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seem to realize what is most becoming to them. Fads of one kind or another one has continually to be prepared for, but this fashion in hats is more conspicuous than the beaded watch-chains, and dangling purses or huge buckles that have been offending the eye of those with less gaudy tastes.

MR. H. GORDON MACKENZIE, son of Mr. Hector Mac Kenzie, left last week for Paris, where he intends studying art for a year or so. Up to the present time Mr. MacKenzie has been a pupil at the Art Gallery in Montreal, and his work there was of considerable promise.

MR. GEORGE GILLESPIE gave a very jolly supper party last week after the Naval Tournament, for a number of friends, among whom were some of the officers of the Talbot and Pearl.

Mr. Allan, Boston, Mass., spent some days in Montreal last week, the guest of Mrs. Ewan, Sherbrooke street.

Miss Frankie Watt, Stanley street, leaves very shortly for Brooklyn, N.Y., where she will spend the winter.

THE bare idea of an attempt at dramatizing "The Gadfly" is so astonishing that it hardly comes as a surprise to hear that the effort has met with little success. As a critic, The Evening Post seldom, if ever, errs on the side of leniency, and in regard to "The Gadfly" it allows no quarter. Still, if scathing, it can always be depended upon, and the admirers of the powerful though unpleasant book are not likely to hasten to Wallace's Theatre after reading the criticism. "Every act is heavy with dullness and crammed with absurdity," is hardly a recommendation, and that two of the leading people "did as well as could be expected of them in the distressful circumstances" is the least severe denunciation of the actors and actresses. One is pleased to hear that Mrs. Voynich, the author, is innocent of any share in the dramatization. It seems to be difficult for the generality of people to understand that a clever book will not of necessity make a successful play.

ON Thursday, September 7, the annual gathering of the Braemar Royal Highland Society took place at Balmoral, the Queen having for the fourth time honored the society by a command that the gathering should take place within sight of her Highland home. The proceedings this year were of exceptional interest, both from the fact that Her Majesty graced them with her presence and also that the attendance was the largest in the history of the society. All arrangements regarding the procession, games, reception of visitors and the ball in the evening, which closed the happy celebration, were admirably carried out. According to the Scotch papers, one of the visitors at the gathering was Mr. Donald McMaster, Q.C., of Montreal.

MR. STIKEMAN, the Misses Stikeman and Mr. H. Stikeman, Dorchester street, have returned to town from their country house at Ste. Rose.

A very pleasant dinner party was given last week by Lady Hickson, in honor of Mr. J. D. Angus.

Mr. B. M. Humble, who has spent the summer in England, arrived this week by the ss. Arrawa.

ON SATURDAY last the marriage took place of Miss Gilmour, daughter of the late J. V. Gilmour, to Mr. George Low, son of Captain Low. Little Miss Meeker, niece of the bride, was the only bridesmaid, and Mr. D. C. S. Miller was best man. The Rev. Osborne Troop performed the ceremony. Owing to a

very recent bereavement in the family, only the nearest relations were present.

MR. WILLIAM MOAT, son of the late Robert Moat, so well known in Montreal in past years, left last week for England, after a brief visit to Canada and the United States.

TOMORROW the M.F.H., Mr. G. R. Hooper, will entertain the members of the Montreal Hunt and their friends at breakfast at the Forest and Stream Club. As both the house and grounds are ideal for entertaining, a pleasant morning is insured—provided, of course, that the weather is all it ought to be.

MISS ESTHER DURNFORD, daughter of Mr. George Durnford, will be very much missed this winter in Montreal, as she has gone to Toronto to take a two-year's course in nursing at the Children's Hospital.

MONTREAL is decidedly behind the times as far as motor carriages are concerned. Possibly the shocking condition of the streets has something to do with it. Montreal horses ought to feel highly complimented that as yet they hold precedence, while, in England, automobiles are providing fresh paragraphs for fashion columns, inasmuch as the correct dress to be worn in such conveyances is seriously discussed. Silk dustcoats seem to be the most approved apparel, and a trimmed hat may be worn, but a toque is undoubtedly more the thing. How gravely we take our pleasures now-a-days! Every insignificant and harmless pastime has its recognized and particular costume. It seems possible to do nothing spontaneously. Piano playing seems to be about the only amusement left that can be enjoyed in ordinary dress. And, no doubt, some enterprising lady will soon rectify that.

MRS. LABATT, Sherbrooke street, left town last week on a short visit to New York.

Miss Bond, Bishops court, has returned from Quebec, where she was visiting for a few days.

Miss Margaret Burrell, who has been visiting Miss Duff, Sherbrooke street, returned this week to her home in Chicago.

Mr. Dobell, Miss Dobell and Mr. C. Dobell, have again opened their town house after a summer spent at Dixie.

MRS. NEWNHAM, wife of the Bishop of Moosonee, and her little daughters, will spend the coming winter in Montreal, while Bishop Newnham is in England. After several years spent in the desolate North, they will doubtless find city life a pleasant change.

Miss Dunlop, Sherbrooke street, left this week on a visit to Ottawa, where she will be the guest of Miss Thistle.

AN event of great interest last week in Toronto was the marriage on Wednesday, September 19, at St. Simon's Church, of Mr. George A. Peters and Miss Constance Meredith, daughter of Sir William Meredith. The service was conducted by the Rev. Street Macklem, and was fully choral—not the least beautiful feature of it being the singing of the bridal hymn by the entire choir, which preceded the wedding party up the aisle. Miss Labatt, of London, was the maid of honor, and Miss Constance and Miss Marguerite Ramsay, nieces of the bride, made very sweet little bridesmaids. Mr. Edward Greig was best man, and Mr. Jack Meredith, Mr. P. Manning, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Jack Moss and Mr. Archibald, of London, were ushers. After the ceremony a reception was held by Sir William and Lady Meredith at their house in Rosedale.

ANOTHER fashionable wedding of last week was that of Mr. Gerald FitzGibbon, son of the Lord Chief Justice of Ireland, and Miss Ethel White, niece of Mr. J. K. White, of "Rathnally." The ceremony took place at St. James's Cath-