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This is the merry month of May! Can you realize it dear reader? Doesn't it seem but yesterday that we were shaking hands and wishing one another "A happy new year "? So swift has been the flight of time changing the days into weeks, the weeks to months it seems impossible that nearly half the year has already past away. But away with moralizing! Let us reserve our meditations for the autumn when the falling leaves remind us that "all that's bright must fade." At this season we have other thoughts for, what says the poet?

In the spring a livelier iris changes on the burnished dove. In the Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love. Yes, Spring is a time when we prefer to look forward, not backward. So far we have been awaiting the robins return and the bursting of the buds, but with very little realization to our expectations. The east wind seems to hold us as a vice and we know that if certain poets had lived in Nova Scotia there would have been less said about gentle spring. However, we are told "that all things come to him who will but wait "so we will hope for the best."

"If it would come out warm enough to allow enough grass to spring up so that we might play tennis"! I quote a young lady whom I overheard making the remark at the conclusion of the annual meeting of the South End Tennis club, one day during the past week. At the meeting it was decided to have the courts put in order directly the weather permits; the regulations to be the same as last year, also to be conducted under the former excelent management; consequently it is not surprising that all who are fortunate enough to be members of this select club are anticipating the time when, armed with their racquets, they wend their way towards Young avenue, where may be seen the grounds belonging to the club, with its neat little pagoda, which is taken possession of on every Thursday (the guest day) by numerous mammas, who watch the players while discussing the latest

topics current in social circles.
While society folks were desotee at the continued chilly weather, one fasnionable lady was seized with a bright idea, which was no sooner conceived than it was put into execution, proving most successful in banishing all ennui. It was nothing more or less enlivening than the old fashioned game of hare and hounds. A merry band of ladies and gentlemen started out from the residence of Mrs. Grier, Ens. cote, North West avenue, one evening last week, and had a jolly run in pursuit of the hare, or hares, there were two by the way) but they were not to be caught, the two young ladies, Miss Kate Kenny and Miss Stairs, who undertook this part, reaching home before their pursuers. At the end of the run, everybody indulged with much zest in refreshments. I understand that hares and hounds is to be often repeated during the long afternoons by the residents of the north west arm. After all, it is capital sport and splendid exercise.

Just now the dances are few and far between, since Mrs. John Duffus', which took place more than a week ago. At homes continue to be the orker of the day. On Thursday last a large number of guests were entertained by Mrs. Harvie, at Bishopsthorpe, among whom were Colonel and the Misses Noyee, Mr. and Mrs. J. Stairs, Dr., Mrs. and Miss Farrel, Captain and Mrs. Clarkson, Mrs. and Miss Henry, Mr. and Mrs. Fuller.

Another afternoon tea was given on Tuesday last at the residence of Mrs. Hatton, South Park street, to which flocked a goodly number of the fair sex, having domaed the new spring costume in honor of the event; indeed the ladies looked so sweet that, to quote one of the sterner sex, the room looked like an animated flower garden.

The opera troupe have departed, but the amateurs are doing their utmost to amuse and entertain in musical circles. Last week the Doerings gave another of those charming recitals at their residence, Church street. Owing to their rooms being small limited number of invitation tickets were issued, consequently the assembled audience was not large, but quite of the creme de la creme, including Mr and Mrs. Stairs, Duffus and Lady Archibald, Col. and Mrs. Ryan, and Col. and Mrs. Worsley. Herr Doering played divinely on the cello, while a vocal duet rendered by Mr. Huestis and Mrs. Clarkson

was much liked. The last concert of the season was given on Tues day last at the church of England institute. The institute was crowded to the very doors. Everyone was delighted with the programme rendered; the best local talent in the city taking part, and there are numerous regrets that these musicales do not continue during the summer months. Mrs. Percy Lear's solo, "Hagar in the desert," was exceptionally good; Mr. Sobeski's "Looking back" was the piece of the evening. This gentleman possesses a very fine voice and sings with much expression.

While the local parliament is in session there are always a certain number of official dinners going on. As a rule the licut. governor gives one or two in the week. On Tuesday last one of these took place at government house, also one by the attorney general at his residence, South street, on Monday. Society is looking forward to welcoming Mr.

F. D. Corbett and his bride, who were married on Monday last, at Cornwall, Ont. The bride is the widow of the late Dr. Moren, of this city, and the daughter of Judge Pringle of Cornwall, Ont., from whose residence the wedding took place. H. M. S. Pelican arrived at the dockyard from

Bermuda on Saturday, being en route for New-foundland. She remained here but three days, so that society had very little opportunity of opening its hospitable doors to the gallant officers. I had almost forgotten to mention the Dalhousie convocation, as I am sure there are many fair read-

ers of Progress deeply interested in all that con cerns this university. On Thursday, the 23rd, the Academy of Music was well filled with the students' friends and relatives. The proceedings were opened as on former occasions by Principal Forrest, after which the graduates came forward to receive degrees and diplomas-quite a number of fortunate students having conferred upon them the degree of B. A., several LL.B., also a few M. D.'s. One sweet girl graduate, Miss Baxter, in her graceful sweet girl graduate, Miss Baxter, in her graceful gown and hood, was enthusiastically applauded as she went up for her gold medal. There were three of these charming lady bachelors—Miss Baxter, Miss McNaughton and Miss E. Goodwin. Other students who received B. A. were: J. W. Brehant, G. H. Cox, F. A. McMillan, W. H. McGee, C. E. McMillan, J. F. McCurdy, C. L. Moore. A. C. L. Oliver, H. B. Stairs, T. F. West, J. A. Grierson, F. W. Thompson, J. B. McLean, J. S. Kennedy, D. D. Hngh, J. A. McGlashan, A. V. Morash, and C. B. Robinson. Among the LL.B.'s were T. Cahalane, E. P. Allison and J. McDonald.

The benefit testimonial concert to Prof. Porter

The benefit testimonial concert to Prof. Porter comes off on Thursday evening. So long anticipated, it is expected to be one of the best affairs

The commandant of the French steamer Cachar entertained a party of friends at dinner one day last week. The grand salon was very prettily decorated with Chinese lanterns of various hues. The guests included the following: The Spanish Consul, Madame and Miss Lluch de Diaz, Monsieur and Madame Balval, Mr. LeBlanc, M. P. P., and the ship's surgeon, Dr. Ansermind.

Miss Blanche McKinley is visiting friends in St.

John where she went to assist as bridesmaid at the wedding of her cousin which took place last week. Miss McKinley upon the return of the bride is to receive with her, and consequently her absence will be somewhat prolonged. On the 1st of May, Mrs. McKimley who with her two daughters has been spending the winter months at the Halifax hotel will move into her residence on Pleasant street. About the same time there is to be a general exodus among the winter residents of that hotel, Mrs Fisher and family returning to their home in Massel. Dr. Parker and family to Dartmouth and Dr. Cowie and family to the Bedford hotel where they are shortly to be joined by their eldest son, Lieut. Charles Cowie, who since receiving his commission at the Royal military college, Kingston, has been abroad

One of the attractions for the coming week will be the Redmond Barry theatrical company. Mrs. Barry's success as an actress is so widely known that we are in expectation of another popular season at the Academy. Mr. Redmond is an old favorite, and was immensely liked during his sojourn in Halifax two summers ago.

Dr. and the Misses Fitch have returned to Wolfville, where they intend residing during the summer. The doctor and family have been spending the winter at Mrs. Easdiles family hotel on South

tained a large number of guests at five o'clock tea at the Queen hotel. Youth, beauty, and fashion, assembled en masse. Among those present with the control of the control assembled en masse. Among those present were:
Mrs. and Miss Henry, Mr. W. A. Henry, Judge
and Mrs. Townsend, Col., Mrs. and the Misses
Goldie, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Fuller, Mrs. Stairs
Duffus, Mrs. Clarkson, Dr., Mrs. and Miss Farrell,
Major and Mrs. Harvie.

Mrs. Charles Stubbing, H. M. S. dockyard, gave a five o'clock tea on Tuesday. The day was fine, and the fair sex hied them thither in strong force.

Mrs. Stubbing is a charming hostess. Miss Stubbing also looked very sweet, and assisted with her usual also looked very sweet, and assisted with her usual gracefulness in entertaining those present. Among the numerous guests were Mrs. A. F. Jones, Miss Nagle, Major and Mrs. Harvie, Mr. and Mrs. Stairs Duffus, Miss Kenny, Mr. Cornish, Mr. and Mrs. Vizard, Dr., Mrs. and Miss Slayter, Capt. Riddle, R. N., and officers of the *Pelican*, Miss Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kenny, Rev. Mr. LeMoine, Mrs. LeMoine, Mr. and Mrs., and Miss Stayner.

Sir John Reid and his daughter have been visiting the city, the guests of Judge and Mrs. Townsend.
On Friday evening Miss McGarry gives another of her popular entertainments at the Ladies' college. The performance is entitled "The Mouse."

umber of this lady's pupils will assist.

Mr. Frasır has purchased "Fairfield," the charmng residence of the late Mr. John Stairs, at the

Mrs. Klingenfeld is getting up what promises to be a very successful bazaar which is to be given the first week in May. It is in aid of charity and is to continue for three days. The principal feature will be the bazaar in addition to which will be given each evening an entertainment. The first night Herr Klingenfeld assisted by several of our best mateurs will hold forth in concert, on the second, Mrs. Jarley's Waxworks will be the attraction, and on the third tableaux vivants.

On Saturday evening last several of the society writers informed us that private theatricals were shortly to be given. As yet I have heard no particulars and fear it was but idle report. How ever, if there should be any truth in the rumor, know Society will be more than charmed, as there is no entertainment in which it evinces greater interest, than an affair of this description.

From Another Correspondent.

APRIL 29 .- The concert at the church of England Institute, last Thursday, was a great treat to music lovers. The quartette did the greater part of the work, both in singing solos and also in a trio, between Mrs. Lear, Mr. Sobeski, and Mr. Blois, and a quartette between the three above named and Mrs. F. Tremaine, who at the last moment, was obliged to take the contralto part. Mrs. Taylor the usual contralto of the quartette, having met with a severe accident which prevented her appearing at all. The voices blended well. Miss Tremaine played the accompaniments with spirit. The audience were so pleased with "The Blue Danube" as sung by these ladies and gentlemen, that I heard many say they hoped to hear it again at an early Mrs. Lear has a very beautiful voice, and sings with perfect ease, entirely free from any of ne gauche nervousness which so often mars the beauty of amateur singing, and her rendering of "Hagar in the desert," was quite lovely, and was rapturously encored. The whole programme was well carried out. Some of our local papers have selected as the gem of the evening, "The Angels Whisper," sung by Mrs. Tremaine with a violin obligato by Miss G. Tremaine, but I think Mr. Sobeski's "Donnipure" was the best song on the programme, and he sang it most artistically and

The latest excitement has been the "hare and hounds" race, by some of the society ladies. The Rev. Mr. Norman Lee, garrison chaplain, started as hare, and was followed by the "girls and boys" in couples. They went straight across country, wire fences being no obstacle, and after a brisk run of an hour returned to Mrs. George Francklyn's house, Emscote, N. W. A., for tea and rest. It seems to be a not very feminine thing to do, and certainly women never look their best while runing. Neither do I think it a dignified nor a healthful exercise for our sex. Some of the girls were terribly "done" the next day, and could not if they would, have tried another such afternoon of

Mrs. John Duffus' dance last week was a social success—not too crowded, good music, good supper, and altogether was, as the first ball of the season generally is, a delightful affair.

The shops are looking very bright and pretty, the milliners' shops being (next to the "sweet" shops the most attractive. Really the bonnets are absolute absurdities! Some of them being hardly more than a rose! I went to one of the openings, but the prices were too steep for my poor purse. For ina band of jet, with a yellow rose and ospre at the back, no crown, was twelve dollars. whole thing was not larger than the saucer of coffee cup, and a sudden fog or shower would have meant ruination! Again, a little clump of migno nette and a few daisies, eighteen dollars. I shut my eyes, clutched my pocket, and made blindly for street. It was a case of home and at once, or debt, and I chose the former.

I have seen some lovely tea gowns at some of the tores. I do think a pretty graceful woman looks very attractive in a tea gown. The long train gives an air of dignity and stateliness which one never ems to possess when attired in a short round skirt. Morris street is desolee over the absence of one of its most charming ladies, and now soon there will still be one less to dispense hot rolls and other tooth-

some dainties. Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Jones are taking their little family to their pretty home on the shores of the North West Arm, where they usually pend the summer months

There was a musical recital at the Conservatory of Music on Friday last, which was one of their best efforts. It was given for the entertainment of some of the members of the local parliament and only the most advanced pupils were brought forward. There were nineteen numbers on the programme, almost too many, as it makes it a long evening, but as there are no encores allowed, I do not think the listeners wearied, though I am sure some of them were by no neans music lovers.

The members of the Yacht club have done a kind

and graceful act in throwing open their rooms to ladies, and as a result, all the girls are ready to receive them with open arms. Of course, I speak metaphorically! There does not seem to much chance for yachting now, and if this weather lasts, I truly believe we shall have another skating carnival! Sealskin ackets and fur-lined cloaks are still in wear, and it lmost looks incongruous to see us wrapped to our noses in furs and on top of our heads a bunch of brilliant spring flowers, commonly called a hat or bonnet. There is one comfort for us, though, and that is, summer always bursts upon us suddenly, and we seem to spring from furs to muslins in our

Mrs. Robert Boak had a most delightful euchre party last Friday, at which many of our pretty girls were present, the list being headed, I am told, by Miss Mitchel, one of our late debutants, tall and

There was also an "At home" at the Sailors' home on Friday evening, which was well attended, and under the new management gave entire satis-

Mrs. John Wallace entertained her friends at a arge five o'clock tea on Tuesday last. I hear of a ball to be given in a fashionable house in South Park street at an early day. There are very few dances, so far, among the extreme fashionables. Most house keepers are fully occupied with chimney sweeps and paperers, getting things in trim for the summer campaign, when of course the presence of the jolly tars makes a vast difference in the state of society. Tennis parties, ship parties, and parties of all sorts will then be plenty,

and we society writers will be much easier in our minds for material to write about.

Mrs. Klingenfelt the wife of "our violinist," has undertaken what seems to me a rather gigantic affair. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 4th, 5th and 6th of May she has a bazaar from 4 to 6 in the afternoons, and on Monday evening it will be continued and diversified by a concert at which some of Herr Klingenfelt's best pupils will perform and at which will appear for the first time his pupil orchestra. On Tuesday the same bazaar-part of it-and Mrs Jarley wax works in the evening; on Wednesday ditto. ditto. and tableaux "Vivant" in the evening They are hard at work as you may imagine, and am sure the affair will be a success. The proceeds are to go to a charity in which Mrs. Klingenfelt is

much interested. "On dit," we are to have amateur theatricals at the academy soon-of that also more anon. RHODA NEALL.

TRURO. N. S.

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

APRIL 29 .- Miss Elaine Gliska, of Halifax, opened her dancing classes here, last Friday, afternoon and evening, and bids fair to be very popular. Miss Gliska is a guest of Mrs. Y. A. Kaulbach, at the rectory, when in town.

Dr. E. Laurance and family are removing from the cottage they at present occupy on Willow street, to the Reading cottage on Queen street east.

Mrs. Owen Henderson, of Pictou, was a guest of her mother, Mrs. R. Craig, sr., a tew days last week. Rev. Mr. Lutz, former curate of St. John's here, now of Amherst, was in town for a few days last week. Mr. Lutz, after a short stay in Amherst, will proceed to St. John, where his talent will no doubt appreciated at the "Mission chapel."

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Burroughs are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Campbell, Halifax road. Edward K. Hood, of Boston, gave an elocution ties very much appreciated.

Your correspondent wishes to apologize for the erroneous statement as to Mr. C. R. Coleman's

Hall's Hair Renewer is free from alcohol and dyes that injure the skin. It is scientifically prepared, and will restore gray hair to its original color and

PICTOU, N. S.

[PROGRESS is for sale in Pictou by Jas. McLean.] | Hewson. APRIL 29 .- The recital given by the music pupils of Miss Annie Macdonald in Convocation hall, Pictou academy, last Friday evening, was a great success. There were over 30 pupils present. Miss Macdonald has had a very large class all winter. The new term begins on Monday, May 4. The programme was as follows:

Mr. A. Ferguson.
Ryder—"Blush Rose" Polka...Miss Nettie Garvin

Mercandante—"Brightly shines the morning Star" (Four hands). (Four hands).

Misses Francis, Ferguson, and Maggie Logan.

Blake—Nocturne......Miss Rose Hockin
Diabelli—"Audante" (4 hands)........

Messrs. MacDonald and F. Green.

Grobe—"Home Sweet Home" (variations)...

Mary Davies
Gung'l—"Alpine Echo". Anna Stalker & Ida Hobbs
Balloi — March from "Norma".

Teachers-piano and voice, Miss Annie Macdonald; elocution, physical culture, Mrs. Annie Hyde

MacRoberts; violin, Mr. J. Victor Frazee. The piano solo by Miss Kate Thompson was splendidly rendered. Misses Mary Davies, Minnie Dawson and Bessie Graham also played very well. Miss Laura Fullerton's solo, "The Day is Done," was sung very well indeed. Miss Fullerton has a rich contralto voice and sings with a great deal of taste and expression. Mrs. MacRoberts' reading was very well given.
Mr. Peter Macdonald, who is attending Dalhousie

ollege, is home for his holidays. Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Grant left last Monday for Miss Dwyer returned home Thursday of last

veek, from California, where she spent the winter

with her brother. Mr. A. Macrae, of St. John, was in town last Mr. Edward Matheson, of Pictou, left last Monday for Yarmouth, having been appointed city en-

Mr. C. B. Robinson, who is attending Dalhousie ollege, came home last Monday. Mr. W. Campbell, of Tatamagouche, spent las, Sunday here. Rev. Mr. MacCurdy, of New Glasgow, preached in Prince street church, last Sunday, morning and

Dr. J McMillan has moved into one of the offices Primroll Bros.' building, on Water street.
Mr. Dimock, of the Merchants bank, Halifax, spent last Sunday in town. Miss Falconer, who was visiting friends at Thor-

burn, returned home last Monday. Mr. W. Tanner was in Amherst, on business, last Halifax, last week. JOAN.

WINDSOR, N. S.

APRIL 29 .- The social ball has begun to roll. Mrs. King gave a dance last Thursday evening, and on Monday Mrs. Gossip had a little dance.

Mr. Peters, of St. John, was in town last week. Dr. Townshend, of Parrsboro, and Mr. Woodworth, brother of Mr. J. Woodworth, were also here for a day or two last week.

Mr. W. H. Payzant, of Halifax, formerly of Kings college, has been in town for a few days. Mrs. Wm. O'Brien has returned from Halifax. Mrs. Coffin, who has been visiting Dr. Haley, has

returned to Ottawa, accompanied by her mother. Mr. Clifford Shand was in Wolfville on Monday. Miss Annie Pratt and Miss May Pratt have gone to Halifax for a few days.

I noticed a Sunday or two ago an addition to the choir of the college chapel. Two very small members have been added, Masters Wilfred Wills and Harold Fay. They marched in at the head of the choir with great gravity, looking like a pair of cherubs in their white robes. The W. C. T. U. gave an entertainment in Reform

Club hall last evening, the band discoursed sweet music and justice was done to the refreshments. This entertainment was, I believe especially for the young men, and probably the ladies in charge remembered the old saying about the road to a man's

There was a cricket match on Tuesday on the ground in front of the collegiate school, between the school and the town, the school came off victorious

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Curry and Miss Lawson are expected home from Bermuda in May. Gerrish nall looks quite deserted, and everyone will be glad to see its doors open again.

Miss A. E. Robinson is in Boston. She is ex-

ected back next week. Mr. Stephen Wiggins is in New York. Mr. Watts has returned from Boston. There is a woful dearth of news this week. I hink everyone must be housecleaning and therefore

in depressed spirits. DIGBY, N. S.

APRIL 28 .- Mr. Joseph Starr, of Halifax, was n town Monday and Tuesday of last week, the guest of Mrs. Merkel.

Miss Pickman went to Annapolis on Tuesday,

and is still absent. We are all very sorry to lose Capt. Corbett and

family. They are returning to their beautiful home in Annapolis. During the years they have lived in Digby, Capt. Corbett has proved himself a most valuable citizen, and he will be greatly missed in all ranks of life. Mrs. Corbett has always been a favorite, and her absence leaves a void not easily

Mr. Clinton, having sold his pretty home in the North End, has removed to the house in the South End formerly owned by Capt. Bennett. Mr. H. B. Churchill has taken possession of his new home, about a mile out of town, and Mr. Parker has rented the Churchill homestead.

Miss Fieda Churchill is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Churchill. Miss J. Ambrose and Mr. Willis Ambrose came from St. John on Saturday.

Mrs. George Bingay and Mrs. Van Buskirk Bingay of Yarmouth are at the Digby house for a few

Mrs. E. Fritz gave a very pleasant party to a number of her friends on Saturday evening. She has invitations out for another entertainment this evening which will no doubt be equally enjoyable. The Odd Fellows celebrated the anniversary of he founding of their order last Sunday evening, by attending service at Trinity church, where they listened to a very able discourse from Dr. Ambrose. Miss Jamieson entertained her dancing class and ome other friends last evening at her home. The little ones enjoyed the dancing immensely and certainly do great credit to the teaching they have had. The refreshments at the close of the evening seemed to be greatly appreciated.

PAUL PRY.

AMHERST.

[PROGRESS is for sale at Amherst, by George Douglas, at the Western Union Telegraph office.] ARRIL 29 .- The usual first of May removals are going on this week with considerable vigor. Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Robb have vacated the cosy little cottage on Douglas avenue and removed to the ary recital here Tuesday evening last, to a very good house in the Y. M. C. A. hall. Mr. S. E. Bigelow's songs during the evening were special-October for the henefit of Mr. Robb's health residence of Mrs. Alex. Robb for the summer. I

October for the benefit of Mr. Robb's health. Senator Dickey left on Mondry night by the C. P. R. for Ottawa. Warden and Mrs. Forster, of Dorchester, were in

town on Friday. "An ounce of prevention, &c." Do not neglect that cough! One bottle of Puttner's Emulsion (the cough medicine par excellence) taken now, may save you weeks of illness, and a long doctor's bill. Large bottle, only 50 cents.—Adet.

Mr. Robert Hewson, barrister, of Moncton, was in town last week, the guest of his uncle, Dr. C.

Mr. David Chapman, of Dorchester, spent a day or two in town last week, the guest of his son, Mr. Mrs. O'Rouke with her infant son and nurse turned last week after a six months stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Innis, at Ploughkeepsie, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. O'Rouke will reside here during

Mr. Dimock Cummings and Mr. M. Atkins, of Truco, sons-in-law of Mr. John Baker, of this town, left here last week with their families, with the tention of making Pueblo, Col., their future home. Mrs. Main, Holm Cottage, gave a pleasant dance on Tuesday evening for her son, Harold, who leaves shortly to enter the office of the Halifax Banking

Co., in that city.

Mr. Bishop left on Monday evening for Montreal.

Mrs. Fulmer has been spending two or three
weeks with her aunt, Mrs. Foster Parker. Mrs. Charles Smith and daughter, Jessie, of Port Greville have been in town for a week or two,

visiting their relatives. There are a number from Sackville in town today, Among the number are Prof. Mack and Curry, who assist, and Miss Landers who gives a reading, Miss Cogswell, also Miss Bliss, of Westmorland, who are

nests of Mrs. Dickey, Grove cottage.

Mrs. Harris and children returned this week to the vicarage from their stay in Truro. Mr. Lutz is spending this week in Truro; will return on Friday.
Mrs. J. A. Dickey left on Wednesday for Windsor attend the funeral of her cousin, Mr. W. Mac-

where she has been spending some weeks with her mother, Mrs. Whidden. Meg. SACKVILLE.

[Progress is for sale in Sackville at C. H. Moore's

Mrs. Lay is expected home today from Maitland,

APRIL 28 .- In spring-time the young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love. This is an old saying which has been often quoted, but fails to be true in this part of the country, and instead the young man's fancy lovingly turns to a new overcoat. I always delight in seeing my sex well dressed, and I think so far the young men have shown considerable taste in choosing their light summer coats.

On Saturday Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Parson arrived from New York. I can't say home, as their time is equally divided between New York and Sackville; however as we have them one month longer, I think they belong to us. Their hosts of friends extended them a warm welcome. There is something so irre sistably charming about Mrs. Parson that fortunate indeed are those who have the pleasure of her ac-

Mr. J. D. Phinney was in town on Tuesday. Rev. C. F. and Mrs. Wiggins spent Friday in Dor-

Mr. David Dickson, of Moncton, and Prof. Sterne, Amherst, were in town on Wednesday. Mr. J. R. Inch went to Moncton on Friday. Mr. J. R. Ayer went to Halifax on Friday.

I noticed the stalwart form of Mr. Jack Robinson town on Saturday.

Josiah Wood, M. P., and Mrs. Wood left for Ottawa on Monday. Senator Botsford was bound his junior friends would not get ahead of him, and eft on the same train. Last week, two of our stately ladies, in their pic

turesque costumes, were out riding, and many an dmiring glance followed them, as they sauntered lown the street. That fascinating sport, shooting, is going full blast again, with all its joys and sorrows, but so far as I can hear, the birds have cut their wisdom teeth, and the energetic sportsman returns weary and sad

When two more suns have come and gone, and two more moons have smiled in soft and bewitching loveliness over our beautiful village, there will be a wedding, and two hearts will be made to beat in COPPERFIELD.

only to start out again the next day with renewed

ANDOVER.

APRIL 27 .- The maple candy social, given by the ladies of the Methodist guild, on Monday evening of last week, was much enjoyed by those present. During the evening Rev. Mr. Johnstone gave a reading and Miss Edith McElroy recited "The Polish Lad" in her usual pleasing manner. Master Britt Murphy rendered an organ solo very nicely. Mr. S. P. Waite sang "Leaf by Leaf the Roses Fall," and responded to the hearty encore with "Barney O'Hea," accompaniments by Miss Mary Bedell. The candy was delicious, the only trouble being not enough to appease the appetites of the

The 67th Battalion band gave an open air concert, on the carriage bridge, Thursday evening. I understand they intend giving a ball on the 22nd May, which will no doubt be well patronized, as we have not had a dance since before Lent. It is to be hoped there will be a band stand built this summer, as it seems a pity that we cannot enjoy the music oftener than we do through the summer.

Miss Edith Tibbits entertained the whist club Thursday evening. Those present were Miss Julia Rivers, Miss Emma Bedell, Miss Ethel Tibbits, Miss Mary Bedeil and Miss Josie Miller, Messrs. F. Saddler, J. Kupkey, H. Beveridge, J. Turner, E. Stevens, M. Bedell, R. Bedell and P. Cyr. It was a very pleasant little party, and all hope that more

Mr. Frank Watson is spending a few weeks in Mr. John Magill, of Fort Fairfield, spent Sunday Mr. Reed Bedell, of Salmon River, is spending few days at the home of his father, Geo. Bedell. Mr. Benjamin Beveridge, of Minneapolis, paid us

Mr. Frank Whitehead, of Fredericton, is in town. Mrs. J. Allan Perley is visiting Mrs. Wm. Mac-Mrs. John Stewart entertained 25 of her married and single lady friends to a quilting party on Friday

WELDFORD STATION.

[Progress is for sale at Mrs. S. J. Livingston's grocery store, Weldford Station. APRIL 28. - Mrs. Edmond Powell, formerly of Richibucto, was in town on Friday.

Rev. Wm. Hamilton, of Kingston, was at the Central on Friday. Mr. James McDonald, of Middle Coverdale, A.

Co., and Mr. Herbert Irving, of Buctouche, were at the Central on Saturday evening. Ex-Councillor Beloni Richard, of Rogersville, was at the Eureka yesterday.

Judge Landry was at the Central yesterday en route to Richibucto.

Mr. Joshua F. Black, of Richibucto, spent two or three days here last week, and left for home on Sat-Mrs. Dr. Keith returned from Richibucto on Sat-Mr. John W. Miller, of Millerton, was in town

Mrs. M. T. Glenn, wife of the proprietor of the Central, still continues in a critical state and with no

Mr. William G. Millar, of Mortimore, spent Sun-lay at Rogersville, the guest of Mr. Lutz. Miss Jessie Dunn returned from St. John by Frilay night's express train.

Miss Mary Buckerfield, of Campbellton, is in cown visiting her brother, Mr. E. B. Buckerfield.

Dr. R. P. Doherty, D. D. S., of Moncton, is at the

Eureka today. Miss Minnie McDonald, of Middle Coverdale, Albert Co., is visiting at the Central.

Mr. John Stevenson, of Richibucto, was in town yesterday, and proceeded by train east.

REX.

PARRSBORO.

[Progress is for sale by A. C. Berryman, Parrs poro bookstore.] APRIL 29 .- Mr. C. Young, of Calais, was in Parrsboro a day or two last week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Young.

from Windsor by the Hiawatha on Thursday. Mr. George McKeen, of St. John, spent Saturday and Sunday in town at the Minas hotel. Mr. B. D. King, of the Halifax Banking Co., has been transferred to the Amherst branch of the bank, greatly to the regret of his relatives and

Dr. Townshend and Mr. G. Woodworth 'returned

Mr. S. W. Smith went to Windsor Friday and returned Monday. Mrs. King has gone to reside with her son, Mr.W.

Some fancy the charms of the lily-white maid, Who faints in the sunshine and droops in the shade, And is always "just ready to die." But give me the girl of the sunshiny face, The blood in whose veins courses healthy and free,

With the vigor of youth in her movements of grace.
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CHARLOTTETOWN.

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Chappelle's bookstore and by S. Gray.] APRIL 28 .- I was thinking this morning, while reading some of the bright letters in Progress, how many advantages the lady correspondents possess over us poor mortals! She can write of all the sweet spring styles; the fetching costumes and the charming tout-en-semble of her sex. She knows exactly what tickles the feminine fancy, and what will be acceptable in their eyes, while we, of the sterper sex, are forgetful of those pleasant little items, and rush head-long into very common-place

remarks. Early Wednesday morning the First Methodist church was the scene of an interesting ceremony, when Mr. Richard Goff, one of our leading and popular merchants, was united in marriage to Miss Millie, eldest daughter of Mr. R. Wilson Higgs. The bride looked very pretty and was becomingly attired in a handsome travelling suit of fawn cloth with hat to match. She was attended by her sister, Miss Katie Higgs, and Miss Louise Dawson, both wearing becoming suits of light grey. The groom was supported by his brother, Mr. Lewis Goff and Mr. B. D. Higgs, the young and popular editor of the Morning Guardian. After the ceremony, the happy couple left in the Stanley for an extended trip to the United States and Europe, followed by the best wishes of a host of friends. This happy event was foreshadowed some time ago, and now I hear whisperings that the same church is soon to e the scene of another gay and interesting event, when the junior member of a popular dry goods house, will lead to the altar a well known and highly esteemed young lady. Dame rumor has that a bright and interesting spinster, who is a general favorite, is about to gladden the heart of a youth of 70 summers, who resides on the esplanade, and that a popular post office official will soon claim the fair daughter of a young gentleman, who once held a high government position in this city.

The local legislature met on Thursday last. There was a very large number of spectators at the "opening," and quite a change in the faces of the group, which clustered at the right hand of the throne this year. The ladies, who had been attending year after year under the conservative rule, were absent, while the wives and daughters of the liberals looked very charming in their places. Among those present I noticed Hon. L. H. and Mrs. Davies, Hon. Thomas W. and Mrs. Dodd, Mrs. Peters, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Matherson, Mrs. Haws, Mr. Lewis Car vell, Mrs. and Miss Botsford, the Misses Palmer, Miss Dawson, Miss Laird, Hon. D. Laird, Mrs. Macgowen, Miss Biake, Mrs. Henry Beer, Mrs. W. W. Sullivan, Senator Haythorne, Hon. John Yeo, and Senator Montgomery. Soon after three o'clock his honor, the lieut .- governor arrived, and attended by Col. Irving, Lieut. F. P. Carvell, Aidesde-Camp, Mr. Harrison Carvell, private secretary, Hon. A. A. McDonald, and Captains Stewart and Purdy entered the council chamber and took his seat upon the throne. Then followed the speech, and the general routine about which every one has heard, and the proceedings were over. speech I noticed the governor looked ill, and learned he had been suffering from an attack of "la grippe," from wh ch, I trust, he may fully and

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Heartz entertained a large number of friends at their beautiful residence, Westbourne," on Thursday last. Judge Kelley has so far improved as to be able to

walk out. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Matherson, who have been spending the winter in Charlottetown, returned to their summer residence at Campbellton on Satur-Mr. Horace Haszard is home again, looking well

after his trip to Halifax.

Mr. Charles Longworth returned from Montreal

ast week, where he has been attending McGill col-His many friends were glad to see him. lege. His many friends were glad to see him.

Dr. Jenkins has fully recovered from his attack of Hon. D. Gordon, of Georgetown, is registered at Hotel Davies. The Hon. Chief Justice and Mrs. Sullivan are

about removing to their handsome residence on the Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Carvell are suffering from Dr. Gillis, of Summerside, is visiting the city. The many friends of Mrs. Sidney Grey, formerly Miss Sophie Sulis, of St. John, regret to hear of her

death, which took place early yesterday morning. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved friends.

Mr. George F. Owen, of Cardigan, is paying us Mr. George R. Montgomery, of Alberton, is in The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Davies ender congratulations upon their recovery. Mr. Peter McNutt, M. L. C., of Malpeque, is a

mest at Hotel Davies. Mr. K. J. Martin, of Summerside, was in the city Hon. L. H. Davies, having fully recovered from is illness, started on Monday morning for Ot-

Mr. C. W. Jarvis, of Port Arthur, Ont., son of Dr. Jarvis, of Summerside, is visiting friends in Rev. Mr. Brewer, who has been seriously ill from

a grippe, is recovering. Hon. John Yeo left on Saturday morning en route

for Ottawa. Hon. Samuel Prowse is registered at Hotel Mr. Richard Hunt, of Summerside, is visiting us S-nator Montgomery has gone to Ottawa. Mr. William Campbell, of Milivale, is at the

Mr. S. F. Perry, M. P., left by the Stanley on Friday last for Ottawa. Mr. Jesse S. Burns, of Freetown, is in the city. Senator Haythorne left on Saturday morning for

Mr. George E. McDonald, the popular bookkeeper for Messrs. Matthew McLean & Co., of Souris, is visiting friends in Charlottetown. Rev. A. J. McDonald is in town. Mr. F. Morrow, of Souris, is among the late rrivals at Hotel Davies. Lagrippe is visiting the city, and is being enter-tained at Government House.

Mr. Henry Longworth's death was a sad surprise

to his many friends throughout the city, and the warmest sympathy is extended to the bereaved And now about the much talked of "fan drill" and the drama Esmeralda. The entertainment came off on the evening of St. George's Day, and with few exceptions, was faultlessly carried out. The night was perfect; the moon shone brightly over the city, enabling the theatre goers to hop this hole and skip that one, in the wonderful sidewalks, and so reach the Lyceum in safety. "Just for the fun of it," I went early and lingered near the door way to see the fair ones arrive. Carriage after carriage drove up and deposited precious darlings in "robes of satin and Brussel's lace," and really when I entered the building a few minutes before eight the tered the building a few minutes before eight the scene was a gay one. The ushers in full evening dress, were Mr. Cowen Rankin, Mr. Will Strickland, Mr. W. A. O. Morson, and Mr. Leith Brecken. As I made my way up the aisle, I noticed Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Matherson, Chief Justice and Mrs. Suilivan, Mrs. and Miss Conroy, Mrs. Haws, Col. Irving and Miss Hanford. Mr. and Mrs. Parker Carvell, Mrs. Scott. Mrs. Ethel Scott. Mrs. W. A. F. Scott. Mrs. Scott, Miss Ethel Scott, Mr. W. A. F. Scott, Mrs. Strickland, Mrs. Macgowan, Rev. Mr. Simpson and Miss Desbrisay, Mrs. Simpson, Mr. Chalmers and Miss Barrett, Mr. Lewis Carvell, Mrs. and Miss Blanche Botsford, Miss Moore, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Fitzgerald, Mr. and Miss Blake, Mr. and Mrs.

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Brenton Longworth, Mrs. Charles Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. McKinnon, Mrs. Ben Heartz, Mr. and Mrs. E. Chandler, Hon. L. H. and Mrs. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. Weeks, and the Misses Palmer; in fact every body was there and the house was packed. The performance opened with an overture by Mr. Vinnicomb's splendid orchestra, which deserves the highest praise. Then came the "Fan drill" by 24 young ladies, all of whom were charmingly arrayed

in elegant costumes. Twelve wore scar-let and white satin, and twelve blue and white, all being made in the same style and trimmed with white beads. On their heads were turbans to match the dresses, and although they were quite in keeping with the stage apparel, they were decidedly out of place in the audience, some of them being much higher than the average theatre bonnet, which the members of the Lawn Tennis club desired the ladies to remove. The intricacies of the drill were gracefully performed, and too much praise cannot be afforded Capt. Weeks for the pains he took with his interesting Weeks for the pains he took with his interesting company. Among the "24 young ladies" who took part were: Mrs. Malcom McLeod, Mrs. F. H. Arnaud, Mrs. G. Warburton, Mrs. A. B. Warburton, Mrs. Dr. Blanchard, Mrs. A. A. Bartlett, the Misses Desbrisay, the Misses Palmer, Mrs. J. R. Brecken, Mrs. James Palmer, Miss Newbery, Miss Ball, Miss Strickland, Miss Russell, Miss Barrett, Miss Hensley, Miss Brecken, Miss Haviland, Miss Beer, Miss Weeks and Miss Fitzgerald. After the orchestra had played aporther choice selection, the centain tra had played another choice selection, the curtain was rung up on the first act of Esmeralda. It would be quite useless for me to attempt to particularize, for the different characters were well sustained for the different characters were well sustained throughout the piece. Mrs. Blanchard as "Esmeralda," Mrs. Percy Pope as "Lydia Ann," Mrs. Malcolm McLeod as "Nora," Mrs. A. A. Bartlett as "Kate," Dr. Blanchard as "Old Man Rogers," Mr. A. A. Bartlett as "Dave Hardy," Mr. Arnand as "Estabrooks," Mr. Harrison Carvell as "Jack Desmond," Mr. Ings as "Drew," and Capt. Weeks as the "Erench Margnis," were excellent in every parthe "French Marquis," were excellent in every par-ticular. To the wonderful ability and faithful labor of Mr. Percy Pope, the accomplished director and stage manager, is unquestionably due the brilliant success of the performance which, to the highly pleased audience, passed off without a flaw; and now, in conclusion, let me breathe a word of consolation to those behing the scenes. No one noticed when the wrong chair wat touched in one scene, and that the table was not in the right place in another, though I was afraid that Mr. Pope's stern command, "Leave that chair alone," might have attracted attention.

A lady occupying a leading position in society, and who has hitherto welcomed that "ably conand who has intherto welcomed that aby solution ducted paper," Progress, with open arms, thinks she has discovered the author of these letters in poor "Jack D—," and is greatly displeased because of some innocent remarks he made concerning her sister. "Mamma never did like such things," she said, "and should any further reference be made to her it may become a case of "stop my paper!" It seems only natural for us to desire pleasant people to remain in our midst, and I was quite as sincere upon that point as upon my flattering remarks of the lady in question. Her displeasure is rather amusing, for, as a late well-known politician was wont to say, "Mr. Speaker, there ain't nothin' to it."

CAMPBELLTON.

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APRIL 29 .- As I write I see the handsome residence of Mr. Thomas Kerr in a blaze of light. The occasion being the marriage of his daughter, Ella, to Mr. Alexander Mowat of this town. The Rev. Mr. Carr is performing the ceremonies, and Miss Mamie Mowat, sister of the groom, is supporting the bride, while Mr. Geo. McKenzie is officiating in like manner for the groom. Only a few near relatives and friends have been invited.

Miss Ida Nelson, of Deeside, is in town, the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. P. Mowat. Mrs. F. W. Daniels, who was visiting her mother in St. John, returned home last week.

Miss Alice Mowat is visiting friends in St. John. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McIntyre and Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Henry McIntyre, Sunday Miss Ella Caldwell, of Dalhousie, is the guest of Miss Clara Kerr.

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