PROCRESS, SATURDAY, PERROOMS

### 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, Shediac and Tracadie.

The young and gay ones of our city, especially those belonging to the Church of England and Roman Catholic church, are deploring the fact that those who entertain do not seem alive to the fact that in less than two weeks Lent will have set in and that then all gaiety must be suspended until after Easter, which falls this year on the 21st of April. Of course, there is always a diversity of opinion as to what should or should not be given up during the season of Lent or what penance we should impose on ourselves. A young lady told me, the other day, that what she disliked most to do she reserved for that time, and one of her self-made tasks was the mending of all her gloves, a piece of work which is most disliked by every one.

I have very little to relate this week in the line of gaiety, and am sorry to say that as each week passes I have to record fresh cases of illness or deaths from that awful scourge, scarlet fever. After only two or three days' illness, Mrs. John Schofield lost a bright little boy of five years. General is the sympathy felt for Mr. and Mrs. Schofield in their sad bereavement.

One of Mr. H. L. Sturdee's children has a very slight attack of this disease, but is now convales-

I regret to hear that Miss Bessie Bostwick, daughter of Mr. C. M. Bostwick, has been obliged to return home from boarding school at Bradford, through serious indisposition, and is now very ill at her father's residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Furlong have the community's sympathy in the sad loss of their son, Mr. Redmond Furlong at the age of 23.

Tuesday evening, quite a number of St. John people drove out to Rothesay to attend a concert in that place got up by the musical club. Two large sleighs full drove out, one chaperoned by Mrs. James Robertson and the other by Mrs. Malcolm McKay. After the concert light refreshments were partaken of and the party drove into town pleased with their evening's enjoyment.

The first meet of the Nenemoosha Tobogganing club was held last Saturday afternoon, and notwithstanding the glorious weather and all things being conducive to an afternoon's enjoyment only fifteen that they are not very keen on the sport this winter. looked as lovely as a bride. Another meet was held on Wednesday evening, when even a smaller number than before partici-

Mrs. John H. Parks gave a small but most enjoyable dance Monday evening, when about 40 were present, and thoroughly did those who attended it enjoy themselves, as one usually does when there is not too great a crowd in the dancing room. I often wonder why small dances of this kind are not more in vogue, and I would suggest that those whose list of amber satin, which is very becoming to her style of friends embraces such a large number would give of beauty, handsomely trimmed with lace. two small parties, thereby giving every one a chance thoroughly to indulge in that most delightful pastime,

Wednesday evening, Mrs. Charles Macdonald entertained a few of her friends to a small whist party and acted the part of hostess in her usual happy

Miss Dunbar, of Quebec, is the guest of Mrs. W. Malcolm McKay.

Mr. Andrew Bell and Miss Bell, of Montreal, are paying Mr. and Mrs. John H. Parks a short visit. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Shatford returned from their visit to New York, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. DesBrisay, of Bathurst, are spending a few days in town this week. Mrs. DesBrisay is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles Macdonald. The Misses Nicholson have returned from their visit to the carnival at Montreal.

The Keewaydin Tobogganing club have issued very neat cards of invitation for their slide.

A very successful parlor concert took place, Thursday evening, at Rev. Dr. Macrae's residence,

many of our leading amateurs taking part. A very pretty, but quiet, wedding took place in Trinity church at 1.30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, wken Mr. Edwin T. Sturdee was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude C. Scovil, daughter of the late Mr. R. C. Scovil. It is seldom that so impressive or finely rendered musical service on such an occasion has taken place in St. John, the service for the every detail. Precisely at the hour appointed for the ceremony, the groom entered, accompanied by his two groomsmen, Mr. M. B. Edwards aud Mr. T. H. Hartt, all wearing the orthodox morning dressfrock coats, lavender gloves and ties. As the bride entered the church leaning on the arm of her brother, Mr. Bruce Scovil, and followed by her sister, Miss Bessie Scovil, and Miss Mary Sturdee, sister of the groom, who acted as bridesmaids, the choir sang the hymn, "Lord, we come before Thee, on this happy day," from Sullivan's Church Hymns. The service, which was partly choral, was conducted by Rev. Canon Brigstocke, assisted by the Right Reverend the Coadjutor Bishop of the Diocese, who intoned the latter part of the service; the choir chanting the responses, the music for which was arranged for the occasion by Mr. Thomas Morley, as also was the hymn sung at the close of the service. The music throughout was especially good,

voices from other church choirs. As I am sure the lady readers of PROGRESS are anxiously waiting to hear of the costumes worn, I shall endeavor as well as I am able, to describe them. The bride wore a very elegant gown of white satin trimmed with Duchesse lace and orange blossoms and looked charming, the orthodox bouquets for both bride and maids being dispensed with, carrying in their stead pretty white silk covered prayer books, a single rose in each serving as a marker. I must say I rather admired the deviation from ordinary rule, as it enabled them more heartily to enter into the religious ceremony. The bridesmaids dresses were of white serge trimmed with white fur, and vests embroidered with gold braid. Their hats, which were most becoming, were of white velvet trimmed with gold cord and white ostrich feathers and were in directoire style. Both bridesmaids wore pretty gold brooches, the gift of the groom. Aftea the ceremony the party partook of a very elegant lunch, given by the bride's sister, Mrs. Charles Macdonald. Maj. and Mrs. Sturdee left by the afternoon train for a visit to New York. At the depot, in addition to the host of friends who gathered | Phair. to wish them bon royage, Maj. Sturdee's company, under command of Lieut. J. P. Vroom, turned out as a guard of honor, accompanied by the full band, and formed a double line from the door of the station to the train. Lieut. Vroom, on behalf of the officers and men, presented Mrs. Sturdee with a bouquet of rare flowers. Maj. Sturdee returned thanks for which by making a short speech, the band immed ately afterwards striking up, "For he's a jolly good

The bride's travelling dress was remarkably be coming and was of terra cotta cloth, trimmed with grey feather trimming with toque to match.

The last of the series of organ recitals, which have been held in the Mission chapel, was given on Friday last, a far larger number of people being present than had attended those previously given. I am sure all lovers of music will sadly miss these pleasant musical evenings. TERPSICHORE.

The New Brunswick friends of Rev. B. W. R. Taylor and his charming wife note with pleasure their popularity in their present home in Riverside, California. A short time ago a large reception was tendered the lady and gentleman by their friends, to which the Riverside Enterprise devotes two colamns. The feature of the evening was the presentation of an address by the Riverside chapter of the

Brotherhood of St. Andrew to Mr. Taylor and his reply. The reception ended with a dance. Among the noticeable costumes the Enterprise mentions that of Mrs. Taylor, who wore white satin dress trimmed with lace and brocaded silk en train; orna-

ments, diamonds. Mrs. Chas. H. Dearborn intends joining her husband in Florida, and is attending the southern Chautauqua assembly at DeFreniack Springs, which opened Thursday.

Mrs. J. N. Dearborn and family will spend the remainder of the winter and the spring in Washing-

CARLETON. Miss Ella M. Thompson has gone to visit friends

n Moncton and Amherst. We are glad to see that Mrs. Barr has returned from Montreal where she has been spending the last

two or three months. Some of the members of the Wapekilaksis snow

day's rain, however, put an end to any plans for further enjoyment in that direction. We have had such pleasant sleighing and skating for the last two weeks that Carleton seems to have

waked up again. Sleighing parties are in vogue and every evening our ears are delighted with enlivening choruses accompanied by melodious horns.

#### HALIFAX, N. S.

"Progress" is for sale in Halifax every Saturday noon, at Knowles' bookstore, cor-

ner George and Granville streets. Our Halifax correspondent apologizes for the absence of her society letter. Nezt week will see it in its usual place:-THE EDITORS.]

#### FREDERICTON.

FEBRUARY 20 .- The party given by the Mayor and Mrs. Hazen, last Friday evening, was a very enjoyable affair. The guests numbered 110. There were 150 invitations sent out. Mr. and Mrs. Hazen make delightful hosts and everything was done to insure one of the pleasantest evenings of the season. Mrs. Hazen received her guests in a very pretty white silk, with white tulle fastened at the centre of the front of the bodice, which was cut low and caught on the shoulders and carried round to the centre of the back, where it was hid in a loose knot and fell gracefully down the back to the bottom of the dress. She also wore a handsome neckgirls and seven men mustered, apparently showing lace of Rhine stones. I heard it remarked that she

The young ladies, as usual, all looked charming, and among those I heard spoken of as looking particularly so were Miss Ada Dever, of St. John, and Miss Harrison and Miss Frankie Tibbits, of Fred-

Miss Dever wore a dress of ceil blue crepe de chine, trimmed with silver fringe and cord; ornaments, silver.

Miss Frankie Tibbits' dress was a beautiful shade

Miss Harrison wore a pale blue decollete costume, with silver trimmings, and as she is a very pretty blonde, this dress was exceedingly becoming,

Miss Maggie Allen looked very pretty in a costume of Nile green, which is a favorite shade this winter for those who can wear it.

Miss Belle Dever wore corsage and demi-train of white satin merveilleux, trimmed with gold fringe and cord; petticoat of satin, draped with spotted tulle and ribbons.

Mrs. Wesley Vanwart looked lovely in pink satin, with lace over-dress; ornaments, diamonds. Mrs. A. G. Beckwith wore black silk, trimmed handsomely with jet, low bodice and short sleeves. Mrs. McNutt, cream satin and lace.

Mrs. Sewell, a handsome black silk. There were many other handsome dresses, but it

would take too long to describe them all. The music was excellent. Ice cream and other refreshments were served during the evening, and at the usual hour a sumptuous supper was set. This charming party came to a close about 2 o'clock. Mrs. Judge Fisher had an at home this afternoou,

at her residence below town.

Mrs. Leonard Johnston will receive her friends Tuesday afternoon of each week.

Mrs. George Hunt had a party last Friday even ing and another last evening.

Mrs. Burnside gave a large party, Monday evening, for her daughter, Miss Fanny. There were solemnization of matrimony being carried out in about a hundred present, and a delightful evening Miss Kate Beek left Fredericton this morning for

St. John, where she will visit Judge and Mrs.

Mr. W. H. Getchell, of Boston, who has been here for the last two months making photos of all the beauty and tashion of our city, will leave for his home tomorrow.

Miss Murray, of Springhill, went to Sheffield, Tuesday, to visit her sister, Mrs. John K. Gilbert. Miss Bertie Hoben, who has been spending some weeks with her aunt, Mrs. Fred Richards, left for home in St. John, today.

Miss Lizzie Howie, who went to Boston a short time ago, to attend the New England Conservatory of Music, has been taken very ill, and Mrs. Howie left for Boston, Saturday. There will be a wedding here next Wednesday at

the residence of Mrs. Whitehead, King street, the the choir of the church being assisted by some male contracting parties being Miss Clark, niece of Mrs. Whitehead, and Mr. Gunter, brother of Dr. Gunter, of Boston.

> Mr. and Mrs. Forrester have returned from their wedding tour. They arrived home, Monday, and are at the residence of Mr. Temple, M. P.

The Colby atheletes arrived here yesterday afternoon and were taken for a drive around town, in the "Colossus," by the University students, and taken to visit the University, where they sang some songs. After the evening's entertainment in the City Hall given by the atheletes they were entertained at an oyster supper by the students. The verdict of our boys is that the Colby athletes are "rattling a pair. Look at them. Are you a judge? good fellows."

I hear that the girls' Mission band are to hold "Coffee Klatsche" on Shrove Tuesday, in the church hall, which is something decidedly new. Rumors of pancakes and quaintly dressed waitresses are in the air, but the members of the band when questioned look very wise and answer not.

Mr. C. Waterhouse, of the well known firm of A. N. Upham & Co., Boston, is visiting friends in this city. He is the guest of his uncle, Mr. J. Henry

Mr. Hutchings, the superintendent of the Centenary Methodist Sunday-school, was in Fredericton today

Mr. K. McPherson, who has been in Boston for the last year or two, has been home visiting friends. Miss Emery and Miss Watts, daughter of Mr. Jas. Watts of the Woodstock Sentinel, who have been isiting their friends, have left for their home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Palmer thave returned from their visit to St. John. Mr. Andrew Richey has returned to Boston.

There was a very pleasant skating party at the Marysville rink, last Saturday afternoon, consisting of about twenty ladies, where the band was in attendance. After the close of the rink for the afternoon the party went to the residence of Mr. W. T. Day, where a supper was served. Afterward daneing was indulged in until 8.30, when the ladies were again escorted to the rink, where they spent the rest of the evening. The party express themselves as being delighted with this entertainment, and wish their host and his fair wife may live long and give them another party very soon.

Mrs. Edwin Phair, of Richibucto, is here visiting her friends, the guest of her sister, Mrs. David Hatt,

[A full description of the party at Mrs. Allen's is

unevoidably held until next week .- THE EDITORS.]

#### MONCTON.

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FEBRUARY 20 .- A great gloom has been cast over our town this week by the sad death of Mrs. W. F. Proctor which took place on Monday, after so short an illness that its fatal termination was a terrible shock to her friends. Mrs. Proctor was a niece of Mr. John P. Mott, of Halifax, and came to Moneton a bride less than four years ago, but during her short residence amongst us she won hosts of friends, for added to a particularly bright and charming manner, she possessed a rare intelligence, and that quick sympathy with the sorrows of others, which endeared her to all those who knew her well. Mr. Proctor has the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community in his great affliction. The remains were taken to Halifax by yesterday's morning train to be interred in the family burying ground at Dartmouth.

Mrs. Alexander Girvan's many friends will be glad to hear that she is being rapidly restored to health. shoe club had a very pleasant tramp last week. Sun-

Mrs. Weeks, of Charlottetown, is visiting her sister Mrs. Charles Thompson.

Mrs. Dr. Morse, of Amherst, is spending a few days at the Brunswick, visiting her father and mother Mr. and Mrs. Boggs.

Mrs. Thomas Robb has returned from her visit to

We are rather rich in dramatic clubs for a not very large town, having two at work on different plays at the same time. St. Bernard's Amateur Dramatic club are rehearsing a very spirited Irish drama, More Sinned Against than Sinning, which they will present in the Opera House about the 11th of next month. The proceeds are to aid in the completion of the new St. Bernard's Roman Catholic church, consequently-with the courtesy which has always existed between the two clubs-the Moncton Amateur Dramatic club have put off their representation of Time and the Hour, which they had intended giving on Shrove Tuesday, until after Lent. Several sleighs from Moncton, containing about

25 young people, who took advantage of the moonlight and the good sleighing to drive to Hillsboro. added to the attractions of the carnival in the Hills-

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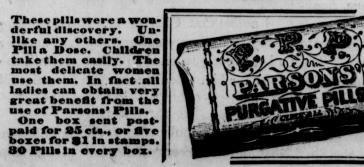
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