

## Masonic Smoking Concert.

### SPLENDID MUSICAL PROGRAMME.

The good fellowship which is one of the outstanding features of Masonry, predominated at the smoking concert which the Masonic Entertainment Committee held in their Temple last night. The musical programme was a very fine one and the audience joined in the choruses with great enthusiasm. Three brief speeches were made during the evening, and the prizes won in recent billiard tournaments were presented. Previous to the commencement of the concert, Mr. F. H. Ellis, Secretary of the Entertainment Committee, presented the chairman, Mr. D. McFarlane, with a highly decorated mallet.

The programme was a lengthy one and for obvious reasons it is impossible to make special reference to more than one or two. The orchestra provided several selections and earned many rounds of well-merited applause. It was formed by Mr. E. Fox, who presides at the piano, and is the "Jazz" band in the city. The recitations of Messrs. T. O'Neill and E. B. McInerney were particularly good. The quartette was also excellent and every other item was exceedingly well received. The prizes won in the billiard tournaments were presented by Mr. F. Hamlin, and were as follows:

**Senior Championship Tournament**—1st, Gold Medal, presented by Bro. Peter Mars, won by Bro. G. R. Rabbits; 2nd, Cue, presented by Masonic Club for highest break, won by Bro. John McFarlane.

**Juvenile Championship Tournament**—1st, Gold Medal, presented by Bro. Peter Mars, won by Bro. Graham Freeman; 2nd, Cue presented by Masonic Club, for greatest number of breaks over 20, won by Bro. D. Thistle.

**Handicap Tournaments**—1st, Cue and Case, presented by Messrs. Ashcroft, Liverpool, won by Bro. G. Phillips; 2nd, Safety Razor, won by Bro. H. Foster.

Messrs. T. R. Bennett, C. R. Duder, and W. J. Higgins were the speakers of the evening. Mr. Bennett referred to the excellent work of the Entertainment Committee, and congratulated Mr. Fox on his orchestra. Mr. Duder made a brief address of welcome to the guests and congratulation to the prize winners. Mr. Higgins made a very fine address. He was present as a guest and he spoke of behalf of all the other guests. He had greatly appreciated the musical programme. He referred to the action of the Colony in a most patriotic vein, and concluded by asking the Masonic Entertainment Committee for their kindness in making them to their concert. Mr. Higgins received a great ovation. "They say Billy Higgins, he ain't got no style" was sung several times by the audience. The concert was one of a series of entertainments which will be held during the season. The programme was as follows:

Orchestra.  
Song—Mr. Karl O'Neill.  
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Song—Mr. F. M. Higgins.  
Quartette—Messrs. Herder, Williams, Fox and F. H. O'Neill.  
Recitation—Mr. Frank Bennett.  
Coon Song—Frank Bennett.  
Presentation of Prizes.  
Song—Mr. Williams.  
Orchestra.  
Song—Mr. Lloyd Woods.  
Recitation—Mr. E. B. MacInerney.  
Orchestra.  
Song—W. A. Tucker.  
Duet—Messrs. Williams and Higgins.  
Song—Mr. Chas. Hunt.  
Song—Mr. H. F. Glass.  
Solo—Mr. A. Bulley.  
Orchestra.

## Increased Pensions Scale

### BEGINS NEW YEAR'S DAY.

The new scale of pensions as paid to Canadian pensioners comes into force in this colony on January 1st next. This increase will amount to 50% on the present pensions, and affects some 1900 ex-service men or dependents who come under the scheme. The pensions staff will have the cheques ready for delivery on Monday next. For two years the Veterans through their Association, have been working energetically to have the Canadian scale introduced as promised them, and after many interviews and considerable correspondence as well as resolutions on various occasions, their efforts have borne fruit.

## Report Incorrect.

The report that the S.S. Mapledawn was injured in a recent storm by collision with another vessel in Halifax Harbour, is absolutely incorrect. Messrs. Harvey & Co., the ship's agents, have been advised that the Mapledawn is at St. John's, N.B., loading for this port, and will sail on January 3rd prox.

Sir! the next pair of Boots you will buy will be "K's". SMALLWOOD'S has just received a new shipment—dec16,17

# Year-End Bargains

Royal Stores Bargain Days have always aroused widespread interest, but the popularity they enjoyed during this Christmas season has surpassed anything of its kind ever known.

Nowhere in the country can better values be obtained for the same moderate outlay. For Friday and Saturday, the last two days of the year, we offer the following:—

## Men's Furnishings at Special Prices



Here are Shirts, Socks, Neckwear, etc., that will give 365 days' service. Let us help you "Spruce up" for your New Year calls.

**MEN'S SHIRTS**—Striped Percal, soft finish, double cuffs, white linen collar bands. Reg. \$1.90 each for . . .

**\$1.60**

**CAMBRIC SHIRTS**—Neat striped designs; sizes 14 to 16, with 2 inch stiff cuff bands. Reg. \$2.85 each for . . .

**\$2.40**

**MEN'S PYJAMAS**—Heavy Flannel, neat military collar. Reg. \$6.50 suit for . . .

**\$3.20**

**BOYS' SHIRTS**—Made of fine Percal, neat soft collar attached; white grounds with colored stripes; to fit boys of 12 to 14 years. Reg. \$1.65 each for . . .

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**BOYS' PYJAMAS**—For boys of 8 to 13 years; strong striped Flannel, military collar; frog fasteners. Reg. \$3.75 suit for . . .

**\$1.90**

**STRING TIES**—In Silk, Poplin and Satin; assorted pretty shades, including Maroon, Saxe, Blue, Purple, Green and Brown. Reg. \$1.35 each for . . .

**68c.**

**MEN'S BRACES**—In fancy boxes, superior elastic, good leather ends. Reg. 50c. pair for . . .

**43c.**

**ARM BANDS**—Silk covered elastic webbing, adjustable to any size. Reg. 40c. pair for . . .

**35c.**

**MEN'S BOSTON GARTERS**—Assorted colors; extra special quality. Reg. 70c. pair for . . .

**60c.**

**MEN'S HEATHER SOCKS**—Assorted mixtures in Green, Brown and Fawn; sizes 10 to 11½; all wool Cashmere. Reg. \$1.50 pair for . . .

**\$1.34**

**WOOL FINGERING SOCKS**—Winter weight, assorted Heather mixtures. Reg. \$1.80 pair for . . .

**\$1.00**

## Blankets and Comforters Good Values

### Wool Blankets.

Size 50 x 70—Former price \$9.00. Now. \$ 6.50

Size 54 x 70—Former price \$11.25. Now. \$ 8.10

Size 60 x 78—Former price \$13.50. Now. \$ 9.70

Size 66 x 84—Former price \$15.75. Now. \$11.50

Size 70 x 88—Former price \$18.00. Now. \$12.90

### Eiderdown Quilts.

Size 60 x 72—Former price \$20.00. Now. \$16.50

Size 60 x 72—Former price \$18.50. Now. \$15.00

Size 72 x 72—Former price \$33.00. Now. \$28.50

### Wadded Quilts.

Assorted sizes and colors; good floral scene coverings. Prices \$4.25, 5.20, 6.10 up to 15.00

### Cot Eiderdowns.

Size 24 x 36. Reg. \$4.50 for. \$3.95

## Pound Blankets

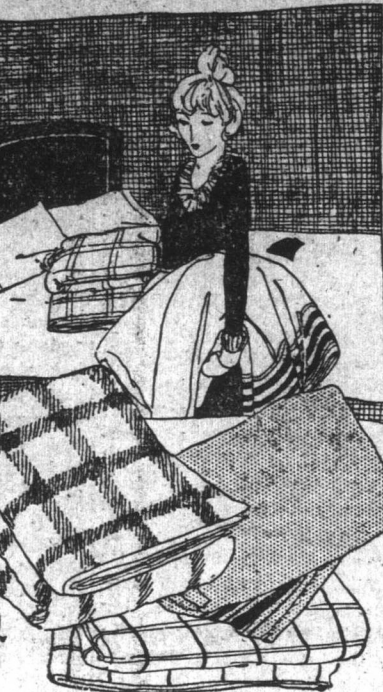
Wool finished Cotton Blankets in Plaid and Fancy stripes; assorted sizes; extra good values. Special per pound . . .

**\$1.80**

### Kimona Cloth.

27 inches wide, heavy Cotton Eiderdown for dressing gowns and jackets; assorted colors and patterns. Reg. 80c. yard for . . .

**72c.**



## Tapestry Table Covers

3 dozen only handsome Tapestry Table Covers in Red and Green color combinations; size 72 x 72 inch. Some have fringed borders, others hemmed. Reg. \$8.50 each for . . .

**\$4.30**

### Winter Curtains.

Made of heavy Art Serge in shades of Crimson and Dark Green; trimmed with Oriental braid insertion in various pretty effects; size 48 x 108 in. Reg. \$15.00 pair for . . .

**\$13.50**

## Glove Specials for Winter Wear

### Children's Wool Gloves.

Heavy pebble knit Gloves, to fit children of all sizes; colors of Brown and Navy with fancy stripes. Reg. \$1.10 pair for . . .

**50c.**

### Men's Wool Gloves.

Heavy wool knit Gloves in Brown, Navy, Khaki and Black; all sizes. Reg. \$1.60 values selling for . . .

**60c.**

### Dent's Kid Gloves.

For women; shades of Brown; unlined kid; sizes 6, 6½ and 7½ only. Reg. \$8.50 pair. Clearing Price . . .

**\$1.69**

## Winter Hosiery

### Women's Wool Hose.

7 dozen pairs Heather Sports' Hose, 4½ ribs; popular Lovat Heather mixtures, elastic tops and spliced feet; extra fine finish. Reg. \$3.25

**\$2.50**

### Worsted Hose for Children.

12 dozen pairs Heavy Wool Hose; guaranteed fast black dyes; to fit children of 9 to 10 years; reinforced feet. Special, per pair . . .

**75c.**

## Boys' Tunic Suits

Stoutly built Tweed Suits with all round belt and breast pocket; neat collars piped with white cord.

For boys of 4 yrs. Reg. \$ 9.10 for \$ 8.25

For boys of 5 yrs. Reg. \$ 9.90 for \$ 9.00

For boys of 6 yrs. Reg. \$12.95 for \$11.75

### Corded Velveteens.

27 inches wide; shades of Navy, Taupe, Brown, Cream, Maroon, Myrtle, Grey and Black. Reg. \$1.85 yard

for . . . **\$1.65**

### Luxor Toilet Goods.

SELLING AT HALF PRICE. Cuticle remover, Nail Boards, Nail Stones, Nail White, Perfume Sachets, Lip Stick, etc.

Lotion and Irish Poppy Hair Lotion in large bottles. Reg. \$1.50 bottle for . . .

**75c.**

### Famous Novels.

A wonderful assortment of Novels by well-known authors, selling at each . . .

**50c.**

## Hearth Rugs and Carpet Squares

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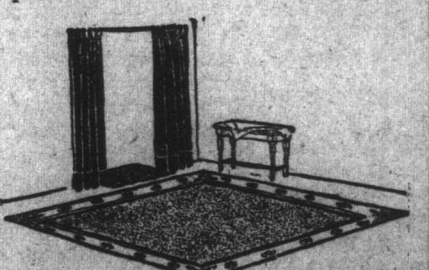
High grade Brussels Carpet; size 9 x 12; handsome designs in assorted colors. Reg. \$42.00 each for . . .

**\$38.95**

### Hearth Rugs.

High grade Axminster and Wilton Rugs; size 27 x 54; handsome designs in Oriental colorings, fringed and plain ends; values to \$7.50 each.

Special Sale Price . . . **\$4.50**



## A Sale of Warm Dressing Gowns

These Gowns are all made of Ripple and Swanette, in shades of Pale Pink, Rose, Sky and in darker colors, including Navy, Crimson and Grey; finished with coat shaped collars in Paisley or Self; long sleeves, belts and pockets. Reg. \$7.75 each for . . .

**\$6.50**

### LAWN HANDKERCHIEFS

11 in square; pure white, neatly embroidered corners, hemstitched borders; 3 in a box. Special, per box . . .

**63c.**

### GIRLS' HATS

Colored Felt Hats, trimmed with ribbon; colors of Saxe, Brown, Blue, Taupe, Light Grey and Black. Reg. \$4.50 each for . . .

**\$3.30**

## Smart Silk Blouses

### Jap Silk Blouses.

In White and Ivory; sizes 36 to 40; round, square or V shaped neck with collar; neat buttoned cuffs. Reg. \$12.50 each for . . .

**\$5.50**

### Colored Jap Blouses.

Another good line of Blouses in Jap Silk; in shades of Rose, Flesh, Champagne, Saxe and Sky; very pretty for . . .

**\$5.10**

## Heavy Walking Skirts

A splendid lot of Heavy Tweed-Skirts in assorted checks and crossbars, offered at a real low price. These Skirts are well cut and splendidly finished in every way. They have fancy pockets, large bone buttons and a high waist effect; sizes 36 to 40 in. length, 25 to 28 waist.

Reg. \$7.50 each for . . .

**\$6.00**

### Women's Combinations.

All wool, one size only, 35 ins.; V neck, long sleeves, ankle length. Reg. \$8.25 each for . . .

**\$6.00**

### Wool Scarves.

Angora and Brushed Wool Scarves, in shades of Saxe, Rose, Emerald and Turquoise, with fancy crossbar stripes and fringed ends. Reg. \$2.35 each for . . .

**\$2.08**



## Obituary.

### SAMUEL P. PROWSE.

Samuel Paterson Prowse, City Librarian of Peoria, Illinois, was stricken with an attack of heart failure at the close of a meeting of the Library's Board of Directors, and died before members of the Board could get medical attention for him. This we note from a copy of the "Peoria Star" of the 16th December.

Mr. Prowse, at the time of his death, had been City Librarian of Peoria for six years; he was well known here, being the son of Capt. Sam Prowse, who sailed out of Duder's employ. He was born in Greenock, Scotland, 64 years ago and was educated at Belmont Collegiate School and the University of Glasgow. Mr. Prowse was engaged in business occupation here, being in the office of W. H. Mare & Co. for some time. About the time of the fire he left here and went to Illinois and in 1897 became the Telegraph Editor of the "Peoria Star". Two years afterwards, he obtained an appointment as Deputy Collector of Customs, in which position he served until he became Librarian. He was married in 1903 to Miss Osborne of Peoria, who survives him.

The late Mr. Prowse was well and favorably known in St. John's as a lecturer and writer, and for years was a regular contributor to the Telegram, the sympathies of which journal are herewith tendered to the bereaved wife.

## A Favorite With the Troops.

### "TOMMIES" TELL MANY STORIES OF LASCELLES.

COLOGNE (A. P. Mail).—Numerous stories of the life and personality during the war of Viscount Lascelles, fiancée of Her Royal Highness, Princess Mary, when the betrothal was announced, were told among the soldiers of the British army on the Rhine who had served under the recipient of two D. S. O. awards in the famous Grenadier Guards. Soon after the armistice Viscount Lascelles, who were three wound stripes, led the second battalion of the Guards into Cologne as a part of the army of occupation of the Rhineland. A Grenadier, who served formerly as the distinguished officer's "batman," orderly, said that he was a typical Guards officer and a real man in every sense of the word—a strict disciplinarian, to whom polish and shine and cleanliness was a second religion. Always Neat and Cheerful.

His own kit was a model of what all kits should be, in the eyes of the "batman," and even in the front line trenches during an engagement, Viscount Lascelles would appear in speckless khaki, with buttons brilliantly polished when the orders of the day permitted it. In the heaviest "strafe," Viscount Lascelles would be one that in these days too often demonstrates its usefulness to arouse in anyone who does not share it any feeling other than that of envy. The hobby of photography combines numerous admirable interests—those of nature, those of art, those of science; anyone who seriously pursues that hobby is sure to increase his stock of knowledge and his capacity for enjoyment. The various hobbies of the collector—butterflies, shells, Indian relics—have their value, even though that value is not often of a social character. If we look for the season underlying the old prejudice against hobbies, it is to be found in the fact that many of them are of unsocial nature. The people who don't share them, and usually they are hobbies in which partnership is difficult—feel that they raise a barrier against human intercourse, or that they introduce into human intercourse a devastating element. Talking shop is bad enough, but talking hobbies is usually worse, so far as general conversation is concerned. The people without hobbies are really to be commiserated. They may have their sports and their books, but neither sports nor books afford quite the same kind of interest that is to be derived from the pursuit of a well-chosen and congenial hobby; for in that pursuit there is always something satisfying to the creative impulse in man.

## People Poisoned by Eggs

"One man's meat is another man's poison," runs the saying, and there is a lot of truth in it.

In his book "Food Poisoning and Food Infections," Dr. William G. Savage records the case of a boy who was unable to eat eggs in any shape or form, no matter how disguised.

When fourteen months old he was given a spoonful of boiled eggs. After only a taste of the screaming violently and clapped at his mouth, which immediately became enormously swollen, and red weals appeared round about the lips.

Even playing with egg-shells brought out similar weals on his arms and hands. This went on until his mother realized the cause of the trouble, and ordered all eggs to be banished from the household.

Some time later, however, the child accidentally swallowed a small portion of the white of an egg. The boy suffered more severely than he had done before, and after suffering great agony, became half-unconscious for three hours.

Such mysterious "illnesses," known to medical men as "food idiosyncrasy," are far commoner than is generally realized, and they can be handed down from parent to child. In one case, four generations of the same family were unable to eat potatoes without becoming seriously ill.

Many people find that they cannot eat fish, tomatoes, pork or shell-fish, while even such seemingly harmless things as almonds and other kinds of nuts are poisonous to some people.

## Wedding Bells.

### IVANY—BUTLER.

A very pretty wedding took place at Shoal Harbor on Wednesday, Dec. 21st, when Mr. W. Huntley Butler of the Postal Telegraphs, led to the altar Miss Lillian May Ivany. The Rev. Isaac Davis performed the ceremony. The bride was very beautifully attired in ivory palette silk, with veil and orange blossoms, entering the church bearing on the arm of her brother, while the Wedding March was being played by Miss Rose Felly. A large number were present to see the young couple wedded and to wish them bon voyage. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers sent from America. A reception was held at the home of Mr. J. S. Butler, where a great number of the friends gathered to partake of the good things provided for the happy event. Very many were the presents received, showing the esteem in which the happy couple were held. We wish Mr. and Mrs. Butler many years of wedded bliss.—T. Shoal Hr., Dec. 26, 1921.

## Acknowledgments.

The Hon. Secretary, Church of England Orphanage begs to acknowledge with thanks the following contributions to the Christmas Tree Fund:

\$10.00—Hon. W. J. Ellis, Messrs. S. G. Collier, E. D. Spurrell.

\$5.00—The Bishop of Newfoundland, Judge Morris, Messrs. Robert Dave, W. J. Higgins, E. J. Kennedy, Victor Snow, George Snow, H. W. LeMessurier, Parker & Monroe, Mrs. E. S. Piment, Mrs. G. H. Bolt.

\$2.00—Mrs. M. M. Edens, (Helen, Doris, Caroline and Joan Thompson), Mrs. James Lynch.

To the many kind friends who sent contributions of toys, games, books, cake, fruit and candy, we also extend our thanks.

## Hobbies.

The hobbies of some people are regarded as expensive luxuries by others. Sometimes hobbies are looked upon as the boring or grubby pursuits of persons who are unable to amuse themselves in a proper and normal fashion. Occasionally a hobby is respected as contributing to a man's usefulness or interest, says a writer in the "Youth's Companion." But the word "hobby" carries with it a mildly disdainful attitude that does not cling round the more elegant yet essentially synonymous word "avocation."

There is seldom any reason for people to disdain one another's hobbies, however inevitable, owing to differences in human disposition, lack of sympathy with them may be. The hobby of collecting postage stamps, despised as it was by many when first it manifested itself, needs no longer to be admitted with an air of deprecation. The hobby of mechanics is one that in these days too often demonstrates its usefulness to arouse in anyone who does not share it any feeling other than that of envy. The hobby of photography combines numerous admirable interests—those of nature, those of art, those of science; anyone who seriously pursues that hobby is sure to increase his stock of knowledge and his capacity for enjoyment. The various hobbies of the collector—butterflies, shells, Indian relics—have their value, even though that value is not often of a social character.

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## Which Won?

Ex-President Wilson, who, by the way, is of Scots descent himself, likes to tell stories about the "wild Hellen" man. Here is one which tickled a friend of his the other day: "We've got a fine lot of young men in New York," an American boasted to a Scotsman. "Nae doot," replied the Scot; "I wud many o' our laddies have been emigrating lately."

The American was none too pleased at this. "Ah, well," he remarked, "we produced George Washington, who could not tell a lie, and he was no Scotsman." "Och, aye," retorted Caledonia's son, "a Scot could tell a lie, but he woudna."

Mr. Wilson, I may say, is the only private individual who has a moving picture apparatus in his house. Performances are given every day.

Eat MRS. STEWART'S Home Made Bread.—oct18,20

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