

ELLEN'S DIARY

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ing thought came, "you might put your women to work picking up the heads... gleaming, like women used to do in the long ago." "With Boaz looking on," we quoted James in an absent-minded way and then led off briskly to harness the teams to take up the last of the mowing. Last evening—like this it was, calm and pleasantly warm, the sky bathed in the rich shades of the after-glow—we were one of the seven of a family of eight who attended Service in a Church in this community. And later with James to our girlhood home, where in the old parlor there a little grand-niece was christened. "Maureen" she is, which as many of the "M" names is another form or derivation of "Mary." Dark haired is this babe, blue-eyed—her gaze open and direct, an altogether winsome child, who received the rite at the hands of her paternal grandfather.

We recall homing later when the highway we followed was almost bare of the busy Sunday traffic; when the starry night drew the friendly dark about us and the little truck of this place swallowed steadily the distance between. And James said: "I reckon this is no time for us to be abroad, Ellen—we're smart enough now—ugh! what of the morning!" This morning... and this day, brought the hayning near to its close. Until tomorrow... Diary... Good-night...

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HISTORIC DISPLAY AT Y. M. C. A.—Will owners call for their loan at the Y. M. C. A. Monday, 24th and Tuesday, 25th. The display must be closed to allow the Y. M. C. A. to prepare their hall for fall term.

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT. Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hughes, Peakes, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Rita Agnes, to Mr. Harold MacDonald, son of Mr. Donald J. MacDonald and the late Mrs. MacDonald, St. Andrews. The wedding to take place on September 12th, at St. Ignatius of Loyola Church, Montreal.

RECOVERING FROM ACCIDENT—Master Gerard Kelly, nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Kelly, Stancheil, is a patient in the Charlottetown Hospital. He is suffering from injuries received when the bicycle on which he was riding was struck by a truck, throwing him off with great force. He was coming out of the lane of a neighbour onto the road quite near his home at the time of the accident and apparently did not notice the approaching truck. As a result of the accident he received a fractured skull, a broken shoulder and minor bruises. All his friends wish him a speedy recovery.

SOUTH MILTON W. I.

August meeting of the South Milton W. I. was held at the home of the president, Mrs. John Poole on Aug. 4.

The roll call was answered by nine members who told of a favorite picnic food and packing it. One visitor was present.

A vote of thanks to the Women's Institute for their help during the past year, passed at the annual meeting of the South Milton School was conveyed to the Institute by Mrs. Poole.

The Red Cross convener, Mrs. Murdoch Nicholson reported the following work completed: 25 pillow cases, 2 baby vests and 3 pair socks.

The sick committee reported making one call and giving one parcel of fruit. Committees appointed were as follows: Sick committee: Mrs. Piercy and Miss Moore; school committee: Mrs. Curtis and Mrs. White.

It was decided to send \$5 to the cancer fund.

The September meeting will be held at home of Mrs. Stanley Curtis. The roll call will be answered by passing in an article valued at 25c for the grab bag which will be a part of the evening's program.

The lunch committee will be: Mrs. Lenuel Coles, Mrs. Howard White, Mrs. John Poole and Mrs. Albert Piercy.

Following the adjournment lunch was served by the hostess and committee in charge. A social hour followed.

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OPTOMETRISTS MEETING

The annual meeting of the P. E. I. Optometrical Association was held in Charlottetown on Tuesday evening. Plans for the Maritime convention of optometrists to be held at the Charlottetown Hotel were discussed. Officers elected for the ensuing year were: president, Byron J. Grant of Charlottetown; vice-president, J.S. Taylor of Charlottetown; secretary-treasurer, H. T. Colvin, Summerside. A Raymond Grant of Summerside was added to the board of examiners.

Personals

Mrs. Grace Peterson, 34 Valley St., has entered the P. E. I. Hospital for treatment. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Rev. and Mrs. Piercy and daughter Helen, of Milton, left Monday for a holiday with Mrs. Piercy's parents at Port Bickerton, N. S.

Morley M. Bell, Q.C., has returned to Summerside after spending his holidays at his summer home in Stanhope.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Munroe and two children returned Thursday to their home in Halifax, after visiting Mrs. Munroe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Nash, at their summer home in Keppoch.

Miss Vera Kaiser of Port Bickerton, N.S., who has been attending Dalhousie Summer School for Teachers, spent a week visiting her sister, Mrs. A. E. Piercy and Rev. Piercy at St. John's Rectory.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Smith of Malden, Mass., are vacationing in Victoria, the guests of Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Wilfred Macquarrie. They are accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Wesley Orchard and Mr. Orchard also of Malden.

Mrs. William Voight, (nee Constance Docherty), and daughter, Wendy, has left for their home in Kitchener, after spending a three-week vacation with her brother, Ivan. She also visited friends and relatives on the Island.

Miss Aletha Inman, R. N., has returned to Ottawa, Ont., after spending an enjoyable three-week vacation with her father, Mr. Ernest Inman, North Tryon. While here, she also visited relatives and friends in Summerside and Charlottetown.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Roy Cromwell are leaving today on their return to Glen Rock, N.J. Their holiday at York Point has not, as usual, extended to Labor Day. On Saturday, Aug. 29, they will attend the wedding of Mrs. Cromwell's niece, Mary Patterson Devine, at West Port, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Peterson and son, Terry Wayne, have left for their home in Windsor, Ont., after spending an enjoyable vacation on the Island. While here, they were guests of Mrs. Peterson's father, Mr. Ernest Inman of North Tryon and Mr. Peterson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Peterson, Charlottetown.

Muldoch Nicholson, Milton, received a telegram Saturday from his nephew, with the sad news of the death of Brian, six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wellington MacLeod of Kitchener, Ontario, and grandson of the late Gordon D. and Mrs. MacLeod of Hopedale, P. E. I.

IN MEMORIAM In loving memory of Mrs. Weston Francis, who passed away August 22nd, 1952.

Not just today, but everyday, In silence we remember.

Lovingly Remembered by Hilda, Edgar and Family.

Card Of Thanks The family of the late Peter Trainor, Hope River, wish to extend sincere thanks to their pastor, Father Dalton, to the Sisters of Martha, to those who sent Mass Cards, Spiritual Bouquets, Enrollments, Messages of Sympathy and to all the friends who helped in any way during their recent bereavement and loss.

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Seven Days A Week

(By Anne Shannon)

1. Monday: With flowers blooming everywhere now, it seems an appropriate time to trace some of their names to their sources. Here are a few examples: An ancient blossom tormented the nose of those who sniffed it, so from nasus (nose) and torquere (twist) the nose-twister was called nasturtium. Another flower was made up of spikes somewhat like the short Roman sword carried by gladiators. From the name of the sword gladius the plant was termed gladiolus. Centuries later, French gardeners noticed that the expanded blossom of a little flower resembled a tulipan (urban). So they called it tulip. Still later Linnaeus—famous botanist—observed that the seed capsule of a familiar flower is shaped like a cup or miniature water pitcher. Diving into Greek he combined hydr (water) and anagos (vessel), to coin the name hydrangea. No other flower has had as many names as the lovely pansy. At various times it has been called, love-in-idleness, kiss-me-at-the-garden-gate, three-faces-under-a-hood and heart's-ease. Early French botanists called it pensee (though) because the gladiolus seemed to have a thoughtful expression on their faces. In time this name won over all others—and Pansy was the adopted name of this lovely flower with the pensive face.

2. Tuesday: More about flowers—When eerie winds whistle and snow is heaped in white mounds we can write about other things! You often hear that adding aspirin to rain tablets to the water will prolong the life of cut flowers, but there is no supporting evidence, and the value of adding sugar to the water is debatable. What, then, really works? Botanists have proved that the most important step is to harden the flowers in water 40 degrees to 55 degrees in a cool place for at least twelve hours. After hardening, cut off the lower half inch of stem. Plants with sticky or milky sap, such as poinsettias and poppies, should have the lower end of the stem treated by searing in flames for 30 seconds or dipping a half-inch deep in boiling water for 30 minutes. Sounds like rough treatment but it works! In addition to hardening, woody plants, such as lilac and chrysanthemum, may be helped by crushing or splitting the lower few inches of stem. Of course changing the water daily, washing out the containers and re-cutting the stem ends also help prolong life.

3. Wednesday: Fifty years ago the ideal kitchen contained only a dining table and a kitchen range, and maybe one or two comfortable chairs. "In an adjoining room, should be sink, tub and refrigerator. All disagreeable reminders of the workaday world should be banished to the scullery, leaving the kitchen for the attractive process of cookery," says a home-making expert of that day. A fashion note of that era goes like this: "For housewearer the woman of uncertain age and figure should select soft, thin goods that cling and she should not patronize starch too freely!"

4. Thursday: When Dennis and Rafferty drifted into the big city, they came to share the same room. Dennis knew that, somewhere back home, Rafferty had a wife, but his friend seldom mentioned her. One day Rafferty received a letter and Dennis inquired: "Who's it from?" "From me wife," Rafferty replied. "But Rafferty," Dennis protest-

ed, as he watched his friend draw a perfectly blank sheet of paper from the envelope, "there's nothin' written there!" "Oh know," Rafferty replied. "Me and the missus ain't speakin'!"

5. Friday: What is nicer than a luscious salad nestling in a crisp bed of green fernery? If you want to make something nice for this day try this special: Take one cup fresh or chilled canned crab or lobster. Mix 1-2 cup mayonnaise, 1 tablespoon chill sauce, 3 tablespoons dill pickle, chopped fine, 1 tablespoon vinegar, a little salt, a small dash of Tabasco (optional), a little pepper, and beat all together. Add the crab meat or lobster, and mix. Chill again and serve in lettuce cups. That's the kind of lettuce we have in our garden here—never the leafy kind—just can't stand it. But then everyone to his own liking.

6. Saturday: Company coming? Well try this icing on your favorite cake. It's pretty elegant, believe me! Mix 2 unbeaten egg whites, 1-2 cup light corn syrup and 1 cup sifted confectioner's sugar. Add a pinch of salt and 1 tablespoon vanilla. Now beat in a mixture in an electric mixer or with your stout right arm and the egg beater until the frosting stands in stiff peaks. Then fold in 1-2 cup crushed after-dinner peppermint candies. Tea-time will be a time to remember if you heap this icing on a thick dark chocolate cake, and serve generous wedges. "Who wants a thin little piece of cake?" says Ron disdainfully!

7. Sunday: The massive gates of Circumstance are turned upon the smallest hinge. And thus some seeming pettiest chance Oft gives our life its after-tinge. The trifles of our daily lives, The common things scarce worth recall, Whereof no visible trace survives, These are the mainsprings after all.

And among the common things, worth recalling, are the many beautiful things in the wonderful world around us—Over the flowers, gaudy butterflies flickering; in the brook at the foot of the hill, a frog chorus; and legions of birds, winged against the silky blue sky. Only a very few of the lovely things provided by a Divine Hand to help us lighten the burdens as we trawl down the pathway to its end on earth.

"Mom, come and see the big birds, and aren't they nice-sounding," says Mavis excitedly. "Big birds" proved to be a flock of wild geese in V-formation, winging their way across hills and hollows to the shore line in the distance. Mavis watched them until they no longer could be seen and then said, "Wasn't that nice to see?" It made me stop and think how sad it is that growing up means losing the magic of simple things. But of course there are moments to brighten the grown-up world that seem suddenly to bring back the magic of those days of long ago. Then everything has a shining look, fears and cares forgotten—lovely moments of remembering to add to our store of treasures.

That's it for this week, I guess—May you have the best of week-ends, and to end this column here's an old Indian proverb: "Do not condemn or criticize your neighbor until you have walked a mile in his moccasins!"

CARDIFF, Wales, (OP)—A British Medical Association meeting indicated the fat man's life is short but not merry. The obese are far more prone to accident and disease, it was stated, and an extra 25 pounds at the age of 45 may cut the life span from 80 to 60.

York Highlights

Rev. and Mrs. John H. Nicholson and family of New Waterford, N.S., a former pastor of York United Church Charge for over 10 years, were welcomed to York and large congregations gathered to hear him as guest speaker on Sundays, August 2 and 9, in York United Churches.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Vessey and family of Ottawa have been spending an enjoyable holiday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Vessey, and also were guests of honor at a large family gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mallett on August 11. They are also welcome guests of Mrs. Harold Vessey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wyand of Cavendish, before returning to Ottawa where Mr. Vessey is a civil servant.

The re-opening of York school after the summer holidays took place on August 18 with Miss Dixon of Little Sands as principal and Miss MacAssey of Mount Stewart as vice-principal for 1953-54.

Messrs. Claude and Ira Lewis are to be congratulated on the fine cattle shown and the large number of firsts, seconds, champions and grand champion prizes won during the recent 1953 Fair held in Charlottetown.

Mr. and Mrs. Gregor MacCallum, Mrs. Lewis MacCallum and Master Ralph and Miss Heather MacCallum of Brockley Point Rd. motored to York on Sunday, Aug. 16 and were the welcome guests of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Vessey.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ling and Misses Joy and Earla Ling motored to Stanhope on Sunday where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Shaw.

Mr. Reese Newson's many friends are pleased to see him home from the Prince Edward Island Hospital where he underwent an operation.

Mrs. Allan Swan of York was hostess to the members of York Evening Auxiliary of the United Church on August 17. Roll call was answered by a verse of scripture. Delicious refreshments were served by hostess and committee in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Mallett of York motored to Summerside on August 9, visiting relatives. They also were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Carew and Mr. and Mrs. John Carew of Brookfield.

The many friends of Mrs. Heber Profit (Verna Vessey of York), of Montrose, are glad to know she has left the Western Hospital in Alberton for her home, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Profit.

Misses Joyce and Marilyn Rasmussen of Salmonhurst (near Grand Falls) N.B., motored to York with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Rasmussen and the Misses Lorna and Darlene on Aug. 13, and were overnight guests of Misses Joyce and Earla Ling.

Mr. George Sproule of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, spent an enjoyable vacation at the home of his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Sproule of York Mansie.

Many friends of Mrs. Milton Vessey will be pleased to learn that she is continuing to gain in health and strength during her convalescence at her home in York.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vessey and daughter Beryl of York motored to Covehead Road recently and were the guests of Mrs. Frank Boyer and Mr. Charles Boyer.

Mr. Eric Sproule of York Mansie has returned to his home after

pleasant holidays spent with friends and former school chums in Pugwash, Nova Scotia.

Mr. Milton Vessey, York Sunday School superintendent for over 30 years, tendered his resignation recently. The appreciation of parents and children in York goes out to Mr. Vessey for his long and valued services. His love and friendly attitude towards the scholars leaves an undying affection in their hearts.

Mr. Edison Hardy was appointed to the office of superintendent of York Sunday School upon the resignation of Mr. Milton Vessey.

CARLETON W. I.

The regular meeting of the Carleton Women's Institute was held

at the home of Mrs. James Paynter on August 11.

Thirteen members responded to roll call. It was decided that ten dollars will be sent to the Cancer Fund and that three thousand fish liver oil capsules be ordered for school children. It was also decided to have a lobster supper some time in September.

New lunch committee for September are Mrs. James Paynter, Mrs. Boyd Lowther and Mrs. Heber Myers.

Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Wendall MacWilliams. Roll call will be answered by bringing two 12-inch quilt blocks.

LONDON, (OP)—As a result of a gentle hint, the Malda Vale district library has raised its bottom shelves nine inches, allowing old folks to browse more conveniently.



FALL CONVENTIONS of the PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND TEACHERS' FEDERATION will be held as follows: Sept. 1 and 2 at Mount Stewart and Souris. Sept. 3 and 4 at O'Leary and Tignish. Sept. 8 and 9 at Hunter River and Summerside. Sept. 10 and 11 at Charlottetown Rural and Montague. The program will include: ADDRESSES by school supervisor, local president, Mr. Malcolm MacKenzie, Miss Helen Yeo, and Dr. J. P. McCarthy. DEMONSTRATIONS in language, science and silent reading; DISCUSSIONS on Credit Union for teachers and Home and School.

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