

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY TOMORROW, FEBRUARY 14

Missives Sentimental of Comic, Burlesque Sent On That Day

Originally Sacred

School Children Get Lots of Fun from Practice Sending Valentines

St. Valentine's Day, which is here again tomorrow, will be observed in this city, as everywhere else, with the usual gaiety and ceremony.

The dictionary describes as 'sacred' the day of St. Valentine's and such was its original meaning. It was a very old notion, alluded to by Shakespeare that on this day birds began to mate. Hence, perhaps, arose the custom of sending love tokens at that time.

In olden days sweethearts used to send to each other a letter containing a profession of love, or a missive of a sentimental, comic or burlesque character. Today in many places what was once a sacred gesture, has become rather one of comedy, and sometimes even mockery. The current cartoon type of Valentines which are sold everywhere on the newsstands are, many of them, harmful and spiteful in their messages.

Generally, however, there is still the spirit of good fun associated with the day and school children and grown-ups, too, send Valentines on this day affirming their affection for "a certain party." In the schools of the city tomorrow the usual practice will be held of Valentine boxes and some time will be taken by the teachers to explain the message of the day, and to permit the pupils to peruse their Valentine messages.

NEWS BRIEFS

JUDGE PRO HAC VICE

John Black, of this city, barrister-at-law, has been appointed to be judge of probate pro hac vice in re the estate of T. Wesley Kitchen and Julia A. Kitchen, in place of W. J. West, Judge of Probate for the county, who is interested in the said estates as solicitor. Official notice of this appears in this week's Royal Gazette.

PARTRIDGE FROZEN

Roland Wheeler, while cutting wood on his farm at Springhill, found a dead partridge. There was no mark on it and the assumption is that the bird died from frost bite. It is an unusual thing for partridge to freeze to death in this country and the incident is a good indication of the severity of the winter.

SISTERS TO BE HERE

Lieutenant Governor Hon. Murray MacLaren's two sisters, Miss C. J. MacLaren and Miss S. R. MacLaren, of Saint John, are expected here tonight and tomorrow will be present at the opening ceremony of the Legislature. J. W. McKee, Deputy Minister of Pensions and National Health at Ottawa, is expected here on the train tomorrow at noon, and also will be present at the house opening.

GETS APPOINTMENT

Lieutenant Colonel E. J. Lounsbury, M. D., has been appointed provincial manager for New Brunswick, Bonaventure and Gaspé Counties in Quebec, for the Confederation Life. Lieutenant Colonel Lounsbury left this morning for Moncton, where he will attend a meeting of the managers of New Brunswick and Newfoundland. Lieutenant Lounsbury will return to the city on Friday.

ELOQUENT ADDRESS

His Grace Archbishop Richardson is reported to have given an eloquent address on "The Bible" at a public meeting held last evening in the Sackville United Church in connection with the annual meeting of the society. His Grace the Archbishop reviewed the history of the Bible and showed how it had stood with the challenge of science and of critical investigation and was now more firmly established than ever. The Fredericton Archbishop's address was listened to by a large number.

MOVER AND SECONDER OF SPEECH REPLY

H. M. Wood, Sackville; H. M. Groom, of St. Stephen

Well Known Men

Prominent in Commercial and Civil Life of New Brunswick

H. M. Wood, Sackville, will move, and H. M. Groom, St. Stephen, will second the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne, at the opening of the fifth session of the seventeenth Legislature of the Province of New Brunswick, tomorrow afternoon.

The mover is a man prominent in the commercial and civic life of the Province, and his career in the Legislature carries on a tradition of Parliamentary activity built up by his father. Herbert Mariner Wood was born on May 10, 1877, at Sackville, N. B., a son of Josiah Wood and Laura Sophia Trueman. His father, Hon. Josiah Wood, was successively M. P., Senator and Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of New Brunswick.

Mr. Wood received his higher education at Mount Allison University, Sackville, and later at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. He was married on June 1, 1905, to Ethel S., daughter of Frederick W. Sumner, of Moncton, and four children have been born to the couple—Margaret S., Josiah, Hester S., and Ann.

In private life Mr. Wood is a fire and life insurance broker. He is also first vice president of the Ontario Trust Company of Canada, president of the Farmers' Co-operative Creamery, and managing director of the Moncton Broadcasting Company, Ltd. He was mayor of his native town of Sackville from 1916 to 1918.

Mr. Wood is a past master of Lebanon Lodge, A. F. and A. M., and is also a member of Luxor Temple Mystic Shrine, and of the Knights of Pythias. His social connections with Cornell University include membership in the eta Psi Fraternity and the Sphinx Head Society of that institution. He is also a member of the board of trustees of Pine Hill College, Halifax.

Mr. Wood was elected to his seat in the Legislature in the general election of August 10, 1925, and returned at the general election of 1930.

Harry Marshall Groom, seconder of the address, was born on July 9, 1894, in Charlotte County, a son of J. Marshall Groom, English, and Lucy J. McKay, Scotch. After a primary education in the common schools of his native county, he attended the Provincial Normal School at Fredericton; Mount Allison University, Sackville; and King's College Law School. He is a holder of the B.C.L. degree.

On August 26, 1924, Mr. Groom married Mabel A., daughter of John McMillan, of Head of Millstream, N. B. Mr. Groom's profession is that of a barrister. He was a teacher in the public schools of New Brunswick between the years 1912 and 1916 and was on the faculty of the St. Stephen High School in 1918. Later, from 1925 to 1930, he filled the office of Judge of Probate for the County of Charlotte. He has been one of the representatives from Charlotte County in the Provincial Legislature since the general election of 1930. Fraternal organizations of which Mr. Groom is a member include the Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias and the McCall United Club of Canada.

TO SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGE

This week's Royal Gazette gives notice that Rev. Emile Augustine Rivard, of Kedgwick, Restigouche has been authorized to solemnize marriage.

CONTRACT BRIDGE IN HALF AN HOUR

By "THE COLONEL"

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C. W. HALL

N. B. APPEAL COURT TAKES UP GRIFFIN CASE

Judgment Reserved In Case of King versus Benoit Richard

Landry Case Stood Over

P. J. Hughes, K. C., For Accused Begins Argument in Griffin Case

The New Brunswick Appeal court proceeded well into its February docket here this morning, reserving judgment in one case, setting another at the foot of the docket, and commencing the case of the King vs. Leo Griffin, a case from McAdam, in which P. J. Hughes, K. C., of this city began argument on behalf of the accused who is appealing from a conviction before the judge of the York County court. Griffin allegedly obstructed an officer in the performance of his duty at McAdam.

In the case of the King vs. Benoit Richard where the accused is appealing from a conviction before the police magistrate of Bathurst, judgment was reserved by the court.

In the case of King vs. Henry Landry, E. R. McDonald, K. C. of Shediac, supported an appeal from a conviction before Chief Justice Barry, and this morning this action was set at the foot of the whole docket.

In the Griffin case, C. L. Dougherty of this city, appeared contra to Mr. Hughes, the appellant counsel.

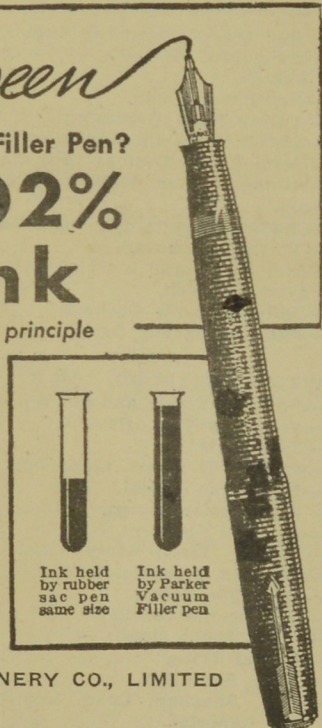
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