meal in a breathless rush. To insist on such lads helping a bit would make them more thoughtful and manly and tide them thru their

All things are full of interest to young folks if they are made attractive to them, so do not laugh at the idea of your boys learning to cook at school. In this work they get mental training and opportunity for construction and experiment they can secure in no other way. The effect of hot and cold, hard or soft water on various materials can be more effectively learned from a course of dishwashing than from a professor's two-hour lecture. Prof. Fess, now one of our congressmen, taught me capillary attraction with a bowl of water and a hand towel and I remember it better than anything else I ever learned from any book on physiology.

In this hasty age our boys need to be taught the hardships, the glories and the necessity of housework to make them appreciate their mothers,

My brothers used to have boy dolls to play with, for my mother said: They will be fathers some day, and it is quite as necessary for them to develop parental instincts as for my girls to." Some day, when they are heads of families and masters of their own homes I know her daughters-in-law will call her blessed.

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Boys can make money by selling morning newspapers. It is healthful work, does not interfere with school duties or recreation No matter where you live, there is a convenient supply depot where you can secure copies of The Morning World, and there are plenty of good corners not at present covered. Write or call the Circulation Department of The World.

meate the whole atmosphere of any ordinary room to the furthermost cor-

The musk is a profuse blo flowers are a bright clear yellow, an inch or more long, rather trumpet-shaped, with a wide open mouth, the upper lip turned back, and disclosing the slightly furry interior, which is often blotched with brown, orange or deep yellow patches. This flower, as CORNERSTONE OF every botanist knows, is characteristic of the order to which the musk belongs, namely, the scrophularinae. Those who do not know this family will remember the well-known snap-dragon, the wonderful foxglove, and the old, old veronia, all of which bear flowers very similar in build to the

The World's Presentation of "Heart Songs"

A New Idea for a Newspaper

The most remarkable offering by The Toronto World of the now famous song book, entitled "Heart Songs," announcement of which appears today elsewhere in this paper, should be a source of sincere con-gratulation to both publisher and

thousand copies of this unique volume have gone into the homes of the people at the publisher's retail price of two dollars and a half per volume. The merits of the book are such that the sales are steadily on the increase. and in the ordinary course of busi-ness the book would attain an enormous circulation.

Upon our first approaching the publishers with a proposition to al-low us in effect to make a gift of it to our readers, we met with a cold reception. But subsequently a plan was developed whereby a syndicate of the largest and most influential newspapers in the country entered into an arrangement with the makers of the book, so that several hundred thousand conjug might be alletted.

There is no doubt that the ultimate market for this wonderful book of songs will comprise millions of homes. And the few hundred thousand copies presented by the leading newspapers of the United States and Canada to their readers will serve as the best advertisement that could be devised.

We do not go into detail as to the merits of "Heart Songs" in this brief notice since they are meritised. notice since they are mentioned in another place, so clearly and conspicuously that they can hardly escape the

It is of universal increst, and there is no member of the family but will find something of fascination and genuine interest between its covers. As we state elsewhere, we believe this distribution of this book will accomplish a work of education of the very highest character, and our offering may fairly be called a testimonial to the thousands of men and women who read our columns daily.

The work has five hundred large pages, and comprises four hundred selections, words and music. It is to be had by The World readers on presentation of six coupons, of con-

LADIES

Have your Beaver, Velour or Felt Hats cleaned, dyed, blocked and remodeled at

ST. PAUL'S IS LAID

fice - Great Growth

In the presence of a large number of

the members of the congregation, the cornerstone of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, on Glen Morris etreet, was well and truly laid by the acting pastor. Rev. M. J. Bieber. Hon. Adam Beck and Hon. George A. Clare were to have been present at the ceremony and had consented to deliver addresses, but both these gentlemen found it impossible to attend. Letters of congratulation were read from several sister churches of Canada.

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The new church has been under construction for several months, and it will be completed next year. It is a substantial brick structure, and should suffice for the needs of the parish for everal years.

Rev. E. Hoffman, the president of the Canada Synod, was present, and in the course of an address dwelt on the expansive tendency shown by Lutherans the world over. During the last decade they have increased their membership by 142 per cent. in Canada. The St. Paul's Church was organized in 1908, at the corner of Markham and College streets. The present property was secured this year.

WILLIAMS' STORE OFFERS AD-VANTAGES FOR XMAS PURCHASING.

During the next few weeks those desiring to purchase victrolas, phonographs, or records will find the ten private sound-proof rooms of the R. S. Williams & Sons Company, Limited, of 145 Yonge street—the largest in the city of the angel of the angel of the street. ed, of 145 Yonge street—the largest in the city—a happy solution for the annoying delay so common during this season. At the Williams store a large staff will ensure prompt and courteous attention, Victrolas, \$20 up. phonographs, \$39 up. Convenient

HOLY NAME SOCIETY.

A meeting of the Holy Name Society of St. Cecilia's Parish will take place on next Sunday afternoon at 2.30. to make arrangements for the general reception of new members received From day to day, beginning with this issue, The World will publish new features connected with "Heart Songs," until its marvelous attractions are set forth to our readers.

It is a work arrangements for the general reception of new members received into the society during the mission. The meeting will be held in the old school house. Pacific avenue.

> This Simple Recipe Quickly Banishes Hairs

Here is a simple and inexpensive recipe or formula which is used with The work has five hundred large pages, and comprises four hundred selections, words and music. It is to be had by The World readers on presentation of six coupons, of consecutive dates clipped from this paper, and the bare cost of distribution. Books in both styles of binding are on display at The World office, and the choice is bours. Toronto and original package, otherwise it may not assert the selections of the choice is bours.

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