

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

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worse, that his physicians scarcely look for a favorable termination to his illness. His youngest son, Mr. Carl Trites, of New York, arrived in town last week, also Mr. George Trites, of Halifax.

Mrs. C. J. Butcher returned on Friday from her visit to New Castle.

Mrs. Stewart and her sister, Miss Jean Thomson, of Newcastle, returned last Saturday from Summerside, P. E. I., where they have been spending some weeks.

Mrs. Thomas Estabrooks, of Sackville, spent a few days in town last week, called by the illness of her father, Mr. J. S. Trites. CECIL GWYNNE.

## DORCHESTER.

[Progress is for sale in Dorchester at George M. Fairweather's store.]

Aug. 21.—Our boom still booms, though it has been enjoying a small respite of late. On Wednesday evening Mrs. Chandler gave a small but very enjoyable dance at Rocklyn, in honor of Miss Howard, who has been visiting Miss Phoebe Chandler here, and of course every one had had an extremely nice time, as every one always does at Rocklyn. Dancing, needless to say, was the order of the evening, and it was kept up with zest until a late hour, interspersed with refreshments about midnight. The music, consisting of a piano and Milligan's string orchestra, was more than good, and the combination of good music, good food and good company served to make a delightful evening.

Hon. P. A. Landry spent a few days in Richibucto last week, and was there on Tuesday evening, the night of the great ball at the "Beaches." Numbers of Dorchester people were invited to the ball, but, whether on account of the two carnivals or for some other reason, I cannot hear of any that were present at it. Dorchester people seem to have lost all their "go" of late years. I am sure that five years ago a large party would have been made up to attend a ball at Richibucto, or at any of the neighboring towns, where now probably half of those invited would not take the trouble to answer their invitations. "Tis true, and pity 'tis 'tis true."

Mr. A. W. Chapman is expected home this week from a visit of three weeks to Boston, where he is attending to some mining business.

Dr. J. F. Teed returned on Tuesday from a short business visit to Point du Chene.

Miss Annie Cooke, of Moncton, has been spending a week with her aunt, Mrs. J. B. Forster, at the penitentiary. She returned to her home on Saturday.

Miss Gilbert, of Willow Farm, is visiting relatives in St. John, where she has been for some time.

Mrs. Tracy, of Woodstock, is making a visit to Mrs. J. F. Teed, whom she accompanied to Dorchester last week.

Mr. Percy Chandler made a short visit to Moncton last Friday, on business of course.

Miss Grierson, teacher of the intermediate department of the town school, has returned to Dorchester to resume her work and is boarding with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Barnes.

Dorchester people are dismayed to hear that they are very soon to lose Mr. G. N. C. Hawkins, agent of the Merchants' bank here, and who is about to assume the management of the Lunenburg, N. S., branch of the Peoples' Bank of Halifax. Mr. Hawkins' many, many friends here will miss him sadly.

Rev. J. H. Campbell and Mrs. Campbell gave a most successful At Home at the rectory last evening. About 70 guests were present, among them being Miss Gilbert, Mrs. Outhouse, Miss Forster, Miss Belle Forster, Miss Sadie Forster, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Forster, Mrs. Cooke, Mrs. McGrath, Mr. J. A. Gray, Mr. Percy Forster, Dr. J. F. Teed, the Misses Chapman, Mr. A. J. Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Hamilton, the Misses Tait, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Robb, Miss Phoebe Chandler, Mr. Percy Chandler, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Teed, Miss Nellie

Chandler, Mr. F. C. Chandler, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Oulton, Miss Hay, Mr. J. H. Hickman, the Misses Hamilton, Mr. R. W. Hamilton, Mrs. Joshua Chandler, Miss Forsythe, Mr. Forsythe, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram W. Palmer, Miss Nellie Palmer, Mrs. Welch, Miss Welch, Mr. and Mrs. M. Barlow Palmer, Miss Wells, Mrs. W. T. Wilbur, Mr. A. N. Charters, Mr. G. B. Fowler, Mrs. Shreve, Miss Shreve, Miss Godfrey, Dr. A. H. Chandler, Mr. G. W. Chandler, Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Church, Rev. A. W. Teed, Miss Tracy, Miss Cooke (Moncton), Miss Creamer, Mrs. W. A. Barnes, the Misses Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. John Black (Fredericton), Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Charters, Jr., Mr. W. Turner, Mrs. Turner, Mr. H. A. Lynds, Mrs. E. B. Chandler, and a lot more whom I have forgotten. Music was very properly the chief stand by of the evening, and a bagatelle table was exceedingly well patronized. Several instrumental selections were finely given by a string orchestra composed of Mrs. Robb, Mrs. Welch, Mrs. H. W. Palmer, Mrs. M. B. Palmer, Miss Birdie Robb and Miss Nellie Palmer, and consisting of piano, piccolo, cello and four violins. Mrs. Black, of Fredericton, sang two solos in the way that she only can sing, and a number of choruses and glees were rendered by a portion of the company, accompanied by Mrs. E. B. Chandler. Light refreshments were served well on in the evening, and after devoting more time to conversation and music, the guests took their departure, delighted with the evening's entertainment.

Mr. Forsythe, of Toronto, and brother of Miss Forsythe who is spending the summer here with Mrs. Joshua Chandler, is in Dorchester on a short visit, also staying with Mrs. Chandler.

Mr. R. V. Barker, of St. John, spent a day or two in Dorchester this week, at the Dorchester House.

Miss Phoebe Chandler, Miss Forsythe, Mr. Forsythe and Mr. P. B. Chandler drove to Amherst on Monday, spending part of the day there, and returning to Dorchester the same evening. The same party drove to Sackville and back again yesterday, on a visit to friends there.

Mr. R. W. Hamilton spent Sunday in Shediac, returning to Dorchester on Monday.

Miss Crosskill, of Moncton, is in Dorchester, visiting her friend Miss Edith Wilbur.

Mr. John Black, barrister, of Fredericton, arrived in Dorchester on Saturday and is visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Hamilton whom Mrs. Black has been staying with for the past fortnight.

Mr. George H. Turner, who left Dorchester in the past winter for Omaha, where he intended to settle, has returned again to his old home, where he arrived on Friday. He reports the great west a fine country, but thinks there are much worse places than Dorchester after all, and now intends to begin the practice of his profession here, and add one more to the legal corps of Dorchester. It is needless to say that he was warmly welcomed back by his many friends here.

The inmates of the penitentiary enjoyed an unusual treat on Sunday last, when Mrs. John Black took part in the service there in the afternoon—in the musical part of it, I mean. She sang some sacred songs, as well as joining in the regular music of the choir, and it was a strange sight to see many of the men wiping away from their eyes tears that not even long years of prison life had utterly dried up. On Monday morning, by special request, Mrs. Black repeated her visit to the prison, and again sang to the men assembled in the great dining hall, one of whom, with the consent of Warden Foster, rose and thanked her, on behalf of the others, in a speech of some little length, and abounding with wit and good sense.

Mr. G. N. C. Hawkins spent Sunday in Moncton. (This is probably the last time that I will have occasion to insert this item.)

Miss Julia Creamer, of Sackville, is staying in Dorchester, where she is forming a kindergarten school. We have long needed such a school, and no doubt Miss Creamer's classes will be very popular, as they certainly should be.

Mr. Will Cooke, of Moncton, was in Dorchester for a few days lately, arriving on Saturday last, and leaving again on Wednesday. While here he was the guest of his aunt, Mrs. J. B. Forster, at the penitentiary. His sister, Miss Mona Cooke, also reached here yesterday, and will spend a few days with Mrs. Forster before returning to Moncton.

Invitations have been issued for a dance tomorrow evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Palmer, and for one tonight at Mrs. Joshua Chandler's. Judging from previous experiences both will be exceedingly pleasant, and our partygoers are busily engaged making preparations for them.

Mrs. J. B. Forster is the happy possessor of a fine specimen of the night-blooming Cereus, which is covered with buds, two of which have already expanded into full bloom. The plant was a chief attraction at Mr. and Mrs. Campbell's At Home last evening. Mrs. Forster having kindly sent it to the rectory in order that the company might witness the unfolding of the blossom. One bud began to expand quite early in the evening, and continued to do so throughout until about 12 o'clock, when it had developed into a most beautiful blossom, measuring about six inches in diameter, with a deliciously sweet perfume. The plant was surrounded by a group of admiring ladies through the entire evening.

Mr. J. W. Smith returned today from another visit to St. John. He was accompanied by his friend Mr. Pat Ritchie, of Ottawa, who has been spending the summer at Rosetown, and is now going to make a visit to Dorchester. Mr. Ritchie graduated this year from the Royal Military college, at Kingston. PANSY.

ST. STEPHEN.

[Progress is for sale in St. Stephen at the book stores of C. H. Smith & Co. and G. S. Wall.]

Aug. 21.—The party given by Mrs. Henry Pike and Mrs. Henry Eaton, in the St. Croix hall, Calais, last Thursday evening, was enjoyed by all who were there. The hall was beautifully decorated with flowers, flags and colored lanterns. The gallery along the side of the hall was completely hidden from view by a bank of ferns and golden rods. Across the front gallery were vases containing palms, hydrangeas and begonias. The windows were also covered with flowers, put on in the form of stars. The stage was very prettily arranged, and was used for the whist tables and for those who did not care to dance. At the back of the stage was a scene representing a garden. Flags were draped from the top and sides in the form of a tent. Flowers were used in great profusion, and a very beautiful effect was produced. The supper tables were under the gallery, and were screened from the hall-room by flags. Dancing began at half-past 9, and continued until 1 o'clock, when supper was announced. About 200 guests were present. From St. Stephen I saw:

Hon. James Mitchell and Mrs. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Todd, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Todd, Captain and Mrs. MacAllister, Mrs. Blair, Mr. T. J. Smith, Miss Nellie Smith, Miss Abbie Todd, Miss Mary Abbot, Miss Moore, Miss Nellie Marchie, Dr. and Mrs. Whitely, Mrs. O'Malley (Fredericton), the Misses Cullen, Messrs. F. T. Ross, George Cullen, John D. Chipman, W. C. H. Grimmer, Herbert Grant, Fred Stewart, W. L. Blair, and Guy Toller (Ottawa).

The Catholic congregation of the church of the Holy Rosary held an extensive picnic at the trotting park today. Excursions by train from St. John and St. George have arrived, and the picnic ground is largely patronized.

Mrs. Scribner, of Hamilton, Ontario, accompanied by her daughter, is the guest of Mrs. J. Porter.

Dr. and Mrs. Perrin, of Boston, are visiting Mrs. George Porter.

Miss Lizzie McNeil, of Calais, who has been visiting at Bar Harbor for some weeks, returned home on Saturday.

Mr. C. N. Vroom left on Thursday for a trip to Boston, returning on Saturday.

Mrs. John D. Chipman has returned from St. Andrews, where she has been with her children for a fortnight.

Mr. John M. Stevens returned from Halifax last Wednesday.

There are rumors of weddings. It is whispered

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