

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK IN NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA.

And the Happenings in Social Circles of Fredericton, Moncton, Woodstock, Dorchester, St. Stephen, Sussex, Amherst, Calais, Etc.

I understand that fur trimmed costumes are to be much worn this winter. Jackets not only being bordered with fur, but bands of being used to edge plain skirts, and also the front draperies of them. With the departure of the dress improver, the spirit of our so-called dress reformers ought to rise. I hear that in Paris, not even a pad is used now, but in England it will probably exist some little time longer, but in a very modified form.

In the meantime, dressmakers should learn the art of making a dress look stylish without steel or pad, for very few figures look well in the now fashionable straight drapery without them. The triple coachman's cape, which, I hear, was the fashion of a year ago in Paris, has just been introduced here.

A novelty in gloves, introduced by Dent, and which took the gold medal at the Paris exhibition, is a mousquetaire; on the left palm of which a tiny purse is contrived large enough to hold a cab fare or railway ticket.

A wedding, to which society people are looking forward with interest, will take place in St. John's church, next week. The exact day and hour I do not know, so I shall have to leave the curious wedding-goers to find out this for themselves, as well as the interested parties to whom I refer. Another quiet wedding, I hear, will take place very shortly, in St. Paul's church. Both of these coming brides will be much missed in musical circles, as they will no longer make St. John's choir.

Mrs. McLaren, sen., returned from Toronto last Saturday, where she has spent the last few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Wilson.

Judge and Mrs. Skinner left on Wednesday morning for Boston. They will be absent about a fortnight.

Mrs. and Miss Twining, Halifax, who have spent the last week in St. John, at Mrs. Snider's, Wentworth street, returned home on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Temple and family have left their home, at Lancaster, for the winter months, and are residing at Miss Wheeler's, Waterloo street. Mr. J. McGregor Grant, with his two sons, will also make his home there during Mrs. Grant's absence in England.

Mrs. Dever, who has spent the last few months with her married daughters in England, returned home last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Scamell returned home on Wednesday last, after an extended trip to the Pacific. They visited all the principal cities along the coast, and were much pleased with the country.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Warren Fairweather returned home from their bridal trip, by the C. P. R., on Wednesday. Mrs. Fairweather will receive at Mrs. Merritt's, German street, where they are residing, next week.

The music loving people of St. John are looking forward with much pleasure to the concert, which is to be given by the St. John Oratorio society next Thursday. Mr. Parker, of Boston, who delighted everyone by his exquisite rendition of the tenor solos in "Judas Macabaeus" at a former concert, is alone attraction enough, but added to this there will be the pleasure of listening to a trible soloist, Mrs. Humphrey Allen, also of Boston, and who has never sung to a St. John audience before. Mrs. Gilchrist and Miss Hea, two well known vocalists, will take the alto solos in the oratorio "Samson," which is one selected for the evening's entertainment. The bass solos will be taken by Mr. Mayes and Mr. T. Daniel.

This week, the death of Mrs. Simson-Jones, a lady much esteemed in social circles, has taken place, after a severe and painful illness of nearly two years' duration. Before that time her many friends will remember her as a strong and active woman, always bright and cheerful, both in her home and in society. Mrs. Jones leaves six sons and two daughters, who with her sorrowing husband have the sincere sympathy of all who knew her. During her long illness she has had advice from the best of physicians, both at home and abroad, but her malady was beyond human skill.

Mrs. Howland, Toronto, is the guest of her sister, Lady Tilley.

Mr. C. R. Coker, Lloyd's surveyor, is visiting friends in Quebec.

Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Deever, who have been spending their honeymoon on the other side of the Atlantic, arrived in St. John this week, en route for their home in Gagetown.

The dance given by Dr. and Mrs. Steeves at Lancaster, on Tuesday evening last, passed off very pleasantly. A great number of young people from the city were present, many driving over in their own carriages, while others made up little parties, hired an omnibus, and made the drive to and from the asylum part of the evening's enjoyment. The host and hostess, ably assisted by their sons and daughters, did everything in their power to make it one of the pleasantest dances of the season. A long programme was carried out; the excellent hired music and waxed floors leaving nothing to be desired by the dancers. An elegant supper was served during the evening and the guests, being loath to leave, did not reach home until 3 o'clock next morning. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hazen, Dr. and Mrs. McInerney, Mr. and Mrs. McMan, the Misses Tuck, the Misses Burpee, the Misses Seely, Miss Bostwick, Mr. Gillis Keator, Mr. J. Vroom, Miss Rosa Campbell, Mr. Fred Campbell, the Misses Robinson, Mr. J. McMillan, Miss Nellie Jarvis, Miss Fairweather, Mr. Walter Fairweather, Miss Maggie Allen (Fredericton), the Misses Snider, Miss Ada Dever, Mr. G. McLeod, Mr. Peter Clinch, Mr. Mortimer Robertson, Mr. B. Gordon, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Winslow, Mr. C. Harrison, Mr. Beverly Robinson, Miss Florie King, Mr. Fred Daniel, Miss McMan, Mr. Harry Denny.

Miss Carrie Seely gave a very pleasant party to about 25 of her young friends, on Friday evening last, at her father's residence, Dorchester street. With such a pleasing little hostess, the evening could not fail to pass off well.

Dr. Jack, formerly of Fredericton, who lately arrived from England, was registered at the royal this week.

Among the many new fashions in millinery are toques made entirely of wings, one laid over the other around the crown, and several standing in front, supported by velvet bows.

The newest thing in ink, which will, no doubt, be shortly introduced in St. John, is white, which will necessarily be used on black or dark-colored writing paper.

The Most Rev. the Metropolitan was in the city this week. Church people in St. John would be better pleased if he remained over Sunday and gave them the benefit of his able sermons once in a while.

The 62nd Fusiliers' band intends giving a concert on the 21st of this month. It is busily engaged practising some new pieces now, under the efficient band master, Mr. Jones.

Miss Sadie Smith, of Fredericton, spent a few days in the city this week on her way to Antigonish, N. S., where she will spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. Gregory.

The sad news which reached St. John Wednesday evening of Miss Maggie Snowball's death, at Chatham, was heard with deep regret. Miss Snowball has frequently visited St. John, as the guest of her friends, the Misses McLaren, and was well known in society circles. The suddenness of her death, after only one day's illness, at the early age of nineteen makes it all the more sad for her bereaved family and they have the sincere sympathy of many in St. John.

Hallowen parties were the order of the day on Thursday last, two of which I must mention as being most enjoyable affairs—one given by Miss George Cruikshank at her father's residence, Queen Square,

and another by Miss Annie Puddington, Germain street. At each of these all the time honored tricks and customs were gone through with, and many young people found out by different signs what their future was to be. TENSICORE.

FREDERICTON.

[Progress is for sale in Fredericton at the bookstore of W. T. H. Fenety and by James H. Hawthorne.]

[We regret that owing to the indisposition of our Fredericton correspondent, PROGRESS is without its usual interesting letter from the capital, this week.—THE EDITOR.]

MONCTON.

[Progress is for sale in Moncton at the bookstores of W. W. Black and W. H. Murray, Main street.]

Oct. 30.—Whether it is the effect of the Rev. Mr. Christmas' lecture last Sunday, predicting a great European war, closely followed by the second advent, which has turned people's thoughts into more serious channels, and given them a distaste for all frivolous amusements, or whether it is the steady downpour of rain during the last few days, which, while filling the reservoir, has filled the hearts of Moncton folks with joy too deep for words, certain it is that there is an alarming—no, a terrifying—paper correspondent—death of social news. No one seems to be doing anything worthy of note, and there is not even the rumor of a new engagement to cheer our drooping spirits.

So many of our young people are away from home, just now, that the general dullness may be accounted for in that way.

Miss Harris and her brother are still in Boston. Miss Maggie McKean still lingers in Quebec, and Miss Weldon is at Shediac, visiting Mr. and Mrs. James Weldon. So we miss many familiar faces. But yet we are not left entirely comfortless, so far as excitement is concerned, for some of our most prominent medical men are engaged in one of the most animated controversies concerning their own individual merits, chiefly. Max Adler once wrote a clever description of the wrangles of two scientists over a fragment, one solitary bone, of a man who had been blown up in the pursuit of science, the bone afterwards turning out to be a portion of a beef stew, instead of a human frame. It was literally a bone of contention; while the Moncton unpleasantness is over a fragment of lung, but as a subject of dispute it is quite as effective as the bone was, and it makes the daily papers very interesting. As Artemus Ward said, "May the best man win."

Mr. Peter Clinch, of St. John, was in town yesterday, inspecting the water supply in the interests of the St. John board of underwriters, and as the supply is so satisfactory a state that the cotton factory has resumed work and the sugar refinery

Before concluding let me say, while I can view most typographical errors with equanimity, knowing my handwriting to be so bad that a printer who can decipher it all deserves a premium, still there is a limit to endurance, and when PROGRESS makes me designate the Bishop Coadjutor as "his worship," instead of his lordship, I feel that the limit has been reached, and forbearance ceases to be a virtue. CECIL GWYNNE.

ST. STEPHEN.

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

Oct. 30.—On Thursday morning at 8.30 a quiet but very happy wedding party gathered at the residence of Mr. Hugh McKay, to witness the marriage of his daughter, Miss Alice McKay, to Mr. George Wright, of Lowell, Mass. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. W. Campbell, of Trinity church. Miss McKay was prettily attired in a travelling suit of bronze green, with trimmings of mahogany colored velvet, with hat to match. Immediately after the ceremony the bride and groom were driven to the depot, and left in the train for St. John and Halifax, where they will spend the honeymoon. On their return Mr. and Mrs. Wright will proceed to Littleton, Mass., where they will make their future home.

Mrs. W. H. Howland, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Z. Chipman, is in St. John, visiting Lady Tilley.

Miss Julia Kelley entertained a number of her friends at her mother's residence, Calais, on Friday evening. Among the guests from St. Stephen were Mr. and Mrs. George J. Clarke, Miss Nellie Smith and Mr. John M. Stevens.

Mr. Lemont, of Fredericton, spent a few days here last week, the guest of Mrs. John E. Algar.

Rev. Howard Sprague and Mrs. Sprague are visiting here the guests of Mrs. W. H. Todd. Mr. Sprague preached in the Methodist church on Sunday to large congregations.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Ganong are again occupying their own home, on Water street, which was partially destroyed by fire last year. During the summer it was repaired and decorated, and is now far handsomer than at first.

Miss Alice Stevens is visiting friends in Calais.

Miss Addie Crawford, who has been visiting her friend, Mrs. O. S. Newnam, for some weeks, returned to her home in Hampton on Friday.

The Misses Bixby returned from St. John on Thursday last.

The many friends of the Rev. G. M. Campbell were pleased to see him in town during the past week.

Mr. J. M. Murchie is now occupying his new and beautiful residence on Marks street.

Mr. Charles E. Hill, of Milltown, left on Monday for Tacoma, Wash., where he intends to spend the winter.

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will do the same shortly, I fancy he will be enabled to report favorably.

Mr. and Mrs. Mowatt, of the Bank of Nova Scotia, have moved into the house on High street lately occupied by Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Butcher, and I am sure they will be a most welcome acquisition to Moncton society.

Mrs. W. F. Mitchell, who has been spending some weeks at the Brunswick, left town yesterday to join her husband at Halifax, where they will be stationed for the winter. Mrs. Mitchell has made many warm friends during her stay in Moncton, and her welcome will be most cordial whenever she returns.

The Rev. A. J. Reid, of St. John, held services in St. George's, both morning and evening, on Sunday. Mr. Reid was in Moncton for nearly a year—indeed I think Moncton was his very first parish—and his former congregation was delighted to see him again.

I am glad to be able to give a slightly better account of Dr. Teed's health. While still very ill, he is slightly better than he was last week, and his friends are beginning to feel more hopeful.

I see that the papers publish Miss Mary McSweeney's marriage, which took place last month in Texas, the fortunate man who won this fair Canadian flower being Mr. Edgar Newhouse, of New York. Miss McSweeney's intimate friends heard of the marriage nearly a month ago, and while wishing her all possible happiness and prosperity, they cannot help a feeling of regret that one of Moncton's fairest and most popular maidens is lost to us forever, and we feel that while Mr. Newhouse's gain is great, our loss is of proportionate magnitude.

Mr. W. C. Milner, collector of customs at Sackville, was in town yesterday.

Mr. R. A. Borden received rather a shock last week, on seeing by the papers that his father had been nearly suffocated by escaping gas at the Halifax Hotel, but on telegraphing for further particulars was relieved to find that his father was in his usual good health, and the gentleman referred to was the father of Mr. Borden of Halifax.

Judge Botsford is still absent in Kent county, attending the Kent county circuit, and is not expected home till next week.

Hon. D. L. Hanington, of Dorchester, was in town on Saturday. Mr. W. Cowling's many friends are glad to see him out again after his recent severe illness.



Mrs. Waerbury and Mrs. Frank Grimmer made a brief visit to St. Andrews on Thursday.

Mr. Frank Bixby has been confined to his home during the past week with a serious illness.

Miss Laura Main, one of St. Stephen's most talented and estimable young ladies, was married in New York city last week to Captain Mowatt of St. Andrews. The happy pair have gone on a long wedding tour to Calcutta. Their many friends here wish them a happy voyage throughout life, and a safe one to far distant India.

Mr. Henry Hill returned from Montreal yesterday.

Mr. Henry Graham, of Brown Bros. & Co., Dexter, Maine, spent Sunday and Monday in town.

Mr. Fredric Newnam left in the train yesterday for Hampton, where he will spend a few days before he returns to Canso, N. S.

Miss Belle McElroy is making an extended visit to friends in Boston.

DORCHESTER.

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

Oct. 30.—Mrs. D. L. Hanington gave a card party and dance, Thursday evening, in honor of her visitors Miss Lottie Peters and Miss Plant. Among the guests were: Miss Forsyth, Miss Forster, Miss Sarah Godfrey and Miss Phoebe Chandler; Mr. W. W. Wells, Mr. C. S. Hickman, Mr. C. F. Chandler, Mr. Percy Chandler, and Mr. Percy Forster.

Miss Phoebe Chandler has returned from her trip to St. John, where she has been visiting Mrs. Henry Chandler. Mrs. Chandler is looking much better for the change.

Dr. Teed has been very ill for the last six weeks, and as yet he is but very little better. Dr. Church and Dr. Chandler, of Moncton, are attending him. The doctor's many friends look for a speedy recovery.

Dr. Henry Chandler has gone to Halifax on very important business connected with the sale of his gold mine.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hewson were in town for a few hours on Thursday. [Mrs. Howson's many friends were glad to see her, and hope that her visits will be neither few nor far between.]

The many friends of Miss Plant and Miss Lottie Peters are glad to see them in Dorchester again. They are the guests of Mrs. D. L. Hanington. Miss Hanington returned home from Shediac Wednesday evening. Three parties of Dorchester's sportsmen are out (Continued on Eighth Page.)

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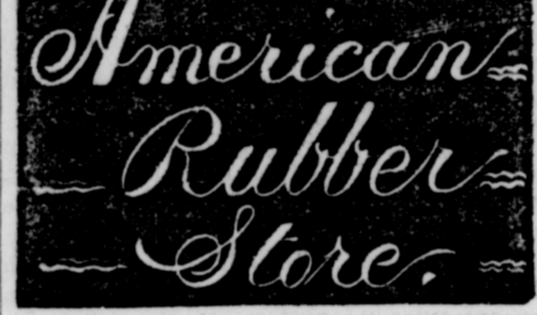
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