

NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO WOMEN

NEW YEAR'S CUSTOMS ARE FAST VANISHING

Many Influences Are Responsible for Abandonment of Quaint Practices.

Old customs which tradition and history have associated for generations with the birth of the new year are fast becoming extinct.

The season, however, recalls that New Year's Day, as a time when men called upon the women of their acquaintance as a special formality, no longer exists.

More picturesque still, if less decorous, was the custom that pertained in the land of varlocks and witches, when Jock and his companions bottle in hand waited at the door of their friend Sandy, until the bells rang out the dirge of the old year and the birth of the new.

These were customs of our grandmothers' time, illustrative of the hospitality of the land of the heather.

Ireland, too, favored the passing of the "loving cups" and the clasp of hand between even those who all the year thru had regarded one another as enemies.

Manners and customs change as do fashions in clothes, and in the banishment of old customs at least there is much upon which many homes are to be congratulated.

WOMEN'S RIFLE SCORES. The following scores were made this week by members of the Women's Rifle Club: Mrs. A. Adams, 86; Miss B. Smith, 88; Miss Edward, 84; Miss R. R. Hart, 78; Miss Lloyd, 77; Miss Merritt, 77; Mrs. Peter Baird, 71; Miss Debra Law, 50.

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MANITOBA WILL PASS ON WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

Legislature Will Introduce Bill for Purpose at Approaching Session.

What was termed by Hon. H. Johnson an epoch-making occasion was the recent presentation to the Manitoba Government of a petition containing 39,584 names, representing 33.9 per cent. of the vote polled at the last election, or 22,065 names more than

were necessary to comply with the Liberal platform, which had promised the vote to women upon the production of a petition signed by 15 per cent. of the vote polled at the election above cited.

Mrs. J. F. Dixon, one of the speakers, said that there were 5500 sheets of names, or 1100 feet of closely written signatures. The pile, when arranged on the table, was 18 inches high.

The campaign had been carried out by the Political Equality League, assisted by the Grain Growers' Association, temperance organizations, household economic societies, and organized labor, and had been in progress since June last.

have the somewhat dubious promise of Premier Norris that "We will do it honestly as far as we can."

A WOMAN'S MESSAGE TO WOMEN.

If you are troubled with weak, tired feelings, headache, backache, bearing down sensations, bladder weakness, constipation, catarrhal conditions, pain in the sides regularly or irregularly, bloating or unnatural enlargements, sense of falling or misplacement of internal organs, nervousness, desire to cry, palpitation, hot flashes, dark rings under the eyes or a loss of interest in life, I invite you to write and ask for my simple method of home treatment, with ten days' trial entirely free and postpaid, also references to Canadian ladies who refer to me, and tell how they have regained health, strength, and happiness by this method. Write today. Address: Mrs. M. Summers, Box 55, Windsor, Ont.

THEATRES

"MUTT AND JEFF IN COLLEGE."

All positively new is the announcement regarding "Mutt and Jeff in College," the offering at the Grand next week. As the title signifies, it has the college environment from start to finish, and is said to be one of the most original comedies of laughter from curtain to curtain.

"THE BIRTH OF A NATION."

Manager Norman Withrow of Massey Hall announces an extension of the engagement of "The Birth of a Nation" at Massey Hall, beginning with the usual matinee and evening performances on Monday, Jan. 3. Although booked elsewhere in Ontario, the management of the wonderful Griffith production has consented to allow it to remain for twelve additional performances, only on account of the steadily increasing business to which it has played since the opening on Christmas Day.

ELMAN AND N. Y. SYMPHONY.

Jan. 20 will bring to Massey Hall one of the few orchestral concerts of the season, when the New York Symphony Orchestra, Walter Damrosch, conductor, in association with the renowned young Russian violinist, Mischa Elman, will be the attraction. Last year's appearance of the New York Symphony Orchestra registered an advance sale which exhausted the plan days before the concert took place, and this time Manager Withrow requests all those who desire to reserve choice seats to send in mail orders addressed to himself.

MRS. LANGTRY AT AMERICA.

Mrs. Langtry (Lady De Bathe), will positively make her farewell appearance in Toronto next week when the distinguished English actress will headline the bill at Shea's in "Ashes," a dramatic playlet in which she is assisted by Leopold Stok and Lionel Lincoln. It is nine years since Mrs. Langtry last appeared in Toronto. Dave Kramer and George Morton, former musical comedy stars, will be featured in a black-face comedy offering, "Fannie and Kitten Watson," a dramatic playlet in which she is assisted by Leopold Stok and Lionel Lincoln. It is nine years since Mrs. Langtry last appeared in Toronto.

NEXT WEEK AT LOEWS.

Bob Hall, one of the hits at Loew's Yonge Street Theatre, will make his second appearance within a short time at that playhouse when the entire coming week. The comedy playlet in two scenes, "He, She and Him," by Charles Teckberg, will be another feature on this bill. Mahoney Brothers and Daisy will offer a melange of dances, songs and fun. Jenkins and Covert will present a talkative original entitled, "Just Married." Others on the bill will include Lockhard and Leddy, pantomimic acrobatic comedians, the Melody Trio, in new songs and Frisco, ventriloquist.

AT THE HIPPODROME.

The Six Kirksmith Sisters, one of the best musical organizations in vaudeville, will headline the bill at the Hippodrome next week. The six charming young women are talented instrumentalists who have a refined offering in which they introduce many varieties of instruments. Eugene Lockhart, former Argonaut football player, will make his first professional appearance in Toronto in his own original pianologue, Mme. Petrova, the distinguished Russian actress, will be featured in the Broadway success, "What Will the People Say?" Mme. Petrova will be here personally on Thursday, Friday and Saturday and will deliver an interesting lecture on the "movies." William Wilson and Company in a comedy sketch; Dale and Boyle, singers and dancers; W. L. Cockburn, Scottish baritone; the Monte Trio, in a singing, dancing melange; feature film attractions and "The Sidelights" in "The Laugh Factory," complete the bill.

LAURA HOUSTON AT STAR.

There is said to be no soubrette before the public more captivating than dainty, pretty and magnetic Laura Houston, who will be at the Star Theatre with "The Girls from the Polles" Company, next week. She is credited with singing her songs with a vivacity that impels and then she dances, and with her twinkling toes wins as great applause as with her voice and mannerisms.

NEW YEAR'S CONCERT TONIGHT.

Scottish folk, and others who love an old-time Scottish concert, will be attracted by Mr. Campbell's annual New Year's concert, in Foresters' Hall, 22 College street, tonight. An all-Scottish company has been engaged, including Jessie Alexander, Miss Mary Bruce-Brown, the charming star soprano from Aberdeen; Miss Nellie McChie, the Ayrshire violinist; Mr. James E. Flades, our best Scottish tenor, and Miss Florence Mackay, accompanist. Those who have not already secured their seats should do so today at Foresters' Hall.

"BON TON GIRLS."

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