

THE WORLD OF BOOKS.

F. McCready Harris' charming little work, Plain Talks with Young Home-Makers, is striking, on account of its good common sense and practicality...

Mr. Marshall P. Wilder, the humorist, is now the pet of the American public, and perhaps, the public could hardly have bestowed its affection more suitably...

We must always be pleased to meet any work bearing the name of Robert Louis Stevenson, even though little more than the plot may have come from his brain...

Notes and Announcements.

Bret Harte has taken up his abode in Paris. Oscar Wilde will give up the editorship of the Woman's World after September next.

Grant Allan's The Tents of Shem, is issued now in Rand McNally & Co.'s Globe Library.

Max O'Rell's Jonathan and His Continent has just appeared in German, and is about to appear also in Danish.

George Ticknor Curtis is the author of the novel, John Charazes, lately published under the signature of "Peter Boylston."

Rev. Matthew Richey Knight, author of Poems of Ten Years, who was formerly of P. E. I., is now at Benton, Carleton Co. N. B.

Mrs. Ednah D. Cheney has edited the Life, Letters and Journals of Louisa May Alcott, and the book will be published about the end of September, by Roberts Brothers, Boston.

The Coast of Maine, to be published by G. Peabody, Boston, is something to look forward to. It will be a compilation of articles by Arlo Bates and Susan Coolidge and others, and will be illustrated by numerous photogravures of Maine scenery.

Houghton, Mifflin & Co. will soon publish The Life of Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe, by her son, the Rev. Charles Stowe. The book will contain several letters from Browning, Charles Kingsley, John Ruskin, Archbishop Whately, Miss Martineau,

Plain Talks with Young Home-Makers, by F. McCready Harris: New York; Cassell & Company, Limited. Price 40 cents.

The People I've Sailed With. New York: Cassell & Company, Limited. Price \$1.50.

The Wrong Box, by Robert Louis Stevenson and Lloyd Osborne: New York; Charles Scribner's Sons. St. John, J. & A. McMillan. Cloth price \$1.00.

James Russell Lowell, Lady Byron and John Bright.

Our Canadian poets find it difficult to obtain positions in which their work may be of a literary nature. Mr. Lampman is in the post office department of the civil service, and yet he has written Among the Mills.

H. S. Goodspeed & Co., New York, announce a history of the Johnstown disaster. The book also contains an account of the floods in Williamsport, Lock Haven, Sunbury, and all the flooded districts of Pennsylvania, Washington D. C., New York, Maryland and Virginia.

CHOICE BITS FROM MONCTON.

Things That Are Talked About by the Railway Town.

I regret to say that we have not succeeded in getting the additional grant of two thousand dollars from the government, for which we were looking with longing eyes, but we are going to do the best we can with our half loaf, and by spreading it thickly with butter, render it as attractive as possible so that something worth while may stick to it.

We have been having a very large gathering of the "Good young men" who have been so lost to all sense of what was expected of them as to live instead of shuffling off this mortal coil, like their prototype in the song.

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"W" has been calling names and says that "Geoffrey Cuthbert Strange" has been making a fool of himself. This is a truly lamentable state of affairs, but of one consolation still remains to the suffering Geoffrey, under these trying circumstances, and that is the fact that he had some option in the matter himself, whereas in "W's" case nature seems to have taken the law into her own hands without consulting his wishes in any way.

So-fare thee well, oh, friend pugnacious! Till thy wrath has time to cool. No one truly great or gracious, Calls another man a fool. GEOFFREY CUTHBERT STRANGE.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

[FOR ADDITIONAL SOCIETY NEWS SEE FIFTH AND EIGHTH PAGES.]

DIGBY, N. S.

[Progress is for sale in Digby at Mrs. Gilles' brand's.]

Aug. 20.—In looking over the items from here in Progress each week, I don't think your correspondent does Digby justice, as there are lots of items he or she might give you that would be of interest to readers of Progress.

At the Myrtle House I notice among the guests: Mr. and Mrs. Lonsdale and wife, New York; Mr. Dalzell, London, G. B.; Mr. Donville and family, Hamilton, Ont.; Mr. Ellenwood and family, Mr. Simmons, New York; Mr. Griswold, Boston; Mr. and Miss Scofield and Prof. Morley, St. John, and many others.

The Misses Black, of Halifax, are enjoying a few weeks of Digby's ozone.

There are a number of American ladies here, most of them artists.

Mr. and Mrs. Bonnell and family, of New York, are enjoying themselves at the Digby House.

Mrs. Short's house and annex have been full throughout the season, and at present I find the following guests there:

Mrs. Vernon and Miss Emma Taylor, St. John; S. Comstock, wife and daughter, Andover, Mass.; D. W. Comstock, New York; Dr. and Mrs. Detwiler, Baltimore; Mr. Merriam, H. W. Merriman, H. S. Merriam and H. Hammond, Worcester, Mass.; Miss James, Halifax; H. H. Raymond, Jacksonville, Fla.; Mrs. and Miss Everett, Fredericton.

Mrs. J. E. Irving and family, St. John; Mrs. Burton and family, Boston; Miss Swain, Yarmouth, are at Mrs. Burnham's.

Mrs. and Mrs. Vavasour and E. W. Vavasour, Fredericton; Rev. J. O. Crisp and the Misses Crisp, Halifax; Mr. and Mrs. B. Haines, Washington, are at Mrs. Fenwick's.

Mr. Russell and family, of Boston, have rented Capt. Watt's beautiful little cottage and intend remaining with us until October. They are delighted with Digby and its surroundings. Their grounds were made very attractive for lookers on, on Sunday evening, the whole place being beautifully decorated with Chinese lanterns and flags, and a brilliant display of fireworks was given, which afforded much enjoyment to the many spectators who were present.

On Saturday the guests from Mrs. Short's, with their friends, started on a trolley drive to Clementsport. They had lunch on the grounds, and after a most enjoyable drive home were all invited to a high tea at the Short House. Judging from the cheering, the noise of horns and the hilarious spirits the party returned in, I should say this was by far the jolliest drive of the season.

What is most needed in Digby is a large summer hotel, as we cannot at present accommodate the large numbers of tourists that would like to come here.

[FROM ANOTHER CORRESPONDENT.]

Aug. 22.—Mr. T. M. deBois, of St. John, was in town from Saturday until Monday, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lynch, at Hawthorne villa. The old gentleman is looking hale and hearty, and bears his four score and ten years with most astonishing ease.

Miss Stran Raddock, of New York, is with us again for a few weeks.

We are glad to see Prof. and Mrs. Prescott B. Vail, of Brooklyn, with us again.

Miss Clara James, of Halifax, is at Mrs. Short's. Miss Pickman is spending a few weeks in Annapolis Royal.

Mr. Harry H. Raymond, of the Malloy line S.S. Co. of New York and Ferdinandina, has been in town for the past week, much to the delight of his many friends, who are always glad to welcome him home for his summer vacation.

Two most enjoyable evening parties were given by Mrs. W. S. Gilpin last week.

There is a murmur of weddings in the air, of which I will be able to tell you more anon. One in particular, in which one of Digby's most charming young ladies is closely interested, is set for early in September, and is causing lots of interest among the fair sex.

Boating is indulged in to a larger extent than usual this year, owing principally to the fine fleet of boats to be obtained from Mr. Main, at such reasonable figures. Some of our ladies pull an excellent oar, and never show to better advantage than when so engaged.

The Rev. David Neish and family, of Halifax, are at the Royal for the summer. Mr. Neish occupied the pulpit of Trinity church on Sunday morning last in the absence of Rev. Dr. Ambrose, and the Rev. Mr. Saltenstall, of Boston, in the evening.

Mr. Trussell, a Chicago gentleman, has taken the cottage owned by Capt. Watt, at the south end, for the summer. He is the hero of the small boys at present, owing to the display of fireworks, with which he has made the neighborhood brilliant on the two last Saturday evenings.

MILLTOWN.

[Progress is for sale in Milltown at the post office.]

Aug. 20.—Miss Mame Spring, of Machias, Me., is visiting Miss Maud McAllister.

Master Fred Eaton has been confined to the house by sickness since his return from St. Andrews, but I am pleased to say has so far recovered as to be out again.

Miss Alice M. Waite has gone to Machias to visit friends.

Miss Fannie Haley had a narrow escape from being seriously injured Saturday afternoon, while horse-back riding. When returning from Calais the horse became unmanageable, and in trying to stop him the stirrup gave way, throwing her violently to the ground. She escaped, however, with a few bruises and considerable mud.

Miss Carrie McKewen, of Boston, is home for her annual vacation. She is staying at Mrs. John Monaghan's.

The Congregational church will hold their Sunday-school picnic at Buck's grove, Robbinston, next Friday. All are invited, and it will no doubt be a good time.

Miss Perks, of Houlton, is the guest of Miss Edna Armstrong.

Mr. Henry Hitchings, of this town, has received an appointment as preventive officer, port of St. Stephen. His duties will keep him in Milltown most of the time. Mr. Hitchings is a very popular young man, and should make a good officer.

Mrs. John LeBrun and sister, Miss Doucet, left by Wednesday's boat for a trip through the New England States.

Mr. W. T. Kerr, formerly of Woodstock, the new principal of our public schools arrived last week. All the schools will be opened next Monday. Mr. Kerr comes well recommended as a teacher, and we are glad to welcome him.

It was with much pleasure that I read the sketch by Geoffrey Cuthbert Strange in last week's Progress, touching on the merits of Mr. H. A. Whitney, mechanical superintendent of the I. C. R. Mr. Whitney is a Milltown boy having been born and educated here, and like all other Milltown boys abroad has made his mark.

Mr. Bernard McAdam left by Friday's boat for a few weeks in Massachusetts. He will probably visit Nantasket before he returns.

Customs Inspector McLaren, of St. John, and Surveyor Hill were in town Tuesday afternoon, swearing Mr. Hitchings into his new office.

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