

Women

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HAPPENINGS

Professor and Mrs. F. H. Butcher, now residing in York, further interesting word on their daughter, professionally known as Miss Agnes Butcher. She is at present preparing for a concert to be given in Montreal. Miss Butcher is, in private life the wife of Major J. R. Searle and with their two children reside in their beautiful home at Beaufort, Quebec.

As Agnes Butcher she was a pupil of the late Viggo Kihl at the Toronto Conservatory and studied in Hungary with the late Bela Bartok. The first all Canadian concerto was composed by Dr. Healy Willan and Dr. Willan asked Agnes Butcher to be its first performer.

For her present, recital Mrs. Searle is working very hard and is commuting to New York for some extra lessons.

Dr. J. J. Butcher, a well-known Toronto doctor, with many European years of post graduate study, is a brother. Ruth Butcher (now Mrs. Spoto of New Jersey) graduated from the famous Alviene School of Dramatic Art in New York City. She had ten successful years on the New York stage.

Professor Butcher was a teacher of classics at the Hamilton collegiate and Mrs. Butcher was a graduate of Prince of Wales College. Her daughters always proudly referred to the fact that she was a classmate of the late L. M. Montgomery.

Professor and Mrs. Butcher are very much enjoying their retirement years, in Mrs. Butcher's native province.

Mr. Herbert Baxter is the chairman of the Charity Ball in aid of the campaign for Poliomyelitis and Rehabilitation. Mr. Baxter bears the mark of the fine old civilization of Great Britain from which he comes. "Everything must be as nearly perfect, as possible," says Mr. Baxter in regard to the Ball.

Certainly Mr. Baxter is giving

the utmost of his time and energy to have it this way. He is supported by an excellent committee and the Ball on Wednesday evening promises to be an outstanding event.

Miss Noreen MacPherson left Saturday by plane for Quincy, Mass., and returned Sunday. Miss MacPherson was bridesmaid at the wedding of her cousin, Mr. Vernon L. Glynn whose marriage to Miss Earlean Gottheld was solemnized on Sunday, January 19th at the Church of Good Counsel, Merrymont, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Bell, Wood Islands, who are on a trip which takes them as far as California, are at present visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Lorris Lauppe in Sacramento. Very shortly now they will begin the homeward trip to Prince Edward Island.

The Charlottetown Kinette Club entertained their husbands on Friday evening at the Charlottetown Hotel. Dancing was enjoyed and a prize was won by Ann and Ian Rankin. Lunch was served.

Hostesses, always looking for new ideas, may be interested in these suggestions for using the lesser known varieties of nuts.

For example pepitas are popular. What are they? Pumpkin seeds roasted in oil and dusted with salt and chili powder.

Ordinary pumpkin seeds are yellow and hard; they're too old to use. Pepitas are made from green seeds of pumpkins which are specially raised.

Pignolias from Italy have a delicate creamy texture and a rich flavor. At a recent fine dinner course with cheese. Not very many are needed as they are so rich. In fact some people think they have the flavor of ham. Those nuts are delicious and all right for the aforementioned dinner. But for the baseball game peanuts still take the lead!

has left those on earth she held most dear. Here a wife leaves her home of years sadly desolate, and there it is the husband and father who has heeded the silent call. Alone they go... each one.

And in the wake of the passing what bereavement there is. So in Island homes at present families walk through the shadows of mourning. In others, hearts are anxious because of loved ones now ill. They look eagerly for a cheering sparkle of the sunlight of hope to dispense the dimness, and remember that they can only wait and "Walk by faith" through each day as it comes.

In silence, as it came, the day goes, shoulders bowed we fancy with the weight of its trials and cares, its discouragements and irreplaceable losses. Out into the limbo of Time "that was... and shall be no more" it goes. But out of the dark, past the night - beacon of the morning star will come another day, one brand new and hopeful, a veritable balm-in-Gilead of day.

Until tomorrow -- Diary -- Goodnight. . . .

MARY HAWORTH

Is This The Real Reason?

Dear Mary Haworth: What is your answer or solution to this one? After several years of being married to a professional woman, I am convinced that she doesn't want children. Her only answer is: "There will be time."

She has a fine job and this seems to be her only interest. Isn't a divorce just about the only answer I don't think that psychology would work, as she more than likely could convince the psychologist that he should see one! E. A.

REAL REASON?

Dear E. A.: The nature of the problem isn't clear. Much is wrong with the marriage, obviously. But it remains to be proved that your wife's evasion of child-bearing is the crux of the difficulty.

It is equally probable that you've simply seized upon that negative aspect of the partnership to justify yourself in disliking her, or in pulling away from her, or becoming indifferent to the undertaking.

However, in fairness to you, I concede the point that a man and wife are entitled to mutual cooperation, on the score of producing children. This creativity is the central purpose of marriage, a privilege and responsibility inherent in the union—whether you take the natural or the sacramental view.

But it is a fact of life that many individuals, as well as many couples, are more resistant to, than interested in, this potential of marriage. Persons who gen-

Miss Matheson Addresses The Baptist Church W. A.

Members of the Baptist W. A. were privileged to hear Miss Mabel Matheson speak on the "Canadian Conference on Education" at their monthly meeting held recently. Mrs. Albert Baker led the devotion.

Mrs. A. H. MacCannell, the new president of the W. A. presided. Along with Mrs. MacCannell the following officers were named: Vice President, Mrs. Claude Whitener, Secretary, Mrs. Lloyd Gibson, Treasurer, Mrs. Ralph Gillespie, P.E.I. Hospital Sr. Aid representatives:

Miss Matheson's talk she was thanked by Mrs. Harold Huggan on behalf of the members of the W. A.

The meeting closed by the Mizpah benediction after which the annual auxiliary birthday party was held and a delicious lunch, including a birthday cake, was served by the Friendship Group.

INDIAN RIVER W.I.

The January meeting of the Indian River Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Keith Mann.

Meeting opened with singing "Should Auld Acquaintance Be Forgot." The Mary Stewart Collected was then repeated. The roll call was answered by each member paying one cent for each letter in her name.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. The treasurer reported \$104.32 on hand. Correspondence was read and \$5.00 was voted to the March of Dimes.

The sick and school committees gave their reports. The program for the evening consisted of a sewing demonstration by Mrs. Thomas Humphry, the subject being the making of button-holes.

Entertainment consisted of music and sing-song led by Mrs. Hubert Gillis. Lunch was served by the hostess and meeting closed with God Save The Queen.

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A BIT OF BEAUTIFUL BRITAIN

Going to England this summer? This beautiful bit of old world scenery is one of the reasons Canadian and Americans so much enjoy the English countryside. This particular bit is in Devonshire. The thatched roofs, bay windows, rambling roses and honeysuckle all add up to much of old world charm. — Photo by British Travel Association.

The Golden Bay Is A Fine English Playground

Along the northern coast of England's south-west toe is a big bit, as though the angry Atlantic had bitten out a large chunk of the rich Devonshire countryside. This is called Barnstaple Bideford Bay after the two little ports which lie on its twin spurs. Privateersmen of the past led it the Golden Bay because the rich plunder they captured, the name is still apt, for the fishing sun turns the whole western sea to burnished gold and ruffles its shores with reflectance.

There is the towering grandeur of dark granite cliffs where the Atlantic rollers break in final thunder and flying white spray, and within the headlands the bay spread long stretches of honey-coloured sand. Inland is world of lush green wooded leys, the typical Devonshire "ombes," where white-washed cottages and ancient towns nestle peacefully, in contrast to the turmoil of the seas.

These little ports had a stirring history. Sir Richard Grenville of Armada fame was born in Bideford, and several of the defeated Spanish galleons, flying before the storm, were wrecked along these shores. Armada guns and other relics and sometimes a trace of Spanish ancestry among the local people remain as witness of their passing.

Baggy Point guards the northeast corner of the bay and Hartland Point its western tip, both towering, dramatic crags with sharp treacherous rocks at their foot; but between the two all is welcoming peace and a perfect setting for the holiday-maker. First of the seaside villages is Groyde, close to Baggy Point, then Saunton with its three miles of firm golden sands — for walking or surfing a paradise which can never become overcrowded. Behind the beach lies the wild beauty of Branton Burrows, a great expanse of sandhills with a wealth of bird life and sea plants.

The river Taw rises on Dartmoor in mid-Devon and flows northwards; its sister stream the Torridge starts life behind Hartland and makes a wide bend through the loveliest of the North Devon country to join the Taw at its mouth. Both hold salmon, sea trout and brown trout, and good fishing can be had on various hotel waters.

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ELLEN'S DIARY

Mack, Good Boy, Marks Red Cross Day At School

"Doesn't this morning sparkle!" Granddaughter exclaimed with a young smile coming by a moment before setting out for her classes today. . . .

We think how incomplete the morning would be for us at this house if one or the other of these children failed to drop by the bright of the new day reflected in faces, to greet us and ask: "Is there something you need from the store? Or are there letters to mail?"

And when Mack says on odd Fridays, mind apparently on a certain coin he must reserve to honour it, "this is Junior Red Cross Day" we are lost in admiration of the stout, though much tempted, spirit that can refrain from spending some toothsome sweet in the store on his way, the pennies that must all day "burn a hole" in the depths of the lad's trouser pocket!

It was a sparkling morning. The hoarfrost, which by night of ten lingers in a cold white mist of it along the millstream, and

now caught in the Alder branches, and on the rising white slopes above, glistened dazingly in the bright of the sunlight. How beautiful it was! It seemed as if some fairy-had had adorned it with gems overnight, blue diamonds of jewels to enhance beyond description the neighborhood about.

"It's the white frost of last night," James said. "It coats everything. That's what makes it so pretty. If we get three nights of it in succession" he nodded soberly "we may expect rain."

But beneath a sunny canopy of sky, January walked the farmlands on gracious step, footprints sometimes touching the very tips of the foreshadows of February's approach.

And January or June, despite any and every bewitching spell of season more and less widely in life, the shadows abounding. Island-folks tread them now. There are those who have recently been called upon to part with one of their "ain." Here a gift of babe has been taken, there a mother



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