

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK IN ST. JOHN AND HALIFAX

And the Happenings in Social Circles of Fredericton, Moncton, Woodstock, Chatham, Dorchester, St. Stephen, Newcastle, Bathurst, and Shediac.

Jack Frost has at last paid us a visit, even though he has been rather tardy in doing so, the thermometer last Saturday showing 10° below zero. I think many would have been better satisfied had the cold snap continued all through the week, for I am sure there are few who would not prefer the bracing and exhilarating cold to the damp and rainy weather of a month ago.

On Thursday evening, the 21st, quite a number attended the carnival at the Victoria rink, and things again began to look like the good old times when, if people were to absent themselves from these gatherings they would be quite out of the world. A party of the skaters were entertained afterwards to a supper party at Mrs. Charles Watters', Princess street.

A small toboggan party got up by Mrs. Robert Jardine started on Friday evening, the 22nd, and though the hill was in good condition, their enjoyment was somewhat marred by a slight rain storm.

On Monday last, a surprise party, numbering about 60, and gathered together by Miss Parks, drove out to the residence of Mr. James L. Dunn. They did not adhere to the original custom of genuine surprise parties, and take their baskets of refreshments with them, for I suspect some rumor of the intended expedition must have reached the ears of Mrs. Dunn, as all necessary arrangements seemed to have been made to give them a welcome reception, and a most enjoyable evening passed by all who were present.

While calling at the house of a friend a few days ago, we discussed among other subjects the dullness of the times—I mean, of course, in a society point of view—and we fell to envying those whom fortune had favored in allowing them to winter in other lands. On going over the many ladies whose whereabouts we knew of, we spoke of Miss Mazze being in Boston; the Misses Hazen in the same place; Miss M. Hazen, in Dublin; Miss Emily Bayard, in London, together with Miss Nellie Barker and Miss Gertrude Drury; Miss Beatrice Hatheway, in British Columbia; Miss Fanny King, in Boston; Mrs. H. J. A. Godard, in New York, and Miss Katie Bayard in Halifax. Of course the names of many others may have slipped our memory at the time, but these together with many who have married and made their homes in other cities, make great changes in our social gatherings this winter.

Mrs. E. I. Simonds and family will shortly return to their former residence in Waterloo street.

Miss Ida Nicholson left on Monday evening for Boston, where she joins her sister, Miss Belle Nicholson, and remains there for about a fortnight. After an attack of scarlet fever of only five days' duration, Mrs. Thomas McLellan, on Sunday last, lost her daughter, Miss Bessie McLellan, at the early age of sixteen years. Very alarming has this disease become, as there seems small sign of its abatement.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Sturdee are expected to return from their bridal trip on Sunday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Sturdee will reside at 144 Carmarthen street until May 1.

Dr. and Mrs. Grier, nee Sawyer, whose marriage took place in Halifax early this week, are spending their honeymoon in St. John and are registered at the Royal.

The Misses Dever have returned from their visit to Fredericton.

Dr. Holden has returned from Ottawa. Miss Louise Holden is still visiting that city.

Now that March has set in, our dry goods shops present quite a spring-like appearance in their display of goods, and I notice how strongly is evinced their attempt to copy the shops in the United States, chiefly in having their goods marked down for a certain time, and placed prices being placed on them. This plan is adopted so generally in Boston and New York that often, while visiting those cities, during their spring sales, I have procured great bargains. However, one must needs be well accustomed to their method in getting their goods, for instance, I paid 30 cents a yard for dress goods one day, but on returning the next for a yard or two more, was amazed to find it was charged \$1 for the same material, these only being marked down for one day, the next other articles taking their place.

I must say when strangers visit St. John, I always feel proud of our shops, as the general opinion is that they compare most favorably with those of cities of even larger size. Macaulay Bros. are showing some very pretty light figured delaines, at only 10 cents a yard, which would make very tasteful morning gowns.

The fashion of bridesmaids carrying bouquets at weddings seems fast going out. I noticed the absence of them in the description of the marriage of the Duke of Newcastle and Miss Candy, the maids carrying muffs. I have heard also of slippers filled with flowers, prayer books or walking canes being used in their stead.

The Metropolitan is still suffering from the accident he met with some few weeks ago, having injured his right thumb. He has, however, managed to carry on his usual correspondence with his left hand.

The closing concert of the course of lectures in the Mechanics' Institute takes place on Monday next, and the management has again been entrusted to Miss MacLachlan. I hear the programme will contain choruses and solos from *Evénie*, besides other well chosen music. Some of our favorite amateurs have kindly consented to take part and a very good concert is anticipated.

Are you going to the minstrel's? has been the question pretty generally asked by many this week. Well did they deserve the good houses that greeted them on each evening. TEMPSICHOBE.

HALIFAX, N. S.

"Progress" is for sale in Halifax every Saturday noon, at Knuckles' bookstore, corner George and Granville streets.

FEBRUARY 27.—Whether it is that Lent is drawing so near or that we are getting more domestic in our habits, I cannot tell. One thing, however, is evident,—social gatherings for dancing are becoming very rare in this city. I am not referring to small impromptu dances now, I mean dances of reasonable dimensions, of such a character as require a new gown for a lady and the regulation rose and maiden hair fern in the gentleman's buttonhole, and where can be seen "lips that speak of plays next week, while eyes are talking love."

Enter notes, and speaking of buttonhole flowers, I know one well-known young gentleman who has discarded the above stated regulation and who now wears a white aster in his buttonhole at "evening out" (if such a flower be obtainable in the city) and in default of the aster, falls back on a pansy. I don't mind telling Progress that he seems to have contracted this habit while absent from the city last summer on his vacation. He says a white aster or a pansy reminds him so much of some one, some one he seems always so anxious to be remembering. I wish I could hint to you her name; upon this point, however, he is ever reticent and is always uncommunicative.

The death roll has interferred lately with some festivity. The unfortunate demise of Mrs. Salter was a very sad.

Mrs. Colonel Noyes died here the other day, also. The dance to have been given at the Wellington has been postponed in consequence.

Mrs. Proctor, who died at Moncton lately, was buried from St. Paul's church in this city a few days ago. She was well known here and in Dartmouth, and her untimely death is much to be regretted.

An unfortunate event occurred here on Sunday last, when Mrs. Sawyer's fine residence on Myles street took fire, and was wholly destroyed.

I heard a few days ago that Maj. Gausson, of the commissariat department, is awaiting orders to be transferred to another station. Mrs. Gausson is a Halifax lady.

The first of the parliamentary dinners at government House will be given to the members of the house of assembly now in session here, to-morrow evening by the chief justice, acting administrator of the government in the absence of Lieut-governor McLellan.

The Bohemian Girl was presented at the academy last evening, with the following amateur cast: Count Arnheim (Governor of Presburg)..... Mr G E Brook Thaddeus (a proscribed Pole)..... Mr D C Gillis Florestein (Nephew of the Count).....

Mr E Macdonald Devilshoof (Chief of the Gipsies)..... Mr R King Pooley Captain of the Guard..... Mr R Blackmore Servant..... Mr W A Emmerson Arline (Daughter of the Count)..... Miss Louise Laine Buda (her attendant)..... Miss Lawson Queen of the Gypsies..... Miss Schaefer Child Arline..... Miss Hilda Slayer

It was great success. Everybody was present. Miss Laine, as Arline, looked charming, and her rendition of "I Dreamt I Dwelt in Marble Halls," was superb. The conductor of the Orpheus club, Mr. C. H. Porter, is to be congratulated on the great success that was scored.

This item from a Halifax paper will interest many of Progress' New Brunswick readers: A happy event occurred at St. Luke's cathedral, Tuesday morning, and when most of the friends of the interested parties heard of it today they were rather surprised, as it was not expected to come off till after Easter. But accidents will occur, and the fire on Inglis street, Sunday night, upset some family arrangements and resulted in a wedding taking place some weeks earlier than anticipated. At 7 o'clock this morning Dr. Henry Grier, staff surgeon, led to the altar Miss Sophie Sawyer, only daughter of the late Col. Sawyer, and one of the most charming and popular young ladies in the city. A number of friends of the couple had heard of the hastily arranged plans and were at the cathedral to witness the ceremony, some of them afterwards accompanying the couple to the railway station. The bride was attired in a navy blue travelling dress, with sealskin jacket and velvet hat. The bridesmaid was Miss Scott, daughter of Capt. P. A. Scott; she wore a plain walking dress of green, with black jacket. The bridegroom was accompanied by Dr. Weston, of the army medical staff. The ceremony was performed by Archbishop Gillip, assisted by Rev. W. B. King, rector of St. Luke's. Immediately after the ceremony Dr. and Mrs. Grier drove to North street and took the Intercolonial train for St. John.

The Amateur Dramatic club announce their second performance for Monday and Tuesday evenings, March 4 and 5. The comedy, *A Wonderful Woman*, and the amusing farce, *Boots at the Swan*, have been selected to form the programme. They will be cast as follows:

A WONDERFUL WOMAN. Marquis de Frontine..... Capt Price, W R R Viscount de Millheures..... Col Guntur Rudolph (a young painter)..... Mr Ackworth, R A Crepin..... R Marshall, W R R Taylor..... W A Henry Servant..... W A Duff Madam Hortense Berbrand..... Mrs A E Jones Cecile (her niece)..... Miss Stewart Maid..... Miss Nagle

BOOTS AT THE SWAN. Jacob Earwig..... W H Hill Frank Friskley..... L J Fuller Higgins..... W Wallace, W R R Peter Pippin..... Mr Beale, W R R Miss Moonshine..... Miss Grant Emily Moonshine..... Miss B Stabbling Sully..... Mrs Tobin

Miss Kenny, Miss Meynell and Miss Lewis, three Halifax society ladies, leave on the 9th prox, for England. They will be married there to suitable gentlemen. WELBY.

FREDERICTON.

"Progress" is for sale in Fredericton at the bookstores of W. T. H. Fenety and James H. Hawthorne.

FEBRUARY 27.—The ball at the residence of Sir John and Lady Allen last Thursday evening was a very brilliant affair and everyone present seems to have enjoyed it to the utmost, judging by the numerous remarks I have heard to that effect. The house was very prettily decorated with flowers, there being an abundance of beautiful calla lilies and other choice hot house plants. The floor of the double drawing room was in a perfect condition for dancing, and the music furnished by Hanlon's orchestra was particularly good. Refreshments were served throughout the evening and at the usual hour an elegant supper. Card tables were provided upstairs for those who did not care to dance, and I have heard some gentle murmuring over the fact that too many of the gentlemen preferred the cards to the dancing.

There were many very handsome costumes among them a number of new ones just obtained for this occasion. I heard three young ladies spoken of as decidedly the belles of the evening—Miss Mary Brown, Miss Harrison and Miss Kitty Benson.

Lady Allen received in a dove-colored silk, with black lace trimmings. Lady Tilley wore a rich black satin with gold passementerie trimmings, low-cut corsage with bertha of gold fringe; ornaments, gold.

Mrs Judge Fraser: Petticoat of tan-colored foulard, court train of crimson velvet, ostrich feathers in her hair. Mrs Forrester looked exceedingly pretty in her wedding dress, the bodice and train being of white silk, trimmed with the front of white Bengaline silk, handsomely trimmed with lace and orange blossoms, the bodice cut low in the neck and short sleeves. She also wore a handsome pearl necklace.

Mrs A G Beckwith: A lovely costume of rich crimson faille-français silk, V-shaped bodice and short sleeves; ornaments, gold and natural flowers. Mrs John Gordon: A handsome cream tulle over satin of same shade, steel trimmings.

Mrs Macnutt: A diretoire costume of white satin and silver blue plush, blue pearl beads. Mrs Sewell: Rich, yellow silk, with black lace trimmings; ornaments, pearls.

Mrs Harry Beckwith: A handsome brown satin with coffee colored lace trimmings. Mrs Charles Beckwith: Old rose satin, court train, cream lace overdress, ostrich feathers; ornaments, pearls.

Mrs E H Allen: Pale blue satin brocade, cream tulle, blue ostrich tips; gold ornaments. Mrs Hilton Green: A very handsome cream cashmere embroidered in crevells of same shade, and trimmed with beetle wings.

Mrs Huntington: White satin and tulle. Mrs John Black: Nile green poplin, trimmed with pink plush and pink pearls; ornaments, pearls. Mrs John Allen: Mauve silk with black lace trimmings.

Mrs George Miller: Decollete costume of black lace and silk, long train. Mrs Albert Gregory: Black lace over white satin, ostrich feathers.

Mrs J Henry Phair: Silver-grey moire antique, with white lace trimmings; ornaments, topaz and gold. Mrs Inglis: White satin, en train. Mrs Capt Young: Black silk with black, yellow, spotted tulle overdress, gold and black sash, yellow roses, black ostrich feather fan.

Mrs Mary Brown: A lovely dress of silver striped gauze over white silk, pearl ornaments. Miss Harrison: White China silk, low cut corsage trimmed with ostrich feathers. Mrs Douglas Hazen: Cream brocade, with gold trimmings. Miss Kitty Benson: Cherry moire silk, with white tulle draperies, plush bodice, pearl necklace. Miss M K Tibbitts: A very pretty panna-colored silk, with white lace trimmings; ornaments, pearls. Miss Ketchum: Black lace, scarlet satin bodice and sash. Miss Laura Wetmore: White satin, with Limerick lace; ornaments, pearls. Miss Powys: Black lace and natural flowers. Miss O'Malley: Pale blue dress, ostrich feathers. Miss Ada Dever: White silk and tulle, blush roses. Miss Scarnell: White china silk. Miss Harriet Rainsford, who was the debutante of the evening, looked very pretty in white. Her dress was cashmere, with lace trimmings, with ostrich feather fan.

Miss Stevenson: White china silk, Nile green ribbons. Miss Botsford: Black lace dress, cream surah sash and shoulder bows. Miss Leila Botsford: Nile green striped grenadine, natural flowers.

Miss Louisa Fisher: A diretoire costume of Nile green cashmere and china silk; pearls. Miss Campbell: Blue china silk, trimmings of coffee-colored lace; pearl necklace. There will be a large party, Thursday evening, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hilyard, The Pines.

Major and Mrs. Gordon gave a dinner party last Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Street will give a party, Thursday evening, for their son Lee. A large party of young people have gone to Springhill, this evening, to have a dance at the hotel, the young ladies taking the supper with them in baskets. The "Colossus," with four horses, has been hired for the occasion. Mrs. George Babbitt will chaperone this party, and a delightful time is anticipated.

Capt. and Mrs. Young have a small card party this evening. Dr. and Mrs. Harrison are to have a card party Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Beck are to have a small tea party, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hatt will entertain their friends at a party Friday evening. Lady Tilley spent last Sunday in St. Stephen. She has again returned home.

Mrs. Capt. Wood (with her son, Dr. Dow Wood, of Boston, formerly of this city, are the guests of Mrs. Whelpley, Mrs. Wood's sister. They were on the ill-fated train last Saturday, but fortunately escaped with the loss of their baggage.

Mrs. Forrester is receiving her friends this week. On Monday she wore a very pretty dress of cream Henrietta cloth, cutaway jacket with large white pearl buttons, opening over a full vest of cream surah; diamond ornaments. Miss Dever and Miss Stevenson received with her. The latter wore a costume of apple green cashmere, with cream trim-

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A quiet wedding took place at the residence of Mrs. Alfred Whitehead, this morning, when her niece, Miss Bertha Clark, was married to Mr. J. W. Gunter, of Bear Island, Rev. Mr. Dobson officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Gunter left immediately for a bridal trip to Boston and New York, followed by the good wishes of many friends. Their future home will be in this city.

Mrs. John V. Ellis, of Carleton, is the guest of her sisters, the Misses Babbitt. Mr. R. T. Clinch, superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Co., St. John, is here. Miss Stevens, of Bangor, is visiting Mrs. F. B. Edgecomb.

Hon. A. G. Blair is expected home from Ottawa, Saturday. He was among those present at the reception given by Mrs. Mackenzie and Madame Laurier, at the Grand Union hotel, Ottawa, last Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Hall are expected home from the South on Saturday next. Dr. McAllister is back home again, looking exceedingly well after his trip.

Mr. W. T. H. Fenety has on his counter magnolia blossoms from a garden at Tallahassee, Fla., which look very little the worse for their long journey.

The Misses Dean returned to their home in St. John, Tuesday. The Skating club met with Miss Mary Brown, last Friday evening. A very pleasant time was enjoyed. They meet next Friday with Miss Annie Lugin, at the residence of Mr. Flewelling.

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