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VALENTINES.

Valentine's day is not what it once was. One does not have to be decrepit to remember when every book store was full of paper-lace, hearts pierced by arrows, and verses on the general theme that no matter what point of the compass might be indicated, some anonymous "you" were the beloved. It is not so nowadays. The swain who wants to send a valentine to his sweetie must either hunt long for a place which purveys such things, or roll his own.

To read Sam Pepys's diary is to discover what an important day Feb. 14 used to be in the lives of all citizens. "Up early," wrote Mr. Pepys on Feb. 14, 1661, "and to Sir W. Batten's, but would not go in till I asked whether they that opened the door was a man or a woman, and Mingo, who was there, answered a woman, which, with his tone, made me laugh; so up I went and took Mrs. Martha for my valentine (which I do only for complacency), and Sir W. Batten he go in the same manner to my wife, and so we were very merry." Four days later: "In the afternoon my wife and I, and Mrs. Martha Batten, my valentine, to the Exchange, and there upon a payre of embroydered and six payre of plain white gloves I laid out 40 shillings upon her." Valentines were expensive. And they were also as fleeting as love. In the following year "I did this day purposely shun to be seen at Sir W. Batten's, because I would not have his daughter to be my valentine, as she was the last year, there being no great friendship between us now, as formerly."

Probably the real reason for the lack of former valentines of lace and tinsel lies in the fact that the girls nowadays demand something less symbolic and considerably more expensive. They can't eat or wear paper hearts. With the coming of the new order, another feature of the old has almost disappeared—the so-called comic valentine, by which one could with impunity insult one's foes. Thus the world has forfeited an excellent way of getting back at traffic officers, school teachers, editors and other people. And it is not because old St. Valentine himself did not approve of the custom, for the learned say that he had nothing to do with the custom that features his holiday.

Toledo banker arrested while drunk has been sentenced to pose as a specimen for observation before a class in psychology in the University of Toledo. Every day some such freak sentence is imposed, a sentence that cannot be enforced save with the consent of the victim. It is the consent of victim that occasionally gives it virtue. It may be that while the banker does penance he may serve as a useful object lesson.

Musolini is giving European chancelleries some sleepless nights, a "high diplomat" is quoted as saying. The question of the hour is, how to turn off big Benito, the alarm clock of Europe.

Supposing you do leave your footprints on the sands of time; some archeologist will dig them up eons hence and say they were made by a dinosaur.

A newspaper which has indulged in a lot of guessing on the date of the House opening now announces that it will meet on Sunday, March 14th.

The Old Days were those in which the nominal explanation for taking beef, iron and wine was the beef and iron.

Still, a paper towel can make itself useful in so many other ways it ought to be excused if it isn't much of a towel.

Among those things which require considerable coddling to succeed are peonies, baby-doll wives and soft coal fires.

Another reason why the old-fashioned backyard apple seemed to taste better than the modern article swathed in tissue paper was a kid appetite.

The by-election in Prince Albert which was made vacant in order to provide a seat for Premier King, is taking place today. In the Federal election the Liberal candidate polled more votes than the Conservatives and Progressives combined.

A piano was carried into a New York court to prove that a musician was entitled to a hundred thousand dollars for the loss of a finger. Isn't it fortunate it wasn't an organist?

In 1925 the United States Government issued patents on 46,500 devices, of which probably none will remove the cap from a jar of preserves.

Among footprints left on the sands of time it is not hard to identify the great dictator's. They betray unusual pressure on the heels.

Fairy Story: "The card table had been in use steadily for four and a half years, but none of its legs had a habit of molding up at unexpected times."

Some women grow old before their time trying to look young after their time.

When a church burns, nowadays, it can't be laid to fire and brimstone preaching.

Among his feathered fellows, the first robin is probably regarded as a little feeble-minded.

What has become of the old-fashioned fellow who could hide behind his wife's skirts?

The interesting question is raised. How did Noah and the boys go fishing with only two worms aboard?

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

If the snows keep coming much longer the groundhog will soon be down to his last turnip.

About the time the consumer becomes partially reconciled to high prices the prices go up.

"Would be nice to live until all of life's problems could be settled by touching an electric button."

Any kind of religion that does the world and people good ought to be good enough to satisfy anybody.

Says Dr. Frank Crane: "To love is to go on." Maybe so, Doc, but we had an idea that to love is to linger.

This is a busy world. A lot of things are being done while you're thinking of getting out of bed in the morning.

Lima Beane thinks the Cave Man who couldn't outrun a woman must have been unpopular with the gentler sex.

February our shortest month, is stepping right along. March bills soon will be cluttering up the mail box.

Florida looked so nice and ripe to Charles Ponzi, after he had been shut up in prison, that he could not restrain his enthusiasm for bagging suckers.

The female kangaroo is the only female we know that seems to get much real use out of a pocket.—Ohio State Journal.—But the lady opossum's way of taking care of her young is much cuter.

HEARD IN PASSING.

That the Bankers dance turned out to be a petting party.

That every one is getting fed up on the beautiful snow.

That there are only fifteen days more of February.

That a well known bachelor says that he is relieved it isn't Leap Year.

That this leap year business is all bunk anyway.

That the City Council are making some progress with their economy programme.

That the Home Club is out of the hockey finals.

That the first Robin has been reported.

That ski-ing and snowshoeing are all the rage.

That the Curling Club won their first home game with an outside club.

That the Hanson case is off until the good old summer time.

That the arrangement of the C. N. R. with the C. P. R. for running rights between Vanceboro and Fredericton are better than none at all.

LITTLE STORIES OF THE TOWN

Loses Head Twice.
"I've only lost my head twice in my life" boasts a Queen street business man. "Once when I was in an automobile accident, and the other was when I popped the question to the woman who is now my wife."

BARITONE TO APPEAR WITH THE OPERAFILM

For nearly half a century in the British Isles it has been the ambition of every young singer to become a member of the famous Royal Carl Rosa Opera Company. Many have tried, but few were chosen. It is therefore easy to visualize Mr. Edward Evan's delight when, after a number of years filled with the usual struggles of a young vocalist, he received a letter from the directors offering him an engagement as principal baritone with this famous organization.

Needless to say he accepted, and as the musical world now knows quickly built up an excellent reputation for himself. Mr. Evans is not only endowed with a rich baritone voice of great beauty, but is also an exceptionally gifted actor, a combination rarely met with.

When the latest novelty for stage and screen—Operafilm—presents for its initial offering The Bohemian Girl at the Capitol Theatre this evening and continuing for two days, Mr. Evans will be heard in the part of "Count Arnheim, whose solos include Bale's celebrated aria "The heart bow'd down". On the screen the audience will also see the role played by that well-known English actor Henry Vibart.

PUBLIC OPINION

SERVICE.

The Editor of The Mail.
Dear Sir—From hearsay and from experience I know that a person who tries to right civic wrongs gets disliked, which prevents any a man registering protests about conditions that need to be rectified. But after all, when one conditions that WHO they are who dislike him for his endeavors to do something for the public good, he realizes that whether such folk like or dislike him isn't a matter of any weight whatever and that it is certainly far nobler for him to do his duty than to refrain just because of such a possibility. "Service, not Popularity."

Yours truly,
ON LOOKER.
Fredericton, Feb. 15, 1926.

Returned to Boston.
Mr. Walter Landon, who has been spending his vacation with relatives in the city and Kingsclear, returned to Boston on Saturday evening. Mr. Landon has been a resident of Boston for twenty-five years and holds an important position on the staff of Jordan, Marsh & Company. Talking to a representative of the Mail Mr. Landon said that it was something unusual for him to take a winter vacation, but he had enjoyed every minute of it.

Thomas F. Allen of Bangor, Me., Supl. of the Tobique Salmon Club, is a guest at the Queen.

TAX ARREARS

All those in arrears for City Taxes are hereby notified that it would be well to arrange a settlement at once, as the undersigned has been instructed to collect same by all available means.

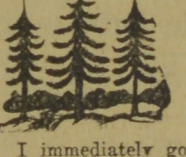
C. FRED CHESTNUT,
City Treasurer.
City Hall, February 11, 1926.

NOTICE


The Board of Assessors of Taxes for the City of Fredericton in the present year hereby require all persons liable to be rated forthwith to furnish to the assessors true statements of all their Real Estate, Personal Estate and Income, and hereby give notice that blank forms, on which statements may be furnished under the assessment law can be obtained at the office of the assessors and that such statement must be perfected under oath and filed in the office of the assessors within thirty days of the day of this notice. Dated this 2nd day of February A. D. 1926.

PETER FARRELL,
Principal Assessor.

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Mrs. Wm. W. Card, Bancroft, Ont., writes:—"Last winter my three children had very bad colds, and they would cough all night long, which was very annoying to the rest of the family.
I could get nothing to help them until one night, a friend who was staying with me, advised me to give them

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J. S. SCOTT,
Secretary-Treasurer, Municipality of York.

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