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Smoking Concert held in the parlors of the Horse-shoe Social club, a large number of guests were present and highly enjoyed the pleasing programme which consisted of:

Vocal solo.....Charles McGrath.
Banjo Solo.....Thos. Doherty.
Vocal Solo.....F. G. Foster.
Banjo Solo.....Prof. Whetzel.
Vocal Quartette.....

Messrs. McGrath, Foster, Staples and Lawlor.
Banjo Solo.....Prof. Whetzel.
Mrs. Brown's Brown Bread Whist Club, held the first meet of the season on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Chas. Beckwith, a very pleasant evening was spent with progressive whist, when Miss Edith Hilyard won the ladies' first prize and Mr. R. L. McLean the gentlemen's. Miss Isabel Babbitt and Mr. R. S. Barker were made quite happy with the consolation prizes. Those present were: The Messrs Crookshank, The Messrs Gregory, Miss Johnston, Miss Carrie Winslow, Mrs. Geo. Allen, Miss Hilyard, Mr. and Mrs. Burns, Mrs. W. T. H. Fenety, Miss Fenety, Miss Phinney, Miss Bailey, Miss Bessie Babbitt, Miss Isabel Babbitt, Mr. Chas. Allen, Mr. Fraser Winslow, Mr. Aitken, Mr. R. S. Barker, Mr. Britstowe, Mr. McLean, Mr. Cowie, Mr. L. W. Bailey Jr., Mr. H. Cheesnut.

Mrs. Barbour gave a pleasant little party on Friday evening in honor of her sister Miss McFarlane progressive games were the amusement of the evening and were much enjoyed among the guests present were: Miss Bessie McNally, Miss Ida McLeod, Miss Edith Gregory, The Messrs Grace and Emma Porter, Miss Jean Cooper, Miss Nellie Whitehead, Mr. Wayland Porter, Mr. Harry McLeod, Mr. Laten and Mr. Norman McLeod.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Robertson are spending a few days here as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Edgecombe at "Ashburton Place".
Mrs. Wesley Yawart is in Woodstock visiting her sister Mrs. Geo. E. Balmann.
Mr. Jack Robertson of Toronto spent Sunday with his sister friends.

Mr. A. R. Tibbits was in St. John over Sunday, the guest of his brother-in-law.
Col. Vidal is in Ottawa, having gone to meet General Minto.

The young ladies of the hospital aid held a very successful at home in the Auld Kirk on Friday evening. The kirk was very prettily decorated and filled to overflowing with a happy concourse. Mr. Geo. F. Gregory was chairman and announced the numbers of the program, which consisted of: Reading, Miss Bessie McNally; vocal solo, Miss Bona Johnston, with violin and piano accompaniment; reading, Miss Phinney; vocal solo, Miss Nan Thompson; vocal solo, Mr. F. C. Cooper. Miss Bessie Babbitt, Miss Aggie Neil and Miss Edith Gregory presided at the candy table the proceeds of which netted \$22.00. Light refreshments were served the guests during the evening which was passed most happily.

The young ladies having in charge the entertainment for Thanksgiving evening in the church hall are making elaborate preparations for the supper and entertainment of the evening and should have a large house.

OTTAWA SOCIETY LETTER.

Nov. 16.—The air has been full of farewells during the past 14 weeks—in Ottawa, Montreal and Toronto society, and societies have been saying goodbye to their excellencies until the latter must have been weary of the word. And yet, to leave with so many assurances of the love of Canadians ringing in their ears must have robbed the parting of some of its sadness—for there is no doubt that the Earl and Countess of Aberdeen were sorry to leave the country where they had spent five such happy years. Her Excellency still retains the presidency of the National Council and of the Aberdeen association. Some doubt whether the various objects in which she took such an interest will live long after her departure but she has taken care that leaders are left in charge who have the good of the society at heart. One of her last acts—within two or three days of her departure was to form a Mutual Benefit association among the girls of the Printing Bureau, who, when they are out of work must lose their wages unless some such provision is made. It is said, but please remember that I do not vouch for it, that Lord and Lady Aberdeen spent fifteen thousand dollars in presents including the photographs which they sent to so many just before their departure. But I can well believe it if they gave gifts in the same measure in other cities as they did here. To Sir Wilfred and Lady Laurier an exquisitely chased silver loving cup was given.



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and this is just an instance. Lady Aberdeen bade farewell in a most informal fashion to the wives of the cabinet ministers, judges and her intimate friends. Some not so favored considered this visiting at the residences rather *infra dig* but her excellency, or should I say ex-excellency, unobtrusively ranked to kindness, if the two clashed.

The car in which the Earl and Countess of Aberdeen left Ottawa for Toronto was, through the kindness of several members of the May Court club—a society of young girls—made beautiful and fragrant with flowers, a veritable bower.

Now, society is semi-dormant awaiting the coming of the new vicerey and vice reine. As the latter is said to be an ultra fashionable woman pretty and bright—gave a very delightful winter party at the smart set, who evidently think that now things will be rather different and that it will not be so easy to have the elite at Government House. Truth to tell, it has not been much of an honor of late; if you will forgive the slang (and as this is my first letter you may not be very hard-hearted) "all looked alike" to the late occupant of Rideau Hall, or very nearly so.

So far this season it has been dull enough; this last week almost a penitential Lent. Few church of England hostesses received on their day no tea were given or entertainments mooted, for a mission was in progress, and every one went to church. Rev. W. de Soyres of St. John was listened to by large congregations at St. George's, he being a very earnest and impressive speaker. Of course women predominated—it surely will be the millennium when men go to church at any other time except when newly engaged. And speaking of engagements I am reminded of one probably ended in a marriage by the time this is read. "Happy is the woman that is not long a doing" is an adage that is well known; for the duration of the wedding is a matter of conjecture but only a few weeks elapsed before the announcement of Mr. Collingwood d. Schriebar's engagement to Miss Gwynne (daughter of Mr. Justice Gwynne) and his marriage. The former is a C. M. G. and a very popular member to boot, so much interest was taken in the wedding which, however, was as quiet as well could be.

There will be many brides in town this year, a very large number of debutantes and no less than fourteen new doctors; if report sayeth true.

Last year so many entertainments were given at St. Luke's hospital a new building erected for the charitable purpose of caring for the sick that the constant demands on one's purse became rather monotonous, but as it is now in a flourishing condition the various committees of ladies will probably only give an occasional progressive euchre or concert in its aid. I hope from all this talk of medicines and hospitals you will not get the idea that Ottawa is unhealthy. It is a bit; but it is growing.

I have a bit of news that I think will interest you, and that is that Mrs. J. B. Jyrell is going in the spring to the Klondike there to join her husband, who leaves for the land of the gold shortly after Christmas. It seems to me a very brave undertaking, but she is looking forward to the new experience and will no doubt enjoy it, she could not have a better friend, counselor and guide than her husband, who wrote "Through the Sub-Arctic of Canada."

Miss Mary Scott, daughter of the Secretary of State, has left for Quebec where she will join the Premier and Lady Laurier and go with them to Washington what a pity that all Sir Wilfred's sunny ways could not melt the heart of the frigid International commission and have brought it to the "Washington of the North."

Zor.

Cornered.

Four young couples evidently out for an enjoyable day, were seated on one side of the wagonette having a decidedly good time. While their merriment was at its height a seven-year-old boy opposite them suddenly leaned forward.

"Mister," he remarked to one of the young men, "why don't you kiss your girl?"
The young man looked up in surprise, and the girl—a pretty girl, too—blushed.
"Henry, Henry," said the boy's father, "what do you mean by such talk?"
The boy looked at his father in surprised disgust.

"What's the matter with you, dad?" he cried. "You told me you'd do it if you was him!"

And the father found the landscape decidedly interesting until the young people got out.

Merciful.

It is related of a certain gentleman of Celtic attraction, who owns the honorable office of trial justice in the State of Maine, that on one occasion his own son was brought before him on a charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

His Honor listened gravely to the evidence, which established a very clear case against the young man, and said—

"The Court will now render sentence. You are fined ten cents and costs. The Court will remit the costs, and you go home and thank Hivin that your father is the Judge."

JUDGE PALMER WILL BE HERE.

Engaged to Assist in the Hesse Suit For Damages.

The suit against the street railway company for damages comes up next week. The court opens on the 22nd and it is understood that no effort will be spared to bring the suit on at the earliest day.

The facts of the case are so well known to the public that they need not be recounted. Professor Hesse is at present at his home in Providence where he went when he had sufficiently recovered from his injuries to travel. His solicitor, Dr. Quigley, was in that city to see him a short time ago and speaks of his client as a much changed man since the accident. He is exceedingly nervous and under the circumstances that would not seem impossible.

A good deal of interest will be taken in the case by the people on account of the sensational nature of the accident and the large amount of damages asked for but there will be an additional feature of the proceedings of the court in the appearance of ex Judge A. L. Palmer as consulting counsel. Progress understands that he has been retained by Dr. Quigley who is representing the plaintiff. The judge has not been engaged in active legal work since he left the bench but his thorough knowledge of law will be of great assistance in such a case as this. It has not been stated if any others beside Judge Palmer are associated with Dr. Quigley but probably there are. Mr. C. A. Palmer made an application in the suit before Judge McLeod this week so he too will likely be in the case. The application was for a commission to issue and take evidence in Providence. The court opens Tuesday and the plaintiffs attorney wanted the evidence taken at once so that the suit could be brought on as soon as the court opens. But Mr. McLeod opposed this motion and he was accused of wanting, delay so that the case could not be tried this circuit. At any rate he carried his point and the evidence can't be taken in Providence until next Tuesday or Wednesday.

It is not stated yet whether Mr. McLeod will be assisted in his conduct of the case or not but Mr. Pugsley has been engaged by the street railway people before now and may be again.

MR. CRAWFORD VERY MUCH ALIVE.

In Spite of the Grave Announcement That Saddened His Friends.

Harry Crawford does business on Union street; he sells stoves, tinware and everything of that kind that is needed in a household; carries out plumbing contracts and all such business; he is a member of the Log Cabin club of Foresters, also an enthusiastic member of the well known fishing club of the same name; an A. O. U. W. lodge has him on the list and, being also a mason, as well as a familiar figure among the cyclists of the road, the news of his death one morning this week came as a sad and sudden surprise to all of those people who read the morning Sun. Mr. Crawford usually waits until he gets to his store before he glances over the newspapers, but this morning the little paragraph met him a score of times before he got as far Union Street. It did seem strange to meet a friend on that particular morning and to have him stop and stare at him much the same, no doubt, as he would if he had met a ghost. All unconscious of the reason of this, Mr. Crawford went along on his way to business, and it was only when he met an acquaintance that he inquired the reason closer why he looked at him in such a strange manner. Then the story came, out. It appears that a workman, Mr. Clark who was a valued employee of Mr. Crawford's and also a member of the Log Cabin Club of Foresters, had passed passed away the preceding evening and the newspaper man who wrote the paragraph in the hurried and rushing hours of the early morning, got the facts mixed up. No harm was done, but it is not every man who has his obituary written before he is dead.

Excellent Christmas Number.

The Xmas number of Black and White has been received from McArthur's, and is replete with literary gems from the pen of the best writers of the day. Every article is superbly illustrated, by well known artists and altogether the periodical is one of the finest numbers ever issued by its publishers. Accompanying it are four very handsome pictures that are valuable in themselves. Black and White is for sale at McArthur's bookstore, King street.

Why He Married.

In the north of England, where rabbit-coursing is much in vogue, swift, well-trained dogs often win large sums in prizes. It is, therefore, little to be wondered at that the owners of these animals

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An old Yorkshire collier, well known for his success in the courting field, recently surprised all his mates by marrying a very unprepossessing woman. He had always been reckoned a confirmed hater of the other sex.

"Why has he gone and got spoiled, lad, at thy age?" one of his friends asked him.
"Oh, that's not much of a tale," answered the old man, stolidly. "I agree wi' ye 'at Betsy yonder is no beauty—if she had been I shouldn't have wed her. But there dog o' mine, he was simply pinin' for some body to look after him while I was away at t' pit. I couldn't bear to leave him in the house by hisen, so I hit on the idea of marryin' Betsy. She's not handsome, but she's mighty good company for the dog!"

Well Rewarded.

A famous singing-teacher tells this anecdote to illustrate the nobility of heart of a Russian lady, one of her pupils. Nila. Nadine Boulitchoff created a great sensation, with her beautiful voice and dramatic power, at Moscow, St. Petersburg, and Madrid. In the summer of 1880 she sang at Rio Janeiro. Brazil was then the centre of the cruel slave trade. At her benefit Nadine learned that she was to be presented with valuable gifts. She begged that the money, instead of being spent on her, should be used to buy the liberty of several female slaves. Her deed of charity released seven poor slaves, one of whom had been recently whipped in public by order of his mistress. On the benefit night, after Nadine had sung, the seven negroes went upon the stage to thank the artist. The crowded house applauded for several minutes; the national hymn was played; the Emperor, Dom Pedro, rose, and with him the whole audience; and the songstress knew a moment of thrilling joy such as seldom comes to anyone.

A Frugal-Minded Rich Man.

Mr. John D. Rockefeller, the American multimillionaire, is a notable example of the fact that the richest men are oftentimes curiously frugal-minded. His colossal fortune of 200,000,000 dollars in no way influences him in the direction of carelessness in his expenditure. He owns several princely residences, magnificent yachts, private swimming-baths, golf-links, tennis-courts, immense stables with a great number of horses, all of which involve the services of a regular army of attendants, yet the domestic life of himself and his family is simple in the extreme. There meals are of almost Spartan plainness, and no alcohol is ever served. In person, the American Croesus is tall, with a grave, heavily-lined face and a prominent nose. He dresses quietly, displaying no jewellery, and is so opposed to publicity that, although the various "trusts" he controls have made him a notorious one in the United States, few would know him if they happened to meet him in the street.

With a Moral for Some.

A donkey stepped into a business house one day and asked for the proprietor, who walked out of his private office to meet him but was surprised to see a donkey in his establishment.

"Why are you here?" he asked; "you know that this is no place for a donkey."

"I am here," said the donkey, "because I

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say your advertisement on the fence that surrounds my pasture. I know that you, too must be a donkey, or you would have placed the advertisement in a live paper, where it would be read by people, not donkeys. Being lonesome to-day I thought I would be neighbourly and call on you."

Almost A Native.

"Are you a native of this parish?" asked a Scotch sheriff of a witness who was summoned to testify in a case of illicit distilling.

"Mainly, yer honour," was the reply.
"I mean you were born in this parish?"
"Na, yer honour. I wasna born in this parish; but I'm a native for a' that. I 'Ume here when you were a child, I suppose you mean?" said the sheriff.
"No, sir, I jist here about sax year noo."
"Then how do come to be nearly a native of the parish?"

"Weel, ye see, when I cam' here, sax year sin, I jist weighed eight stane, an' I'm seventeen stane noo, see ye see that about nine stane o' me belonge to this parish an' the ither eight comes from Cam-lache."

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