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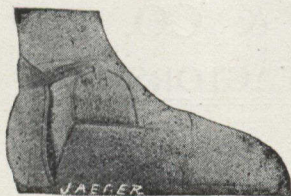
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## Editorial Efforts

### AN APPEAL

IN accepting the editorship of the *Canadian Hospital News*, I did so with a feeling that it will be impossible for me to keep this page on par with the articles written by so able a journalist as Capt. O. C. J. Withrow, the late editor. That his sole aim was the advancement and upbuilding of this journal, there is not a doubt. I regret very much his decision to retire, and I take this opportunity of wishing him every success in whatever walk of life the future may have in store for him.

I now want to appeal to every individual in the area represented by the *News* to give their whole-hearted support in order to carry on the work; those who are not in a position to contribute material assistance, I ask them to give me their moral support. Mistakes will occur, my English may not always be the best; do not criticise deficiencies too severely, think only of the fact that it is my earnest desire to make this journal worthy of its name, representing a branch of one of the best organisations in the world—the Canadian Army.

### Dominion Day

By the time this appears in print, the sports committee will have the programme completed in connection with the coming Dominion Day celebration. The committee have spared neither time nor energy to make the occasion worthy of the anniversary it is intended to celebrate. On that day Canada will be fifty years old. Confederation of the Provinces came into effect on July 1st, 1867. Since that time she has been known as the Dominion of Canada.

Although Canada is five years over the "military age limit," she has shown to the Allies, that as a fighting unit she is second to none in the world. Canada is also a Land of Sports, and it is the intention of the committee to make the occasion a day of real Canadian enjoyment. On that day we are going to forget the horrors and privations of war, and do honour to the good old Dominion in a manner worthy of Canadians.

THE EDITOR.



## TURN THE DARK CLOUDS INSIDE OUT

### Short Story

By Dorothy L. Warne

"Nannie, Nannie, he is getting twenty-four hours' leave this week-end, and arrives to-day. Oh, Nannie, my last week. Help me to carry this week-end through that Jim won't guess.

The old woman's eyes were dim as she averted her head from the young and wasted body lying under the frilly counterpane.

"He must not know, Nannie; Doctor McKay says I shall last another week, I heard him tell you so, and I feel as full of strength and will as a bird. Do people always feel like that when they are going to die?"

She raised herself in bed and studied the reflection in the mirror opposite, critically. "Just one thing, I'm too pale. Do you think that just the wee-est, tinst bit of rouge would be dreadfully wicked? Not now, perhaps . . ."

For an hour before the arrival of the creeping train at the sleepy little station they planned and worked together. Nannie coiled Betty's nut-brown curls round her dainty head. The suspicion of colour on her white cheeks gave a lustre to her eyes, and enhanced her fragile beauty. Then her best lilac silk gown was hooked on, and the pearls that Jim had given her when they were first engaged hung about her neck.

"Dearie," old Nannie hesitated when the last detail was in place. "Is it right, child, to deceive him?"

"Right? Don't you know that a soldiers' first duty is obedience, and if Jim knew that he would never see me again, he would refuse to return at the end of the twenty-four hours, and disgrace like that in France is terrible. One day he will be glad.

They spent the few precious hours in the cottage and garden. Betty felt better, but too tired to walk far, and Jim made wonderful plans for his next leave. In his own enthusiasm he did not notice how few comments his little sweetheart made.

She smiled till the last glimpse of his khaki-clad form had disappeared round the bend in the lane, then settled in the old woman's arms with pathetic little worn-out sobs.

It was five days later. Nannie held a flimsy bit of paper in her hand. Jim's battalion had gone into action the night he returned and had been nearly wiped out. . . .

Nannie looked at the beautiful, marble-still face on the pillow, surrounded by sweetly scented flowers. Then she reverently made the sign of the cross on her breast, and murmured, "God bless them both, and give them the reward they deserve."

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## CHATS FROM CHATHAM

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If you want to know the time—Ask Private S—

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Is it true that Mac. has been promised forlough when he gets that 1/2?

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Did the N. C. O. of the Instructional Class make such a big hit with his lady friend from the big Smoke as he expected? Love is blind.

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Name the Scout who accepted all responsibility for the welfare of Chatham Annex on Sunday last. Will his acting rank ever be confirmed.

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We extend our heartiest congratulations to our comrades in the Q. M. stores, Sergt. Moore on his promotion to Staff Sergt., and Dick Edwards and Charlie Linfoot on being made Corporals.

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In several other departments of our Canadian Hospital there have been promotions, to all of them we proffer our hearty good wishes.

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Don't forget to boost our Dominion Day Sports boys. We want a record crowd. Also remember that the entries close to-day (Saturday.) Get busy!

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While bowling was in progress during last Saturday's cricket match, who was the patient heard to ask: "What are those three sticks stuck in the ground for? Is this a sample of the average Canadian knowledge of cricket?"

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A patient recently writing home to his people described how he had been buried alive for a couple of hours in a demolished dugout but eventually was extricated. "I had the satisfaction of sending five Germans to hell." The censor, in passing the letter, had drawn a line through the sentence, but wrote underneath; "It is not permitted to refer to the whereabouts of the enemy."

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The welcome rain on Thursday last came as a boon to farmers and holders of allotments. The impetus given to root and other crops will be a considerable blow to the Kaiser's "Starve England policy."



## DOMINION DAY SPORTS

*By Capt. Wilbur C. Lowry*

One more week and the great event, Dominion Day celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of Canadian Confederation. And if one may judge by the enthusiasm of both friends and officials, it promises to be one of the most successful of celebrations. Last week's issue hinted at a few good events. There are other events which will prove just as interesting.

Two or three events additional to those published in the posters have been added. There will be a darning race for leg amputation cases only. The people in charge of the mending of soldiers' socks are anxious for a large number of entries from our "amps." There are a large number of socks with respectable holes in, and a suitable amount of wool with the requisite number of needles have been procured. Mrs. Ames, of the Maple Leaf Club, has promised the first prize for the best darned sock. A second prize will be given, and a medal for third.

The Nursing Sisters are arousing great curiosity among outsiders as to what form the competitions will take for them. They apparently have a scheme afoot with which they expect to delightfully astonish the crowd.

The preparations have been great and numerous. The grounds are to be tastefully decorated. Our friends from the Armed Escort Barracks have volunteered to assist in putting these trimmings up. The grounds have been marked out, and preparations made for a refreshment booth. Ice-cream, lemonade, soda water, and "smokes" will be available for everyone with the coin. Benches and chairs are to be provided for any who desire to use them.

Many prizes have been promised by friends in the town and by members of the staff. Some twenty-nine medals will be given in addition. There will be no lack of awards for the victorious competitors. Lt. Col. Clarke has given a prize for the winner of the greatest number of points in the running events. These prizes will be presented by Mrs. J. T. Clarke after the games.

In addition to the regular sports there are to be two or three other features. The band of the Royal Engineers, Stonar, will give a concert on the front at the Granville in the morning. After lunch they will parade to Chatham House Grounds through the main streets of the town. It is proposed to have their arrival followed by a parade of all the competitors around the track.

At 6 p.m. the Baseball Club have arranged for a game of our popular sport. After this the band will again favour us with selections of our own popular and national music. Those who have heard the Royal Engineers' band on previous occasions are delighted to know that such a good band was obtainable.



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## POEMS

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*By Dorothy L. Warne*

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### My Dream Baby

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Oh, have you seen my baby son,—  
My wee bit heaven on earth ?  
God sent him to us yesterday,  
Just at the pale dawn's birth.  
He isn't mighty big as yet,  
And not a single hair,  
But my glad heart just throbs with pride  
To feel him nestling there.

He's rather pink, and cries a bit,  
And crumples up his nose,  
Then sleeps a space, and wakes again  
As sweet as some June rose.  
But shall I tell you what it is  
That most in him I prize ?  
Although he's only one day old  
He's got his Daddy's eyes.

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### Sleep

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I fain would sleep,  
Your eyes once strangely tender,  
Their lovelight magical no longer keep.  
Your woman's heart,  
Once given in sweet surrender,  
Is mine no more,—  
Then—let me sleep.  
But if you change,  
And scorning end in weeping,  
And love rekindle for dear memory's sake;  
If healing Time  
Restore you to my keeping,  
Life, robed and crowned,  
Will bid me—wake.



## ARTS AND CRAFTS

By Capt. Wilbur C. Lowry, C.A.M.C.,

One of the most important branches of the Granville Hospital is the Arts and Crafts. It is a miniature mill town in itself. Here you find the wood-working department with its planes, saws, and lathes, and where machinery lacks the skill of human hands you find trained experts ready to perfect tables, desks, stands, tea-trays, frames for beds, or anything that may be made of wood.

Passing on to the blacksmith's shop. Here's where surgeons come for their special splints, for their extension apparatus or sup-



ports. The idea is quickly drafted onto paper, and soon with ringing blows on heated metal you find the idea a fact.

Then the bootshop. Here the splints are carefully padded. Here boots are dexterously fixed to ease the pain of aching feet. Many a patient has been enabled to walk with ease after his boots have been doctored.

Then there is the print shop, the home of the *Canadian Hospital News*, with its presses and type and smears of many coloured inks.

Besides the work of producing necessary articles the Arts and Crafts serves two useful functions. One is to instil into patients a liking for some useful and remunerative trade after the war. The



## GRUNTS FROM GRANVILLE

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Dominion Day sports entries close to-night (Saturday), June 23.

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Lc.-Corp. Rahmer expects to win first prize in the "Invisible Race."

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Don't go in for the 100 yards dash Corp. S——, or you'll never make C 3.

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Have you noticed how dark the sea looks since the bathing season opened?

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Pte. —— is not necessarily a Psycho. case because he forgot his crutches when he came downstairs.

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Well, Pte. MacC., when you are called in the night you should not put your clothes on backwards, even if it is dark.

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Pte. H—— does have his "ups and downs in life." Well, why not? He operates the Granville Hospital lift.

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Allow us to reconstruct the sentence "The sands of time are sinking," for have we not seen the "time" strewn on the sands?

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There will be strong competition between Corps. Shorthose and Perry in the 100 yards, for they both intend to run half the distance and fall the rest.

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Heard during the recent "Stand To"—

"Go up to my room and get my ring."

"Gee, but this practise seems real."

"Darn it, I've forgotten my crutches."

"My cricky, but that was a guid ane."

"Back to your dug-outs."

"Ach, yer jist as weel here as where ye are."

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other is a curative function. Nothing has a better effect on weakened and damaged muscles than work, and work to have its full benefit must be of that interesting nature which calls forth the utmost in the arm or hand used by the patient. Thus the patients, of whom many are employed in the various shops, are enabled to spend their spare time to great advantage.



## CRICKET

By Pte. J. A. Ford

### Granville v. R.N.A.S., Westgate

On Saturday afternoon (June 16), in ideal weather and on a perfect pitch, from a batter's point of view, a most interesting and friendly game was witnessed between the above named elevens.

Taking first lease of the wicket, the Airmen put up remarkably fine cricket. Perkins, who was top-notch for the Boys in Blue, ran up a score of 32, then he sent one up in the air which Shepherd neatly held. Berry also played a nice bat for his 14 runs, when Capt. Preston sent him down a nice straight ball which he skied, and Shepherd, who seemed to be in catching form, made another splendid "kep." Saunders was a little too late in going in, as he was nicely set, and did a lot of running for his 9 not out. Capt. Preston took three wickets for 7 runs; Corp. Ayres three 12; Pte. Kingston, three for 30; and Dis.-Rider Sutton, one for 19 runs.

The Canadian boys, who turned out in their new summer suits, went to the wicket with 85 runs to make to win, but when five wickets were down for only 39 runs, it behoved the Fragments to tighten their waist-belts. However, the veteran cricketer, Sergt. Harrison, despite his "gammy" arm, played a pretty bat for his Royal 42 which included seven boundaries. He had one narrow shave when he tripped and fell about midway; not taking time to get on his feet he crawled home, getting the end of his bat over the crease line just on time. Shepherd played well up to the Serg, and surprised himself by running into double figures. Sutton also showed neat cricket for his 12 runs. Capt. Preston had the misfortune to be run out almost before he had began; and Strutton was caught when he had only tallied 6. The "Fliers," bowlers were Morley, who took three wickets; Saunders, Mack, and Marshall had each two to their credit.

WESTGATE		CANADIANS	
Berry, c Shepherd, b Preston ... ..	14	Hesketh, b Morley ... ..	6
Turner, b Kingston ... ..	1	Sutton, b Morley ... ..	12
Mack, c Harrison, b Sutton ... ..	5	Preston, run out ... ..	6
Ibhotson, c Strutton, b Kingston ... ..	0	Ayres, c Berry, b Morley ... ..	3
Marshall, b Kingston ... ..	0	Harrison, c Turner, b Saunders ... ..	42
Perkins, c Shepherd, b Ayres ... ..	32	Strutton, c Turner, b Marshall ... ..	6
Ash, b Ayres ... ..	4	Shepherd, b Mack ... ..	11
Stribling, b Preston ... ..	0	Kingston, b Mack ... ..	0
Morley, b Preston ... ..	2	Longworth, b Marshall ... ..	5
Saunders, not out ... ..	9	Hall, not out ... ..	1
North, c Kingston, b Ayres ... ..	1	Brittain, c Mack, b Saunders ... ..	0
Extras ... ..	16	Extras ... ..	15
Total ... ..	84	Total ... ..	107

To-day (Saturday), at 2.30 p.m., the Canadian cricketers play the Royal Field Artillery from Canterbury, at the St. Lawrence Recreation Grounds.



## Chaplain's Wounded Soldiers' Fund

By Capt. E. Bertram Hooper, (Chaplain)

The three hospitals—Granville and its annexes—have each had an outing during the past week, that is to say, a char-a-banc drive with tea at Minster. From twenty-two to twenty-seven men constitute a "party," exclusive of the driver and myself, and according to the physical condition of those who go. On one of these drives there were but twenty-one legs among twenty-two men, and a very happy party it was. To the drives and teas must be added the "smokes," and various other good things or useful things for those requiring them.

To carry out my present work about £50 a month represents the expenditure.

I am happy to say that since the 1st of May I have received from various sources very considerable contributions. I submit with gratitude the following statement of receipts:—

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Mrs. T. B. Robinson, St. John, N.B. ... ..	2	10	0
McAdam Soldiers' Comforts Association, N.B. ... ..	10	8	4
J. W. H. Roberts, Moncton, N.B. ... ..	0	10	0
3 K Club, St. John, N.B. ... ..	3	0	0
R. T. B. Sunday School Class, Cabano, Que.... ... ..	5	4	2

A very kind offer has been made by Miss Dorothy L. Warne and Sergt. W. J. Crowe. They have just published a very fine song entitled "The Immortal Kitchener," the music by Miss Warne, the words by Sergt. Crowe. They kindly offer the entire royalty on the first 2,500 copies to the "Wounded Soldiers' Fund." I gratefully accept. Everyone purchasing a copy of the song—which in itself is admirable—will thus be helping my "cherished Fund." The royalty will amount to a considerable sum,

I trust that my statement this week will prove as gratifying to all readers of the *Hospital News* as it is to me.

THE PADRE.

By the way, PLEASE don't forget that there are no actors in "Bill Campbell's Army." Anyhow we were never theatrically inclined.



## IN-DOOR BASEBALL

By *Capt. Wilbur Lowry*

### Sergeants *v.* Officers

'Twas a right royal rollicking game when the officers of the Chatham House Mess played the challenge of the Sergeants' Mess to a game of indoor baseball. Though the non-commissioned heavers ran away with the score the sideline artists are of the opinion that the next clash will swing the balance the other way.

The officers won the first opportunity of wielding the stick by first reaching the top of the bat on tossing, catching and climbing it hand over hand. But the early birds did not catch the worm. The primordial tally was left to Sergt. Howe, which handicap the N. C. O.s increased in the second inning to six by rapidly careering around the bases. With the third inning the officers were saved a white-washing by Capt. Whitmore touring the bags for a home run.

Sergt. Simonson had the edge on the baseball captain as the occupant of the box. The third baseman for the sergeants played a spectacular game, scarcely a ball passed him, and their fielders performed wonders in plucking the globe from the air. While in stealing bases the wearers of the chevrons easily proved themselves adepts.

For the officers the chief Surgeon mounted on second bag made that place a very dangerous spot. Three times during the game double plays were pulled off in which he proved one of the Starr players. Col. Gilmore at short was easily the best player of the team. Many a grounder ended its erratic course in his hands while more than one fly suffered the same fate. Although Capt. Preston was inclined to treat the globe as a cricket ball he kept his eye on it and proved a quick learner of the game.

The Officer Commanding umpired the game, Capt. Gould ably assisted him in watching the foul lines.

The game ended with the score of 17—5 in favour of the Sergeants.

SERGEANTS	OFFICERS
Sergt. Simonson	Capt. Whitmore
“ James	“ Bedford
“ Howe	Major Turner
“ Malcolm	Col. Starr
C.S.M. McLeod	Major Ellis
Sergt. Horne	Col. Gilmore
“ Porter	Capt. Dunn
“ Craig	“ Preston
“ Pyves	“ Lowry



## A YAP FROM YARROW

A full box of Yaps was found to contain the one vital question—  
Is Pte. Finch going to make a sporrán of Maltese crosses?

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### STRIPITIS

“What! Another air-raid?” asked a distinguished visitor on Wednesday. “Oh no, those are the Granville N.C.O.’s rushing to the tailors.

There was a dull roar as the rubber-soled fortunate ones rushed slowly down the carpeted hall. I heard one ask the speed limit on the Ramsgate streets.

“Too late,” cried the tailor, “I sold out yesterday ‘on anticipation.’”

When the chaos was subdued and the clouds of dust had settled, behold our old friends were no more, not a new personnel, for each bore that striking resemblance of someone we had seen before, though each one now supported a different “handle.”

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## DOINGS AT THE RANGE

*By Pte. H. W. H. Smith*

### The Hospital News competition

The *Hospital News* Competition terminated on Saturday 16th with a total of forty-three entries. A large amount of practice was gone through before the contestants finally signed and shot off their competition card. That it was popular will be seen by the large number of entries. The winner being Lc.-Corp. S. Graham, with a 4in. group, Lc.-Corp. Larman coming second with an 8in. group, reduced from 200 yards.

### Canadian Rifle Club Centering Competition

The last centering contest was most popular and we have had countless requests for another of a like kind, so it was decided that this should be I. T. The above competition is open up to Saturday noon, June 23rd. As was stated in the *News* previous issue the prizes consist of 400, 300, 200 and 100 Cigarettes. The conditions being the highest number of hits in 8 rounds.

### Dominion Day Silver Medals

Three splendid engraved Silver Medals will be offered for competition during the last week in June. The conditions will be three 5 bull targets, two shots on each bull. Those intending to enter for this competition should send in their names as soon as possible to Pte. Smith, Rifle Range.

The last week in June we shall be very busy as in addition to above competition we shoot a return match with the Royal Scots. During that week the Lt.-Col. Watt Cup will be shot for. The conditions for which are as follows:—A team consisting of 5 men from each floor, Chatham House, Yarrow Annex, Sergeants and Personnel. Captains of teams to send in list of teams by Monday, June 25th, conditions 8 shots on 20 yds. twin bull targets. In addition to the winning team holding the Cup for one month, there are three prizes for the highest individual scores to the value of 10/-, 6/- and 4/-, kindly given by Lt.-Col. Clarke, O. C. Granville Canadian Special Hospital.

Messrs. Blinko & Sons kindly add to the first prize in the Lt.-Col. Watt Cup Competition an extra prize.



## WELCOME NEWS OF A BROTHER

Last week, Pte. Heaviside, now stationed at Chatham House for duty, received the good news from his mother that his brother, Pte. Michael Heaviside, of the 4th Durham Light Infantry, had won the Victoria Cross. The following is quoted from the Press:—  
 “For most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty. When the battalion was holding a block in the line a wounded man was observed in a shell hole some 60 yards in advance of our block, and about 40 yards from the enemy line. He was making signals of distress and holding up an empty water bottle. Owing to snipers and machine-gun fire it was impossible, during daylight, to send out a stretcher party. But Pte. Heaviside at once volunteered to carry food and water to the wounded man, despite the enemy fire. This he succeeded in doing, and found the man badly wounded and nearly demented with thirst. He had lain out for three days and nights, and the arrival of the water undoubtedly saved his life. Pte. Heaviside, who is a stretcher bearer, succeeded the same evening, with the assistance of two comrades, in rescuing the wounded man.”

Pte. M. Heaviside served in the Boer War, and was a reservist when the present European crisis arose. He rejoined his regiment and was posted to the 4th D.L.I. in September, 1914.

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## ENTERTAINMENTS

*Arranged by Capt. Armour, Y.M.C.A.*

Considerable interest is being shown in the Sunday evening Illustrated Lectures. Last Sunday evening, the series on "Our Favourite Hymns" was continued, and the largest audience yet assembled despite the warmth of the evening. The Orchestra greatly assisted the services, and we were especially favoured with some delightful solos from Mrs. Allan, a visitor from London, who is the possessor of a sweet and sympathetic Soprano voice.

On Monday evening, Mr. Yusuf Ali, a native of India, delivered his highly instructive and extremely interesting Illustrated Lecture on "India and the Empire." About fifty photographic slides were thrown on the screen portraying studies of life in India, and also descriptive of the Indian Army. Mr. Ali is a gifted speaker with a splendid flow of delightful language, and greatly delighted his audience.

On Tuesday evening, "Movies" were the attraction, and the pictures shown called forth considerable merriment and wholesome laughter.

Mr. Boyland's "Carry On" Party, again carried off many laurels on Thursday evening. Miss Olive Harvey, Miss Winnifred Bryan always Granville favourites were in excellent voice. Mrs. Allan from London appeared with the party, and was the recipient of enthusiastic encores to which she kindly responded twice. Mr. Boyland and Mr. Sam Bengler contributed popular numbers, and Mr. Tinsley, Tenor, was also well received. Mr. F. J. Bodilly acted as accompanist.

The delightful Operetta, "Bluebell in Fairyland," was given on Friday evening, by the pupils of Miss Philmer. About forty dainty and pretty little girls took part in the programme as well as a number of boys. The principal parts were well taken, the costumes were wonderfully pretty and the whole programme was a delight to those present. A favourite number was the Maypole Dance given by a number of the girls.

### COMING EVENTS AT THE GRANVILLE

Saturday, June 23rd. 7.45 p.m. Special Cinema Show, 4 reel film on "Our Navy."  
 Tuesday, June 19th. 7.45, p.m. Cinema Show.  
 Wednesday, June 27th, at 7.45 p.m. Illustrated Lecture. "The British Empire" by Mr. Buchanan  
 Thursday, June 28th. Mr. Boyland's Concert Party.

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