

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

MONCTON.

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APRIL 6.—The Josie Mills theatre company has proved a great blessing to Moncton this week, in the absence of any social attraction, and a very excellent company it is. They have made a delightful break in the already calm of the last few weeks, and speaking for myself and all of my friends whom I have interviewed on the subject, we have enjoyed her sojourn amongst us immensely. By the way, I wonder why we are always so hungry for amusement in Lent? I fancy it is on the same principle that such a very little thing makes us laugh in church. I believe that at the outset of my career as a society correspondent, I placed housecleaning upon the list of forbidden subjects, but in the present lamentable dearth of incidents of any kind around which to throw the glamour of my literary genius, I think I may be excused for mentioning housecleaning as the probable cause of the extreme quietude in social circles, because it shows every symptom of setting in very early this year.

One very pleasant event during the last week was a visit from Judge Huntington on Monday, and if the genial judge's good right arm did not ache before he had been in Moncton one hour, it must have been because its owner had gone through so many political campaigns that the muscles have become toughened past all sense of fatigue, so stiff and so heavy as to be a burden to the owner. He was accompanied by his wife and daughter, who were showered upon him. Our citizens are always anxious to secure the very best of everything, and the most anxious to secure Judge Huntington. I devoutly hope they may be successful. I am sure, as such an acquisition to our society is greatly to be desired, and I cannot see for my part why we have not just as good a right to the privilege, as either St. John or Fredericton, provided the judge himself has no objection to Moncton, as a dwelling place.

Miss Annie Cooke, who has been spending some weeks visiting friends in Windsor, returned home on Friday to the great delight of her Moncton friends.

Miss Symonds, who has been spending the winter in Moncton, left town last week for Sussex, where she intends to spend part of the summer. In spite of her rather delicate health, which prevented her from going out into society to any great extent, Miss Symonds made many friends during her stay in town, who will regret her departure sincerely.

Miss Jean Bruce spent Saturday and Sunday at her home in Moncton, returning to Mount Allison's music halls on Monday.

Miss Shaw, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Murray, returned home last week.

I regret to say that Mr. F. W. Moore, one of the most popular members of the Bank of Montreal's popular staff, has been obliged to return to his home in Halifax, on the sick leave. Mr. Moore was suffering from a severe attack of inflammation of the eyes which utterly incapacitated him from work.

Miss Whitney returned last week from a visit to Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Benedict and their two little daughters returned last Thursday from their long visit to Washington.

I regret to say that we have lost another of our young bachelors, Mr. Arthur N. Charters, having decided to try his fortune in the free and accepted a position in a railway office in St. Paul. Mr. Charters was a rising young barrister, and possessed numerous friends in Moncton, who will deeply regret his decision to leave Canada, but who will wish him every success in his new sphere of action.

Miss McKenzie, of Truro, is spending some weeks with Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Sumner, at their residence on Alma street.

The funeral of the late Hon. James Ryan took place on Friday afternoon from his late residence at Coverdale, to the Upper Coverdale cemetery. The funeral services held at the house and at the grave were conducted by Rev. Mr. Read, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Deinstadt. Notwithstanding the difficulty of crossing the river, which is spanned by a slight foot bridge, the attendance from Moncton was large. The pall bearers were all near relatives of the deceased, his brother, Mr. J. H. Ryan, and his sons, Messrs. Geo. F. T. Sanford, James T. and Heber W. Ryan. The very large attendance of friends from both sides of the river testified in some degree to the great esteem in which the deceased president of the legislative council was held.

Mr. Frank Ramsay, a well known and popular Moncton boy, now residing in St. John, returned on Friday a few days in town last week, and was cordially welcomed by his many friends.

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Miss Eaton, who has been the guest of Mrs. F. B. Edgecombe, returned to her home in St. Stephen on Saturday last.

Mr. Fred Gunter has returned home from his studies at McGill university.

Mr. Duncan P. Reid spent Sunday and Monday in the city.

Miss Carr, who has been the guest of Miss Fannie Leonard, returned home last week.

Mrs. Fred Fisher entertained a few friends to a delightful whist party Saturday evening. Those present were Mrs. W. E. Fenety, Mrs. H. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Wetmore, Dr. and Mrs. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Beckwith, Miss Beckwith, Prof. Bristowe and Prof. Duff.

Mr. W. E. Fenety is still confined to his room with la grippe. His many friends hope soon to see him out again.

The many friends of Mrs. A. F. Raulph are pleased to hear that she is recovering from her recent illness.

Mr. Miles B. Dixon spent a few days in the city last week.

Mrs. Robinson who has been visiting the city during the session of the legislature, has returned home.

Miss Lillie Estey has returned home after a very pleasant visit to St. John.

Mr. J. A. Wetmore and family are soon to leave the city and take up their residence at Blackville.

Mrs. Snowball of Chatham, and her guests, Miss Wilson of Edinboro, Scotland, and Miss McLaren of St. John, are guests of Hon. F. P. and Mrs. Thompson, Regent street.

Mrs. T. McCarthy, of Queen street, gave a very pleasant afternoon tea on Friday last week.

Mrs. Giles, above named, gave a delightful tea party on Wednesday last week. The drive was much enjoyed.

I hear of a young lady who is making her "farewell" call.

Mr. McGaffigan of Florenceville, is the guest of Mr. T. Lynch, Regent street.

Mr. Cornel of Woodstock, has been spending some days in the city, and has been remodeling his pleasant home on Brunswick street, and whose heart has hitherto been thought impregnable, has at last succumbed to cupid's darts, and will shortly enter the United States. The fair one is a resident of New York.

The musical and literary entertainment in the Baptist church on Tuesday evening, was very successful. The reading by Miss Richardson was especially good. Miss Tweedale and Miss Eva Yerca gave a very interesting and well arranged concert. Mr. Geo. Adams' solo was heartily enjoyed as was also Mr. Risten's instrumental solo. Mrs. Strickland was the accompanist of the evening.

There was immense interest in the church on Sunday morning. A deep interest is being taken in the series of meetings now being held.

The friends of Mrs. Philbrick will be pleased to hear she is much improved from her recent illness.

Miss Madge McLeod has returned home after a two months' absence in St. John.

Mr. W. W. Emmerson spent some days in the city last week.

The Orange lodge at Marysville last Friday night was very largely attended. Dr. and Mrs. Sharp entertained the speakers to a supper at their residence after the meeting.

Much sympathy is felt here for the family of Hon. James Ryan, whose death occurred on Wednesday last. Mr. Ryan, of Fredericton, was a member of the legislative council and house of assembly, the council all wearing black, and mourning on their sleeves. Mrs. Ryan and daughter and one son were with him at the time of his death.

The leading event of this last week have been the dinner party, Tuesday afternoon, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Fenety, and Saturday and Sunday evenings, when Sir Leonard and Lady Tilley entertained the members of the government, their wives, and other friends.

Lady Tilley also gave an afternoon today in honor of Hon. J. D. Fenety, Mr. Fellows, at which about 70 were invited.

Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Fenety are the guests of Mrs. Taylor, Sunbury street, St. John.

Messrs. Fred and Joe Tweedie are spending a couple of weeks in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gregory have the sympathy of many friends in the death of their beautiful little two-year-old daughter, Mildred, which occurred on Tuesday morning.

SHELIAC.

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CAMPBELLTON.

[Progress is for sale in Campbellton at the store of A. E. Alexander, wholesale and retail dealer in dry goods, groceries, boots and shoes, hardware, crockery, stationery, furniture, carriages and machinery.]

APRIL 6.—Quite a large company assembled at the residence of Mrs. James Gerrard on Tuesday evening, the fifth inst., to witness the marriage of her daughter, Lizzie E., to Mr. Charles W. Adams, of Broadlands. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. F. Carr. The bride wore a handsome costume of cream colored braize, and carried a lovely bouquet of Calla Lilies. The bridesmaid, Miss M. Gerrard, wore a very pretty and becoming dress of lawn colored cashmere. Many and beautiful presents were received by the bride, which attests the respect in which she was held by her numerous friends. After partaking of an elaborate supper the happy couple left for their new home, accompanied by a number of young friends and kind showers of rice.

Miss Kate Keen, who is teaching school at Charlco, spent Sunday in town and returned to her duties Monday morning.

Miss Cyr, of Charlco, who has been visiting Mrs. H. McIntyre, returned home yesterday. She was accompanied as far as Dalhousie by Mrs. McIntyre. Messrs. J. E. Price and E. Van Price, of the I. C. R. were in Moncton last week.

And we have lost another of our popular young men in the person of Mr. Sam Burns, who, for the last year or so, has been working in the telegraph office here. Mr. Burns left here Thursday last for Montreal, where he has accepted a lucrative position.

Miss Barberie, of Dalhousie, is spending a few days in town visiting the Misses Barberie.

Rev. A. F. Carr, of St. John, N. B., was in town on Friday, the 1st inst., and was entertained at a grand dinner in the Royal hotel by his brother Masons of Campbellton, Lodge No. 52. Beside the large number of Masons from town, there was also a big crowd from Dalhousie, who accompanied the doctor to that town the same evening.

Mr. John Sadeau, of Dalhousie, gave us a flying visit Monday.

SUSSEX.

[Progress is for sale in Sussex by R. D. Boal and S. H. White & Co.]

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Miss Anna Arnold who has been spending the winter with her cousin, Miss Mabel Shives, of St. John, returned home on Saturday.

The friends of Miss Alice Robertson are pleased to see her home after her long illness.

Mr. Frank Ramsay of Canso, was in town last Wednesday.

Rev. S. M. Wood of Springfield, spent two or three days in town last week, and was the guest of his daughter-in-law, Mrs. G. H. Raymond.

Mrs. O. H. Arnold is spending a few days in St. John this week. She was accompanied down by Miss May Arnold who has gone to Fredericton for a short visit.

Rev. A. Lucas is spending a few days at home.

Mr. Warren Byrne of Norton, is spending a few days with his parents Mr. and Mrs. James Byrne.

BUCTOWE.

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Rev. G. F. Kinnear also left this morning for Kinnear's Mills, Quebec, where he will remain a few weeks with his friends before going to New Richmond.

Mr. D. M. Doherty, from St. John, paid his sister, Mrs. J. A. Irving, a short visit last week.

Among the strangers here this week, I noticed Mr. Melvin from St. John, Mr. C. J. Sayre, and Mr. N. Hutchinson from Richibucto. Dr. D. O. Doherty from Kingston.

Judge James visited Moncton on Monday.

Rev. Mr. Jack occupied the pulpit in the Presbyterian church last Sunday and declared the pulpit vacant.

A Prize Puzzle.

It is a frog in a well, ten feet deep, how many days will it take him to get to the top if he climbs up one foot each day, and slides back six inches each night.