



### WEDDING OF INTEREST

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Arthur Smith were married recently in the Hazelbrook Baptist Church. The bride, Effie Anne MacPhail is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. MacPhail, Mt. Albion. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold P. Smith, Pownal. The Rev. Charles W. Passey performed the double ring service.

his brother, Mr. Winston Smith. The ushers were Messrs David Smith and Scott MacPhail. The reception was held in the Pownal Hall with the Hazelbrook Ladies Aid catering. Mr. Allison Gillis proposed the toast to the bride. Speeches were made by Rev. C.W. Passey and the Rev. T.R. Goudge. Miss Nancy Duffett was in charge of the guest book.

### ELLEN'S DIARY

#### Alex On The Toboggan Enjoys Start Of Winter

And in the wake of the recent rain, this afternoon first snow came to us at Alderlea. How the children welcomed it! We saw Mack stand and turn his face sky-ward to feel the flakes cook and damp on his cheeks. And then look to watch their magic white on a sleeve of his jacket before he turned away with a broad smile. Granddaughter too was pleased with this turn of the weather. And soon the two had the younger brother wrapped and happy, seated on a small toboggan, on a tour of the lawns and yards. content? So content.

"Chicken!" James exclaimed at dinner "who would ask for chicken, Ellen, when he could have such tasteful fare as this!" Herring we dined on today. And as it happened, its perfect complement of blue potatoes to make preferred fare for James. "Do you remember the half-barrels of herrings of the young falls, Ellen?" James queried savoring the sweet of them. We chuckled. We could see as clearly as though it were only yesterday that which new-stayed about this time of year or maybe a bit later, was brought from "the harbour" in farm-cart or wagon, to that home by the strait, the sight not heartily welcome to the children, no matter how vaunted the virtues of fish as a part of the menu!

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## HAPPENINGS

Mr. Harold Garnet Black, a brother of Mr. Charles H. Black, has sent in a story to the Guardian. It is called "Initiation" and Charlottetown readers will certainly enjoy reading this historical and factual story.

When the French ambassador, M. Francis Lacoste arrived in Toronto recently for a visit he went to see the Vieux Colomier Company of Paris—he's the patron of the Toronto performance—he and Mme Lacoste were much entertained.

A couple of years ago "Her Contribution", another Pugwash story by Mr. Black, was published in the Guardian.

The Revell Company published three of Mr. Black's books. In his story "Initiation" older Charlottetown residents will enjoy

ports of a rummage sale and banquet held during the month were given.

Mrs. R.R. Bell and Mrs. S.S. Carson have returned from a motor trip to Boston and other eastern cities and states.

After a honeymoon trip in the Maritimes Mr. and Mrs. Smith will take up residence in St. Anne de Bellevue, Quebec, where the groom is a student at MacDonal College.

During the very delightful evening Dr. Eisinger showed slides of his travels through the province of Quebec and the state of New York which were greatly enjoyed.

Red Cross and Buying Committee. Rita MacLeod; Suppers, Daisy Genge; News to the press, Delia McGrath.

Discussion followed on three bannquets to be catered to during November. Members were agreeable for same.

### CENTRAL ROYALTY W.I.

On Nov. 5, 1958 the members of Central Royalty W.I. held their annual meeting in the Community hall. The president, Blanche MacAleen presided and the meeting opened with the creed. Roll call was answered by the members paying dues.

### CHRISTMAS POULTRY CLUB

Mrs. George Hatley, King, Ontario, returned by plane Friday after a most enjoyable week in the province visiting her mother, Mrs. Osborne, other relatives and friends.

## Initiation Is A Story Of Price Webber & Company

The following story by Harold Garnet Black tells of some of our earlier theatrical history with the setting in Pugwash.

When Father read in the morning paper that Prince Webber was coming to Pugwash town again with his traveling troupe of players, he and Mother at once went into a huddle over their toast and coffee, and finally agreed that we should all three go to one of the shows.

square mouth, and a voice badly cracked and hoarse from fifty years of stage speaking, for he always played one of the leading roles in his own company.

Jessie of Lucknow was the dramatic story of the Indian mutiny of 1857, famous in Anglo-Indian history. The action centered around the city of Lucknow, which was being besieged by the rebel Sepoys, or native Indian soldiers, who had been trained by the British but outnumbered their trainers eight to one. It was the relief of this city that General Havelock and after Sir Colin Campbell went with their armies to cut their way through before the g. ant defenders of the Residency could be killed by the bloodthirsty mutineers.

"No, that won't do; just one year," declared Pop with a smile but also with a tone of finality. "But," he added, looking at me, "we'll let you do the choosing."

There was no regular theatre, of course, in so small a town as Pugwash, so that any company of actors who came were obliged to use Wilson's Hall, a poor makeshift for a real theater. The stage itself was not large enough; and there being no curtain for it, some had to be provided at short notice. They were strung along a sturdy wire and pulled in such a way that the two curtains left the center of the stage in jerks and at different times amid the grating noise of moving iron rings and rattling pulleys.

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Price Webber's coming was almost an annual affair. Indeed he had the only stock company that ever deigned to visit our little Nova Scotian town in those days. Price Webber himself was a prince among comedians—he was really a kick—but he also played heavy tragic parts equally well. He was squat of figure, had an enormous head partly covered with grizzled, bushy hair, a huge

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and guns an everything, ain't it?"  
"Yeah, you bet!"  
My, but we were excited youngsters though!  
At this distance in time, I can't recall any more than the main outline of the plot of this moving historical play. I have only a general impression of the whole show—novelty, excitement, gun play, the noise of creaking pulleys, kerosene lights above the stage, a crowded house, a stifling atmosphere. But as I look back across the years, several things stand out with perfect distinctness and even seem to haunt me at times: the rattling sound of parting curtains, the loud bang of the smoking revolver, the Moham and foreign-looking Mohammedan costumes—red and yellow and blue, and the beautiful blond curls of the lovely heroine, Edwina!  
That was my initiation into the mimic world of the theater.  
ERICA SPROULE W. M. S.  
The annual meeting of the Erica Sproule W. M. S. was held at the home of Mrs. Charlie Wats on October 8th, the theme was the Tribal Relationship, the devotional period was directed by Mrs. Keizer and Mrs. Wats. Mrs. Keizer opened the meeting with the call to worship—Hymn 388 "O Master let me walk with Thee" was sung, Prayer of union, followed by circle of prayer and the Lord's Prayer and Scripture reading, by Mrs. Wats, taken from Deuteronomy 17:14-20. Mrs. Keizer then led in prayer

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