

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

(CONTINUED FROM FIFTH PAGE.)

The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. W.K. Allen, Miss Maggie Allen, Miss Ida Allen, Miss May Whelpley, Miss Mira Randolph, Miss Bailey, Miss Bessie Hunt, Miss Frank Babbitt, Miss Bessie Babbitt, Mr. Schofield, Mr. Sharp, Mr. George Babbitt, Mr. Harry Chestnut, Mr. Lee Street, Mr. Kenny.

The whist club met last Thursday evening with his worship Mayor and Mrs. Allen. Mrs. George Hoyles gave a small party last evening at her pleasant home on George street, in honor of her niece and namesake, Miss Jeanne Edwards, of Halifax, who is visiting her grandparents in this city.

The students of the Normal school are holding a series of afternoon entertainments, at which visitors are admitted by ticket. Last Friday was a Shakespearean afternoon. The music was an especially nice feature of the entertainment.

Miss Bessie Hunt will entertain a few of her friends tomorrow evening.

The whist club will meet tomorrow evening with Miss Maggie Allen, at the residence of Sir John Allen.

St. Paul's congregation meet tonight to sign a call for Rev. Mr. McGregor, of Amherst. Rev. Mr. McLean, of Harvey, will preside at the meeting. He is the guest of Senator Ward while in the city. It is reported that Mr. McGregor will not accept, his people in Amherst being anxious to keep him with them.

A very successful concert was given last evening at St. Dunstan's hall, under the auspices of the Hibernians. The building was full to the doors, and the programme was excellent.

Yesterday being St. Patrick's day, the band serenaded Col. Maunsell and officers of the school in the morning at 7 o'clock, playing some choice airs, especially arranged by Bandmaster Hayes for the occasion.

The children's entertainment in the City hall on Saturday evening was exceedingly good.

Miss Madge Turnbull, of St. John, is visiting friends here.

Dr. J. E. Currie is visiting Boston.

Mr. A. Linnick, who has been so ill in Boston, will be brought home as soon as he is able to bear the journey.

Mr. and Mrs. Fellows, and Miss Fellows, of London, Eng., are here for the session. They are at the Queen. Miss Fellows has been quite ill since her arrival in Fredericton.

Mrs. F. W. Emmerson, of Petrolia, is here, the guest of her sisters, the Misses Cummings, King street. Mr. Emmerson spent a few days in the city last week, but has now returned home.

Miss Coy left yesterday for a visit to Boston.

Mrs. O'Brien, nee Miss McPeake, is visiting her mother, Mrs. McPeake, Northumberland street. This is her first visit home since her marriage and she is being warmly welcomed by her numerous friends. Mr. O'Brien is here attending to his parliamentary duties.

Miss Jeannette Beverly is spending a week with Mrs. John Morrison at Riverside cottage, below town.

Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Ryan are staying at the Barker house; also Mr. and Mrs. Robinson.

Hon. Senator Glazier is ill at his home in Lincoln.

Mr. Douglas Hazen, M.P., of St. John, spent Sunday with his mother in this city. He was warmly congratulated by his hosts of friends on his great success in the recent election.

Mr. John Richards received a telegram last night conveying the alarming news of the dangerous illness of his daughter, Mrs. Girvan, who, with Mrs. Richards, went South last fall for her health.

Mr. W. A. Quinn has been appointed engraving clerk in the house of assembly, in the place of J. Albert Gregory.

Mr. Frank Owen has been appointed to the principalship of the Regent street school, made vacant by the death of Mr. Meagher.

A children's concert will be given in Carleton street opera house Saturday evening, in aid of the Springhill sufferers. An attractive programme has been arranged.

Fredericton has now sent to Springhill the amount of \$1066, and there is still more to be sent from here. The sewing club, which is a band of young girls, will meet Friday evening at the residence of Mrs. Geo. Babbitt, college road.

The university students are going to have a concert after Easter, to help pay for the new piano they have recently purchased. A tamborine drill will be one of the leading features of this entertainment. It will be composed of sixteen young ladies, eight blondes and eight brunettes; the blondes to be costumed in yellow and black with yellow ribbons on their tamborines, while the brunettes will wear red and black with red ribbons. This drill is under the management of Miss Blanche Tibbitts.

CELESTE'S FREDERICTON TALKS.

MARCH 18.—A little bit of past-board bearing the legend "Normal School Debating Society Lecture Course. Admit one." carried out its instructions and ushered me into the assembly hall of the Normal school where the students gave a Shakespearean entertainment. A male quartet, not strictly Shakespearean in which Tennessee was often mentioned was well given. Miss Mamie Tibbitt's essay on "As you like It" was a clear outline of the story of the play. Her bright looks and expressive tones remind one of the playful Rosalind. There is a good deal of latent histrionic talent in Miss Tibbitts and we all wish we might have seen her as Mrs. Hardcastle when "She Stoops to Conquer" was given by the Bryn Mawr girls. In the banishment scene a very tall Colia and very short Rosalind were expellid in good style. At the end of a languid discussion of Portia's suitors pretty Portia was caused some blushes by the tardy appearance of the servant announcing the Prince of Morocco. He couldn't have been very long in the service judging from his embarrassment. The seven degrees of a lie were comically explained by the young men; and the soliloquy "To be or not to be" was thoughtfully recited by one of the young ladies. Indeed this school is the best appreciation of any of the lines recited. Several musical numbers were very well rendered and altogether Chairman H. Dean Creed and his assistants deserve a good deal of credit for a pleasant hour's entertainment although the rain fell heavy the visitors' seats were well filled, a good many of the listeners being old Normal school students.

If you ever want to give a delightful concert, try this plan. Gather together from the schools 90 of the best voices among the girls, dress the owners in white and train them to sing choruses and part songs, if possible have one patriotic song, in the hidden right hands laden with the "same old flag," the union jack, to wave in our right royal salute. The children all come to watch their little playmates, and the parents must be there to look after the children, so you are sure of a full house. At the Y's concert there wasn't a vacant seat in the house at a quarter to eight. The children's concert is a feature of our winter's entertainments, that is always highly appreciated and grows better every year. A gentleman from Toronto told me the latter part of last year that he had seen many concerts of the kind, but in all his journeyings the length and breadth of the dominion he had never seen a prettier one.

Dorothea did not want to go to the opening of the house. She said, "We were there last year, and it will be exactly the same as then." We will see the same people in the same dresses that we see every day, to which I replied, "It will be like listening to the same singers at the only difference being that they sing under different auspices. Now let us go and see all these people under the auspices of her majesty, the queen, as represented by the Lieut. Gov., Sir Leonard Tilley." Dorothea didn't seem to mind going under such distinguished patronage and was a gathering of ladies

such as one does not often see. Everyone seemed to be there. The legislative councillors seats, as well as all available chairs were filled, and the room was packed back to the doors. The dear old central figure of the group. At his right was Major Gordon, aide-de-camp, while at his left was the chivalry in blue and red lined the passage way leading to the throne.

In the lower house, while waiting for the appearance of the members, the people admired the new canopy above the speaker's chair, and especially the red erub curtains designed to protect him from the draft. The chair evidently possesses the attributes of awe and majesty, for the little pages in immaculate white gloves never failed to bow respectfully in the presence of the speaker. The attention was headed by the sergeant-at-arms, who conducted the speaker to the chair, behind the speaker came the chaplain, Dr. McLeod, the dear old priestly Tweedie. Among all who entered, the polite Pugsley was the only one who did not forget to make his bow to the speaker. The dear old figure of the throne was painfully suggestive of crossing the Bay of Fundy when the weather isn't particularly fine.

Saturday afternoon, after going to the library for a book, Dorothea proposed dropping in to the ladies' gallery, to see how things looked with all the members gone home for Sunday. The dear old sofa with a couple of trainers, who she remarked showed such blissful ignorance that Dorothea thought her duty as a patriotic citizen to enlighten them.

"Ah, pardon me for interrupting you, but could you tell me who that gentleman is down there?" "Yes, certainly; that is Mr. Poirier the member for our county." "Only been in the house a year," remarked Dorothea and then she asked the question, "Who is that Rufus-like man at the extreme right?" "That is Mr. Hanington, leader of the opposition. Is he a good speaker?" "Yes, very; although there is a good deal of bluster about him, he is always very much in earnest. He talks about 'Let us hearken and hear what the opposition hath to say to the government. Behold ye have not kept the promises ye made when ye were brought up out of the land of the opposition, but ye have broken every substance in riotous living, subsidizing too many useless railways, and ye have followed too much the desires and desires of your own noses, cutting down the school marns' salaries, and there is no health in you; therefore will we go over and drive you out and destroy you, and we will give you land to possess it." To which Mr. Blair, looking up at the cathedral bell tolling for the members, together with their horses and carriages, and your many friends, and come over and do it, my honorable friend," Mr. Hanington, not having the visible requisite of followers, like Tar Baby, "say nothing" of importance, but sits there and mutters "I will not give up my office," and other like remarks.

"Dorothea," I remarked, "if you keep on making speeches like that and the franchise is down there, you will be down on the floor of the house yourself some day."

"No," said Dorothea, with great decision, "I never shall. It is all well enough to look on from here and see them putting one another's noses out of joint, and to watch the members of the opposition in making his maiden effort, after which he goes home and tells his wife he was as cool as an iceberg; it is well enough for them, as they like it, but I never want to see the women cutting up such capers as that."

MONCTON.

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

MARCH 18.—Lent is drawing to a close, with more than its usual rapidity. In fact the season of penitence has passed this year like a dream, because the faithful have managed to have such an exceedingly good time, rarely has the week gone by without some entertainment of a social nature and the Fridays have been especially honored in that respect. Some little excitement seems to have been especially prepared for each Friday so that people should not have an opportunity of missing the church services which have been omitted this year, owing to the lack of a resident clergyman.

Even the congregation of St. Bernard's seem to have felt the influence of the general disarrangement of things, for they gave a concert in the Opera house last evening. To be sure it was the annual St. Patrick's day entertainment, and the good saint's special day has an unpleasant propensity for coming during the holy season of lent. However, the concert was an unqualified success, and as Moncton people are always generous to amateurs, the opera house was literally packed.

The original object of the entertainment was to raise the credit of the church, and the entertainment was met with rapturous applause, and some well deserved encores, but the feature of the evening was the opera of "Penelope," which was performed with unusual skill, for amateurs. Mrs. Lavash won golden opinions as Penelope, while Dr. Bourque and Mr. Curry were inexpressibly funny as "Pitcher" and "Tosser." The amount realized was \$200, which goes towards the building fund for the new St. Bernard's church.

The next attraction will be the entertainment by the Amateur Dramatic club, which takes place on Friday evening at the Opera house. It is a little surprising when one considers that nearly all the members of this well known club are members of the Church of England, that they should present their dramas on a Friday in Lent. Of course, *Chacun a son gout*, and tastes differ, but people who do not belong to the English church are inclined to make unfavorable comments upon the inconsistency of the proceeding, and then the church people who are "mad," and who have been taken with the preparations for the performance, the pieces selected being a clever little comedy, *The Chinese Gown*, followed by *The Loan of a Lover*, and as the proceeds go towards the Springhill relief fund, it is to be hoped that the amateurs will be greeted by a good audience.

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themselves, and that is the great point; being Friday evening there are no lessons to be learned, and one is only young once, so long may the dancing class continue.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fawcett, of Sackville, were at the Brunswick, yesterday. They were on their return from a trip to the United States.

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DORCHESTER.

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MARCH 18.—Now that lent is so nearly over, people are beginning to prepare themselves, both outwardly and inwardly, no doubt, for the coming of Easter, and brighter times generally. Dress-makers and milliners are beginning to feel the influence too, and no doubt the array of new bonnets and gowns that will appear on Easter Sunday will gladden the hearts of the wearers, even if they have a correspondingly depressing effect on the spirits of the fond husbands and fathers who have to pay the piper. Things are looking up in other ways, too, and already we hear pretty pronounced rumors of various dances that are being planned for us after Easter, for nothing, it is said, should be allowed to mar the joyousness of the season.

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ST. ANDREWS. MARCH 17.—St. Patrick's day, and many a shambled displays its vivid green against the black background of the pedestrian's coat as one walks the streets and meets the holiday keepers who delight to know their patron saint.

A colob party is to be held at the residence of Miss Sprague this evening; the number of tickets is limited to 40. The proceeds are to be devoted to the Presbyterian church fund.

The new organ for All Saints' church has been placed in position and tuned. Being placed further out in the chancel than the old one, it can be much better seen by the congregation, and is quite ornamental. It was built by Mr. Peters, of St. John, and is said to be a fine toned instrument.

Prof. Buell, wife and child, are registered at Kennedy's hotel. The professor gives an exhibition of views, displayed by the oxo-hydrogen light, in the Roman Catholic church this evening.

The concert company continue their practices with unabated vigor. The ladies and gentlemen who are to take part in it are busy getting their costumes in readiness, and their concert, which takes place on the 2nd of April, bids fair to be a success. Their last practice took place last evening at the residence of Mr. W. B. Morris.

Messrs. G. D. Grimmer, and R. E. Armstrong, of the Beacon, went to Fredericton last week. Mr. R. E. Armstrong has rented from Mr. Geo. Jackson his house near the Beacon office, and is having it thoroughly overhauled and repaired.

Mr. Julius Whitlock drove down from St. Stephen Thursday, bringing with him, Miss Bessie Tilley, and Mrs. Geo. Clarke. A small steamer also brought down about 20 gentlemen. They all returned the same evening.

The whist club met on Wednesday instead of Tuesday evening on account of Prof. Buell's exhibition. It is reported that Dr. Foster is soon to return to his home in Philadelphia.

Mr. T. H. Street, spent a few days in town last week. Messrs. Estes and Chas. Kennedy drove to St. George last Saturday, returning on Sunday.

Mr. Geo. Coster, of St. John, arrived in town yesterday, and is registered at Kennedy's hotel. Miss Love returned from St. Stephen this morning.

It is seldom that I have to record so much illness in one family, but our rector has his whole household down at one time. Dr. Ketchum himself is quite ill, and has been unable to attend to his services either yesterday or today. Mrs. Ketchum is suffering from a severe attack of bronchitis, and Miss Ketchum is confined to the house by a heavy cold.

MARCH 18.—One of the most pleasant events of last week was a party given on Thursday by Mr. and Mrs. William Rivers. Mrs. Rivers has the happy faculty of making herself an agreeable hostess alike to old and young, and the late hour to which the evening was prolonged proved that her reputation was well sustained.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Baker entertained their friends on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Tilton has returned from Ottawa. Mr. Wellington Camp of Hillsborough is visiting Mr. Long.

Rev. J. C. Titcombe spent a Sunday at Waterford, a parish that has been without service for some length of time. His place here was supplied by Rev. R. Mathers.

Rev. L. B. Fowler, a former rector of St. George's, Carleton, now rector of Dexter, Me., assisted at the church of the good Shepherd last Sunday evening. Fairville was, until quite recently, a mission attached to Carleton, and to all his old friends and parishioners, Mr. Fowler's presence was a great and unexpected pleasure.

Mr. and Mrs. James Manchester left by train last night for Florida, where they intend to spend several weeks. Mr. Ferris has gone to Bathurst for a few days. The children of Mr. J. Masson who have been ill with diphtheria are recovering.

BATHURST. [Progress is for sale in Bathurst at A. C. Smith & Co's store.] MARCH 18.—Miss Emma Miller has been confined to her room with a very severe cold. I am informed she is feeling much better today.

Mr. W. H. Chisholm still continues very ill. Mr. Gus McLaughlin left on Monday last for Dorchester, where he has accepted a position on the penitentiary official staff.

Mr. Horace Cole is in town today. Hon. Judge Wilkison is presiding at county court which is in session this week.

The Bathurst division, S. of T., are preparing the drama, *Little Brown Jug*, and I am told they intend putting it on the boards after Easter. There is considerable talent among the members of the division, and besides the play is under the management of Mr. W. F. Draper, so that we have reason to look forward to their entertainment as a treat.

DIGBY, N. S. MARCH 17.—There is not much of interest to write about at present. Lent has reduced the young people to a very humdrum existence. The "lasses" I wish I could say "lads" too—who last year were dancing merrily at this season, are now devoutly attending daily services, wind, muddy roads and unpleasant weather proving no hindrance to their religious zeal. Then, into almost every household a gripe has forced its way, but its victims are too numerous to mention.

On Thursday a large number of Oddfellows arrived from Halifax, Annapolis and Yarmouth, to organize a lodge here. Several of our prominent young men became members. It was a successful affair, and wound up with an oyster supper at the Bay View house.

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