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HALIFAX NOTES.

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MARCH 23.—The rink party, given last Saturday evening by the ladies subscribing to the private afternoon, was as successful as so plucky an undertaking deserved to be.

There was a small dinner at Government house on Monday last, and one at Bellevue during the week. Sir John Ross gave as well a large euchre party on Thursday evening.

Mrs. J. F. Kenny had two dinners last week—farewells to her friends before leaving for the Labrador for England.

Mr. Henry gave a large card party and supper on Tuesday evening last, at her house in South Park street. Among the guests were: General Sir John Ross, Major Ferguson, Mr. Whyte, A. D. Co., Colonel Dudley North, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kenny, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Kenny, Mr. and Mrs. Troop, the Misses Troop, and Mrs. Whyte, Thomson, Carleton Jones, Miss Clark, Miss West, Miss Slaver, the Misses Kenny, Mrs. Duffus, Mrs. Troubridge, Miss Story, and Mrs. Whyte, Thomson, Burns, Wallace, Brady, Young-Bateman, Morrow, and many others.

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The spring fittings are already beginning on paper, if not actually. Among the people leaving town for the summer are: Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kenny and Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Kenny who have taken cottages on the Arm. Mr. and Mrs. F. Roberts who have bought the house recently occupied by Colonel Noyes will not move in until May. It is their intention to do it up from garret to kitchen in an artistic and modern manner.

Price Webster, the old favorite, is doing a fair business at the L'Espresso, with good old stock pieces, but it seems that Zera Semon is the only man who can make the little theatre "the fashion," though Mr. Webster certainly deserves a visit.

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TRURO, N. S. [PROGRESS is for sale in Truro at Mr. G. O. Faulstich's, and at D. H. Smith & Co.'s.]

MARCH 23.—Miss Montagu is here from Bermuda, the guest of her friend, Miss Fannie McMillan at the "Cedars."

Mr. D. H. Smith the senior partner of D. H. Smith & Co. has retired from the business, and has sold his interest to his brother, Mr. Wm. Smith, of Dartmouth, who will very soon remove with his family to Truro.

The funeral of the late Mr. George M. Odell took place on Monday last from St. John's church. Never has there been a funeral here evidencing so emphatically the esteem and sincere regard in which the deceased was held. His memory will long live. The floral tributes were magnificent. From the officials of the L. C. R. at Truro and Moncton, and the G. T. R. beautiful floral crosses. From the Truro conductors and the general passenger agent, Moncton, floral anchors. A beautiful arch from the C. P. R. officials, and from the L. C. R. officials at Halifax, a magnificent floral pillow.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Blair have the sympathy of a large circle of friends in the loss by scarlet fever of their little daughter, Dorothea, whose funeral took place yesterday.

Miss Nellie Marters, Kentville, is visiting Truro friends.

Rev. Thos. Cumming returned Monday night from Halifax, where, on Sunday last, he preached for Rev. D. M. Gordon. Mr. Gordon occupied the pulpit of St. Andrew's at both services on Sunday last, preaching to large congregations. Prog.

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AMHERST. [PROGRESS is for sale at Amherst, by George Douglas, at the Western Union Telegraph office.] MARCH 23.—Only a few short months ago I was literally at my wit's end and how to dispose of all the five o'clock gatherings in an appreciative manner, and had to carefully sandwich them in with various titles to avoid giving a progressive tea, but "We never miss the five o'clock tea, but we miss the continuous dearth of the past few weeks has given me a much higher valuation and I now find myself showering blessings of gratitude upon the noble host of Holly Hooley, Mr. A. W. Bateson, for breaking the monotony. A certain fascination attends the hospitalities dispensed at his handsome residence, which is not a mere matter of course, but a true occasion was greatly enhanced by the presence of two of Moncton's fairest—the Misses Thomson and Mr. Bateson, who immediately seized upon the opportunity, and the amiable ringer reaches me that Holly Hooley will pass into other hands on the first of May.

On Friday evening the ladies of the W. C. T. U. held a very novel and interesting meeting in the school room of the Presbyterian church. It was quite amusing to listen to the various experiences of some of the members in their efforts to increase the finances and showed that their fact was fairly equal to the emergency when the object in view was a worthy one. Speeches by the Rev. J. Strohman, Rev. Mr. McGregor, Mayor Dunlap, Dr. Black and Mr. Peppard, pleasantly interspersed with well rendered music by Miss C. Wilson, Miss Campbell and a number of others assisted by Miss Peppard of Springfield, helped to encourage the guests in their praiseworthy undertaking. Judging from a recent "shocking" occurrence in our town, music remains to be done in their field of labor that calls for the strongest support of our citizens for well the truth as we may, the dark shadow of intemperance hovers over our otherwise prosperous town.

Mr. J. A. Dickey left on Friday evening en route for Ottawa, from thence he expects to go to Hudson Bay Territory on business that will detain him for a year or more.

Mrs. F. Robb has returned from her pleasant visit to Halifax.

Mrs. H. J. Hogan, who has been spending a few days in Dorchester, returned on Saturday, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. S. Kinder, who intends to spend a few weeks in Halifax.

The whist club met last evening at the residence of Mrs. W. Douglas, where a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Mr. McKee and little daughter Marian, left today to visit friends in Halifax.

Miss Wood returned on Monday from River Hills, the guest of Mrs. Peppard, who has been the guest of Mrs. H. Duman, Havelock a week, left for her home in Springfield on Tuesday evening.

I regret to learn that Miss Stierle is suffering from a very painful illness that is causing her large circle of friends much anxiety.

Dr. C. O. Tupper arrived on Saturday from his journey to the States. He was accompanied on his journey by Mrs. Tupper who returned as far as Amherst, where she intends remaining for a few weeks with her friends. She is greatly missed from her place in the choir of the Baptist church, and I hope she will be heard of here again soon.

Mrs. W. B. Housley left on Monday for a short visit to the capital.

Mrs. Jewdry gave a very nice party on Wednesday evening at her pretty home on Laplanche street. It being the birthday of her daughter Lena, a large number of her young friends were present to enjoy the occasion, and right merrily they enjoyed it.

Mrs. J. Cove, of Springfield, spent last week in town, the guest of her sisters, Mrs. J. Cove and Mrs. R. Sharpe.

Mr. J. Rodgers has moved into the pretty house on Victoria street recently vacated by Mr. Tilden. Mr. Harry Dunlap left yesterday for Vancouver, B. C., where he goes to fill a position in the store of Dunlap, Gies & Co. We can all afford to wish such an estimable young man, as our list of bachelors seems to be getting hopelessly shorter every month. Last week he began the beginning of year that it would be otherwise.

The genial party formed to attend the concert in Springfield, on Thursday evening, was rather incomplete as regards numbers. When the train steamed from the depot at noon, excited enquiries and anxious looks failed to account for a fairly pair who meantime were mingling their charms with those of the rare exotica in the green house utterly oblivious of the sensation they were causing. Small wonder they should become lost in such a world amid such surroundings. The scene when they reached the platform five minutes late is better left to the imagination of those who doubt if a leading soprano ever misses another train.

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Mr. A. Peiton has gone to Montreal in the interest of his employers, Messrs. Rhodes & Curry.

Mr. T. C. Carvell of Charlottetown, P. E. I., was in town over Sunday.

The dime readings in connection with Christ church will be discontinued until after Easter.

Mrs. Nelson of Truro, who has been the guest of her aunt Mrs. D. W. Robb, Maplehurst, returned to her home on Wednesday.

Next week I will try to interest of our rising young mechanics and see if I cannot induce them to give us a ball at an early date. MARSH MALLOW.

KENTVILLE. MARCH 23.—Miss Nellie Masters has gone to Truro to visit friends, spending a few days in Halifax en route.

Mrs. W. H. Marsden arrived in town last week from England, where she now resides. Mrs. Marsden intends spending some months with her sisters, Mrs. Edgar Baker and the Misses Neary. The friends of these ladies will be glad to hear that they are not to move to Halifax in the spring as was at first thought, for Mr. and Mrs. Baker intend having a new house erected during the coming season, consequently the family will not leave until the autumn.

I have heard of another family that intends leaving the old familiar home scenes this year, Mr. John Blanchard, wife and daughter will move to Truro in the spring, as he reports. We all decidedly object to give up our other towns, but in such a wholesale manner. Two households in one year are more than we can spare.

The donation parties are getting rather old fashioned, and believe some ministers would be spent very seriously, but if all were as satisfactory in every respect as was this, much that has been said against such gatherings would be recalled.

Hon. T. C. Dodge is about again, after a very lengthy attack of the grippe. Mr. Dodge will probably be able to go to Halifax while the House is in session after all, though it was thought he would be "conspicuous by his absence" this year.

Mrs. Dodge is now confined to the house by a visitation of the grippe. Barclay Webster, M.P.P., paid a flying visit to home last week. Master Beverly Webster who is attending school at Grand Pre, spent Sunday at home.

Mr. L. De V. Chipman has returned from Halifax. Mrs. Wiswell who has been in New York, is home again.

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