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Nov. 25 .- The first Orpheus concert of the season came off on Thursday, the 19th, in Orpheus hall. The audience was large and brilliant. This club has now become so popular that the number of subscribers has largely increased, and I understand the tickets for this season were disposed of like hot cakes. The hall looks very pretty, having been repainted and undergone other improvements; there has been a new departure also in the costumes of those taking part. The ladies auxiliary appeared in white uniform dresses, the sopranos wearing blue sashes across the shoulder and the altos crimson, while the gentlemen wore rosettes to correspond. I don't know that I consider the uniform an improvement, but if the singers are satisfied with themselves, "Iris" should have nothing more to say on the subject, but since white is a color so trying to certain complexions, while black would be rather too sombre besides forming no contrast to the men, I am of opinion it would have been just as well to have continued as in the past, each lady adopting the color she considers most suited to her own peculiar style. The two choruses, "Annie Laurie" and "By Babylons," were rendered in fine style; of the two the former was perhaps the most popular. Dr. Slayter, who had the solo, was in capital voice, and the singing accompaniment was something quite novel. Many who went to

the Orpheus on Thursday evening heard Miss Homer, Miss Laine's successor, for the first time. I think indeed, it was Miss Homer's first appearance before the public since she has been in Halifax. This lady's style of singing is altogether different from Miss Laine's. Though her execution is more powerful she does not take her high notes with the same ease, neither not take her high notes with the same ease, neither is her voice so sweet, but Miss Homer understands

the art of how to sing most thoroughly.

The sad accident of Mr. Geoffrey Morrow was learned in the city on Tuesday afternoon with universal regret. It occurred while at the meet that afternoon, it appears his horse slipped while taking a stone wall and fell breaking its neck. How the rider, who was thrown over the horses head, escaped being killed, is a miracle. Mr. Morrow fractured several ribs in his tall and it will be some time before he is able to be about again. The accident will, I fear, throw a damper on the meet, but you know there are some people in this peculiar world of ours who need a sharp lesson to teach them prudence. Cross country riding in Nova Scotia is an altogether different thing from cross country riding in England. For one thing the soil is too rocky, it is so hard without any give to it, besides horses hate to jump stone walls, being in danger, owing to the staggling way in which they are built, of alighting on a pile of loose boulders on

the other side. The students of Dalhousie give an 'at home' one evening this week. It is the College Foot Ball team who are giving it, hence the number of invitations are limited to the immediate friends of the club. It is to be a dark dress high necked affair, which considering the fact that, there is to be no dancing, strikes sensible people as being the right and proper

Looking at things from a social point of view, it has been exceedingly dull this week, there not being a single dance to chronicle. But all St. Luke's people, I am told are so busily engaged working for their bazaar, which takes place early in Decem-ber, that they have no time for social dissipation. The fair promises, I understand, to be thoroughly successful, preparations being on a grand scale.

Football still continues to be the order of the day. Regardless of mud or drizzling rain, foggy or misty, there they are on the Wanderer's ground knocking and pummeling each other in turie enthusiasm rolling in the mud or grabbing handfuls of hair out of each others heads—on it goes that wildly boisterous game until the umpire calls victory, and then and then only do they desist, while the victorious are cheered loudly and long as they proudly march from the field. They are muddy and grimy and not pleasant to look upon, but have they not come off first in the field? Pride and triumph swells in their breasts; according to their own calibre they are about the best fellows

On Saturday afternoon last, the pupils of the Ladies college gave a musical which was much enjoyed by the parents and friends of the youthful performers. At four p. m., the hour appointed for the concert, the spacious music Hall was filled to overflowing by the many guests who had been invited. The entire programme was carried out very successfully, passing off without a hitch The high class of music and the masterly manner in which it was rendered, reflected great credit on the teachers. Miss Beatrice Whidden de lighted everybody by the wonderful way in which so tiny a young lady handled that difficult instrument. Following is the programme: Overture-Comachos Wedding..... Mendelssohn

Miss Emma Edwards and Mr. Porter. Piano (a) Cantable Etude......Heller
(b) The Bell.....Burgmuller
Miss Katie Gordon. Violin-Carnival of Venice, variations ...

Miss Kathleen Homes accompanied by Miss Louise Tupper. Duet-Galop.....Brunner Valse.....Brunner Miss Amelia Wright and Herr Doering. Piano-Swedish Wedding March.....Svedermann

Miss Maggie McKenzie.
Violin—Fantasie on Suavian Song
Miss Anna Mitchell, accompanied by Miss Beatrice Salter. Piano-NocturneLeyback
Miss Ethel Bentley.

Sonata for piano and violin.... Miss Beatrice Salter and Mr. F. Tracy.

AMHERST.

[Progress is for sale at Amherst, by George Douglas, at the Western Union Telegraph office.] Nov. 25 .- Rev. Mr. McKenzie, of Pugwash, preached in St. Stephen's church on Thursday evening for Rev. D. McGregor, it being a preparation sermon before communion which took place on

Mr. E. L. Foster, of Halifax, was in town last week. Mr. Foster has the honor of belonging to the highest order in masonry, having taken the 33rd

Mrs. Gibbons, of Parrsboro, was a guest at the vicarage this week, returning home on Tuesday. Mr. Walter Moore, of Montreal, is at present in town visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas

Mr. and Mrs. Dimock Cummings, who went to Denver, Col., last spring to locate, have returned again, owing to the lamented death of Mr. Oliver Cummings. Mr. Dimock Cummings will take charge of the business in Truro, Mrs. Cummings and little daughter are at present visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Baker. A supper ou Wednesday evening of last week at Fort Laurence, in aid of St. Alban's church, proved quite a success, about \$50 being cleared. A musical recital by Mr. Barnaby and his pupils

early in December is one of the treats we are look-Evangelist Chubbuck, died at his residence in Dorchester, Mass., on Wednesday, the 18th inst., of bright's disease. His numerous circle of friends both here and elsewhere will feel deep sympathy

for Mrs. Chubbuck and family in their affliction.

Mr. and Mrs. Inglis Bent spent last Sunday in

Dorchester with their friends. Mrs. Dunlap, Mrs. Quigley, Mrs. Rhodes, Mrs. C. Christie, delegates to the W. C. T. U. convention

in Boston, are all at home, having arrived this week.

Mrs. Roberts, of Fredericton, is at present
visiting her brother, Rev. D. Bliss, at Westmorland. Mrs. Hennessey, of Baugor, Me., has been spending a week or two with her parents, Rev. D. and Mrs. Bliss.

Mrs. H. Stevens and child, of Moncton, are Miss Reynolds, of Halifax, is in town. Mrs. and Miss Crane, of Baie Verte, have re-

Mr. Henry Black, sub-collector of customs, of Pugwash, was in town this week. HALIFAX, N. S.

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DARTMOUTH.

Nov 25.-The temperance question is just now the all-absorbing one with the majority of Dartmouthians, and the meetings held in Reform club hall, at which Mr. Nicholls very thoroughly discussed the question, were largely attended by mem bers of all the religious bodies, who seem to unite in this matter. Mr. Nicholl's is a most pleasing speaker, and all that he says he substantiates by facts, which, of course, goes further than anything else to convince his hearers. The meeting on Sunday afternoon, at which all the Sunday school children were present, was a most enthusiastic one; and, judging from the interest displayed by the young people, it would seem that the rising generation are fully alive to the necessity of doing away with what has been the cause of sorrow and ruin to so many homes. It is devoutly to be hoped that the so many homes. It is devoutly to be hoped that the present movement may result in putting a stop to the selling of intoxicating drinks by the proprietors of the numerous small shops in Dartmouth, which, I fear, has been pretty freely indulged in of late; even if the beverage sold is only table beer, what difference so long as its effects are intoxicating.

The railway bridge connecting Halifax and Dartmouth is now completed and the first train passed over it on Friday last, all who have freight to be conveyed will of course find it a great convenience. conveyed will of course find it a great convenience to have a daily train to Halifax, but it is doubtful if it carries much live freight, for the bridge being much like its predecessor and also of, wood there is no guarantee that it may not be dislodged by a pass-ing train; however we will hope for the best, and trust when it does go it may again yield to the vio ence of a storm at midnight.

Miss Clarke, of "Hazlehurst," is visiting friends

Mrs. and Miss Johnston and Miss Mott returned on Tuesday evening by train, after a pleasant fortnight in Boston.
Miss Hunt who has been staying with her brother
Rev. Ralph Hunt, at Jamaica Plains, returned at

Miss Murray of New Glasgow, is the guest of Mrs.

The first meeting of the Fortnightly club, which was held on Friday evening at Mrs. Douglas Dixon's was largely attended, and fully enjoyed, the night being so fine, and moonlight, the distance proved no drawback eved to a number from Halifax, Travellers and Tourist to the fact that the QUEEN has established a reputation for furnishing the best and cleanest bedrooms, and the best table and attention of any hotel in the maritime provinces, if not in all Canada. The QUEEN contains 130 rooms, and is fitted with all modern improvements, including bath-rooms and w.c's on every floor.

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KENTVILLE.

Nov. 25 .- Mr. Ernest Dodge has been confined to the house for the past few days through illness. Mr. Dodge and family have only recently moved into their new house in the lower end of the town, this being one of the five new houses which have lately been built adjoining each other. One of these, which is painted red with pretty trimmings, and which is built in that irregnlar style somewhat akin BUSINESS EDUCATION, to the Queen Ann, is a particularly attractive cot-

Miss Brock is visiting in Windsor among her many friends. It is whispered that Miss Brock intends spending the winter in the west, which fac all her friends are deploring.

Mrs. Gifkins spent Sunday in Halifax

Mr. Keen, who is representing Pankhurst & Co., of London, is in town purchasing apples from the orchardists of the surrounding country. The members of the Presbyterian church met on Thursday, Nov. 19, to organize a Christian Endeavor society. Rev. Mr. Begg explained the purpose for which they had met and introduced Rev. Mr. Rogers who came from Windsor. Rev. Mr. Coffin, of Waterville, also spoke. The pledge was explained and a list of the members taken. This will doubtless be a successful venture, for the presbyterians are always, one and all, determined to succeed in whatever they undertake.

We had another foot-ball match on Saturday, played by the Halifax Academy team and the Kentville juniors. Kentville was impolite enough to win the game, which, although creditable to themselves, we are looking forward, with pleasure, to Friday evening at which time H. N. Shaw, B. A., together with the Acadia Double quartette will give a recital and concert in Margeson's hall. Rumors of a quiet wedding, in fact two of them,

An attendant at St. James church has handed me a paper, which he found in his seat, containing the sermons to be preached during the approaching advent season which will, no doubt, be listened to by more than the usual church goers. The sermons will bear upon the forfeiture of the kingdom by the first Adam; its restoration by the second: stages in the development of the kingdom; the kingdom in reference to Christ, His church and His Jewish people; and lastly, the victory, its possibility and rewards in the glories of Christ's future kingdom.

TRURO, N. S.

[PROGRESS is for sale in Truro at Mr. G. O. Ful-

Nov. 25 .- Last Wednesday being the first anni-The Channel Packet contains 8 Xmas and New Year versary of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Wilson's marriage, Cards, 5 cents.

The Arctic Packet contains 15 Xmas and New Year about ten or twelve couples of their mutual friends surprised them at their residence, Lower Prince The Horse Shoe Box contains 6 Xmas and New street, on that evening. They were accompanied by Murray's orchestra, from New Glasgow; and, The Father Xmas Box contains 12 Xmas and New with some token suggestive of the occasion-the The Iridescent Packet contains 25 Xmas and New Year Cards, 25 cents. cotton wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, though completely surprised, welcomed their friends, and some The Atlantic Packet contains 25 Xmas and New ours were very pleasantly spent dancing to the delightful music provided.

Mrs. Fraser, who has been visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. R. T. Craig, returned to her home in The Univalled Box contains 50 Xmas and New Year The Farringdon Box of Assorted Cards contains 2 dozen cards of various tints and shapes, 45 cents. Pictou yesterday.

The funeral of the late Mr. Jas. Miller took place

The funeral of the late Mr. Jas. Miller took place from the residence of the deceased's father-in-law, Mr. Jas. R. Blair, on Thursday last, and was largely attended. The pall bearers were: Mr. Hugh McKenzie, Mr. Geo. A. Layton, Mr. A. Patterson, Mr. Albert Daggett, Mr. A. Campell, Mr. Gordon Crowe. Mrs. Miller has the sympathy of hosts of friends in her bereavement.

Mr. H. C. Blair is recovering from an attack of lung trouble which has confined him to the house for about two weeks.

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Mrs. Munroe, of Port Elgin, N. B., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Johnson.

Mr. D. C. Cummings returned last week from Colorado. Mr. Cummings will again enter the firm of M. Cummings & Sons. Mrs. Cummings and Miss Tende are still in Amherst visiting Mrs. Cummings parents, Mr. and Mrs. Baker.

Mr. Mel. Smith left last week for Boston.

Dr. E. Lamance and Miss Gertrude Lamance spent vesterday at the capital.

spent yesterday at the capital.
Suivelsby Manor will be closed this winter, as
Mrs. Cummings and Master Eugene will spend the winter in the south.

Mrs. McLellan, who has been visiting her sister,

Mrs. Frank Pierson, in Halifax, returned home on Saturday last.
Capt. A. W. Marsters is registered at the Lea-Peg. ANNAPOLIS.

Nov. 25 .- Mrs. W. Willet, who has been visiting her mother at Canning, returned home on Tuesbay. Mr. J. S. Carder, agent of the S.S. Monticello, is visiting Boston. Mrs. J. J. Ritchie is moving into her new house

on St. George's street. Mrs. J. M. Owen is confined to the house by sick-

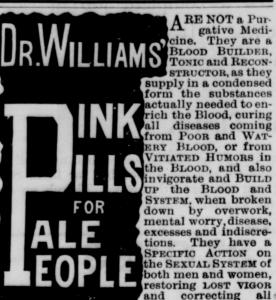
Miss Danielson is in town, having taken charge of Mrs. W. DeBlois' house during her absence in Hali-I understand that Miss Maud Crozier, lately matron of the Church of England Infirmary at Halitax, is coming to take charge of the Ritchie house,

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last week.

Miss Remson is quite ill.

A very quiet wedding took place at the residence of Capt. C. Pickles on Wednesday, when his second daughter, Miss Lizzie, was united in marriage to Mr. E. Phillips, of Halifax. The bride looked very handsome in a quiet costume of navy blue and gray with hat and cloak to match. The groom's present to the bride was a very handsome piano. The bride was also the recipient of many numerous and handsome presents from friends. The happy couple took the train for their future home in Halifax, followed by the good wishes and congratulations of lowed by the good wishes and congratulations of their many friends in Annapolis, including—



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