

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK IN CITY SOCIETY CIRCLES

And a Summary of the Happenings Elsewhere in New Brunswick—Celestial Talk—Moncton Society—Woodstock Whispers—Fashion's Favorites at the Seaside.

I can't imagine what our young people have been about, that I should have so little to relate concerning them. Of course I've heard of the several flirtations and engagements, but you know it would be unpardonable to make further mention of these, so I'll only offer congratulations and remind the young ladies that they are expected to inform me when the trousseaux are ready for inspection. I'm told that one remarkably pretty little girl has announced her intention of wearing a white crepe wedding dress. That will be lovely—but I hope she don't intend having the veil of same material.

I suppose the continuous fog and then sultry weather have had a rather depressing effect which partly accounts for the lack of gaiety, but this must not continue. It would never do for our bright little city to become drowsy and monotonous like some of its sister cities.

Mr. Chas. A. Rodd, of Boston, and Miss Minnie Campbell, of Gray's mills, Kings county, were married, Tuesday morning, at the residence of Mr. James Campbell. Miss Ellie Gorham was bridesmaid and Mr. Edgar Rodd groomsmen. The bridal party boarded the steamer Acadia, arrived in St. John Tuesday evening, and saw Mr. and Mrs. Rodd en route to Boston next morning.

And why, I wonder, do the notable visitors persist in arriving on Saturday or Monday, so that by the following Saturday the news of their arrival is stale?

Dr. and Mrs. Osborne, of St. Andrews, spent a few days with Mrs. James Stratton, last week.

Mrs. and the Misses Underhill, Miss Brock and Miss Stevens are spending a few weeks at Gondola Point.

Miss Sellers, from Philadelphia, is visiting Mrs. John McAvity.

Mr. J. Murray Kay will certainly require a new pair of gloves, judging from the number of heavy hand clasps he received while in the city. He left last Monday for—I've forgotten where—to enjoy some salmon fishing.

A young lady well and favorably known in Montreal is spending the summer at a fashionable watering place, where she is doing a thriving business as ladies' barber and hairdresser. When the ladies come out from bathing, she is at the beach with towels, etc., in readiness to thoroughly dry, comb and brush their hair. She is regarded as an especial boon by these daughters of luxury, and her services are in constant demand. A general rush is made for her room every evening. So we find that even a talent for hair dressing may be utilized.

Rothsary is a gay place, this summer, with something on the cards for every evening almost. The lawn tennis club has weekly meetings at the residence of some member of the organization. Play is continued until darkness sets in, when the company enters the house and spends the rest of the evening dancing, or in some equally pleasant fashion.

The "At Home" at the handsome residence of Mr. J. Morris Robinson, Monday evening, was a very pleasant affair.

Miss Ethel Reed, of Boston, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. G. Prescott.

Judge and Mrs. King, with their two daughters, are spending a few days at Inch-Arran.

Misses Louie and Flossie DeVeber and Miss J. Hanford left Wednesday morning to spend some days at Digby.

One large rose, or some choice flower, has taken the place of the immense corsage bouquet, which is now considered vulgar. This must be welcome news to the ladies whose lassies are fond of the opera and theatre.

Mrs. Rainsford Wetmore is visiting Mrs. C. Kinnear, Carleton street.

Mrs. James Hegon left Thursday morning to visit her parents at Summerside, P. E. I.

Mrs. Robert McAfee, from Philadelphia, formerly of St. John, arrived in the city last Thursday.

Quite a large party of ladies and gentlemen boarded the yacht Dream Friday morning and spent a jolly day sailing up the river, returning the same evening.

The only bit of unpleasantness in connection with the reception held by Lady Tilley Thursday afternoon, was the cloud of dust that rather marred the effect of some of the pretty costumes worn by the ladies and naturally caused them to feel a little vexed. Sir Leonard, in his agreeable and kindly way, assisted Lady Tilley in receiving their large number of visitors. The reception room—but I noticed a full description of it in last week's PROGRESS, so will merely say it looked cheerful and pretty. Lady Tilley wore a most becoming dress of black lace, with jet trimmings. After an enjoyable and very pleasing conversation with the host and hostess, the guests passed through the hall, where Col. Armstrong was in readiness to enrol their names in the visiting book.

THE GOSSIP.

CELESTIAL TALK.

FREDERICTON, July 25.—Lady Tilley has been in Fredericton, this week, attending to some business connected with the hospital.

Mr. Oscar Wasgatt and Miss Wasgatt, of Bangor, are visiting at the residence of their uncle, Dr. Torrens. Mr. Wasgatt is a fine violinist.

Miss Bridges, of this city, has returned from Philadelphia, where she has been spending several months.

Mr. Howell, of Montreal, is in Fredericton, visiting his brother and his wife. Mr. Howell is said to be a very fine organist.

Miss Dever, of St. John, is visiting Miss Temple.

Miss Holly, of Indiantown, is the guest of Mrs. William Fowler.

Mrs. Vavasour has gone up to Canterbury, to spend a few weeks with her friends in that place.

Mr. J. M. Davidson, of the Bank of Montreal, Chatham, is in Fredericton, the guest of his brother-in-law, Dr. McLearn.

Mrs. Mary A. Needham, wife of the late W. H. Needham, Q.C., at one time representative of this county in the assembly and

also mayor of this city, died at Halifax on the 17th. She had been living with her daughter, Mrs. M. H. Fay. Mrs. Needham was widely known in New Brunswick, and was highly esteemed for her kindness and gentleness.

Mr. and Mrs. John Black will entertain a large number of their friends, Friday evening, at their residence, "The Chimes." A very enjoyable time is anticipated.

The interesting question under discussion in almost every home in the country, with some member, is, how and where shall the vacation be spent?

I have heard of so many schemes that I am surprised at none, but the latest has captured my fancy. Quite a large party from this city will spend the next week a few miles out of town, and should the weather prove fine will, I am sure, have a delightful time. The advance guard was on the spot, Wednesday, erecting tents and preparing for the score of ladies and gentlemen to follow. The idea of the pleasure seekers is to camp out for about ten days, and the location being in one of the most beautiful and picturesque glens in the province, within easy reach of bathing, boating and fishing, all doubts for the fun in store for them are dispelled.

Mrs. Arthur W. Carr, of New York, eldest daughter of Mr. J. deLancey Robinson, is visiting her parents at Pine Grove, Douglas.

Sheriff Sterling has commenced the erection of a handsome residence on Brunswick street, just above the Cathedral.

Mrs. Marsh has been confined to her room at the Barker House for a week or two with a sprained ankle.

Hon. George E. Foster, minister of finance, was the guest of Rev. Dr. McLeod during his stay in this city.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie were the guests of Mrs. Leonard Johnstone, Georges street, while in this city.

Mrs. Judge Steadman is the guest of Mrs. Randolph, at Frogmoor, while the judge is away on his fishing trip.

The many friends of Miss Janie Roberts are pleased to welcome her home again, after her three months' visit at Windsor, N. S.

Mr. R. W. Gilbert, who was a university student here fifteen years ago, is in the city on a visit. He is now an architect in Boston.

Hon. A. G. Blair is at Dorchester, attending the circuit court.

The Florenceville went down river Monday evening, with a number of excursionists, excellent music being furnished by the 71st Battalion band.

Mr. A. G. Beckwith, C. E. public works department, visited Madawaska, last week, on official business, and went to Miramichi today. Mr. Beckwith, with Messrs. W. Reading and R. W. Gilbert, of Boston, came from Grand Falls in a canoe.

STELLA.

MONCTON SOCIETY.

MONCTON, July 26.—So it is all over. Nothing remains but fond dreams of the past, and the present pleasing duty of telling you all about it. Yes, the calico ball is the theme of my discourse, this time. It was everything that was delightful. As for the ladies, one could hardly have thought calico could be made to look so very pretty. Still I will not be able to tell you what anyone wore; for, as I sit here and think the thing over, I realize that it was more the grace of the wearer than the dress itself that made the tout ensemble so very charming.

Among other strangers present, I noticed Mr. and Mrs. Benedict, Miss and Mr. Henry Hanington, of Dorchester, and Miss Stavert, of Summerside. Mr. Smith (Lady Smith's eldest son) was also present.

The music could not be called an entire success, but nothing seemed to damp the dancing ardor. The feature of the evening was "The Association Quadrille." There were 50 couples in it, and all the gentlemen were in some athletic costume—not a black coat to be seen. These, with the pretty dresses of the ladies, made such a pleasing scene.

You may be sure that these pleasant dances and delightful flirtations were not the best training for our boys, and the cricket match on Saturday ended just as we expected—in utter defeat for Moncton. If they would only work one-half as hard for themselves, as the ladies have worked for them, they might more often cover themselves with glory.

Saturday morning a great many left town for the seaside.

Mr. and Mrs. Beddome and family have gone to Shediac for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Benedict are at Point du Chene.

Mrs. Archibald and her friend, Mrs. Wiggins, and Mrs. Estey went up to "The Beaches"—where, by-the-by, on the night train went also Jack and his friend Charley. I did hear there was an attraction there for them, but it is likely a mistake. No doubt it was the sea air they wanted.

Mr. A. Hillson has taken a cottage in Shediac for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Dickson and family will be at the Point for the warm weather.

In fact, for the town seems empty. If you don't get a letter next week you will know that I have taken myself off on a time also.

We are going to have a wedding very soon. It has been kept painfully quiet. The proverbial little bird told me, but said I was not even to dream of the event, for fear I talked in my sleep, for even the elergyman was not to be asked till the day of the ceremony. Please don't tell, PROGRESS.

Miss Wright, who has been visiting her friend Miss Harris for some time past, has gone home. She is very much missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing her.

Miss Stavert, of Prince Edward Island, is visiting Mrs. Butcher, Alma street. This young lady was considered one of the belles of the ball, last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Williamson were in town this week. I am glad to see Mrs. W's familiar face, as she has always been such a great favorite of mine; nor, I assure you, am I alone in this expression of feeling.

Miss Macbean, who has been, for the last two years, in New York, is expected home next week. Her old friends will be more than glad to see her. Miss Macbean is a most successful nurse in a New York hospital.

Mr. Metzler has been called home by the dangerous illness of his mother, who resides in Halifax.

By the bye, would you like me to tell you what brings Mr. Hockin up so often from Dorchester? I can easily do it, for

the facts of the case are plainly evident to the beholder.

LYNX.

WOODSTOCK WHISPERS.

WOODSTOCK, July 25.—Mrs. Donald, widow of the late Dr. Donald of St. John, is spending a few weeks with Mrs. F. Rankine.

Mrs. Hunt of Halifax is in town, the guest of Mrs. Chas. Connell.

The many friends of Mr. S. B. Appleby were delighted to see him able to be in his office, last Saturday, after a serious illness caused by being thrown from his carriage some weeks ago.

Rev. G. M. Campbell and wife are visiting in Woodstock. At present they are the guests of Mr. James Watts, editor of the Sentinel.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Oakes passed through town this week on their way to St. Andrews for a few weeks. They will probably visit their sister, Mrs. Edward Todd, of Calais, before returning.

Mr. and Mrs. Moses Burpee, who have been in Dakota for three weeks, returned home Saturday morning, much pleased with their visit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Wallace Hay and family intend going to Wolfville for a short visit.

Mrs. B. H. Smith has gone to Andover to spend a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Miles.

Miss Ebbett, of Houlton, is in Woodstock, the guest of Mr. H. R. Baird.

The Misses Parks and Miss Watters, daughter of Judge Watters, all of St. John, are visiting Dr. and Mrs. Griffith.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McLean left on Monday last for a trip to St. John, Sussex and Moncton; they will probably be gone four weeks.

Mrs. Bostwick, of St. John, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Winslow.

One of those interesting events that society people look forward to with pleasure is about to take place in our town. The popular young lady to whom I refer, has for a number of years been in one of the prominent bookstores here. It is said she has gone to St. Stephen for her trousseau. The young gentleman in question recently acted as usher on a similar occasion.

Mrs. Kenney, wife of Capt. Kenney, of St. John, is spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Hugh Davis.

Mrs. Dr. Smith gave a large party on Thursday evening last. Music for dancing was furnished by the Houlton band, and all who were present had a most enjoyable time.

CELEBRITIES AT INCH-ARRAN.

INCH-ARRAN, DALHOUSIE, N. B., July 26.—His Excellency the Governor-General and Lady Stanley of Preston, Hon. Victor Stanley, Capt. Bagot, the Governor-General's Secretary; Mrs. Bagot, Miss Villiers Lester, Hon. Isabel Stanley, Hon. A. Stanley, Hon. W. Stanley and Misses Barret and McMahon, arrived here Monday afternoon by the steamer Admiral, from the Caspacia, where they have been salmon-fishing, the party having killed over 300 salmon. The steamer anchored off the Inch-Arran House and the party were rowed ashore and had luncheon at the hotel.

The veteran premier is looking remarkably well, and is enjoying his holidays here very much, having gained several pounds of flesh, though public business keeps him busy several hours during the day. He proceeded Tuesday morning, accompanied by Lady Macdonald, to Grand Metis, where they will be the guests of Sir Geo. Stephen, returning to the Inch-Arran at the end of this week.

DOWN BY THE SEA.

ST. ANDREWS, July 26.—The St. Andrews Land company is pushing on the park to completion. When finished, it will compare very favorably with the world-renowned pleasure grounds situated at Nantasket beach, near Boston. The company have been more than fortunate in securing for their manager Mr. Horton, of Boston, who, by his pleasant and genial manners, has established himself as a great favorite in the shire town.

The summer visitors are at last arriving, both Kennedy's and the Argyll having more than they can accommodate. Among the arrivals this week were Chas. A. Samson, the Rev. Mr. Tibbets and party, of Fredericton, at Kennedy's, Mrs. Thompson and children and Miss McDonald, of St. John, at Mrs. Morrison's. I was also glad to notice the smiling face of Wm. Douglass, M. P. P., who has left the arid wastes of Moore's Mills for a short visit to the Saratoga of New Brunswick.

Mr. T. H. Street and wife are enjoying a well-earned vacation in St. John.

Dr. and Mrs. Osborne have returned from that city.

Arrivals at the Argyll, for the week, are as follows:

- Mrs. Moore, Miss Rebecca Moore, St. Stephen. I. B. Oakes and wife, Canterbury. P. S. Stevenson, Montreal. H. D. McLeod, St. John. A. Seely, St. John. Miss A. B. Shattuck, Lawrence, Mass. Mrs. Harry Merrill, Bangor. Miss F. R. Peters, Bangor. B. A. Haskell, Waterloo, P. Q. H. M. Johnston, Boston. E. Q. Hill, wife and son, Calais. Miss Gallagher, Calais. Mrs. E. P. Boutelle, Bangor. G. L. Beardmore and wife, Miss Beardmore and Miss Helen Beardmore, Toronto. Mrs. C. B. Paine and wife, Eastport. Mr. C. A. Paine and wife, Eastport. Mr. Eben Shackford, Eastport. Capt. Shackford, Eastport. Mr. Capen and wife, Eastport. Fred Norton and wife, Eastport. Mr. and Mrs. Bradford, Eastport. Miss Hastings, Eastport. Miss Manie Bradford, Eastport. Dr. E. M. Small and wife, Eastport. Miss Hattie Bradford, Eastport. Mr. Andrew Bradford and wife, Eastport. Mrs. and Miss Curtis, Eastport. Mr. Armstrong and wife, Eastport. W. H. Kerup, Eastport. D. B. Clafin and wife, Boston. Walter B. Clafin, Boston. H. O. Clafin, Boston. Howard L. Rogers, Boston. E. B. Todd and wife, Calais. Miss Todd, Calais. A. E. Neill, Calais. S. D. Crawford, St. John.

Another Change in the "Shop."

Mr. McKenzie, who for some time has been employed in this city as the "correspondent of Ledden Bros.," has given up that situation and returned to Halifax. The shop is now run by a relative of the firm. Its business has fallen off greatly and the prospects are that if it continues to decrease as it has that want of patronage will compel the closing of its doors.

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