

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

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MONCTON.

between 30 and 40 young people attended at the house, shortly after 8 o'clock, and after "sorting themselves out" into congenial couples, started for a "cross country tramp, returning to finish the evening with a dance, which was kept up with spirit until nearly 2 o'clock in the morning, the long tramp not seeming to have dampened the ardor of the dancers in the least.

Miss Thompson, of Newcastle, is in town, the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. E. Stavert. Miss Thompson is always sure of a welcome whenever she comes to Moncton, and if it were not an unkind wish for the Newcastle folk, we would wish to keep her with us always. Indeed, if it were not for his thoroughly masculine modesty and distrust of his own powers of fascination, "Cecl Gwynne" himself would humbly endeavor—but I refrain.

Mrs. Thorne, of St. John, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Thomas Robb.

Mrs. A. H. Beddome has returned from Halifax, where she has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Cotton. Cupid, not satisfied with the havoc he has wrought lately among the younger members of our community, has turned his attention now to those of more mature age and tried his hand on the healing widowed hearts. His first effort in this direction was made in St. John on St. Valentine's day, when Mr. J. W. Oulton, of Moncton, was united in the silken bonds to Mrs. Johnstone, of Chatham. May they have all possible happiness.

Rev. J. Roy Campbell, of Dorchester, preached in St. George's, Sunday. Mr. Campbell was the guest of Mr. George Taylor.

Miss Mabel Smith, of Shediac, is visiting her friend Miss Moss, of Moncton.

Mr. R. A. Borden returned, Sunday morning, from his trip to upper Canada. Mr. Borden visited Toronto, Hamilton, Niagara Falls, and other points of interest during his visit.

Dr. P. R. Moore, of Sackville, was in town, Tuesday.

Mrs. Weldon, of Main street, had issued invitations for an informal dance, last Monday evening, but it was indefinitely postponed on account of Mrs. Proctor's death, and I fear that the prevailing feeling of sorrow over the sad event, will make a difference in the attendance at Mrs. McSweney's large party tonight.

Mr. H. A. Price, private secretary to Mr. Pottinger, who has been confined to the house by illness for some days, is able to be out again.

Mr. J. W. Allison, of Halifax, was in town Tuesday.

Dr. R. C. Weldon, M. P., was a passenger by the Quebec express, Friday night, en route to Ottawa.

Mr. George Taylor, general freight agent of the L. C. R., with his private secretary, Mr. R. N. Knight, returned Sunday morning from Ottawa.

I see that Moncton is spoken of as "The Society Town," not—strange to say—from its well known social qualities, but because it boasts of 27 regular societies, meeting every week, exclusive of religious societies, and yet among the whole 27 there is neither a snowshoe nor a toboggan club. Odd, is it not? The year before last we were all toboggan mad, we built an expensive slide and used it. Last year we used it too, a little. This year it is closed, and by next winter it will be falling into decay—wreckage stranded on the shores of time. Nearly every night last week a gay party of snowshoers might have been seen enjoying a social tramp, but yet we have no regular club. Why is it thus? Is it enterprise we lack, or only snow?

Among all our other societies I must not neglect to give honorable mention to one of very recent foundation, called "The Ban club." It consists of about 20 very young people, who have formed themselves into a society for the promotion of social intercourse, untrammelled by the restraints of regular evening parties. They meet once a week at the houses of the different members, and one of the most rigidly enforced rules confines the supper to bread and butter, the all important bun which gives the club its title, and coffee. And long may this most sensible little organization flourish! The first meeting took place last Saturday evening at Mrs. David Lindsay's and a very pleasant evening was spent in dancing and conversation.

Mr. C. J. McDonald, post office inspector of Nova Scotia, passed through Moncton last Saturday night on his way to Ottawa.

Mr. J. W. Chandler, manager of the Electric Light company of Halifax, and brother of Dr. E. B. Chandler, of Moncton, is in town visiting his mother.

Hon. John LeFurgey, of Summerside, and Mrs. LeFurgey, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. George McSweney, at the Brunswick.

Mr. L. B. Arellbald and Mr. F. A. Davison, of Truro, were registered at the Brunswick, Tuesday.

Rev. R. S. Crisp, former pastor of the Methodist church here, was in town Monday.

Mr. S. J. King, post office inspector, was a passenger to St. John by the Quebec express on Sunday morning.

Mr. A. E. Oulton, of Dorchester, judge of probate, was in town yesterday.

Mr. J. J. Tucker, of St. John, was in town yesterday.

The Knights of Pythias celebrated their 25th anniversary yesterday by a concert in the Opera house, during which an address on Pythianism was delivered by Rev. Mr. Campbell, who is the chaplain of the Moncton lodge. The Opera house was packed, and one of the features of the evening was the rendering by the Methodist choir of Mr. Morley's beautiful setting of "My Own Canadian Home," Mr. Wetmore was never in better voice, and his singing of the beautiful ballad, "Forget not to Forget," called forth rapturous applause. There was a very striking tableau presented of "Damon and Pythias," the scene at the block, where Damon arrives just as Pythias is about to be beheaded in his place. Miss Robertson's playing was what it always is, as nearly perfect as possible.

CECIL GWYNNE.

DORCHESTER.

"Progress" is for sale in Dorchester at George M. Fairweather's bookstore.

FEBRUARY 20.—Telephone communication was completed between Dorchester and Moncton, Thursday, and is a great boon to people here. We already had lines to Sackville, Point de Bute, Memramcook, etc., so we are well supplied in that respect. Ancient telephones, there was a good joke going around here on Thursday, about a certain young limb of the law, who was, as he supposed, enjoying a delightful flirtation with the young lady at the Moncton central. Imagine his horror when he discovered that instead of talking to the one that he supposed, the genial clerk of the Dorchester house, a few yards distant, had been receiving all his sweet speeches and replying to them, equally sweetly, with his voice pitched in a slightly higher key than usual.

The Misses Chapman gave a small but very pleasant party, Friday evening, at "Brookside." The Misses Chapman entertain very nicely, and their party on Friday was like a garden in the desert. The evening was passed in music and dancing, and was much enjoyed by all.

Miss K. E. Chandler returned yesterday from a week's visit in Sackville with her friend Mrs. William C. Milner.

The weekly meeting of the ladies of Trinity Church guild, held last Thursday evening at the residence of Mrs. Chandler, was one of the pleasant features of the week. A large number of ladies and gentlemen were present, probably more than at any meeting hitherto. A number of ladies furnished instrumental and vocal music, and everyone contrived to find enjoyment, though dancing is prohibited at these meetings.

Mr. A. W. Chapman spent several days in Moncton last week.

Messrs. J. E. Church, M. D., and G. W. Chandler spent Sunday in Amherst.

Rev. J. Roy Campbell was absent from Dorchester on Sunday, having gone to St. John to lecture in the Institute. He returns some day this week. Rev. Mr. Talbot occupied Trinity church pulpit in Mr. Campbell's absence. The "renegades" having continued in scarceness for some time with respect to church services, improved their opportunities and turned out in full force. No doubt they were much benefited by the services.

Mr. F. W. Emmerson, barrister, of Petitcodiac, was in Dorchester, Monday.

Mrs. Thomas Keilior gave a very pleasant party, Thursday evening, to a number of her lady friends. Among those present were Lady Smith, Mrs. Joshua Chandler, the Misses F. S. and Phoebe Chandler, Mrs. H. R. Emmerson, Mrs. William Hickman, and a number of others. The evening was very pleasantly spent.

Mrs. W. D. Douglas, of Amherst, is making a short visit to Dorchester.

Mr. F. A. McCully, barrister, of Moncton, was in Dorchester last week for a few days.

Miss Weeks, of Charlottetown, and Miss McDonald of Georgetown, P. E. I., both of whom are now attending Mount Allison Academy, spent a few days in Dorchester, this week and last, with their friends, the Misses Chapman.

On Thursday evening last a number of Dorchester people drove over to "Frosty Hollow," to an entertainment given by Mr. and Mrs. Bulmer. I was not among the number, and can give no particulars. We are looking forward to a fancy carnival which is to be given at the Sackville rink, Friday evening. A large number will probably attend it from Dorchester.

Mr. W. W. Wells was in Moncton, Saturday.

Mrs. Albert Hickman returned from St. John, Tuesday, and will probably remain in Dorchester throughout the summer. She will stay with Lady Smith for the present.

Mr. Geo. P. Thomas, barrister, of Moncton, spent Friday and Saturday in Dorchester.

The Misses Backhouse have given two very pleasant parties during the last week to a large number of their lady friends—one on Friday, and another last evening.

Mr. Charles E. Knapp returned, Monday, from his visit to New York, more in love with the Americans than ever.

Mr. Jno. A. Gray, accountant at the penitentiary, spent Saturday and Sunday in Moncton.

Messrs. W. W. Wells, A. B. Tait, A. J. Chapman and a number of others went through to Sackville, last evening, to attend the "at home" of the Mount Allison institutions. Five hundred invitations had been issued, and the affair was a delightful success in every way, as entertainments at Mount Allison always are.

PANSY.

ST. STEPHEN.

"Progress" is for sale in St. Stephen at the bookstores of C. H. Smith & Co. and G. S. Watt.

FEBRUARY 20.—Inquiry as to the whereabouts of last week's St. Stephen notes has elicited the information that red tape is not extinct as yet, in St. John, and an overdose of that article, whose antipathy for anything progressive is well known, delayed its delivery until too late for publication.

The weather and the moon are evidently on the best of terms at present and the delightful evenings are being filled with enjoyment. Driving and snow shoeing are the order of the day.

Last evening a most delightful driving party was given by Mrs. William Todd, the guests to the number of about 80 driving in various teams to the Brewer house at Robbinston. Dancing formed the principal amusement of the evening and a sumptuous supper was provided, to which ample justice was done. Before thoughts had begun to turn homeward news reached the party of the falling of the livery stable of J. T. Whitlock & Co., whose teams had taken the party from town, and as that made the proprietor's return imperative the party set out for town, arriving at an early hour this morning.

A very successful snowshoe party was given by Mrs. Dr. Todd, on Thursday evening last. Between 80 and 90 guests drove to the farm of Hon. George F. Hill, where snowshoeing and tobogganing formed the evening's entertainment, and refreshments were served in the house. The party is spoken of as one of the pleasantest ever given on the river.

On Wednesday evening of last week a novel charity in the shape of a box supper for the benefit of the deserving poor was given by Mrs. T. J. Smith, at her handsome residence on Water street. About 100 guests were present and Mrs. Smith proved herself a perfect hostess, providing ample entertainment for everyone. Among the guests were Dr. Ellis and son, Miss Ellis and Miss Perkins. The most attractive part of the evening's programme was of course the auction of the boxes provided by the fair guests, and which was more thanably conducted by Mr. J. T. Whitlock. The proceeds amounted to \$55.

It is rumored that our curlers propose giving a ball some time in the near future.

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Invitations are issued for a large party on Friday evening next by Mrs. Chas. Clerke.

His Honor Judge Stevens and Miss Annie Stevens arrived home on Saturday last. During his absence his honor visited Montreal, where I believe he was the solitary St. Stephen representative at the carnival sports. However, to judge from a report of the judge's speech at the banquet of the St. George Snowshoe club, what was lacking in quantity was more than made up in the quality of the representation.

Miss Kate Bolton leaves on Monday next to make (in company with a party of friends) an extended tour in the states. She will be accompanied as far as New York by Mrs. Wm. Todd.

Mayor Chipman has returned from a week's absence in Nova Scotia.

Mr. Jas. Murdoch, of Milltown, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Henry Eaton, left for Palatka on Monday last. Mr. Chas. Eaton accompanied them as far as Bangor.

Mr. George Todd left last week for a trip south. Miss Keith, who has been for some weeks past the guest of Mrs. Chas. Eaton, expects to leave this week for Fredericton, to spend a few days with Mrs. Fred Edgewood.

Mrs. Gore, of St. Andrews, and Mrs. Frith, of Winnipeg, are the guests of Mrs. Hazen Grimmer. Mrs. Hammond, of New York, is spending a few weeks in St. Stephen.

Mrs. Fred Bogue, of St. George, has been spending a week with her parents in town.

Miss Annie Douglas, of Moore's Mills, spent a few days in town last week, enjoying herself among her numerous friends.

Mrs. George Raine, of Littlefield, Minn., is making a visit with relatives in St. Stephen.

Mrs. Melville Grimmer left on Tuesday of last week for his home in Spokane Falls, W. T.

Mr. Lewis Dexter, sr., is in town today.

NEWCASTLE.

"Progress" is for sale in Newcastle at Johnson Bros. bookstore and by Bertie Russell.

FEBRUARY 18.—For the last few weeks we have had our share of amusements. On Monday, the 4th, a social, in aid of the Methodist parsonage, took place at the residence of Mr. Wm. Anslow. The night being very fine, many drove from Chatham; and, with music, singing and refreshments, all spent a very pleasant evening.

On Friday, the 15th, the children of Mr. and Mrs. B. Fairly entertained a number of their friends. Refreshments were served, and all seemed to thoroughly enjoy the various pleasures of the evening. The rooms being lighted with magic lanterns, it looked indeed like fairyland.

FEBRUARY 20.—Society has been on edge for the past fortnight. The large party given by Mr. and Mrs. Street at the Waverly hotel, set the ball rolling. Last week a very enjoyable driving party was given by Miss Heit at "The Pines," and on Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. C. Sargent entertained about 50 of their Newcastle and Chatham friends. Some of the dresses worn by the ladies were extremely pretty, and who was the belle was a difficult question. Thursday night found a number assembled at the residence of Mrs. Jas. Mitchell, where another evening was spent in tripping the light fantastic. Tuesday, the 19th, was the date for that most enjoyable evening spent at The Bridge. Friday, a very large driving party of both Chatham and Newcastle people drove to the residence of Mr. J. O'Brien, Nelson, where a delightful evening was passed. Tonight, those who attend the curlers' ball in Chatham will certainly not be disappointed. The committee have spared no expense and labor and everything should go "merry as a marriage bell." A driving party to "The Firs" is next on the programme.

Inspector King of the post office department was in town Saturday.

Miss Thomson, of "The Rocks," left for Moncton on Thursday last, where she will undoubtedly spend some pleasant weeks. Newcastle's loss is Moncton's gain.

One of the fair sex has been left lamenting, over the departure of the Haligonian who has been visiting his friends in our midst—the second serious loss "Hilroy" has suffered in two short weeks.

Our old friend, Mr. Cruikshank, gladdened our hearts for a few days last week.

BATHURST.

"Progress" is for sale in Bathurst at A. C. Smith & Co.'s store.

FEBRUARY 21.—The curling games still continue to attract numbers of spectators to the rink. Mr. T. M. Burns was the winner of the skip's cup for this season. The skipper's cup was won by Mr. Fred M. Cowperthwaite. Some of our curlers went to Campbellton to play against the rinks there, last week. They speak in the warmest terms of the kindness and hospitality of the Campbellton boys.

The Bathurst Amateur Dramatic club are preparing for their annual entertainment which is usually given on the evening of St. Patrick's day. It will be somewhat later this year, I understand, as the club intend to present a rather difficult drama, and have been rather late in beginning their rehearsals.

Messrs. H. J. O'Brien, W. F. Pepper, and Bertie Lanagan report themselves delighted with their snow shoe tramp, Sunday afternoon.

The Misses McGinley entertained a snowshoeing party, Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. T. Swinye DesBrisay are visiting friends in St. John.

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Mr. James Young and Mr. Cole Hubbard spent last Sunday with us. Miss Lizzie Ferguson returned last Monday from Caraquet. She was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Young.

WOODSTOCK.

"Progress" is for sale in Woodstock at W Everett's bookstore.

FEBRUARY 20.—M and Mrs. R. B. Manzer went to Boston this morning for a short visit. Miss Minnie Winslow left last week for Georgia, to remain until May.

Miss Beddell, of Andover, is the guest of Miss Florie Smith.

Miss Annie Brown, of Greenbank, is the guest of Miss Minnie Connell. Mr. Thomas Lynch has returned from a very enjoyable trip to Montreal. Mrs. Moses Burpee and Mrs. House left for St. Andrews yesterday for a short visit.

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